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sera prévisible, et l'on pourra - sous des conditions d'intégrabilité à préciser - définir

$$\int_0^{\infty} dX_{u_2}^2 \int_{u_2}^{u_1} f(u_1, u_2) dX_{u_1}^1 = \int_0^{\infty} f(v, \cdot) dX_v^2(\cdot)$$

à condition toutefois de savoir montrer que cette intégrale stochastique ne dépend pas du choix accompli précédemment. Il reste donc beaucoup de points techniques obscurs. Cependant, l'étude du choix de bonnes versions a été commencée par Catherine DOLEANS dans [20].

Maintenant, le dernier morceau : si l'on veut que la formule (41.1) puisse s'interpréter comme un résultat sur les intégrales multiples, il faut poser

$$(44.3) \quad \int_{|u_1=u_2|} f(u_1, u_2) dX_{u_1}^1 dX_{u_2}^2 = \int_0^{\infty} f(v, v) d[X^1, X^2]_v$$

Sauf erreur de ma part, WIENER et ITO ont négligé ce terme dans leur définition de l'intégrale stochastique double par rapport au mouvement brownien. (NB : M. ZAKAI m'a dit que la méthode de WIENER en tient compte).

Passons aux intégrales d'ordre supérieur. Une intégrale triple

$$\int f(u_1, u_2, u_3) dX_{u_1}^1 dX_{u_2}^2 dX_{u_3}^3$$

se décompose en

- six intégrales du type  $\int_{|u_1 < u_2 < u_3|}$ , à interpréter comme des intégrales itérées.

- trois intégrales du type  $\int_{|u_1 = u_2 < u_3|}$ , à interpréter comme intégrales

1. Cependant, si  $f(u_1, u_2)$  est une somme de produits  $a(u_1)b(u_2)$ , il n'y a aucune difficulté de mesurabilité, et l'on peut souvent procéder par complétion à partir de ce cas. C'est ainsi qu'on fera plus loin.

## Orthogonal Functionals of Independent-Increment Processes

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*Abstract*—In analogy with the Wiener-Itô theory of multiple integrals and orthogonal polynomials, a set of functionals of general square-integrable martingales is presented which, in the case of independent-increments processes, is orthogonal and complete in the sense that every  $L^2$ -functional of the independent-increment process can be represented as an infinite sum of these elementary functionals. The functionals are iterated integrals of the basic martingales, similar to the multiple iterated integrals of Itô and can be also thought of as being the analogs of the powers  $1, x, x^2, \dots$  of the usual calculus. The analogy is made even clearer by observing that expanding the Doleans-Dade formula for the exponential of the process in a Taylor-like series leads again to the above elementary functionals. A recursive formula for these functionals in terms of the basic martingale and of lower order functionals is given, and several connections with the theory of reproducing kernel Hilbert spaces associated with independent-increment processes are obtained.

### I. INTRODUCTION

**M**ULTIPLE integrals of a Brownian motion (Wiener process) and the expansion of  $L^2$ -functionals in terms of these integrals were first considered by Wiener [1] and redefined in a somewhat deeper way by Itô [2]. Itô showed that his definition immediately gave mutually orthogonal terms, and he also presented their

properties similar to the Hermite polynomials, but Ogura [10, footnote 6] has rightly observed that they are no longer sufficient for expanding an arbitrary  $L^2$ -nonlinear functional of a Poisson process. [The difficulty arises from several facts, one of them being that, if  $N_t$  is Poisson,  $\int_0^T \alpha_t dN_t$  is no longer Poisson-distributed even if  $\alpha_t$  is a deterministic function, except in very special cases as for example when  $\alpha \equiv 1$ . On the other hand, such integrals of a Brownian motion are always Gaussian. There are several other more important reasons that will be presented in Section III.] It, therefore, is necessary to define more general orthogonal functionals, and this is one of the aims of this paper.

