

SAMPLE PROPERTIES OF WEAKLY STATIONARY PROCESSES

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1. Introduction. Let $X(t) = X(t, \omega)$, $-\infty < t < \infty$, be a stationary stochastic process with

$$(1.1) \quad EX(t) = 0, \quad E|X(t)|^2 < \infty, \quad -\infty < t < \infty$$

and the continuous covariance function

$$(1.2) \quad \rho(u) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{ixu} dF(x),$$

where $F(x)$ is the spectral distribution function. $X(t)$ then admits the harmonic representation

$$(1.3) \quad X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{it\lambda} d\xi(\lambda),$$

where $\xi(\lambda)$ is a stochastic process with orthogonal increments and the property that

$$(1.4) \quad E d\xi(\lambda) = 0, \quad E|d\xi(\lambda)|^2 = dF(\lambda).$$

Two stochastic processes $X(t)$ and $X_1(t)$ are said to be equivalent to each other, if

$$P(X(t) = X_1(t)) = 1, \quad \text{for each } t.$$

When $X(t)$ is equivalent to a process continuous almost surely or differentiable almost surely, $X(t)$ is called sample continuous or sample differentiable respectively.

One of the authors has shown the following theorem [3].

THEOREM A. *Suppose that for a given weakly stationary process $X(t)$ there is a function $g(x)$ which is even, non-negative and non-decreasing for $x > 0$ and is such that*

$$(1.5) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g(n)} < \infty,$$

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$$(1.6) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dF(x) < \infty.$$

Then $X(t)$ is sample continuous.

The condition (1.6) with $g(x) = |x|(\log^+ |x|)^\beta$, $\beta > 1$, implies the condition

$$(1.7) \quad \varphi(h) = O(h/|\log|h||^r) \quad \text{for } r > 2,$$

as $h \rightarrow 0$, where $\varphi(h) = 2\rho(0) - \rho(h) - \rho(-h)$ ([3] (3.8) and (3.9)). This generalizes the Cramér-Leadbetter's result on sample continuity of a weakly stationary process ([1], p. 125).

In 2, we shall give the conditions which assure the sample differentiability of a process. We can adopt the method for the proof similar to what we did proving Theorem A, namely we make use of the approximate Fourier series [3] [6] associated with a given weakly stationary process. In 3, we shall show that the same reasoning still applies to get the "sample Hölder property".

In the paper of one of the authors [2], Theorem A was motivated by a theorem on the absolute convergence of the Fourier series of a given process truncated at $-T$ and T . But it involved some erroneous argument although the theorem itself is right, and the different method using the approximate Fourier series was employed to prove Theorem A in [3]. In 4, it is shown that the original way of proving is effective if some modifications are made with a slight additional condition on $g(x)$.

Finally we mention that the conditions on the existence of $g(x)$ in Theorem A are also necessary for all the weakly stationary processes with a given spectral distribution $F(x)$ to be sample continuous. This has been shown by I. Kubo [4] and will be given in a separate forthcoming paper.

2. Sample differentiability of a weakly stationary process.

M. Loève [5] studied the sample differentiability of a weakly stationary process and proved among others the following theorem.

THEOREM B. *If the covariance function $\rho(u)$ of a weakly stationary process $X(t)$ with (1.1) and (1.2), is $(2n+2)$ -times differentiable, then $X(t)$ is sample n -times differentiable.*

Cramér and Leadbetter [1] generalized this result to obtain Theorem C below.

Write

$$(2.1) \quad \Delta_u^{2k} \rho(-ku) = \sum_{j=0}^{2k} (-1)^j \binom{2k}{j} \rho((k-j)u),$$

where k is a non-negative integer.

THEOREM C. *If the covariance function $\rho(u)$ of a weakly stationary process $X(t)$ with (1.1) and (1.2) satisfies*

$$(2.2) \quad \Delta_u^{2n+1} \rho(-ku) = O(|u|^{2n+1}/|\log|u||^q), \quad \text{as } u \rightarrow 0 \text{ for } q > 3,$$

then $X(t)$ is sample n -times differentiable.

This is a slight completion of the Cramér-Leadbetter's result. They actually have shown Theorem C for the case $n = 0, 1$.

The aim of this section is to generalize Theorem C further.

