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A REMARK CONCERNING UNIQUENESS  
OF THE WOLD DECOMPOSITION  
OF FINITE-DIMENSIONAL STATIONARY PROCESSES

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*Summary.* The uniqueness of the Wold decomposition of a finite-dimensional stationary process without assumption of time-containedness is proved. As a corollary the correspondence between the Wold decomposition of full rank stationary process and the Lebesgue decomposition of its spectral measure is easily obtained.

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1. INTRODUCTION AND PRELIMINARIES

An orthogonal decomposition of a stationary process into the regular and singular parts was established for the first time by H. Wold [7]. A more abstract form which points out the operator-theoretical nature of the fact can be found in [1] (cf. also [5]). It may seem to be little surprising that the natural assumption of the so-called time containedness of the regular part is of no importance for the uniqueness of the decomposition in the one-dimensional case. In fact, the same argument applies to stationary processes generated by a set of elements for which the regular part is  $n$ -dimensional. The proof requires elementary Hilbert space geometry only.

As a consequence of the uniqueness theorem we obtain a new and more elementary proof of the correspondence between the Wold decomposition of a full rank stationary process and the Lebesgue decomposition of its spectral measure.

Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be a Hilbert space. We shall denote by  $P(\mathcal{L})$  the orthogonal projection of  $\mathcal{H}$  onto a closed subspace  $\mathcal{L}$  of  $\mathcal{H}$ . All projections are considered to be orthogonal.

A sequence  $(f_n)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$  of vectors in  $\mathcal{H}$  is called a (discrete time) stationary process if the scalar products  $(f_n, f_m)$  depend of the difference  $n - m$  only, i.e.

$$(f_{n+k}, f_{m+k}) = (f_n, f_m) \quad \text{for all } n, m, k \in \mathbf{Z}.$$

Since an analogous relation holds for linear combinations of vectors  $f_j$  it follows that there exists a unitary operator  $U$  acting on the whole space  $\mathcal{H}$  which satisfies

$$Uf_n = f_{n+1} \quad \text{or equivalently} \quad U^n f_0 = f_n$$

for all  $n \in \mathbf{Z}$ , and  $U$  is uniquely determined on the reducing subspace containing  $\bigvee_{j \in \mathbf{Z}} f_j$ , the closed linear span of all  $f_j$ . Conversely, given a unitary operator  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  and an  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ , the sequence  $(f_n = U^n x)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$  is a stationary process. The above consideration allows us to introduce the following definition.

**1.1 Definition.** A triplet  $(\mathcal{H}, U, x)$ ,  $\mathcal{H}$  a Hilbert space,  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  a unitary operator and  $x \in \mathcal{H}$ , is called a stationary process.

Similarly, a double sequence  $(f_n^i)_{n \in \mathbf{Z}}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, N$ , of vectors from  $\mathcal{H}$  is called a finite dimensional stationary process if the Gram matrix  $(f_n^i, f_m^j)_{i,j=1}^N$  depends on the difference  $n - m$  only. Obviously, we can use the same reasoning as before so that the following definition describes the more general situation.

**1.2 Definition.** Let  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  be a unitary operator and  $\mathcal{X}$  a subset of  $\mathcal{H}$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is called a stationary process.

Consider now a stationary process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$ ,  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathcal{H}$ . Denote by  $E_{\mathcal{X}}(H_{\mathcal{X}})$  the smallest invariant (reducing, respectively) subspace of  $U^*$  containing  $\mathcal{X}$ , i.e.

$$E_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigvee_{k \leq 0} U^k \mathcal{X}, \quad H_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigvee_{k=-\infty}^{\infty} U^k \mathcal{X}.$$

The restriction  $U^* | E_{\mathcal{X}}$  is an isometry so that the Wold decomposition applies. In other words, the space  $E_{\mathcal{X}}$  can be decomposed into a direct sum of two subspaces reducing with respect to  $U^* | E_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,

$$E_{\mathcal{X}} = \left( \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U^k E_{\mathcal{X}} \right) \oplus \left( (E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^* E_{\mathcal{X}}) \oplus U^*(E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^* E_{\mathcal{X}}) \oplus \dots \right),$$

so that the restriction of  $U^*$  to the first subspace is a unitary operator and the restriction to the second is a unilateral shift of multiplicity  $\dim(E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^* E_{\mathcal{X}}) \leq \dim \text{span } \mathcal{X}$  (see [5], p. 4).

