

A Kingman convolution approach to Bessel processes*

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Abstract. *We study Bessel processes $BES^\delta(x)$ in terms of the Kingman convolution method. In particular, we propose a higher dimensional model of the Kingman convolution algebras in particular and Urbanik convolution algebras in general. We show that every Bessel process $BES^\delta(0)$ (starting from 0) is induced by the Kingman convolution. Moreover, a new concept of increments of stochastic processes is introduced. It permits to regard Bessel processes as "stationary and independent increments processes".*

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I. Introduction: This study is inspired by a distinguished part of Bessel processes in financial mathematics for decades. Indeed, if $\{\mathbf{W}_t\}$ is a δ -dimensional Brownian motion (BM^δ) and we put $B = \|\mathbf{W}\|$. By virtue of Revuz-Yor [10],p.439,we have

$$(1.1) \quad B_t^2 = B_0^2 + 2 \int_0^t B_s d\beta_s + \delta t,$$

where W is a linear BM. Consider, for any real number $\delta \geq 0, x \geq 0$, the following SDE

$$(1.2) \quad Z_t = x + 2 \int_0^t \sqrt{|Z_s|} dW_s + \delta t.$$

Note that (1.2) is a special case of the Cox-Ingersoll-Ross(**CIR**) family of diffusions ([2]) which have unique solutions. Moreover, these solutions are strong, nonnegative and adapted w.r.t. the natural filtration $\{\mathcal{F}_t\}$ of $\{W_t\}$. Consequently, in the case $\delta \geq 0, x \geq 0$, the absolute sign in (1.2) can be omitted and $\{Z_t\}$ can be modeled as short term interest rates (cf. Cox-Ingersoll-Ross [2]).

1.1 Definition(cf. Revuz-Yor [10, XI] *For every $\delta \geq 0, x \geq 0$, the unique strong solution of the equation (1.2) is called the square of δ -dimensional Bessel process started at x and is denoted by $BESQ^\delta(x)$. Further, the square root of $BESQ^\delta(a^2)$, is called the Bessel process of dimension δ started at a and is denoted by $BES^\delta(a)$.*

In the present paper we study the class of Bessel processes $BES^\delta(a)$, $\delta = 2(s + 1) \geq 1$ via the Kingman convolution method and will use "s" as the index of the Bessel process.

Let \mathcal{P} denote the class of all p.m.'s on the positive half-line \mathbb{R}^+ endowed with the weak convergence and $*_{1,\delta}$, $\delta \geq 1$ denote the Kingman convolution (Hankel transforms) which was introduced by Kingman [5] in connection with the addition of independent spherically symmetric random vectors in Euclidean δ -space. Namely, for each continuous bounded function f on R^+ we write :

$$(1.3) \quad \int_0^\infty f(x) \mu *_{1,\delta} \nu(dx) = \frac{\Gamma(s+1)}{\sqrt{\pi}\Gamma(s+\frac{1}{2})} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_{-1}^1 f((x^2 + 2uxy + y^2)^{1/2}) (1-u^2)^{s-1/2} \mu(dx) \nu(dy) du,$$

where $\mu, \nu \in P$, $\delta = 2(s+1) \geq 1$ (cf. Kingman [5] and Urbanik [16]). In what follows, for the sake of simplicity, the Kingman convolution $*_{1,\delta}$ will be denoted shortly as \circ . The algebra (\mathcal{P}, \circ) is the most important example of Urbanik convolution algebras (cf Urbanik [16]). In language of the Urbanik convolution algebras, the *characteristic measure*, say σ_s , of the Kingman convolution has the Rayleigh density

$$(1.4) \quad d\sigma_s(y) = 2(s+1)^{s+1} \Gamma^{-1}(s+1) y^{2s+1} \exp(-(s+1)y^2)$$

with the characteristic exponent $\varkappa = 2$ and the kernel Λ_s

$$(1.5) \quad \Lambda_s(x) = \Gamma(s + 1)J_s(x)/(1/2x)^s.$$

It is known (cf. Kingman [5], Theorem 1), that the kernel Λ_s itself is an ordinary ch.f. of a p.m., say F_s , defined on the interval $[-1,1]$. Thus if θ_s denotes a r.v. with distribution F_s then for each $t \in \mathbb{R}^+$,

$$(1.6.) \quad \Lambda_s(t) = E \exp(it\theta_s) = \int_{-1}^1 \exp(itx) dF_s(x).$$