In association with a given weakly stationary process $X(t)$ with (1.1), (1.2) and the representation (1.3), we define a sequence of uncorrelated random variables

$$(2.3) \quad \xi_n = \xi_n(T) = \int_{2n\pi/T}^{2(n+1)\pi/T} d\xi(\lambda), \quad n = 0, \pm 1, \dots,$$

where T is any positive number. We also define

$$(2.4) \quad \hat{X}(t, T) = \hat{X}(t) = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi it/T} \xi_n.$$

Actually ξ_n 's are uncorrelated because of the orthogonality of the increments of $\xi(\lambda)$ and (2.4) is well-defined, the series being interpreted to converge in L^2 -norm.

However, we have shown in [3] and [4] that under the conditions either in Theorem A or in Lemma 3 below, the series in (2.4) is absolutely convergent almost surely and hence $X(t)$ may be identified to be the sum of the series. Also it was shown that *in this case $\hat{X}_k(t) = \hat{X}(t, 2^k)$ converges uniformly for every finite interval $|t| \leq A$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$ almost surely to a weakly stationary process $X_0(t)$, which is sample continuous, and is equivalent to $X(t)$.*

LEMMA 1. *If*

$$(2.5) \quad \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |n|^r |\xi_n| < \infty$$

almost surely, where r is a positive integer, then $X(t)$ is equivalent to a weakly stationary process with the almost sure continuous r -th derivative.

Proof. Since the series on the right of (2. 4) is absolutely and uniformly convergent almost surely, because of (2. 5), we may suppose that $X(t)$ itself is represented by the series in (2. 4) for every t almost surely, and has the continuous r -th derivative almost surely. We shall, however, prove Lemma 1 when $r = 1$. r repetitions of the same argument give us the required.

$$(2. 6) \quad \frac{\hat{X}(t+h) - \hat{X}(t)}{h} = \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\frac{e^{2\pi n i h/T} - 1}{h} e^{2\pi n i t/T} \xi_n \right].$$

The series on the right is dominated in absolute value by $(2\pi/T)\sum |n| |\xi_n|$ almost surely and since each term converges as $h \rightarrow 0$, the limit of (2. 6) as $h \rightarrow 0$ should exist and $\hat{X}'(t)$ is given by $\frac{2\pi i}{T} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi n i t/T} n \xi_n$, which is continuous almost surely. Generally $\hat{X}^{(r)}(t)$ is given by $\left(\frac{2\pi i}{T}\right)^r \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} e^{2\pi n i t/T} n^r \xi_n$.

LEMMA 2. Let $h(x)$ be non-negative and non-decreasing over $[0, \infty)$ and let $F(x)$ be a spectral distribution. Then the inequalities

$$(2. 7) \quad \begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n \neq 0} h\left(\frac{|n|-1}{a}\right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} + \frac{1}{2} h(0)(F(1) - F(0))^{1/2} \leq \\ & \leq \sum_n h(|n|) (F(an+1) - F(an))^{1/2} \leq \\ & \leq \left(\frac{1}{a} + 1\right)^{1/2} \sum_n h\left(\frac{|n|+1}{a}\right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

hold for $0 < a < 1$.

Proof. Since $\sqrt{x+y} \leq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$ for $x, y \geq 0$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \sum_n h(|n|) (F(an+1) - F(an))^{1/2} \\ &= \sum_k \left[h\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor\right) (F(a\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor + a) - F(a\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor))^{1/2} + \sum_{n=\lfloor k/a \rfloor + 1}^{\lfloor (k+1)/a \rfloor - 1} h(|n|) (F(a(n+1)) - F(an))^{1/2} \right] \\ &\leq \sum_k \left[h\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor\right) (F(k) - F(a\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor))^{1/2} + h\left(\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor\right) (F(a\left\lfloor \frac{k}{a} \right\rfloor + a) - F(k))^{1/2} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{n=\lfloor k/a \rfloor + 1}^{\lfloor (k+1)/a \rfloor - 1} h\left(\frac{|k|+1}{a}\right) (F(a(n+1)) - F(an))^{1/2} \right] \\ &\leq \sum_k h\left(\frac{|k|+1}{a}\right) \left(\frac{1}{a} + 1\right)^{1/2} (F(k+1) - F(k))^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

The last inequality is obtained by Schwarz inequality. Since $2\sqrt{x+y} \geq \sqrt{x} + \sqrt{y}$ for $x, y \geq 0$, we have similarly

$$\begin{aligned} 2I &\geq \sum_k \left[h\left(\left[\frac{k+1}{a}\right]\right) \left(F(k+1) - F\left(a\left[\frac{k+1}{a}\right]\right)\right)^{1/2} + h\left(\left[\frac{k}{a}\right]\right) \left(F\left(a\left[\frac{k}{a}\right] + a\right) - F(k)\right)^{1/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \sum_{n=\lfloor k/a \rfloor + 1}^{\lfloor (k+1)/a \rfloor - 1} h\left(\frac{|k|-1}{a}\right) \left(F(a(n+1)) - F(an)\right)^{1/2} \right] \geq \\ &\geq \sum_k h\left(\frac{|k|-1}{a}\right) \left(F(k+1) - F(k)\right)^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

with the agreement that $h(u) = h(0)$ for $u \leq 0$.