Let  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U^k E_{\mathcal{X}}$ , and denote by  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}$  the wandering subspace,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}} = E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^* E_{\mathcal{X}}$ . We shall also use the notation  $M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) = \bigoplus_{k \leq 0} U^k \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $M(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) = \bigoplus_{-\infty}^{\infty} U^k \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}$ .

Moreover, this decomposition is unique in the following sense: if  $E_{\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{H}_1 \oplus \mathcal{H}_2$  and  $U^* | \mathcal{H}_1$  is unitary and  $U^* | \mathcal{H}_2$  is a unilateral shift then  $\mathcal{H}_1 = \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $\mathcal{H}_2 = M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}})$ .

Clearly,

$$E_{\mathcal{X}} = M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) \oplus \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}, \quad H_{\mathcal{X}} = M(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) \oplus \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}.$$

**1.3 Definition.** A stationary process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is called singular if  $E_{\mathcal{X}} = H_{\mathcal{X}}$ . It is called regular if  $\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}} = \{0\}$ .

If we denote  $Q = 1 - P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}})$  then  $QU = UQ$  and  $Q\mathcal{X} \subset M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) \subset E_{\mathcal{X}}$ . Since  $QU = UQ$  the subspaces  $H_{Q\mathcal{X}}$  and  $H_{(1-Q)\mathcal{X}}$  are orthogonal and  $x = Qx + (1-Q)x$  for each  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ . Further, the process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  is regular and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-Q)\mathcal{X})$  is singular. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} E_{(1-Q)\mathcal{X}} &= \bigvee_{n \leq 0} U^n P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) \mathcal{X} = \text{clos} \left( P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) \bigvee_{n \leq 0} U^n \mathcal{X} \right) = \text{clos} \left( P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) E_{\mathcal{X}} \right) = \\ &= \mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}} = \text{clos} \left( P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) H_{\mathcal{X}} \right) = \text{clos} \left( P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} U^n \mathcal{X} \right) = \bigvee_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} U^n P(\mathcal{R}_{\mathcal{X}}) \mathcal{X} = H_{(1-Q)\mathcal{X}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $Q\mathcal{X} \subset M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}})$  we also have  $E_{Q\mathcal{X}} \subset M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}})$  and

$$\mathcal{R}_{Q\mathcal{X}} = \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U^k E_{Q\mathcal{X}} \subset \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U^k M_+(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) = \{0\}.$$

On the other hand, it follows from the uniqueness of the Wold decomposition that if  $P$  is any projection such that it commutes with  $U$ , maps  $\mathcal{X}$  into  $E_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P\mathcal{X})$  is regular and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-P)\mathcal{X})$  singular, then  $P|_{H_{\mathcal{X}}} = Q|_{H_{\mathcal{X}}}$ . We can now sum up these facts in the following definition.

**1.4 Definition.** Let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  be a stationary process. The only pair of stationary processes  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-Q)\mathcal{X})$  is called the Wold decomposition of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$ , if

- 1°  $Q$  is a projection such that  $QU = UQ$  and  $Q\mathcal{X} \subset E_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,
- 2°  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  is regular and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-Q)\mathcal{X})$  is singular.

## 2. THE UNIQUENESS OF DECOMPOSITION

We shall use a slightly modified version of the Wold decomposition based on the fact that a bilateral shift of finite multiplicity cannot contain a bilateral shift of higher multiplicity (see [5], Proposition 2.1). Precisely, if  $W$  is a unitary operator and  $\mathcal{L}_1, \mathcal{L}_2$  two wandering subspaces of  $W$  such that  $M(\mathcal{L}_1) \subset M(\mathcal{L}_2)$  and  $\dim \mathcal{L}_1 = \dim \mathcal{L}_2 < \infty$  then  $M(\mathcal{L}_1) = M(\mathcal{L}_2)$ .

The inclusion  $Q\mathcal{X} \subset E_{\mathcal{X}}$  in condition 1° of 1.4 implies  $E_{Q\mathcal{X}} \subset E_{\mathcal{X}}$  and has a natural meaning: "the past" of the regular part in the Wold decomposition depends on "the past" of the initial process only. Nevertheless, it may be replaced by a weaker one.