The *radial characteristic function* (rad.ch.f.) of a p.m. $\mu \in \mathcal{P}$, denoted by $\hat{\mu}(u)$, is defined by

$$(1.7) \quad \hat{\mu}(u) = \int_0^\infty \Lambda_s(ux) \mu(dx),$$

for every $u \in \mathbb{R}^+$. In particular, the rad.ch.f. of σ_s is

$$(1.8) \quad \hat{\sigma}_s(u) = \exp(-u^2/2), u \in \mathbb{R}^+.$$

II Cartesian product of Kingman convolutions¹

Denote by \mathbb{R}^{+k} , $k = 1, 2, \dots$ the k -dimensional nonnegative cone of \mathbb{R}^k and $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ the class of all p.m.'s on \mathbb{R}^{+k} equipped with the weak convergence. Let $\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2 \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ be of the product form

$$(2.1) \quad \mathbf{F}_i = \tau_i^1 \times \dots \times \tau_i^k,$$

where $\tau_i^j \in \mathcal{P}$, $j=1,2,\dots$ and $i=1,2$. We put

$$(2.2) \quad \mathbf{F}_1 \circ_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{F}_2 = (F_1^1 \circ F_2^1) \times \dots \times (F_1^k \circ F_2^k).$$

Since convex combinations of p.m.'s of the form (2.1) are dense in $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ the relation (2.2) can be extended to arbitrary p.m.'s on \mathbb{R}^{+k} . For every $\mathbf{F} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ the k -dimensional rad.ch.f $\hat{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{t})$, $\mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}^{k+}$, is defined by

$$(2.3) \quad \hat{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{+k}} \prod_{j=1}^k \Lambda_s(t_j x_j) \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{d}\mathbf{x}),$$

¹Higher dimensional Urbanik convolution algebras can be introduced in the same way as here for the Kingman convolution case but this subject will be treated systematically else where.

Let $\theta, \theta_1, \dots, \theta_k$ be i.i.d. r.v.'s with the common distribution F_s . Further, suppose that

$$\mathbf{X} = (X_1, \dots, X_k) \quad \text{and} \quad \Theta = (\theta_1, \dots, \theta_k)$$

be R^{+k} -valued independent r.v.'s such that $\mathbf{X} \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{F}$. Set

$$(2.4) \quad \Theta \mathbf{X} = \{\theta_1 X_1, \dots, \theta_k X_k\}.$$

Then, the following formula is the multidimensional generalization of (1.6):

$$(2.5) \quad \widehat{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{t}) = E(e^{i\langle \mathbf{t}, \Theta \mathbf{X} \rangle}),$$

where $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_k) \in \mathbb{R}^{+k}$ and \langle, \rangle denotes the inner product in \mathbb{R}^k . In fact, we have

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & E(e^{i\langle (\theta_1 t_1, \dots, \theta_k t_k), \mathbf{X} \rangle}) \\ &= \int_{R^{+k}} E(e^{i\sum_{j=1}^k (t_j x_j \theta_j)} F(d\mathbf{x})) \\ &= \int_{R^{+k}} \prod_{j=1}^k \Lambda_s(t_j x_j) F(d\mathbf{x}) \\ &= \widehat{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{t}). \end{aligned}$$

Thus, $\widehat{\mathbf{F}}(\mathbf{t})$ is also an ordinary k -dimensional ch.f., and hence it is uniformly continuous. For vectors $\mathbf{x} \in \mathbb{R}^{+k}$ the *generalized translation operators* (g.t.o.'s) $\mathbf{T}^{\mathbf{x}}$ acting on the Banach

space $\mathbb{C}_b(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ of real bounded continuous functions f on \mathbb{R}^{+k} are defined, for each $\mathbf{y} \in \mathbb{R}^{+k}$, by

$$(2.7) \quad \mathbf{T}^{\mathbf{x}} f(\mathbf{y}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{+k}} f(\mathbf{u}) \{\delta_{\mathbf{x}} \circ_{\mathbf{k}} \delta_{\mathbf{y}}\} (d\mathbf{u}).$$

In terms of these g.t.o.'s the k -dimensional rad.ch.f. of p.m.'s on \mathbb{R}^{+k} can be characterized as the following:

Theorem 2.1 *A real bounded continuous function f on \mathbb{R}^{+k} is a (k -dimensional) rad.ch.f. of a p.m., if and only if $f(\mathbf{0}) = 1$ and f is $\{\mathbf{T}^{\mathbf{x}}\}$ -nonnegative definite in the sense that for any $\mathbf{x}_1, \dots, \mathbf{x}_k \in \mathbb{R}^k$ and $\lambda_1, \dots, \lambda_k \in \mathbb{C}$*

$$\sum_{i,j=1}^k \lambda_i \bar{\lambda}_j \mathbf{T}^{\mathbf{x}_i} f(\mathbf{x}_j) \geq 0.$$

(See Vólkovich [18] for the proof).

Lemma 2.2 *Every p.m. $\mathbf{F} \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k})$ is uniquely determined by its k -dimensional rad.ch.f. $\widehat{\mathbf{F}}$ and the following formula holds:*

$$(2.8) \quad \widehat{\mathbf{F}_1 \circ_{\mathbf{k}} \mathbf{F}_2}(\mathbf{t}) = \widehat{\mathbf{F}_1}(\mathbf{t}) \widehat{\mathbf{F}_2}(\mathbf{t}),$$

$\mathbf{F}_1, \mathbf{F}_2 \in \mathcal{P}(R^{+k})$ and $\mathbf{t} \in R^{+k}$.

Proof The formula (2.8) follows from formulas (1.3) and (2.2). Now using the formulas (2.3), (2.5) and integrating the function $\hat{\mathbf{F}}(t_1 u_1, \dots, t_k u_k)$, k -times w.r.to σ_s , we get

$$(2.9) \quad \int_{R^{+k}} \hat{\mathbf{F}}(t_1 u_1, \dots, t_k u_k) \sigma_s(du_1) \dots \sigma_s(du_k) = \\ \int_{R^+} \dots \int_{R^{+k}} \prod_{j=1}^k \Lambda_s(t_j x_j u_j) \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{d}\mathbf{x}) \sigma_s(du_1) \dots \sigma_s(du_k) \\ = \int_{R^{+k}} \prod_{j=1}^k \exp\{-t_j^2 x_j^2\} \mathbf{F}(\mathbf{d}\mathbf{x}),$$

which, by change of variables $y_j = x_j^2$, $j = 1, \dots, k$ and by the uniqueness of the k -dimensional Laplace transform, implies that \mathbf{F} is uniquely determined by the left-hand side of (2.9).

The following theorem is a simple consequence of (1.3) and (2.2).

Theorem 2.3 The pair $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k}), \bigcirc_{\mathbf{k}})$ is a commutative topological semigroup with $\delta_{\mathbf{0}}$ as the unit element. Moreover, the operation $\bigcirc_{\mathbf{k}}$ is distributive w.r.t. convex combinations of p.m.'s $\in \mathcal{P}(R^{+k})$.

In the sequel, the pair $(\mathcal{P}(R^{+k}), \bigcirc_{\mathbf{k}})$ will be called a k -dimensional Kingman convolution algebra. It is the same as in the case $k=1$, the i.d. elements can be defined as the following: A p.m. $\mu \in \mathcal{P}(R^{+k})$ is called i.d. if for every natural

m there exists a p.m. μ_m such that $\mu = \mu_m \circ_{\mathbf{k}} \mu_m \cdots \mu_m \circ_{\mathbf{k}} \mu_m$ (m terms).

Now observe that the function

$$(2.10) \quad \widehat{\Sigma}_{s,k}(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_k) = \prod_{j=1}^k \exp(-t_j^2),$$

where $t_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, k \in \mathbb{R}^+$ is the k -dimensional rad.ch.f. of the distribution

$$(2.11) \quad \Sigma_{s,k} = \sigma_s \times \dots \times \sigma_s \quad (k \text{ terms})$$

being the k -fold Cartesian product of σ_s . In the sequel, the $\Sigma_{s,k}$ will be called the k -dimensional Rayleigh distribution .

Now, let us denote by $ID(\circ_{\mathbf{k}})$ the class of all i.d.p.m.'s in $(\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{R}^{+k}), \circ_{\mathbf{k}})$. The following theorem stands for a slight generalization of Theorem 7 in Kingman [5] and its proof is omitted.