LEMMA 3. *If the spectral distribution function F of a given stationary process $X(t)$ satisfies*

$$(2.8) \quad \sum_n |n|^r (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} < \infty$$

for a non-negative integer r , then (2.5) holds almost surely.

Proof. In order to show (2.5) it is sufficient to prove

$$(2.9) \quad E \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} |n|^r |\xi_n| < \infty.$$

By Lemma 2, we have that, for $0 < T \leq 2\pi$,

$$\begin{aligned} (2.10) \quad E \sum |n|^r |\xi_n| &\leq \sum |n|^r \left[E \left| \int_{2n\pi/T}^{2(n+1)\pi/T} d\xi(\lambda) \right|^2 \right]^{1/2} = \\ &= \sum |n|^r \left(F\left(\frac{2(n+1)\pi}{T}\right) - F\left(\frac{2n\pi}{T}\right) \right)^{1/2} \leq \\ &\leq \left(\frac{T}{2\pi} + 1\right)^{1/2} \sum \left[\frac{T(|n|+1)}{2\pi} \right]^r (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

If $T \geq 2\pi$, then (2.9) follows from the first inequality of (2.7).

It is easy to show that $\hat{X}^{(r)}(t)$ is a weakly stationary process, observing $\sum |n|^{2r} (F(2(n+1)\pi/T) - F(2n\pi/T)) < \infty$.

Now we shall prove

THEOREM 1. *If a weakly stationary process $X(t)$ with (1.1) and (1.2) satisfies (2.8), then $X(t)$ is equivalent to a weakly stationary process which has the continuous r -th derivative almost surely.*

Proof. First we prove the theorem for $r = 1$. Denote the differential quotients of $X(t)$ and $\hat{X}(t)$ by

$$(2.11) \quad D(t, h) = \frac{X(t+h) - X(t)}{h},$$

$$(2.12) \quad \hat{D}(t, h) = \frac{\hat{X}(t+h) - \hat{X}(t)}{h}$$

respectively. From Lemma 1, the series in (2.4) is absolutely convergent and $\hat{X}(t)$ may be supposed to be defined by this series. By Lemma 1 and Lemma 3, $\hat{X}(t)$ has the continuous derivative almost surely.

Write $\xi_{n,k}$ for ξ_n with $T = 2^k$, $\hat{X}_k(t)$ for the corresponding $\hat{X}(t)$, k being a positive integer. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{X}_{k+1}(t) - \hat{X}_k(t) &= \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{2n\pi i t}{2^{k+1}}\right) \xi_{n,k+1} - \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(\frac{2m\pi i t}{2^k}\right) \xi_{m,k} = \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\exp\left(\frac{2\pi i(2m)t}{2^{k+1}}\right) \xi_{2m,k+1} + \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i(2m+1)t}{2^{k+1}}\right) \xi_{2m+1,k+1} - \exp\left(\frac{2m\pi i t}{2^k}\right) \xi_{m,k} \right]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\xi_{m,k} = \xi_{2m,k+1} + \xi_{2m+1,k+1}$, we may write

$$(2.13) \quad \begin{aligned} \hat{X}_{k+1}(t) - \hat{X}_k(t) &= \\ &= \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\exp\left(\frac{2\pi i(2m+1)t}{2^{k+1}}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{2\pi i(2m)t}{2^{k+1}}\right) \right] \xi_{2m+1,k+1}. \end{aligned}$$

Write $\hat{D}_k(t, h)$ for the differential quotient of $\hat{X}_k(t)$.