After a brief description in Section II of the Wiener-Itô-Cameron-Martin expansion of  $L^2$ -functionals of Brownian motion, we define in Section III functionals of general square-integrable martingales. For processes with stationary independent increments (SII) and their (Wiener)<sup>1</sup> integrals, they turn out to be the appropriate generalization of the Hermite polynomials associated with the Brownian motion and its Wiener integrals. In this case, we are able to show that they also have the important property of being mutually orthogonal. The



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$$\tilde{h}(x_1, \dots, x_{N-|y|}, -x_{N-2|y|+1}, \dots, -x_{N-|y|})$$

corresponding to the diagram  $\gamma$  in a simple way. This yields that in the present case the function  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$  defined in (5.2) can be written in the form

$$\tilde{h}_\gamma(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4) = \int \cdots \int h_1(x_1, x_2, x_4) h_2(x_7, x_8) h_3(-x_6, -x_2, x_9, -x_5, -x_8) h_4(x_3, -x_7, -x_9, x_4) G(dx_6) G(dx_8) G(dx_7) G(dx_9) G(dx_5) G(dx_9).$$

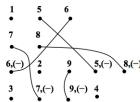


Fig. 5.3 The diagram applied for the calculation of  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$ . The sign  $-$  indicates that the corresponding argument is multiplied by  $-1$ .

Here we integrate with respect to those variables  $x_j$  whose indices correspond to such a vertex of the last diagram from which an edge starts. Then the contribution of the diagram  $\gamma$  to the sum at the right-hand side of diagram formula equals  $4!I_G(\tilde{h}_\gamma)$  with this function  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$ .

Let me remark that we had some freedom in choosing the enumeration of the vertices of the diagram  $\gamma$ . Thus e.g. we could have enumerated the four vertices of the diagram from which no edge starts with the numbers 1, 2, 3 and 4 in an arbitrary order. A different indexation of these vertices would lead to a different function  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$  whose Wiener-Itô integral is the same. I have chosen that enumeration of the vertices which seemed to be the most natural for me.

Naturally the product of two Wiener-Itô integrals can be similarly calculated, but the notation will be a bit simpler in this case. I briefly show such an example, because in the proof of Theorem 5.3 we shall be mainly interested in the product of two Wiener-Itô integrals.

*Example 2.* Take two Wiener-Itô integrals with kernel functions  $h_1 = h_1(x_1, x_2, x_3) \in \mathcal{H}_G^3$  and  $h_2 = h_2(x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4, x_5) \in \mathcal{H}_G^5$ , and calculate the product  $3!I_G(h_1)5!I_G(h_2)$  with the help of the diagram formula.

I shall consider only one diagram  $\gamma \in \Gamma(3, 5)$ , and briefly explain how to calculate the kernel function  $\tilde{h}_\gamma$  of the Wiener-Itô integral corresponding to it. Let us consider for instance the diagram  $\gamma \in \Gamma(3, 5)$  which contains the edges  $((2, 1), (3, 2))$  and

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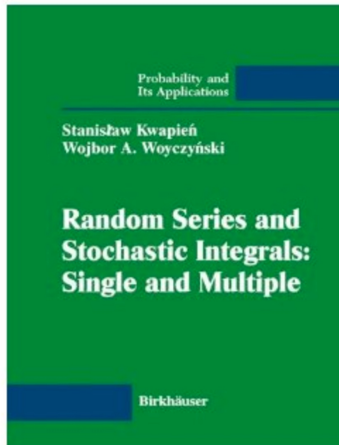
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## ON MULTIPLE POISSON STOCHASTIC INTEGRALS AND ASSOCIATED MARKOV SEMIGROUPS

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*Abstract.* Multiple stochastic integrals (m.s.i.)

$$q^{(n)}(f) = \int_{X^n} f(x_1, \dots, x_n) q(dx_1) \dots q(dx_n), \quad n = 1, 2, \dots,$$