**2.1 Proposition.** Let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  be a stationary process. Then there exists an orthogonal projection  $Q$  such that

- 1°  $QU = UQ$ ,  $Q\mathcal{X} \subset H_{\mathcal{X}}$ ,
- 2°  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  is regular with  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{Q\mathcal{X}} = \dim \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}$  and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-Q)\mathcal{X})$  is singular.

Conversely, if  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x < \infty$  and  $Q$  satisfies 1° and 2° then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1 - Q)\mathcal{X})$  is the Wold decomposition of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$ .

Proof. It is easy to see that  $Q = 1 - P(\mathcal{R}_x)$  also satisfies  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{Qx} = \dim \mathcal{F}_x$ .

To prove the second part of the assertion let us consider a projection  $Q$  satisfying 1° and 2°. Condition 1° implies  $H_{Qx} \subset H_x$ . Using the singularity of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1 - Q)\mathcal{X})$  we have

$$E_x \subset E_{Qx} \oplus E_{(1-Q)x} = E_{Qx} \oplus H_{(1-Q)x}$$

and, for  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,

$$U^n E_x \subset U^n E_{Qx} \oplus U^n H_{(1-Q)x} = U^n E_{Qx} \oplus H_{(1-Q)x}.$$

Condition 1° and regularity of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  imply

$$\mathcal{R}_x = \bigcap_{n \leq 0} U^n E_x \subset \left( \bigcap_{n \leq 0} U^n E_{Qx} \right) \oplus H_{(1-Q)x} = H_{(1-Q)x} = H_x \ominus H_{Qx},$$

hence  $M(\mathcal{F}_{Qx}) = H_{Qx} \subset H_x \ominus \mathcal{R}_x = M(\mathcal{F}_x)$ . Both  $\mathcal{F}_{Qx}$  and  $\mathcal{F}_x$  are wandering subspaces of  $U \mid H_x$  and, by 2°,  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{Qx} = \dim \mathcal{F}_x$ . If  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x < \infty$  then  $M(\mathcal{F}_{Qx}) = M(\mathcal{F}_x)$  by Prop. 2.1 of [5].

Clearly,  $Q \mid H_x$  is an orthogonal projection and  $QH_x = H_{Qx} = M(\mathcal{F}_{Qx})$ . On the other hand,  $M(\mathcal{F}_x) = (1 - P(\mathcal{R}_x))H_x$ , thus  $Q \mid H_x = (1 - P(\mathcal{R}_x)) \mid H_x$ . The proof is complete.

The following example shows that if  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x = \infty$ , conditions 1° and 2° do not imply the uniqueness of the decomposition.

**2.2 Example.** Consider the following double sequence of orthonormal vectors in a Hilbert space  $\mathcal{H}$ ,

$$\begin{array}{cccccccc} \dots & e_{0,-2} & e_{0,-1} & e_{00} & e_{01} & e_{02} & \dots & \\ & & \dots & e_{1,-1} & e_{10} & e_{11} & \dots & \\ & & & \dots & e_{20} & \dots & & \\ & & & & & \dots & & \end{array}$$

and define a unitary operator  $U \in B(\mathcal{H})$  satisfying

$$Ue_{ij} = e_{i,j-1} \quad \text{for } i \geq 0, \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

If  $\mathcal{X} = \{e_{k0} : k \geq 0\}$  then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is clearly a regular stationary process and  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x = \infty$ . Let us define

$$m = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-k} e_{kk}, \quad \mathcal{M} = H_m.$$

The projection  $Q = 1 - P(\mathcal{M})$  clearly satisfies condition 1° and we shall show that it also satisfies condition 2° of Proposition 2.1. By easy computation we have, for  $k \geq 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(\mathcal{M}) e_{k0} &= P(\mathcal{M}) U^k e_{kk} = U^k P(\mathcal{M}) e_{kk} = \\ &= 2^{-k} U^k P(\mathcal{M}) 2^k e_{kk} = 2^{-k} U^k P(\mathcal{M}) e_{00} \end{aligned}$$