Together with the relation for $\hat{X}_k(t+h)$ similar to (2.13) and noting that, for $|t| \leq A$, A being a positive number,

$$(2.14) \quad \begin{aligned} |e^{iy(t+h)} - e^{iyt} - e^{iz(t+h)} + e^{izt}| &\leq \\ &\leq |(e^{iyt} - e^{izt})(e^{iyh} - 1)| + |e^{izt}(e^{iyh} - e^{izh})| \leq \\ &\leq 4 \left| \sin \frac{y-z}{2} t \sin \frac{yh}{2} \right| + 2 \left| \sin \frac{y-z}{2} h \right| \leq |h| |y-z| \cdot (1 + A|y|), \end{aligned}$$

we obtain

$$(2.15) \quad \begin{aligned} |\hat{D}_{k+1}(t, h) - \hat{D}_k(t, h)| &\leq \\ &\leq \left| \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\exp\left(\frac{\pi i(2m+1)(t+h)}{2^k}\right) - \exp\left(\frac{\pi i(2m)(t+h)}{2^k}\right) - \right. \right. \\ &\quad \left. \left. - \exp\left(\frac{\pi i(2m+1)t}{2^k}\right) + \exp\left(\frac{\pi i(2m)t}{2^k}\right) \right] \xi_{2m+1,k+1} \right| \leq \\ &\leq \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\pi}{2^k} + \frac{A\pi^2(2|m|)}{2^k} \right) |\xi_{2m+1,k+1}|. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore we can see by Lemma 2 that for any $\epsilon_k > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 (2.16) \quad Q_k &\equiv P(\sup_{|t| \leq A, h \neq 0} |\hat{D}_{k+1}(t, h) - \hat{D}_k(t, h)| > \epsilon_k) \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sum_m \left(1 + \frac{2A|m|}{2^k}\right) E|\xi_{2m+1, k+1}| \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sum_m \left(1 + \frac{2A|m|}{2^k}\right) \left(F\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2^k}\right) - F\left(\frac{2m\pi}{2^k}\right)\right)^{1/2} \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sum_n \left(1 + \frac{A|n|}{2^k}\right) \left(F\left(\frac{(n+1)\pi}{2^k}\right) - F\left(\frac{n\pi}{2^k}\right)\right)^{1/2} \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{(2^k + \pi)^{1/2}}{2^k \pi^{1/2}} \sum_n (1 + A(|n| + 1)) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} \leq \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{C_1}{2^{k/2}} \left[\sum_n |n| (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} + C_2 (F(1) - F(0))^{1/2}\right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are constants independent of k . In what follows C_j , $j = 3, 4, \dots$, mean some constants independent of k . From (2.8), it follows that

$$(2.17) \quad Q_k \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon_k} \frac{C_3}{2^{k/2}}.$$

If ϵ_k is chosen to be $2^{-k/4}$, then $\sum \epsilon_k < \infty$ and $\sum \frac{1}{2^{k/2} \epsilon_k} < \infty$, so that $\sum Q_k < \infty$. Then Borel-Cantelli lemma gives us that, with probability one

$$(2.18) \quad \sup_{h \neq 0, |t| \leq A} |\hat{D}_{k+1}(t, h) - \hat{D}_k(t, h)| < \epsilon_k$$

except for a finite number of k . Hence almost surely $\hat{D}_k(t, h)$ converges as $k \rightarrow \infty$ uniformly for $|t| \leq A$ and h .

Now from (2.18) we have, for k larger than some k_0 ,

$$\sup_{|t| \leq A} |\hat{D}_k(t, h) - \hat{D}_m(t, h)| \leq \eta_k \quad (\text{uniformly in } h)$$

almost surely, where $\eta_k = \sum_{j=k}^{\infty} \epsilon_j$. From the italicized statement before Lemma 1, we have, letting $m \rightarrow \infty$

$$(2.19) \quad \left| \hat{D}_k(t, h) - \frac{1}{h} [X_0(t+h) - X_0(t)] \right| \leq \eta_k \quad (\text{uniformly in } h)$$

almost surely. Let $h \rightarrow 0$. Then from Lemma 1 and 2 with $r = 1$, $\hat{D}_k(t, h)$ converges almost surely and hence $X_0(t)$ is differentiable almost surely, and is equivalent to $X(t)$.

Finally (2.19) implies that the derivative $\hat{X}'_k(t)$ of $\hat{X}_k(t)$ converges uniformly to the derivative $X'_0(t)$ of $X_0(t)$. Since Lemmas 1 and 2 give us that $\hat{X}'_k(t)$ is continuous almost surely, $X'_0(t)$ is also sample continuous for every $|t| \leq A$. This proves the theorem for the case $r = 1$.

Repeating similar arguments, the general case is shown.