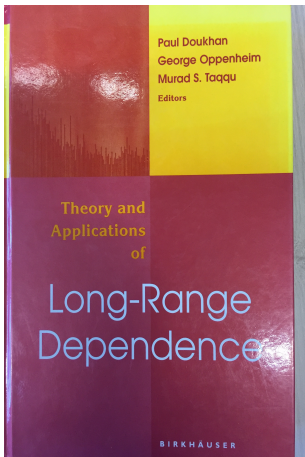
with respect to the centered Poisson random measure  $q(dx)$ ,  $E[q(dx)] = 0$ ,  $E[(q(dx))^2] = m(dx)$ , are discussed, where  $(X, m)$  is a measurable space. A "diagram formula" for evaluation of products of (Poisson) m.s.i. as sums of m.s.i. is derived. With a given contraction semigroup  $A_t$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , in  $L^2(X)$  we associate a semigroup  $\Gamma(A_t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , in  $L^2(\Omega)$  by the relation

$$\Gamma(A_t) q^{(n)}(f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes f_n) = q^{(n)}(A_t f_1 \otimes \dots \otimes A_t f_n)$$

and prove that  $\Gamma(A_t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , is Markov if and only if  $A_t$ ,  $t \geq 0$ , is doubly sub-Markov; the corresponding Markov process can be described as time evolution (with immigration) of the (infinite) system of particles, each moving independently according to  $A_t$ ,  $t \geq 0$ .

**0. Introduction.** It is well known that the analysis of the structure of  $L^2(\Omega)$ -spaces arising from the Gaussian and the Poissonian white noises has certain common features, the main one being the existence of an orthogonal system of "polynomials" ("orthogonal polynomial chaos") defined by means of multiple stochastic integrals (m.s.i.). In the Gaussian case, such integrals were first discussed by Wiener [15] and Ito [4] (on this ground called also *Wiener-Ito integrals*), and in the Poissonian case by Ito [5]. M.s.i. of both types have been applied to deal with non-linear problems in engineering (see, e.g., [16], [9], [10]), while "Gaussian" m.s.i. appeared to play a major role in many areas of mathematical physics (e.g., quantum field theory [11], statistical physics [1], [12], statistical turbulence [8], etc.). This physical interest led to a number of

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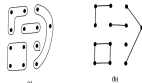


Figure 1. Two graphical representations of the same diagram.

Let  $\Gamma_{\nu}$  denote the class of all partitions  $(V_1, \dots, V_r)$  of  $W$ ,  $W = \cup_{j=1}^r V_j$ , by elementary diagrams where  $V_1, \dots, V_r, r = 1, 2, \dots, |W|$ . Then

$$z(\mathbb{R}^W) = \sum_{\Gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}} (-1)^{|\Gamma|} z(\mathbb{R}^{V_1}) \dots z(\mathbb{R}^{V_r}), \quad (1)$$

$$z(\mathbb{R}^W) = \sum_{\Gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}} z(\mathbb{R}^{V_1}) \dots z(\mathbb{R}^{V_r}). \quad (2)$$

Relations (2) and (2.2) between moments and cumulants are sometimes called *Lewy-Schur* or *Jensen* (Lewy and Schur [36]).

The following problem often arises in limit theorems for dependent random variables. Assume  $W$  is a finite set of mutually disjoint sets  $W_1, \dots, W_k$ , and for each  $j = 1, \dots, k$ ,  $Q_j \in \mathcal{Q}(W_j)$ ;  $i \in W_j$  is a polynomial in random variables  $X_i, i \in W_j$ . We want to express the moment  $E \prod_{i \in W} Q_i$  in terms of joint cumulants of  $X_i, i \in W$ . The corresponding expression involving sums of products of the cumulants over respective classes of partitions of  $W$  are known as *diagram formulae*. To that end, we need to introduce some definitions.

It is convenient to view  $W$  as a table whose rows are  $W_1, \dots, W_k$ . A diagram over the table  $W$  is a partition  $\gamma = (V_1, \dots, V_r)$  of  $W$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots$ . The class of all diagrams over  $W$  will be denoted by  $\Gamma_{\nu}(W)$ . Usually, a diagram  $\gamma = (V_1, \dots, V_r)$  can be pictured by circling each subset  $V_i$  by a rounded square (Fig. 1(a)), or by connecting its points by arcs as in the  $y$  component of graph with  $W$  as the set of vertices, each  $V_i, i = 1, \dots, r$  being a connected component of (Fig. 1(b)). (Note, however, that this graph is not unique and its edges are not the edges  $V_1, \dots, V_r$  of the diagram.)