because

$$2^k e_{kk} - e_{00} \perp \mathcal{M}.$$

Since

$$\begin{aligned} H_{P(\mathcal{M})\mathcal{X}} &= \bigvee_{\substack{n \in \mathbf{Z} \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n} P(\mathcal{M}) e_{k0} = \bigvee_{\substack{n \in \mathbf{Z} \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n} U^k P(\mathcal{M}) e_{00} = \\ &= \text{clos} (P(\mathcal{M}) \bigvee_{\substack{n \in \mathbf{Z} \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n-k} e_{00}) = \text{clos} (P(\mathcal{M}) \bigvee_{\substack{n \geq 0 \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n-k} e_{00}) = \\ &= \bigvee_{\substack{n \geq 0 \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n} U^k P(\mathcal{M}) e_{00} = \bigvee_{\substack{n \geq 0 \\ k \geq 0}} U^{*n} P(\mathcal{M}) e_{k0} = E_{P(\mathcal{M})\mathcal{X}}, \end{aligned}$$

the process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{M})\mathcal{X})$  is singular.

Now, we shall show that  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1 - P(\mathcal{M}))\mathcal{X})$  is regular. If we denote by  $\mathcal{Z} = \bigvee_{k \geq 0} e_{kk}$  then

$$H_{\mathcal{X}} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} U^k \mathcal{Z}.$$

To compute  $\mathcal{R}_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)}$  we shall use the inclusion

$$U^n E_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X}} = U^n \text{clos} (P(\mathcal{M}^\perp) E_{\mathcal{X}}) = \text{clos} (P(\mathcal{M}^\perp) U^n E_{\mathcal{X}}) \subset U^n E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}$$

and the decomposition

$$U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} (U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}) \cap U^{*k} \mathcal{Z}.$$

For any  $n \geq 0$ , we have also

$$(U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}) \cap \mathcal{Z} = m \vee \bigvee_{j \geq n} e_{jj}$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M} &= \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} (U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}) \cap U^{*k} \mathcal{Z} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} U^{*k} [(U^{*n-k} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}) \cap \mathcal{Z}] = \\ &= \bigoplus_{k < n} U^{*k} (m \vee \bigvee_{j \geq n-k} e_{jj}) \oplus \bigoplus_{k \geq n} U^{*k} \mathcal{Z}. \end{aligned}$$

Denoting

$$A_{nk} = \begin{cases} U^{*k} (m \vee \bigvee_{j \geq n-k} e_{jj}), & k < n, \\ U^{*k} \mathcal{Z}, & k \geq n, \end{cases}$$

for any  $n \geq 0$ , we clearly have  $A_{n+1,k} \subset A_{nk}$  and  $\bigcap_{n \geq 0} A_{nk} = \mathcal{M} \cap U^{*k} \mathcal{Z}$ . The equality

$$U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M} = \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} A_{nk}$$

now implies

$$\mathcal{R}_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X}} = \bigcap_{n \geq 0} U^{*n} E_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X}} \subset \bigcap_{n \geq 0} (U^{*n} E_{\mathcal{X}} \vee \mathcal{M}) = \bigcap_{n \geq 0} \bigoplus_{k \in \mathbf{Z}} A_{nk} \subset \mathcal{M}.$$

On the other hand,  $\mathcal{R}_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X}} \subset \mathcal{M}^\perp$  so that  $\mathcal{R}_{P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X}} = \{0\}$  and the regularity of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{M}^\perp)\mathcal{X})$  is proved.

### 3. STATIONARY PROCESSES WITH THE SPECTRAL MEASURE ABSOLUTELY CONTINUOUS WITH RESPECT TO THE LEBESGUE MEASURE

Let us now consider the Hilbert space  $L^2 = L^2(\mathbf{T})$  with the norm  $\|f\|_2^2 = \int_{\mathbf{T}} |f|^2 dm$  where  $\mathbf{T}$  is the unit circle and  $m$  the normalized Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbf{T}$ . As usual, denote by  $S$  the unitary operator of multiplication by  $e^{it}$  on  $L^2$ . Given a natural number  $n$ , we shall denote by  $L^2(n)$  the Hilbert space of all  $n$ -tuples  $f = (f_1, \dots, f_n)$  with  $f_i \in L^2$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ) equipped with the scalar product  $(f, g) = \sum_{i=1}^n (f_i, g_i)$ . Let  $S_n \in B(L^2(n))$  be the bilateral shift operator,  $S_n f = (Sf_1, \dots, Sf_n)$ ,  $f \in L^2(n)$ . Obviously  $L^2(n) = M(\mathcal{F}, \mathcal{M})$  where  $\mathcal{M} = \{e_j; e_{jk} = \delta_{jk}, j, k = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ .

**3.1 Definition.** Let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  be a stationary process. Denote by  $E$  the spectral measure of  $U$ . The set of Borel measures

$$\mu_x = \{\mu_{x,y} = (E(\cdot) x, y) : x, y \in \mathcal{X}\}$$

will be called the spectral measure of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$ . We shall say that  $\mu_x \ll m$  ( $\mu_x \perp m$ ) iff  $\mu_{x,y} \ll m$  ( $\mu_{x,y} \perp m$ , respectively) for all  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ .

If  $\mathcal{X}$  consists of a single element  $x$  then the spectral measure of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is non-negative,  $\mu_x = |E(\cdot) x|^2$ .

If  $\mathcal{X}$  is finite,  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ , then the spectral measure of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  can be considered as a matrix  $\mu_x = (\mu_{ij})_1^n$  with nonnegative diagonal entries.

**3.2 Lemma.** Let  $\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2$  be two Hilbert spaces,  $U_1 \in B(\mathcal{H}_1), U_2 \in B(\mathcal{H}_2)$  unitary operators and  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathcal{H}$ . If  $\Phi \in B(\mathcal{H}_1, \mathcal{H}_2)$  is an isometry such that  $\Phi U_1 = U_2 \Phi$  then

- 1°  $E_{\Phi x} = \Phi E_x$  and  $\mathcal{F}_{\Phi x} = \Phi \mathcal{F}_x$ ,
- 2°  $H_{\Phi x} = \Phi H_x$ ,
- 3°  $\mathcal{R}_{\Phi x} = \Phi \mathcal{R}_x$ .

*Proof.*

$$E_{\Phi x} = \bigvee_{k \leq 0} U_2^k \Phi x = \bigvee_{k \leq 0} \Phi U_1^k x = \Phi \bigvee_{k \leq 0} U_1^k x = \Phi E_x$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\Phi x} &= E_{\Phi x} \ominus U_2 E_{\Phi x} = \Phi E_x \ominus U_2 \Phi E_x = \Phi E_x \ominus \Phi U_1 E_x = \\ &= \Phi(E_x \ominus U_1 E_x) = \Phi \mathcal{F}_x. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly,

$$H_{\Phi x} = \Phi H_x.$$

Further,

$$\mathcal{R}_{\Phi x} = \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U_2^k E_{\Phi x} = \bigcap_{k \leq 0} U_2^k \Phi E_x = \bigcap_{k \leq 0} \Phi U_1^k E_x = \Phi \mathcal{R}_x.$$

**3.3 Proposition.** Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{H}$  such that the stationary process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  satisfies  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x = n$  and  $\mu_x \ll m$ . Then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is regular.

Proof. Since  $\mu_{ij} \ll m$  there exist functions  $f_{ij} \in L^1(\mathbf{T})$  such that  $f_{ij} = d\mu_{ij}/dm$  ( $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ). Given  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbf{C}$  we have

$$\sum_{i,j} \lambda_i \lambda_j^* \mu_{ij}(\cdot) = |E(\cdot) \sum_i \lambda_i x_i|^2 \geq 0$$

so that  $\sum \lambda_i \lambda_j^* \mu_{ij}(\cdot)$  is a nonnegative Borel measure on  $\mathbf{T}$  which is absolutely continuous with respect to  $m$ . Consequently, its density  $\sum \lambda_i \lambda_j^* f_{ij}$  is nonnegative a.e. This implies that there exists a Borel subset  $\sigma_0$  of  $\mathbf{T}$  such that  $m(\sigma_0) = 1$ , all functions  $f_{ij}$  are defined on  $\sigma_0$  and  $\sum \lambda_i \lambda_j^* f_{ij}(t) \geq 0$  for  $t \in \sigma_0$ ,  $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_n \in \mathbf{C}$ .

In other words, matrices  $(f_{ij}(t))$  are positive semidefinite so that there exist functions  $\varphi_{ij}$  defined on  $\sigma_0$  such that

$$(f_{ij}(t)) = (\varphi_{ij}(t)) (\varphi_{ij}(t))^* \quad \text{for } t \in \sigma_0.$$

Since

$$\sum_{k=1}^n |\varphi_{ik}(t)|^2 = f_{ii}(t)$$

for  $t \in \sigma_0$  we have  $\varphi_{ij} \in L^2(\mathbf{T})$ .