Theorem 2.5 $\mu \in ID(\circ_{\mathbf{k}})$ if and only if there exist a σ -finite measure M on \mathbb{R}^{+k} with the property that $M(\{\mathbf{0}\}) = 0$, M is finite outside every neighborhood of $\mathbf{0}$ and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^{+k}} \frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{1 + \|\mathbf{x}\|^2} M(d\mathbf{x}) < \infty$$

and for each $\mathbf{t} = (t^1, \dots, t^k) \in R^k$

$$(2.12) \quad -\log \hat{\mu}(\mathbf{t}) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{+k}} \left(1 - \prod_{j=1}^k \Lambda_s(\langle t_j, x_j \rangle)\right) \frac{\|\mathbf{x}\|^2}{1 + \|\mathbf{x}\|^2} M(d\mathbf{x}).$$

III Convolution structure of Bessel processes

Given a p.m. $\mu \in \mathcal{P}$ and $n=1,2,\dots$ we put, for any $x \in \mathbb{R}^+, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^+)$,

$$(3.1) \quad P_n(x, E) = \delta_x \circ \mu^{\circ n}(E),$$

here the power is taken in the convolution \circ sense. Using the rad.ch.f. one can show that $\{P_n(x, E)\}$ satisfies the Chapman-Kolmogorov equation and therefore, there exists a homogeneous Markov sequence, say $\{S_n^x\}$, $n=0,1,2,\dots$, with $\{P_n(x, E)\}$ as its transition probability. More generally, suppose that $\{\mu_k, k = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is a sequence of p.m.'s on R^+ . Put, for any $0 \leq n < m, x \in R^+, E \in \mathcal{B}(R^+)$,

$$(3.2) \quad P_{n,m}(x, E) = \delta_x \circ \mu_n \circ \mu_{n+1} \circ \dots \circ \mu_{m-1}(E).$$

Then, $P_{n,m}(x, E)$ satisfies the Chapman-Kolmogorov equation and therefore, there exists a Markov sequence $\{X_n^x\}$, $n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ with the transition probability $P_{n,m}(x, E)$.

In what follows we will discuss the case of Bessel processes which stand for a continuous counter part of the above symmetric random walks.

Suppose that μ is an i.d.p.m. w.r.t. the Kingman convolution \circ . Putting

$$(3.3) \quad q(t, x, E) := \mu^{\circ t} \circ \delta_x(E)$$

and taking into account the fact that the family $q(t, x, \cdot)$ of distributions satisfies the Chapman-Kolmogorov equation and therefore, it stands for a transition probability of a homogeneous strong Markov Feller process, say $\{X_t^x\}$, $t, x \in \mathbb{R}^+$. and, moreover $\{X_t^x\}$ is stochastically continuous and has a CADLAG version (cf. Nguyen [13], Theorem 2.6).

3.1 Definition A stochastic process $\{X_t^x\}$ is called a Lévy-type (or, \circ -Lévy) process if (i) $X_0^x = x$ (P.1); (ii) $\{X_t^x\}$ is strong Markov Feller process with transition probability of the form (3.3); (iii) $\{X_t^x\}$ is a stochastically continuous process with CADLAG realizations with (P.1).

It is evident that all Lévy processes are $*$ -Lévy ones. The simplest example of Lévy-type but non-Lévy processes is absolute value of the linear BM. Similarly, the following theorem

shows that Bessel processes starting from 0 stands for Lévy type processes induced by Kingman convolutions.

3.2 Theorem Let $\{B_t^\delta\}$ denote a Lévy-type process which has transition probability (3.3) with $x=0$ and $\mu = \sigma_s$. Then, up to a scale change, $\{B_t^\delta\}$ and $BES^\delta(0)$ have the same distribution. Consequently, they are induced by the Kingman convolution.