**Definition 2.1.** A diagram  $\gamma$  is said to be *connected* if the rows  $W_1, \dots, W_k$  of the table  $W$  cannot be divided into two groups, each of which is partitioned by the diagram separately.

In other words,  $\gamma = (V_1, \dots, V_r)$  is connected if one cannot find a partition  $E_1 \cup E_2 = \{1, \dots, k\}$ ,  $E_1 \cap E_2 = \emptyset$ ,  $E_1, E_2 \neq \emptyset$ , such that, for each  $i = 1, \dots, r$ , either  $V_i \subset \cup_{j \in E_1} W_j$  or  $V_i \subset \cup_{j \in E_2} W_j$  holds.

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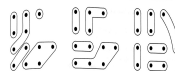


Figure 2. (a)  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}^c$ ; (b)  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}^d$ ; (c)  $\gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}^e$ .

upon (2.1) in mind, we call a diagram  $\gamma = (V_1, \dots, V_r)$  Gaussian if  $|\Gamma| = r = |W| = 2$  (obviously, this implies  $2 = |W|$ , i.e., the total number of elements of  $W$  must be even). Write  $\Gamma_{\nu}^c, \Gamma_{\nu}^d, \Gamma_{\nu}^e$  for the set of all connected diagrams and all Gaussian diagrams, respectively.

**Proposition 2.1** (The Diagram Formula for usual products).

$$z(\mathbb{R}^W) = E \prod_{i \in W} X_i = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}^c} z(\mathbb{R}^{V_1}) \dots z(\mathbb{R}^{V_r}), \quad (3)$$

$$z(\mathbb{R}^W, \dots, \mathbb{R}^W) = \sum_{\gamma \in \Gamma_{\nu}^c} z(\mathbb{R}^{V_1}) \dots z(\mathbb{R}^{V_r}). \quad (4)$$

(Of course, (2.1) follows trivially from (2.2)) is only included for the sake of comparison with (2.4). Formula (2.4) is well known and is sometimes called the decomposition over connected components (Malyukov [32], Malyukov and Mikhael [33]). In the case  $X_i, i \in W$  is a centered Gaussian system,  $E X_i = 0, i \in W$ , the corresponding sums in (2.1)-(2.4) involve only Gaussian diagrams. For any subset  $V = \{i, j\} \subset W, |V| = 2$  we write  $\nu = \nu_{ij}$ .

**Corollary 2.1.** Let  $X_i, i \in W$  for a centered Gaussian system,  $|W| = n$ . Let  $n$  be even. Then

$$z(\mathbb{R}^W, \dots, \mathbb{R}^W) = \sum_{\nu \in \nu_{ij}, i, j \in W, i \neq j} \prod_{i=1}^{n/2} \nu_i$$

if  $n$  is odd, then  $z(\mathbb{R}^W, \dots, \mathbb{R}^W) = 0$ .

Let us describe diagrams for generalized products (called also Wick or Appell products) of random variables. The generalized product of random variables  $X_i, i = 1, \dots, n$  in the multilinear form

$$\mathcal{H}_n(X_1, \dots, X_n) = (-i)^{n/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \dots \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i,j=1}^n \nu_{ij} X_i X_j\right) \prod_{i=1}^n X_i dx_1 \dots dx_n \quad (5)$$

We use the notation  $\mathcal{H}^W$  for the generalized product of random variables  $X_i, i \in W$ . Put  $z^W = 1$ . Let  $X_1 = \dots = X_n = X$ . Then  $\mathcal{H}_n(X, \dots, X) = A_n(X)$ ;  $A_n(X)$  is the Appell

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## RANDOM COMPLEX ZEROS, I. ASYMPTOTIC NORMALITY

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### ABSTRACT

We consider three models (elliptic, flat and hyperbolic) of Gaussian random analytic functions distinguished by invariance of their corner distribution. Asymptotic normality is proven for smooth functionals (linear statistics) of the set of zeros.

