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## 1. Introduction

The systems to be considered are described by parabolic equations with 'white noise' inputs. We are interested in conditions which guarantee that the solution  $U(x,t)$ , a random surface, has certain smoothness properties, and also in the smoothness properties of the conditional expectation  $E[U(x,t)|\text{ given data up to } t]$ . Such results are developed in [1], [2] using the Sobolev imbedding theorem.

First, some of these results will be stated. A system model (first boundary value problem) is discussed in Section 2, Lemma 3. The noisy observations for this problem have the form (7). Lemma 4 proves the smoothness of the conditional mean and covariance, and Theorem 1 gives the form of the optimal filter. Section 3 considers a second boundary value problem (16) with surface observations of the form (B6). Lemma 5 proves the smoothness of the solution to (16), and Theorem 2 gives the form of the optimal filter.

Smoothness Results on Random Surfaces. Let  $z_t$  be a normalized Wiener process,  $D$  a bounded open domain in  $E^n$  with closure  $\bar{D}$  and a continuous and piecewise uniformly differentiable boundary and write  $\bar{R} = \bar{D} \times [0, T]$ . Let  $D_t = \partial/\partial t$ ,  $D_i = \partial/\partial x_i$ ,  $D_i^\ell = \partial^\ell/\partial x_j^\ell$ . Let  $f(x,t)$  be a stochastic process on  $\bar{D} \times [0, T] = \bar{R}$ . The parenthesis in  $(D_i f(x,t))$ , denotes the 'mean square' derivative of  $f(x,t)$  with respect

to  $x_i$ , if it exists. Define the norm

$$\|g(x)\|_{W_{\ell,p}(\bar{D})} = \sum_{k=0}^{\ell} \sum_{\ell_1+\dots+\ell_n=k} \|D_1^{\ell_1} \dots D_n^{\ell_n} g(x)\|_{L_p(\bar{D})}. \quad (1)$$

where  $\psi \in L_p(\bar{D})$  means that  $\int_{\bar{D}} |\psi(x)|^p dx \equiv \|\psi\|_{L_p(\bar{D})}^p < \infty$ . References

[1] and [2], from which Lemmas 1 and 2 are taken give conditions on the expectations of integrals of powers of the 'mean square' derivatives, which guarantee that  $f(x,t)$  has a w.p.l. continuous version on  $\bar{R}$ , and perhaps several continuous derivatives with respect to components of  $x$ .

The proof of Lemma 1 is contained in [2].

Lemma 1. Let the boundary  $\partial D$  of  $D$  have the property that any line intersects it only finitely often. Let the functions

$$\begin{aligned} \alpha(x,t,s), \{D_i \alpha(x,t,s)\}, \{D_i D_j \alpha(x,t,s)\}, \\ \{D_i D_j D_k \alpha(x,t,s)\}, \{D_i D_j D_k D_\ell \alpha(x,t,s)\} \end{aligned} \quad (*)$$

be defined on  $\bar{D} \times [0,T] \times [0,T] = \bar{R} \times [0,T]$ , continuous in  $(x,t)$  for each  $s$ , and bounded (in absolute value) by a square integrable function of  $s$ . Let  $f$  be any function in the set  $(*)$ , and let  $z(t)$  be a Wiener process. Then  $\int_0^T f^2(x,t,s) ds \leq M < \infty$  for some real number  $M$ , and  $\int_0^t f(x,t,s) dz_s$  can be defined to be a separable and measurable process with parameter  $(x,t)$ . There is a null set  $N$  and a separable and measurable version of  $\int_0^t \alpha(x,t,s) dz_s = \psi(x,t)$  which, for  $\omega \notin N$ , is continuous in  $(x,t)$  and has three continuous (in  $(x,t)$ ) derivatives

with respect to the components of  $x$ . These derivatives are equal to continuous (for  $\omega \notin N$ ), separable and measurable versions of  $\int_0^t D_i \alpha(x, t, s) dz_s$ ,  $\int_0^t D_i D_j \alpha(x, t, s) dz_s$ ,  $\int_0^t D_i D_j D_k \alpha(x, t, s) dz_s$ , respectively.