Let us now set

$$\Phi x_j = \varphi_j = (\varphi_{j1}, \dots, \varphi_{jn}) \in L^2(n).$$

The relations  $(x_i, x_j) = (\varphi_i, \varphi_j)$  ( $i, j = 1, \dots, n$ ) make it possible to define an isometry  $\tilde{\Phi}$  on  $H_{\mathbf{x}}$  with values in  $L^2(n)$  which satisfies

$$\tilde{\Phi} x_j = \Phi x_j \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\Phi} U = S_n \tilde{\Phi}.$$

According to Lemma 3.2 the process  $(L^2(n), S_n, \Phi \mathcal{X})$  satisfies  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{\Phi \mathbf{x}} = n$ . Now, using Proposition 2.1 of [5] we deduce that  $(L^2(n), S_n, \Phi \mathcal{X})$  is regular and, consequently,  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is regular as well. The proof is complete.

If  $n = 1$  then there are only two possibilities: either  $(\mathcal{H}, U, x)$  is singular or  $\dim \mathcal{F}_x = 1$ . So we have

**3.4 Corollary.** *Let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, x)$  be a stationary process satisfying  $\mu_x \ll m$ . Then it is either regular or singular.*

#### 4. THE LEBESGUE DECOMPOSITION OF THE SPECTRAL MEASURE

Let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  be a stationary process with the spectral measure  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ . If  $P$  is a projection which commutes with  $U$  then  $P$  also commutes with  $E(\cdot)$  and, for  $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{x,y} &= (E(\cdot) x, y) = (E(\cdot) P x, P y) + (E(\cdot) (1 - P) x, (1 - P) y) = \\ &= \mu_{P x, P y} + \mu_{(1-P)x, (1-P)y}, \end{aligned}$$

or shortly,

$$\mu_{\mathbf{x}} = \mu_{P \mathbf{x}} + \mu_{(1-P) \mathbf{x}}.$$

Clearly  $\mu_{P \mathbf{x}} \ll \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$  and  $\mu_{(1-P) \mathbf{x}} \ll \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ .



The spectral measure of a regular process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $m$ . Indeed, the unitary operator  $U \upharpoonright H_{\mathcal{X}}$  is a bilateral shift so that its spectral measure is equivalent to  $m$  ([5]). It follows that the spectral measure of a non-singular process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  cannot be orthogonal to  $m$ . In other words, if  $\mu_{\mathcal{X}} \perp m$  then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is singular.

On the other hand, if  $U$  is a bilateral shift and  $\mathcal{X} \subset \mathcal{H}$  such that  $H_{\mathcal{X}}$  is reducing to  $U$  then  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  is singular and  $\mu_{\mathcal{X}} \ll m$ . In view of these considerations it is not unnatural to ask what is the connection between the above decomposition and the Lebesgue decomposition of measures  $\mu_{x,y}$  ( $x, y \in \mathcal{X}$ ) into absolutely continuous and orthogonal parts with respect to  $m$ .

Let  $\mathcal{X}$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{H}$ ,  $y \in H_{\mathcal{X}}$ , and let us consider the nonnegative Borel measure  $\mu_y = |E(\cdot)y|^2$ . Let the Lebesgue decomposition of  $\mu_y$  have the form

$$\mu_y = \mu^a + \mu^s, \quad \mu^a \ll m, \quad \mu^s \perp m.$$

If  $\mu_y$  is concentrated on  $B$  then  $y = E(B)y + E(B^c)y$  and the measure  $\mu_{E(B)y} = |E(\cdot)E(B)y|^2 = |E(B \cap \cdot)y|^2$  is absolutely continuous while  $\mu_{E(B^c)y}$  is orthogonal to  $m$  so that  $\mu^a = \mu_{E(B)y}$  and  $\mu^s = \mu_{E(B^c)y}$ . Since subspaces reducing  $U$  are invariant to  $E(\cdot)$ , elements  $E(B)y$  and  $E(B^c)y$  are in  $H_{\mathcal{X}}$  as well.

