

### 36. On a Riemann Definition of the Stochastic Integral. I

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**§ 1. Introduction.** Let  $\{\beta_t(\omega); t \in [0, T]\}$  be a one-dimensional  $R^1$ -valued Brownian motion process, and let  $N_t^s$  be the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\{\beta_r(\omega); s \leq \tau \leq t\}$ . Let  $S$  be the class of functions  $f_t(\omega)$  on  $[0, T] \times \Omega$  satisfying the following conditions.

S.1)  $f_t(\omega)$  is  $B_{[s, t]} \times N_t^s$ -measurable for every  $t \in [s, T]$ , where  $B_{[s, t]}$  is the Borel field on the interval  $[s, t]$ .

S.2)  $M\left(\int_s^t f_\tau^2(\omega) d\tau\right) < +\infty$  for  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ ,

where  $M(\cdot)$  denotes the expectation.

We will call a family of partitions  $\Delta^{(n)}$  "canonical" if  $\max(t_{i+1}^{(n)} - t_i^{(n)}) \cdot n$  tends to a constant as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , where  $\Delta^{(n)} = \{0 = t_0^{(n)} < t_1^{(n)} < \dots < t_n^{(n)} = T\}$ . Let us consider a following Riemann sum of a function  $f_t(\omega)$  which belongs to the class  $S$ .

$$(1) \quad S_n(f)(\omega) = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} f_{t_{i+1}^{(n)} + k(t_{i+1}^{(n)} - t_i^{(n)})}(\omega) (\beta_{t_{i+1}^{(n)}}(\omega) - \beta_{t_i^{(n)}}(\omega))$$

where  $0 \leq k \leq 1$ .

Now our aim is to investigate conditions for the existence of the l.i.m.  $S_n(f)(\omega)$ . As for this problem, it is well known that if the interpolation ratio  $k$  is fixed to zero the limit of the series  $S_n(f)(\omega)$  exists and equals to the Ito's stochastic integral  $\int_0^T f_t(\omega) d^0\beta_t(\omega)$ ,\*) while if the interpolation ratios are taken arbitrarily in each interval  $(t_i^{(n)}, t_{i+1}^{(n)})$  it may fail to converge.

We will concern only with the series (1), where the ratios of interpolation are fixed to a certain constant  $k(0 \leq k \leq 1)$  through all the intervals  $(t_i^{(n)}, t_{i+1}^{(n)})$ . Now the difficulty of this problem lies in the fact that the each random variables  $f_{t_{i+1}^{(n)} + k(t_{i+1}^{(n)} - t_i^{(n)})}(\omega)$  ( $i=0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ) are not independent of the corresponding increments  $\beta_{t_{i+1}^{(n)}}(\omega) - \beta_{t_i^{(n)}}(\omega)$  ( $i=0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ). So it seems to be necessary to put on the functions  $f_t(\omega)$  one more condition which describes the way of dependence of  $f_t(\omega)$  on the process  $\beta_t(\omega)$ .

To express this condition we will introduce a notion of  $\beta$ -differentiability of the functions  $f_t(\omega)$  in § 2. With the help of this

\*) To distinguish the Ito's integral from the other types of integrals the notation  $d^0\beta_t$  will be used.