Proof. Let p_x^δ denote the law of $BES^\delta(x)$, $\delta \geq 0$, $x \geq 0$ on $C(\mathbb{R}^+, \mathbb{R})$ (cf. Revuz-Yor [10], XII P.445) which entails that the density $p_t^\delta(0, y)$ of the Bessel semigroup is found (cf. Revuz-Yor [10], XII P.446), for $\delta \geq 0$, $x = 0$, to

$$(3.4) \quad P_t^\delta(0, y) = 2^{-s} t^{-(s+1)} \Gamma(s+1)^{-1} y^{2s+1} \exp(-y^2/2t).$$

It should be noted that functions (3.4) are Rayleigh functions of y . In addition, if $t=2$ we get $P^\delta(0) = \sigma_s$. Next, by (1.8), we have

$$\widehat{\sigma_s^{ot}}(u) = \exp(-tu^2/4(s+1)), u \geq 0.$$

Our further aim is to prove that, up to a scale change, the rad.ch.f. of σ_s^{ot} is equal to the rad.ch.f. of $P_t^\delta(0, y)$. Accordingly, integrating the kernel $\Lambda_s(uz)$ w.r.t. $P_t^\delta(0, z)$ it follows, by (1.3), (1.5), (3.4) that the rad.ch.f. of $P_t^\delta(0, y)$ is given, for each $u \geq 0$, by

$$(3.5) \quad \widehat{P_t^\delta(0, y)}(u) = \int_0^\infty \Lambda_s(uz) P_t^\delta(0, z) dz$$

$$= 2^{-s} t^{-(s+1)} \Gamma(s+1)^{-1} \int_0^\infty z^{2s+1} \Lambda_s(uz) \exp(-z^2/2t) dz$$

Hence and by virtue of the Weber integral¹ we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \widehat{q}_t^\delta(0, y)(u) \\ &= \{2^{-s} t^{-(s+1)} \Gamma(s+1)^{-1}\} \{2^{-1} 2^{s+1} t^{s+1} \Gamma(s+1) e^{-\frac{tu^2}{2}}\} \\ &= \widehat{\sigma}_s^{ot}(u), u \geq 0, \end{aligned}$$

which shows that

$$q_t^\delta(0) = \sigma_s^{ot}.$$

IV Bessel processes as stationary independent "increments" processes

Suppose that $X_j, j = 1, 2, \dots$ are nonnegative independent r.v.'s with the corresponding distributions $F_{X_j}, j = 1, 2, \dots$ and $\theta, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$ are i.i.d. r.v's with the common distribution

¹From Watson [19], p.394 we have, for $s \geq -1/2, a \geq 0, p > 0$,

$$\int_0^\infty t^{s+1} J_s(at) e^{-p^2 t^2} dt = a^s (2p^2)^{-s-1} e^{-a^2/4p^2}$$

which may be written as

$$\int_0^\infty t^{2s+1} \Lambda_s(at) e^{-p^2 t^2} dt = \frac{1}{2} \Gamma(s+1) p^{-2(s+1)} e^{-a^2/4p^2}.$$

F_s and the r.v.'s $X_j, j = 1, 2, \dots, \theta, \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots$ are independent. Following Kingman [5] we say that for a fixed $s \geq -1/2$ any one of the equivalent r.v.'s

$$(4.1) \quad X_1 \oplus X_2 := \sqrt{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + 2X_1X_2\theta_1}$$

is a radial sum of the two independent nonnegative r.v.'s X_1, X_2 . By induction, the radial sum $X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_k$ is defined for any finite $k=2,3,\dots$. It should be noted [5] that the operation \oplus is associative.

4.1 Definition Let \mathcal{B}_b be the ring of subsets of a non-empty bounded Borel subsets of \mathbb{R}^+ . A function

$$M : \mathcal{B}_b \rightarrow L^+,$$

where $L^+ = K^+(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ denotes the class of all nonnegative r.v.'s on the probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) , is said to be an \circ -scattered random measure, if (i) $M(\emptyset) = 0$ (P.1), (ii) For any $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_b, A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $M(A)$ and $M(B)$ are independent and

$$M(A \cup B) \stackrel{d}{=} M(A) \oplus M(B)$$

(iii) For any pairwise disjoint sets $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \mathcal{B}_b$, with the union in Cal_b the r.v.'s $M(A_j), j = 1, 2, \dots$ are independent and

$$M(\cup_{j=1}^{\infty} A_j) \stackrel{d}{=} \bigoplus_{j=1}^{\infty} M(A_j).$$

It is well known that if $\{W(t)\}, t \in R^+$ is a Wiener process, then there exists a Gaussian stochastic measure $M(A), A \in \mathcal{B}_0$, where \mathcal{B}_b is the ring of bounded Borel subsets of R^+ with the property that, for every $t \geq 0$, we have $W(t) = M((0, t])$. The same it is also true for Bessel processes. Namely, we get

4.2 Theorem Let $\{B_t^\delta\}$ denote a Bessel process starting from 0. Then there exists a unique (up to finite dimensional distributions) \circ -scattered r.m. $B(A), A \in \mathcal{B}_b$ with the Lebesgue measure as its control measure such that for each $t \geq s \geq 0$ we have

$$(4.2) \quad B([0, t]) = B_s^\delta \oplus B((s, t]) \stackrel{d}{=} \sigma_s^{t-s}.$$

We proceed the proof of the Theorem by proving the following Lemma.