Now let us define subspaces

$$\mathcal{H}^a = \{y \in H_{\mathcal{X}} : \mu_y \ll m\},$$

$$\mathcal{H}^s = \{y \in H_{\mathcal{X}} : \mu_y \perp m\}.$$

Both subspaces are closed, mutually orthogonal and  $H_{\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{H}^a \oplus \mathcal{H}^s$ . The relation  $\mu_{Uy} = \mu_y$  implies that they are also reducing to  $U$ .

**4.1 Proposition.** *Let  $\mathcal{X} = \{x_1, \dots, x_n\}$  be a finite subset of  $\mathcal{H}$  and let  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  be a stationary process with  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}} = n$ . If  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$ ,  $(\mathcal{H}, U, (1-Q)\mathcal{X})$  is the Wold decomposition of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  then*

$$\mu_{\mathcal{X}} = \mu_{Q\mathcal{X}} + \mu_{(1-Q)\mathcal{X}}$$

*is the Lebesgue decomposition of the spectral measure of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, \mathcal{X})$  into absolutely continuous and orthogonal parts with respect to  $m$ , i.e.*

$$\mu_{x_i, x_j} = \mu_{Qx_i, x_j} + \mu_{(1-Q)x_i, x_j}$$

*is the Lebesgue decomposition of  $\mu_{x_i, x_j}$ ,  $i, j = 1, 2, \dots, n$ .*

*Proof.* According to what has been said above both  $\mathcal{H}^a$  and  $\mathcal{H}^s$  are reducing subspaces to  $U$ ,  $\mathcal{H}^a \perp \mathcal{H}^s$  and  $x = P(\mathcal{H}^a)x + P(\mathcal{H}^s)x$  for  $x \in \mathcal{X}$ .

Obviously,  $H_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}} \subset \mathcal{H}^a$ ,  $H_{P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X}} \subset \mathcal{H}^s$  and thus  $H_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}} \perp H_{P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X}}$ . Since  $\mu_{P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X}} \perp m$  the process  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X})$  is singular.

We shall show that  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X})$  is regular. Regularity of  $(\mathcal{H}, U, Q\mathcal{X})$  implies  $H_{Q\mathcal{X}} \subset \mathcal{H}^a$ , and consequently,  $\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}} \subset M(\mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}}) = H_{Q\mathcal{X}} \subset \mathcal{H}^a$ . Thus we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}} &\subset P(\mathcal{H}^a)E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^*E_{\mathcal{X}} = P(\mathcal{H}^a)E_{\mathcal{X}} \ominus P(\mathcal{H}^a)U^*E_{\mathcal{X}} \subset \\ &\subset \text{clos}(P(\mathcal{H}^a)E_{\mathcal{X}}) \ominus \text{clos}(P(\mathcal{H}^a)U^*E_{\mathcal{X}}) = E_{P(\mathcal{X})\mathcal{X}} \ominus U^*E_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}} = \mathcal{F}_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}}. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that  $\dim \mathcal{F}_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}} \geq \dim \mathcal{F}_{\mathcal{X}} = n$ . Moreover,  $\mu_{P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X}} \ll m$  and, according to Proposition 3.3,  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X})$  is regular. The decomposition  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X})$  and  $(\mathcal{H}, U, P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X})$  satisfies condition 1° and 2° of 2.1 so that  $P(\mathcal{H}^a)\mathcal{X} = Q\mathcal{X}$  and  $P(\mathcal{H}^s)\mathcal{X} = (1 - Q)\mathcal{X}$ . The proof is complete.

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Souhrn

#### POZNÁMKA O JEDNOZNAČNOSTI WOLDOVA ROZKLADU KONEČNĚROZMĚRNÝCH STACIONÁRNÍCH PROCESŮ

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V práci je dokázána jednoznačnost Woldova rozkladu konečněrozměrného stacionárního procesu bez předpokladu časové podřízenosti. Důsledkem je jednoduchý důkaz korespondence mezi Woldovým rozkladem stacionárního procesu plné hodnosti a Lebesgueovým rozkladem odpovídající spektrální míry.

Резюме

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Доказывается единственность разложения Вольда конечномерного стационарного процесса без предположения подчиненности исходному процессу. Как следствие получается элементарное доказательство соответствия разложения Вольда стационарного процесса максимального ранга и разложения Лебега его спектральной меры.

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