### Introduction and the main result

Zeros of random polynomials and other analytic functions were studied by mathematicians and physicists under various assumptions on random coefficients. One class of models introduced not long ago by Bogomolny, Bohigas and Leboeuf [5, 6], Kostlan [16], and Shub and Smile [23] has a remarkably unique unitary invariance:

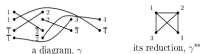
“... indeed it has no true freedom at all. It is (statistically) unique in the same sense as the ‘Poisson-process’, or the ‘thermal (black body) electromagnetic field’ are unique...”

Hannay [13, p. 1753]

Following Hannay [12], we use the term ‘chaotic analytic zero points’ (CAZP, for short). We consider here three CAZP models: the elliptic CAZP, the flat CAZP, and the hyperbolic CAZP called by Leboeuf [17, p. 654]  $SU(2)$ ,  $W_1$ , and

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*Proof of (2.16):* First, we make another reduction of the diagram and define a  $p$ -vertex graph with simple edges which couple the vertices  $i$  and  $j$  if and only if at least one of the pairs  $(i, j)$  or  $(j, i)$  was coupled in the original diagrams (without taking into account the multiplicities of the original coupling). We denote the reduced diagram by  $\gamma^{**}$ . For example:



Then

$$(2.17) \quad |V_\nu(t_1, \dots, t_p)| \leq \prod_{(i,j) \in \gamma^{**}} |\rho(t_i, t_j)|$$

where the product is taken over all edges of  $\gamma^{**}$ . We have to estimate from above the integral of  $|V_\nu|$  over  $T^p$ . Replacing  $|V_\nu|$  by its upper bound (2.17), we obtain the integral which factorizes into the product of integrals described by connected components of the diagram  $\gamma^{**}$ .

Let us start with one  $m$ -vertex component of the diagram  $\gamma^{**}$ . The component can be a complicated graph — anyway, we can always turn this graph into a tree with  $m$  vertices by deleting some edges (this procedure only increases the integral we are estimating). Having a tree, we choose a vertex belonging to only one edge and integrate it out, which gives us the factor  $(\sup_{t \in T} \int_T |\rho_\nu(s, t)| d\mu(t))$  and the rest of the tree which is a new tree with  $m - 1$  vertices. By induction, an  $m$ -vertex tree describes the integral which does not exceed

$$\left( \sup_{t \in T} \int_T |\rho_\nu(s, t)| d\mu(t) \right)^{m-1}.$$

Now, suppose the reduced diagram  $\gamma^{**}$  has  $k$  connected components and the  $i$ -th component has  $m_i$  vertices.<sup>10</sup> Then the right-hand side of (2.17) integrated over  $T^p$  does not exceed

$$\left( \sup_{t \in T} \int_T |\rho_\nu(s, t)| d\mu(t) \right)^{(m_1-1) + \dots + (m_k-1)} = \left( \sup_{t \in T} \int_T |\rho_\nu(s, t)| d\mu(t) \right)^{p-k}.$$

Since the diagram  $\gamma$  is irregular,  $k < p/2$  and we get (2.16).

<sup>10</sup> Observe that  $m_1 + \dots + m_k = p$ .

## A central limit theorem and higher order results for the angular bispectrum

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**Abstract** The angular bispectrum of spherical random fields has recently gained an enormous importance, especially in connection with statistical inference on cosmological data. In this paper, we analyze its moments and cumulants of arbitrary order and we use these results to establish a multivariate central limit theorem and higher order approximations. The results rely upon combinatorial methods from graph theory and a detailed investigation for the asymptotic behavior of coefficients arising in matrix representation theory for the group of rotations  $SO(3)$ .

**Keywords** Spherical random fields · Angular bispectrum · Central limit theorem · Higher order approximations

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### 1 Introduction

Let  $T(\theta, \varphi)$  be a random field indexed by the unit sphere  $S^2$ ,  $0 \leq \theta \leq \pi$  and  $0 \leq \varphi < 2\pi$ . We assume that  $T(\theta, \varphi)$  has zero mean, finite variance and it is mean square continuous and isotropic, i.e., its covariance is invariant with respect to the group of

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**Fig. 1** The partition of a graph into two subgraphs