4.3 Lemma Let $\pi := \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < t_2 < \dots\}$ be a subdivision of R^+ . Then there exist independent r.v.'s X_1, X_2, \dots such that

$$\sigma_s^{t_k - t_{k-1}} \stackrel{d}{=} X_k, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

.Moreover, we have

$$(4.3) \quad B_{t_n}^\delta \stackrel{d}{=} X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_n \quad (n = 2, 3, \dots)$$

and

$$(4.4) \quad B((t_n, t_{(n+r)}]) \stackrel{d}{=} \sigma_s^{t_{n+r} - t_n}$$

Proof. *Following the ideal of Kingman([5], pp.20) let us take as sample space Ω the Cartesian product of countably many intervals R^+ with countably many intervals $[-1,1]$. The probability measure is defined on Ω as the product of the distributions $\sigma_s^{t_k - t_{k-1}}$, $k = 1, 2, \dots$ on each of the first set of R^+ together with the distribution F_s (see(1.6)) on each of the second set. If the typical point $\omega \in \Omega$ has components*

$$X_1(\omega), X_2(\omega), \dots; \eta_1(\omega), \eta_2(\omega), \dots,$$

then $S_m(\omega)$ is defined inductively by

$$(4.4) \quad \begin{aligned} S_0 &= 0, \\ S_{m+1}(\omega) &= \\ &\{S_m^2(\omega) + X_{m+1}^2(\omega) + 2\eta_m(\omega)S_m(\omega)X_{m+1}(\omega)\}^{\frac{1}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus, we have

$$S_{m+1} = S_m \oplus X_{m+1}$$

which, by virtue of the associativity of \oplus , implies that for each $m = 2, 3, \dots$

$$(4.5) \quad S_m = X_1 \oplus X_2 \oplus \dots \oplus X_m.$$

Moreover, since X_k , $k = 2, 3, \dots$ are independent it follows that

$$(4.6) \quad S_m \stackrel{d}{=} \sigma^{t_m} \stackrel{d}{=} B(t_m).$$

Now, since the operation \oplus is associative (cf. Kingman [5], Theorem 1), we can show that

$$(4.7) \quad S_{m+r} = S_m \oplus S_r^m,$$

where S_r^m is defined inductively by

$$(4.8) \quad S_0^m = 0, S_{r+1}^m = S_r^m \oplus X_{m+r+1}.$$

Note, by (4.6,7,8), that

$$(4.9) \quad \sigma^{t_{m+r}-t_m} \stackrel{d}{=} S_r^m \stackrel{d}{=} (X_m \oplus \dots \oplus X_{m+r})$$

which entails (4.3,4).

Proof of Theorem 4.2. Let \mathbb{B}_0) denote the class of finite unions of disjoint finite intervals $(a, b]$ i.e.

$$\cup_{j=1}^k I_j, I_j = (t_{2j}, t_{2j+1}], j = 0, 1, \dots, k = 1, 2, \dots$$

We put

$$B(\cup_{j=1}^k I_j) = \bigoplus_{j=1}^k B((I_j)).$$

Finally, using the transfinite induction and by Lemma 4.4 and the usual extension method of random interval functions one can get an \circ -random measure $B(\cdot)$ on \mathcal{B}_b with the required properties.

4.2 Definition For every $0 \leq a \leq b$ the quantity $M((a, b])$ is called the increment-type of the Bessel processes BES_t^δ . Moreover, from Theorems 3.2 and 4.2 we have

Theorem Every Bessel process which starts from 0 has a modification as a process with stationary and increments-type process.

The above theorem permits us to construct a new stochastic integration with respect Bessel processes with convergence in distribution which will be discuss in a subsequent paper.

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