THEOREM 2. *If, for a given weakly stationary process $X(t)$ with (1.1) and (1.2), there is a function $g(x)$, $-\infty < x < \infty$, which is non-negative, even and non-decreasing for $x \geq 0$ and satisfies*

$$(2.20) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n^{2r}}{g(n)} < \infty,$$

$$(2.21) \quad \int g(x) dF(x) < \infty,$$

then $X(t)$ is equivalent to a weakly stationary process which has the continuous r -th derivative almost surely.

Proof. By Schwarz inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} |n|^r (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} \right]^2 &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^{2r}}{g(n)} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} g(n) (F(n+1) - F(n)) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n^{2r}}{g(n)} \int_0^{\infty} g(x) dF(x) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have $\sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} |n|^r (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} < \infty$. By Theorem 1, the proof is completed.

EXAMPLE 1. If, for some $\varepsilon > 0$ and $B > 0$

$$(2.22) \quad \int_{B < |x|} |x|^{2r+1} \log|x| \cdot \log_{(2)}|x| \cdot \dots \cdot \log_{(n)}|x| \cdot (\log_{(n+1)}|x|)^{1+\varepsilon} dF(x) < \infty$$

holds, then $X(t)$ is sample r -times differentiable, where $\log_{(1)}x = \log x$ and $\log_{(n+1)}x = \log(\log_{(n)}x)$ for $n \geq 1$.

EXAMPLE 2. Suppose that $F(x)$ is absolutely continuous with the density $f(x)$. If

$$(2.23) \quad |f(x)| \leq [|x|^{r+1} \log|x| \cdot \log_{(2)}|x| \cdot \dots \cdot \log_{(n)}|x| \cdot (\log_{(n+1)}|x|)^{1+\varepsilon}]^{-2}$$

holds for sufficiently large $|x|$ with some $\varepsilon > 0$, then $X(t)$ is sample r -times differentiable.

EXAMPLE 3. Besides the same assumption in Example 2, further suppose that $f(x)$ is non-decreasing as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$. If

$$(2.24) \quad \int |x|^r f^{1/2}(x) dx < \infty$$

holds, then $X(t)$ is sample r -times differentiable.

3. Sample Hölder continuity.

Let $\Psi(h)$ be a non-decreasing function defined over an interval $(0, 1]$ such that $\Psi(h)$ decreases to zero as h does. If a function $f(x)$ on (a, b) satisfies

$$(3.1) \quad |f(t+h) - f(t)| \leq M\Psi(h)$$

for $t, t+h \in (a, b)$, $|h| < 1$ with some M , then it is said to be Ψ -Hölder continuous.

We are going to give sufficient conditions which assure the sample Ψ -Hölder continuity of a weakly stationary process. The method similar to the one applied to the proofs of Theorems 1 and 2 is also applicable.

LEMMA 4. Let $\Psi(h)$ be a non-decreasing function over $(0, 1]$ such that $\Psi(h)/h$ is non-increasing. Then for $0 < h \leq 1$

$$(3.2) \quad |\sin xh| \leq \Psi(h)/\Psi(x^{-1}), \quad \text{for } x \geq 1,$$

$$(3.3) \quad |\sin xh| \leq \Psi(h)/\Psi\left(\frac{1}{x+1}\right), \quad \text{for } x \geq 0.$$

Proof. If $0 < xh < 1$, then

$$|\sin xh| \leq xh = \frac{\Psi(h)}{\Psi(x^{-1})} \cdot \frac{\Psi(x^{-1})}{x^{-1}} \cdot \frac{h}{\Psi(h)} \leq \frac{\Psi(h)}{\Psi(x^{-1})}.$$

If $xh \geq 1$, then since $\Psi(h)$ is non-decreasing

$$|\sin xh| \leq 1 \leq \Psi(h)/\Psi(x^{-1}).$$

Similarly, we can prove (3.3) observing $xh \leq h(x+1)$.