$X_{R_i(\gamma)}$  can be viewed as a vector whose elements are indexed by  $m_{r_i, k_i}$ , where  $r_i \in R_i$  and  $\{(r_i, k_i), \cdot\} \notin \gamma_i$  (indeed those indexes  $m_{r_i, k_i}$  such that  $\{(r_i, k_i), \cdot\} \in \gamma_i$  have been summed up internally). For instance, for  $g = 2$  we have

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In Fig. 1, we provide a graph with eight nodes  $\#(R) = 8$  (right), and then (left) we partition it with  $g = 2$ ,  $\#(R_1) = \#(R_2) = 4$ ; the nodes in  $R_1$  are labelled with a circle, the nodes in  $R_2$  are labelled with a cross, the edges in  $\gamma_1$  and  $\gamma_2$  have a solid line while those in  $\gamma_{12}$  are dashed. Here we have  $3 + 3 = 6$  internal sums and six external ones.

Assume now that  $\gamma_2$  does not include any loop, for  $i = 1, \dots, g$ . We shall show that

$$|D(\gamma)| \leq \prod_{i=1}^g \|X_{R_i(\gamma)}\| \quad (11)$$

where  $\|\cdot\|$  denotes Euclidean norm, and

$$\|X_{R_i(\gamma)}\| \leq \prod_{\{(r_1, k_1), \cdot\} \in \gamma_i} (2\ell_{r_1} + 1)^{-1/2} \leq (2 \cdot \min_{\{(r_1, k_1), \cdot\} \in \gamma_i} \ell_{r_1} + 1)^{\#(R_i) - 1/2}, \quad (12)$$

note that if  $\gamma_i$  does not include any loop the number of edges it contains must be identically equal to  $\#(R_i) - 1$ , where  $\#(\cdot)$  denotes the cardinality of a set. Let us consider (11) first. It is clear that we can choose new indexes such that  $X_{R_i(\gamma)} =: X^{(i)}$  is a vector with elements

$$X^{(i)} = \left\{ X_{m_{1,1}, \dots, m_{i,1}}^{(i)} - \ell_{ij} \leq m_{ij} \leq \ell_{ij}, j = 1, \dots, v_i \right\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, g;$$



## Fluctuations of the Increment of the Argument for the Gaussian Entire Function

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**Abstract** The Gaussian entire function is a random entire function, characterised by a certain invariance with respect to isometries of the plane. We study the fluctuations of the increment of the argument of the Gaussian entire function along planar curves. We introduce an inner product on finite formal linear combinations of curves (with real coefficients), that we call the signed length, which describes the limiting covariance of the increment. We also establish asymptotic normality of fluctuations.

**Keywords** Zeros of holomorphic functions · Gaussian processes · Point processes

Let  $(\zeta_n)_{n=0}^\infty$  be a sequence of iid standard complex Gaussian random variables (that is, each  $\zeta_n$  has density  $\frac{1}{\pi}e^{-|z|^2}$  with respect to the Lebesgue measure on the plane), and define the Gaussian entire function by

$$f(z) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \zeta_n \frac{z^n}{\sqrt{n!}}. \quad (1)$$

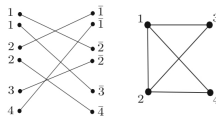


Fig. 6 A diagram and its reduced diagram

We now fix  $\gamma$  and  $\mathfrak{P}_{P-2\gamma}$  and make a reduction to allow us to estimate this quantity. From the irregular diagram  $\mathcal{D}$  we form the reduced diagram  $\mathcal{D}^*$  (see Fig. 6) with  $P$  vertices (labelled 1 to  $P$ ) such that:

- For each  $1 \leq r, s \leq P$  there is at most one edge  $(r, s)$ .
- $(r, s) \in e(\mathcal{D}^*)$  if  $(r, \bar{s}) \in e(\mathcal{D})$  or  $(s, \bar{r}) \in e(\mathcal{D})$ .