Let in addition, for some real numbers  $K < \infty$ ,  $\beta > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} E \left\{ \int_0^{t+\Delta} f(x, t+\Delta, s) dz_s - \int_0^t f(x, t, s) dz_s \right\}^2 \\ = \int_0^t [f(x, t+\Delta, s) - f(x, t, s)]^2 ds + \int_t^{t+\Delta} f^2(x, t+\Delta, s) ds \leq K \Delta^\beta, \end{aligned} \quad (**)$$

where  $f$  is any member of  $(*)$ . Let  $g$  be any member of the first three sets of  $(*)$ . Then the continuous version (for  $\omega \notin N$ ) of  $\int_0^t g(x, t, s) dz_s = \phi(x, t)$  is Holder continuous on  $\bar{R}$ , i.e., there is some  $K(\omega) < \infty$  w.p.l. and a real  $\gamma > 0$  so that

$$|\phi(x+\delta, t+\Delta) - \phi(x, t)| \leq K(\omega)[|\Delta|^\gamma + |\delta|^\gamma],$$

where  $|\cdot|$  refers to the Euclidean norm.

Lemma 2. Let  $f(x, t)$  be a process on  $\bar{R}$ , which is continuous in probability together with its 'mean square' derivatives up to order  $\ell$  on  $\bar{R}$ . Let  $p\ell > n$ ,  $p > 1$ , and suppose that<sup>†</sup> for  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ ,

<sup>†</sup>Recall that (2) is equivalent to

$$E[\int_D |(D_1^{\ell_1} \dots D_n^{\ell_n} \{f(x, t) - f(x, s)\})|^p dx]^{q/p} \leq K|t-s|^{1+\alpha}$$

for all  $\ell_1 + \dots + \ell_n \leq k \leq \ell$ , for  $0 \leq s \leq t \leq T$ .

$$E\|f(\cdot, t) - f(\cdot, s)\|_{W_{\ell, p}(\bar{D})}^q \leq K|t-s|^{1+\alpha} \quad (2)$$

for some real  $K < \infty$  and  $1 \leq q < \infty$  and  $\alpha > 0$ . Then there is a w.p.l. continuous version of  $f(\cdot, \cdot)$  on  $\bar{R} \times [0, T]$ , and the version is Holder continuous in  $t$ , uniformly in  $x$ , w.p.l.

If  $0 < m < \ell - n/p$ , then the 'mean square' derivatives of order  $\leq m$  have continuous versions on  $\bar{R}$  w.p.l., and  $f(x, t)$  has w.p.l. a continuous version whose first  $m$   $x$ -derivatives coincide with the 'mean square' derivatives.

For proof, see Theorem 4 in [1].

2. Filtering for a Stochastic First Boundary Value Problem

System Model. The first system with which we will deal has the representation<sup>†</sup>

$$dU(x, t) = [\mathcal{L}U(x, t) + \int k(y, x, t)U(y, t)dy]dt + \sigma(x, t)dz, \quad (4)$$

where

$$\mathcal{L} = \sum a_{ij}(x, t)D_i D_j + \sum b_i(x, t)D_i \quad (5)$$

and (A1) - (A7) hold.

(A1)  $\partial D$  (the boundary of  $D$ ) has a local representation with Holder continuous  $4^{\text{th}}$  derivatives.

(A2) The coefficients of  $\mathcal{L}$ , and their first two derivatives are Holder continuous in  $\bar{R}$ .

$$(A3) \sum a_{ij}\xi_i \xi_j \geq K \sum \xi_i^2 \text{ for some real } \infty > K > 0.$$

(A4)  $\sigma$  and its first four  $x$ -derivatives are Holder continuous on  $\bar{R}$ .

(A5)  $\sigma$  and  $\mathcal{L}\sigma$  go to zero as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$ .

(A6)  $k(y, x, t)$  is bounded, measurable and Holder continuous in  $x, t$ , uniformly in  $y$ , and  $k(y, x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$ .

(A7)  $U(x, 0)$  is Gaussian for each  $x$ , has a bounded variance, Holder

<sup>†</sup>For notational simplicity, we let the 'driving term' be  $\sigma(x, t)dz$ . It could be  $\sum \sigma_i(x, t)dz_i$ , where the  $z_i$  are independent. See Lemma 2.2, [2].

continuous second derivatives, and  $U(x,0)$  and  $\mathcal{L}U(x,0) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$ .  $U(x,0)$  is independent of  $z_t$  and of  $w_t$  (to be introduced below).