LEMMA 5. If $\Psi(h)$ is non-decreasing and $\Psi(h)/h$ is non-increasing over $(0, 1]$, and

$$(3.4) \quad \sum_{n \neq 0} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) |\xi_n| < \infty$$

almost surely, then $\hat{X}(t) = X(t, T)$, $T > \pi$, is sample Ψ -Hölder continuous where ξ_n is defined by (2. 3) and $\hat{X}(t)$ is defined by (2. 4).*

Proof. Using Lemma 4, we have

$$(3. 5) \quad |X(t + h) - X(t)| \leq \sum_{n \neq 0} |\sin nh\pi/T| |\xi_n| \leq \Psi\left(\left|\frac{h\pi}{T}\right|\right) \sum_{n \neq 0} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) |\xi_n| \leq \Psi(|h|) \sum_{n \neq 0} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) |\xi_n|.$$

LEMMA 6. *If the spectral distribution function $F(x)$ satisfies*

$$(3. 6) \quad \sum_{n \neq 0} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) (F(n + 1) - F(n))^{1/2} < \infty.$$

Then (3. 4) holds almost surely, where $\Psi(h)$ is the function in Lemma 4. Hence $X(t)$ is Ψ -Hölder continuous almost surely.

The proof is carried out as in that of Lemma 3.

THEOREM 3. *If a given weakly stationary process $X(t)$ satisfies (3. 6), then $X(t)$ is equivalent to a weakly stationary process which is Ψ -Hölder continuous almost surely, where $\Psi(h)$ is the function in Lemma 4.*

The proof is very similar to that for Theorem 1. Write

$$D_{\Psi}(t, h) = \frac{X(t + h) - X(t)}{\Psi(|h|)}, \quad \hat{D}_{\Psi, k}(t, h) = \frac{\hat{X}_k(t + h) - \hat{X}_k(t)}{\Psi(|h|)},$$

where $\hat{X}_k(t)$ is, as before, defined by (2. 4) with $T = 2^k$. Using the same notations as in the proof of Theorem 1, we have, analogously to (2. 15), by Lemma 4 and (2. 14),

$$\begin{aligned} & |\hat{D}_{\Psi, k+1}(t, h) - \hat{D}_{\Psi, k}(t, h)| \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\Psi(|h|)} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(4 \left| \sin \frac{\pi t}{2^{k+1}} \sin \frac{2m\pi h}{2^{k+1}} \right| + 2 \left| \sin \frac{\pi h}{2^{k+1}} \right| \right) |\xi_{2m+1, k+1}| \\ & \leq \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{\pi}{2^k} \Psi^{-1}(1) + \frac{2\pi A}{2^k} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{2^{k+1}}{2\pi|m| + 2^{k+1}}\right) \right) |\xi_{2m+1, k+1}|, \end{aligned}$$

for $|t| \leq A$. Therefore we obtain by Lemma 2

$$\begin{aligned} Q'_k & \equiv P\left(\sup_{0 < |h| \leq 1, |t| \leq A} |\hat{D}_{\Psi, k+1}(t, h) - \hat{D}_{\Psi, k}(t, h)| > \varepsilon_k\right) \leq \\ & \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sum_{m=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\Psi^{-1}(1) + 2A \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{2^{k+1}}{2\pi|m| + 2^{k+1}}\right) \right) \left(F\left(\frac{(2m+1)\pi}{2^k}\right) - F\left(\frac{2m\pi}{2^k}\right) \right)^{1/2} \end{aligned}$$

*) $\Psi^{-n}(x) = (\Psi(x))^{-n}$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\Psi^{-1}(1) + 2A\Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{2^{k+1}}{\pi|n| + 2^{k+1}}\right) \right) \left(F\left(\frac{(n+1)\pi}{2^k}\right) - F\left(\frac{n\pi}{2^k}\right) \right)^{1/2} \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} \frac{\pi}{2^k} \sqrt{\frac{2^k}{\pi} + 1} \sum_{n=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\Psi^{-1}(1) + 2A\Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{|n| + 3}\right) \right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{2}{|n| + 3}\right) \leq \frac{(|n| + 3)}{|n|} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right)$ and $\Psi\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) \leq \Psi(1)$ for $n \neq 0$,

we get

$$\begin{aligned} (3.7) \quad Q'_k &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} \frac{C_4}{2^{k/2}} [(F(1) - F(0))^{1/2} + \sum_{n \neq 0} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2}] \leq \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon_k} \frac{C_5}{2^{k/2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Choosing ε_k as in the proof of Theorem 1, we see from (3.7) that $\hat{X}_k(t)$ converges uniformly to a weakly stationary process $X_0(t)$ and

$$\left| \hat{D}_{\Psi,k}(t, h) - \frac{\hat{X}_0(t+h) - \hat{X}_0(t)}{\Psi(|h|)} \right| \leq \varepsilon_k \quad \text{for } k \geq k_0.$$

By Lemma 5, $\sup_{0 < |h| \leq 1, |t| \leq A} |\hat{D}_{\Psi,k}(t, h)| < \infty$ almost surely, we conclude that $X_0(t)$ is Ψ -Hölder continuous for $|t| \leq A$ for any $A > 0$, which completes the proof.