In other words we form  $\mathcal{D}^*$  from  $\mathcal{D}$  by gluing together the  $2a_r$  vertices labelled  $r$  or  $\bar{r}$  for each  $r$ , and ignoring the multiplicity of the edges of the resultant diagram. We decompose

$$\mathcal{D}^* = \bigcup_{k=1}^n \mathcal{D}_k$$

into  $n$  connected components that contain  $a_k$  vertices and contribute  $\ell_k$  factors to  $\mathfrak{P}_{P-2\gamma}$ . Notice that  $n < \frac{P}{2}$  since  $\mathcal{D}$  is irregular, and that

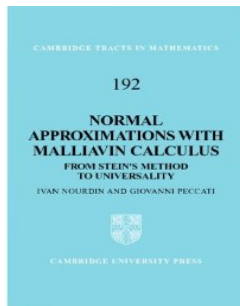
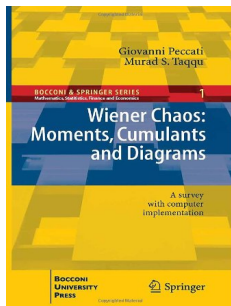
$$\sum_{k=1}^n a_k = P \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \ell_k = P - 2\gamma.$$

Moreover, since

$$|V(\mathcal{D})| = \prod_{(r,\bar{s}) \in e(\mathcal{D})} \exp\left[-\frac{R^2}{2}|z_r - z_s|^2\right] \leq \prod_{(r,s) \in e(\mathcal{D}^*)} \exp\left[-\frac{R^2}{2}|z_r - z_s|^2\right]$$

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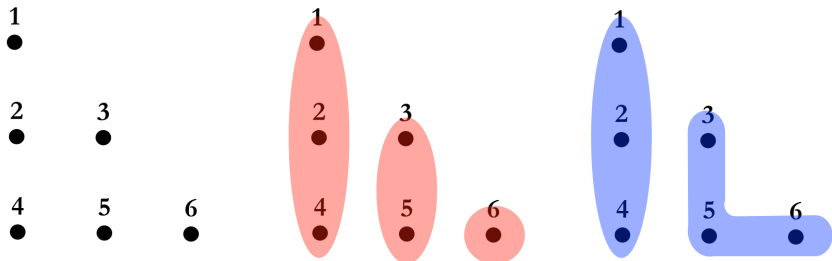
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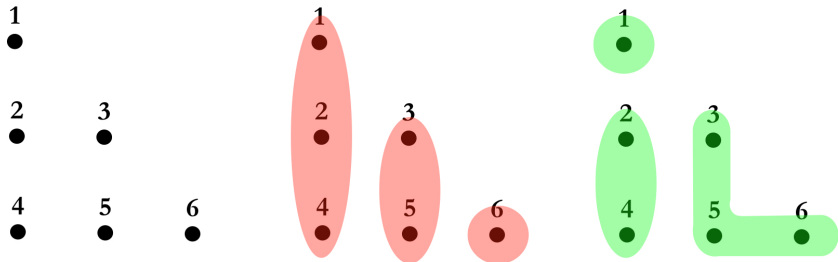
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Methods of calculation of leading moments and semi-invariants in the study of non-linear transformations of random processes are rather complicated (cf., for instance, [1], [2]). [3] contains the interesting remark that in some cases, after determining the dependence of the moments  $m_n$  of the polynomial  $\eta = Q(\xi)$  on the semi-invariants  $\xi_i$  of the process  $\xi(t)$ , the semi-invariants of the process  $\eta(t)$  are found by simply cancelling the superfluous terms according to a determined rule. Our theorem in §2 shows that this remark continues to hold even under considerably more general assumptions.

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We shall calculate  $\xi_p$  by formula (IV.d). In the example we are looking at the set  $\mathfrak{D}$  consists of the pairs of integers  $(i, j)$  such that  $1 \leq i \leq k, j = 1, 2$ ; table (A) has the form

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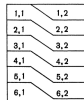
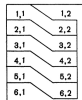
$$\xi_p = \sum_{p=1}^{\infty} \sum_{\mathfrak{D} \in \mathfrak{D}_p} \prod_{p=1}^{\infty} \xi_i(\mathfrak{D}_p).$$

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where  $(i_1, i_2, \dots, i_k)$  is some permutation of the numbers  $1, 2, \dots, k$ . For the case  $k = 6$ ,  $i_p = p, \varepsilon_p = 1, \varepsilon_p = 2$  these partitions are illustrated in Figures 1 and 2, respectively.





