26. Lévy's Functional Analysis in Terms of an Infinite Dimensional Brownian Motion. I

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§ 1. Introduction. In his book [1], Paul Lévy has extensively developed a potential theory in an infinite dimensional space.

T. Hida and H. Nomoto have constructed the projective limit $(\mathring{S}_{\infty}, \mu)$ of the topological stochastic family $\{(\mathring{S}_n, \mu_n)\}$ consisting of the open subsets \mathring{S}_n of the finite dimensional spheres S_n and the restrictions μ_n to \mathring{S}_n of the uniform probability measures on S_n such that $\mu_n(\mathring{S}_n) = 1$.

By using this theory, we shall prove the relation:

$$L^2(\mathring{S}_{\infty}, \mu) = \lim L^2(\mathring{S}_n, \mu_n),$$

and give an interpretation to Lévy's potential theory for Dirichlet problems on the unit ball by introducing the Brownian motion (B, E)on an infinite dimensional space E such that $E \supset \mathring{S}_{\infty}$. We shall also establish the strong Markov property, the uniform continuity of the paths and the skew product formula of the Brownian motion.

§2. Projectively consistent construction of multiple Wiener integrals. First we reformulate T. Hida and H. Nomoto's results [2] in a slightly different manner from theirs. Let S_n be the sphere with center zero and radius $\sqrt{n+1}$ in the (n+1)-dimensional Euclidean space E_{n+1} , and \mathring{S}_n be the open subset of S_n consisting of the points (x_1, \dots, x_{n+1}) :

$$\begin{cases} x_1 = \sqrt{n+1} \prod_{i=1}^n \sin \theta_i, \\ x_k = \sqrt{n+1} \cos \theta_{k-1} \prod_{i=k}^n \sin \theta_i, \\ x_{n+1} = \sqrt{n+1} \cos \theta_n, \end{cases} \quad (k=2, \dots, n),$$

with the restriction that $(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n) \in \Pi^n$, where $\Pi^n = \{(\theta_1, \dots, \theta_n); 0 < \theta_1 < 2\pi, 0 < \theta_i < \pi, i=2, \dots, n\}$. We denote by $\pi_{n,m}$ (n > m) the projection of \mathring{S}_n to \mathring{S}_m such that the following is commutative:

Set

$$\mathring{S}_{\infty} = \left\{ x = (x_1, \cdots, x_n, \cdots); \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n x_k^2 = 1, x_1 \neq 0 \text{ or } x_2 < 0 \right\}$$