THEOREM 4. *If for a given weakly stationary process $X(t)$, there is an even, non-negative, non-decreasing function $g(x)$ such that*

$$(3.8) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi^{-2}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \cdot g^{-1}(n) < \infty,$$

$$(3.9) \quad \int g(x) dF(x) < \infty.$$

Then $X(t)$ is equivalent to a weakly stationary process which is Ψ -Hölder continuous almost surely, where $\Psi(h)$ is the function in Lemma 4.

Proof. By (3.8) and (3.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left[\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} \right]^2 &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi^{-2}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) g^{-1}(n) \cdot \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} g(n) (F(n+1) - F(n)) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \Psi^{-2}\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) g^{-1}(n) \cdot \int_1^{\infty} g(x) dF(x) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we can see that $\sum_{n=-1}^{-\infty} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|n|}\right) (F(n+1) - F(n))^{1/2} < \infty$. Hence the assertion follows from Theorem 3.

EXAMPLE 4. Suppose that $F(x)$ is absolutely continuous with the density $f(x)$ and that $f(x)$ is non-increasing as $x \rightarrow \pm\infty$. If

$$(3.10) \quad \int_{|x|>1} \Psi^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right) f^{1/2}(x) dx < \infty,$$

then $X(t)$ is sample Ψ -Hölder continuous.

EXAMPLE 5. If a separable stationary process $X(t)$ satisfies

$$(3.11) \quad \int_{|x|\geq B} \Psi^{-2}\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right) |x| \cdot \log|x| \cdot \log_{(2)}|x| \cdots \log_{(n)}|x| \cdot (\log_{(n+1)}|x|)^{1+\varepsilon} dF(x) < \infty,$$

for sufficiently large $B > 0$ with $\varepsilon > 0$, then

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \sup_{|t| \leq A} \frac{|X(t+h) - X(t)|}{\Psi(h)} = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Especially if, $F(x)$ is absolutely continuous with the density $f(x)$ which satisfies

$$|f(x)| \leq \Psi^2\left(\frac{1}{|x|}\right) [|x| \cdot \log|x| \cdots \log_{(n)}|x| \cdot (\log_{(n+1)}|x|)^{1+\varepsilon}]^{-2},$$

then (3.11) holds.

4. Absolute convergence of the Fourier series of a weakly stationary process.

Let $X(t)$ be a weakly stationary process described in 1. Let T be any positive number. Define

$$(4.1) \quad \begin{aligned} Y(t) &= X(t), & t \geq 0, \\ &X(-t), & t \leq 0. \end{aligned}$$

We consider the Fourier series of $Y(t)$ over $(-T, T)$,

$$(4.2) \quad A_n = \frac{1}{T} \int_{-T}^T Y(t) \cos \frac{n\pi t}{T} dt,$$

$$(4.3) \quad \frac{1}{2} A_0 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \cos \frac{n\pi t}{T}.$$

As in [2],

$$(4.4) \quad EA_n \bar{A}_m = 8e^{i\pi(n-m)/2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin \frac{\lambda T + \pi n}{2} \sin \frac{\lambda T + \pi m}{2} \cdot \lambda^2 T^2}{(\lambda^2 T^2 - n^2 \pi^2)(\lambda^2 T^2 - m^2 \pi^2)} dF(\lambda),$$

$$(4.5) \quad E|A_n|^2 = 8 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\sin^2 \left(\frac{\lambda T + n\pi}{2} \right) \cdot \lambda^2 T^2}{(\lambda^2 T^2 - n^2 \pi^2)^2} dF(\lambda).$$

THEOREM 5. *Let $g(x)$ be even, non-negative and non-decreasing for $x > 0$, such that $g(x)/x^2$ is non-increasing for large x and*

$$(4.6) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g(n)} < \infty.$$

If

$$(4.7) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dF(x) < \infty,$$

then $\sum_0^{\infty} |A_n|$ converges almost surely.