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## CUMULANTS AND PARTITION LATTICES<sup>1</sup>

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### Summary

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**PART 3:  
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## Theorem (Engel, 1982)

The measure  $M$  is “**good**”: for every  $n \geq 2$ , there exists a unique collection of random variables

$$M^n = \{M^n(C) : C \in \mathcal{Z}_V^n\} \subset L^2(\mathbb{P})$$

such that:

1.  $M^n$  is  $\sigma$ -additive [in  $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ ];
2. for every cylinder  $C = A_1 \times \cdots \times A_n \in \mathcal{Z}_V^n$ ,

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$$\begin{aligned} M_{\not\prec \pi}^n(A_1 \times \cdots \times A_n) &= \prod_{b \in \pi} M_{\hat{1}}^{|b|}(\mathbf{x}_{i \in b} A_i) \\ &= \prod_{b \in \pi} \Delta_{|b|}^M(\cap_{i \in b} A_i). \end{aligned}$$

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## Theorem (Rota and Wallstrom, 1997)

For every  $n \geq 2$  and every  $\pi \in \mathcal{P}_n$ , the product measure  $M^n$  is **multiplicative**: for every rectangle in  $\mathcal{Z}_v^n$ ,

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*where the  $C_i \in \mathcal{Z}_v$ ,  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , are pairwise disjoint,*

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# PROOF #1 — GEOMETRIC

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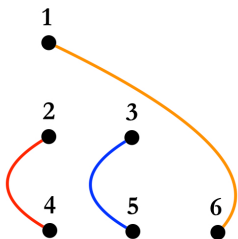
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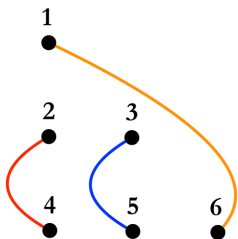
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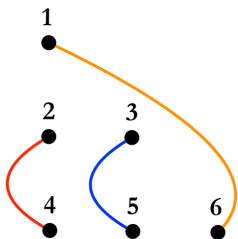
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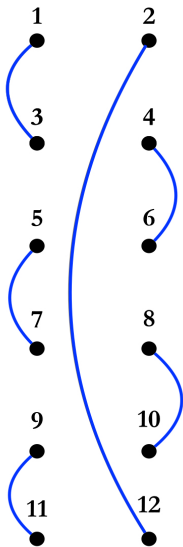
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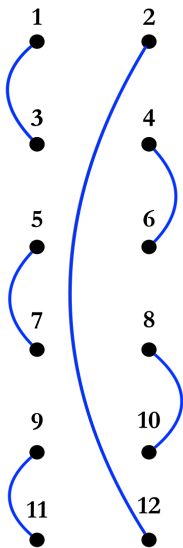
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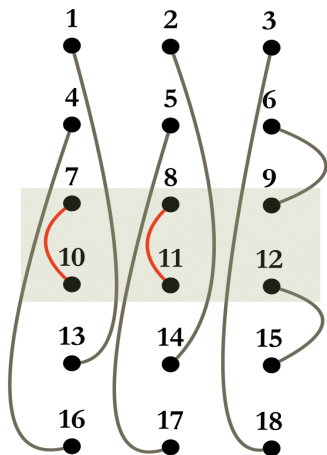
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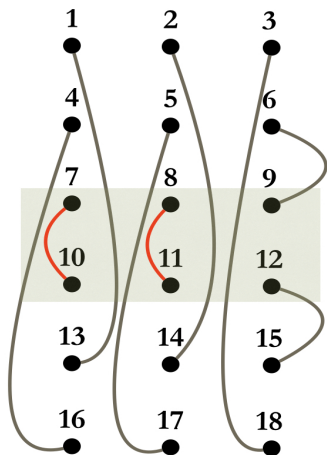
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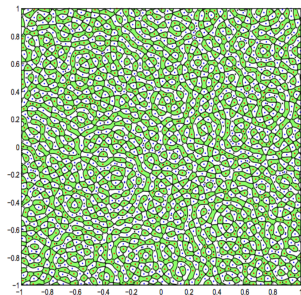
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