Proof. We may suppose that $g(x)/x^2$ is non-decreasing over $(0, \infty)$. In fact, if $g(x)/x^2$ is non-increasing for $x \geq B$, then we may define $g(x)$ as it is for $(x \geq B)$, and $g(B)(x/B)^2$ for $(x \leq B)$. By (4.5),

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g(n) E|A_n|^2 &= 8 \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g(n) \frac{\sin^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} (|\lambda|T - n\pi) \right] \lambda^2 T^2}{(|\lambda|T + \pi n)^2 (|\lambda|T - \pi n)^2} dF(\lambda) = \\ &= 8 \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} \left(\sum_{n \geq [|\lambda|T/\pi] + 2} \right) dF(\lambda) + 8 \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} \left(\sum_{n=[|\lambda|T/\pi]}^{[|\lambda|T/\pi] + 1} \right) dF(\lambda) \\ &\quad + 8 \int_{|\lambda| > 2\pi/T} \left(\sum_{[|\lambda|T/\pi] - 1 \geq n} \right) dF(\lambda) + 8 \int_{|\lambda| \leq \pi/T} \left(\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \right) dF(\lambda) = \\ &= I_1 + I_2 + I_3 + I_4, \end{aligned}$$

say.

Noting that

$$(4.8) \quad g(Ax) \leq A^2 g(x),$$

for $A > 1$ $x \geq 1$ which follows from the assumption that $g(x)/x^2$ is non-increasing for $x \geq 1$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 &\leq 8 \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} \sum_{n \geq \lceil |\lambda|T/\pi \rceil + 2} \frac{g(n)\lambda^2 T^2}{\pi^2 \left(n - \frac{|\lambda|T}{\pi} - 1 \right)^2 (|\lambda|T + \pi n)^2} dF(\lambda) \leq \\
 &\leq 8C_1 \int_{|\lambda| \geq \pi/T} g\left(\frac{\lambda T}{\pi}\right) dF(\lambda) < C_2 T^2 \int_{|\lambda| \geq \pi/T} g(\lambda) dF(\lambda) < \infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

where C_1 and C_2 are constants. Here we have used that

$$g(n)\lambda^2 T^2 / (|\lambda|T + \pi n)^2 \leq g(\lambda T / \pi).$$

$$I_2 \leq C_3 \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} \left[g\left(\frac{\lambda T}{\pi} + 1\right) + g\left(\frac{\lambda T}{\pi}\right) \right] dF(\lambda) \leq C_4 T^2 \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} g(\lambda) dF(\lambda) < \infty,$$

C_3, C_4 being constants.

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_3 &\leq \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} \sum_{n \leq \lceil \lambda T / \pi \rceil - 1} \frac{\lambda^2 T^2 g(\lceil \lambda T / \pi \rceil - 1)}{(|\lambda|T - \pi n)^2 (|\lambda|T + 2)^2} dF(\lambda) \leq \\
 &\leq C_5 \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{m^2} \int_{|\lambda| > \pi/T} g\left(\frac{\lambda T}{\pi}\right) dF(\lambda) \leq C_6 T^2 \int_{|\lambda| \geq \pi/T} g(\lambda) dF(\lambda) < \infty,
 \end{aligned}$$

where C_5 and C_6 are constants.

Since $\lambda^2 T^2 (|\lambda|T - \pi n)^2 \leq (n - 1)^{-2}$ for $|\lambda|T \leq \pi$,

$$I_4 \leq 8 \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{g(n)}{\pi^2 n^2 (n - 1)^2} \int_{|\lambda| \leq \pi/T} dF(\lambda).$$

Since $g(n) \leq n^2 g(1)$ from (4. 8),

$$I_4 < \infty.$$

Hence we have obtained that

$$(4. 9) \quad \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g(n) E|A_n|^2 < \infty.$$

From this, our conclusion follows immediately, for

$$\begin{aligned}
 E \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} |A_n| &= E \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g^{1/2}(n)} g^{1/2}(n) |A_n| \leq \\
 &\leq \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g(n)} \right]^{1/2} E \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g(n) |A_n|^2 \right]^{1/2} \leq \\
 &\leq \left[\sum_{n=2}^{\infty} \frac{1}{g(n)} \right] \left[E \sum_{n=2}^{\infty} g(n) |A_n|^2 \right]^{1/2}
 \end{aligned}$$

which is finite by (4.6) and (4.8), and $E \sum |A_n| < \infty$ implies the almost sure convergence of $\sum |A_n|$.

As an implication of the conclusion of Theorem 5 is that $X(t)$ is *sample continuous in $(0, T)$ for every $T > 0$* which, of course, implies that $X(t)$ is sample continuous in $(0, \infty)$. However, for this statement we need the unnecessary condition that $g(x)x^2$ is non-decreasing.

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