In [2], Lemmas 1 and 2 are applied to (4) to give it a precise definition and

Lemma 3.<sup>†</sup> (See [2], Lemma 3.2 for proof.) Assume (A1) - (A7). Then there is a random function  $U(x,t)$  on  $(0,T] \times \bar{D}$  so that a version (for  $\omega \notin N$ , a null set) of the uniformly (in  $(0,T] \times D$ ) 'mean square' continuous functions

$$U(x,t), (D_i U(x,t)), \dots, (D_i D_j D_k U(x,t)) \quad (6)$$

are continuous on  $(0,T] \times \bar{D}$  w.p.l.; these versions of the 'mean square' derivatives are true derivatives.  $U(x,t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}U(x,t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$  (for  $\omega \notin N$ ),  $U(x,t) \rightarrow U(x,0)$  (for  $\omega \notin N$ , and uniformly in  $x$ ) as  $t \rightarrow 0$ . The first three sets of (6) are Holder continuous in  $t$ , for  $\omega \notin N$ .  $U(x,t)$  is a Markov process (with values in a state space of functions with Holder continuous second derivatives). The members of (6) are Gaussian, and have uniformly bounded variances. The variances of  $U(x,t)$  and of  $\mathcal{L}U(x,t)$  tend to zero as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$ .  $U(x,t)$  is non-anticipative with respect to the  $z_t$  process and the Ito differential of  $U(x,t)$  satisfies (4).  $U(x,t)$  satisfies the condition (2) of Lemma 2, for  $m = 3$ ,  $\lambda = 4$ , and all large  $p$ , and some finite  $q$  and  $\alpha > 0$ .  $(D_i D_j D_k D_\ell U(x,t))$  is also uniformly 'mean square' continuous in  $(0,T] \times \mathbb{R}$ .

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<sup>†</sup>The smoothness in (A1), (A2), (A4) gives a  $U(x,t)$  with continuous third  $x$ -derivatives, hence Holder continuous second derivatives. In the control problem in [2], we wanted  $U(x,t)$  to have Holder continuous second derivatives. If only continuous second derivatives are required, then the differentiability requirements in (A1), (A2), (A4) can be reduced by 1.

The Filtering Problem. Let  $\tilde{w}_t$  be a normalized Wiener process independent of the  $z_t$  process, and suppose that

(A8)  $H(x, t)$  is a vector-valued function which is defined and continuous on  $\bar{\mathbb{R}}$ .

(A9)  $B(t)$  is continuous on  $[0, T]$  and  $B(t)B'(t) = \Sigma_t$  is strictly positive definite on  $[0, T]$ .

Define  $w_s = \int_0^s B(\tau) d\tilde{w}_\tau = \int_0^s \sum_\tau^{1/2} d\tilde{w}_\tau$ . Suppose that the data

$$y(s) = \int_0^s [\int H(x, \tau) U(x, \tau) dx] d\tau + \int_0^s B(\tau) d\tilde{w}_\tau \equiv \int_0^s h_\tau d\tau + w_s, \quad s \leq t \quad (7)$$

is available at time  $t$ . All introduced  $\sigma$ -algebras are assumed to be complete with respect to whatever measures are imposed on them; let  $\mathcal{F}_t$  be the minimal  $\sigma$ -algebra determined by  $y(s)$ ,  $s \leq t$ . Let  $\mu_1$  be the measure determined by the processes  $U(x, s)$ ,  $s \leq t$  and  $dy(s) = h_s ds + dw_s$ ,  $s \leq t$ , and  $\mu_0$  the measure determined by the processes  $U(x, t)$  and  $dy(s) = dw_s$ ,  $s \leq t$ . Let  $E_i^t$  denote the expectation with respect to  $\mu_i$ , and conditioned on  $\mathcal{F}_t$ .

Define

$$\begin{aligned} M(x, t) &= E_1^t U(x, t) \\ P(x, y, t) &= E_1^t (U(x, t) - M(x, t))(U(y, t) - M(y, t)) \\ &= E_1 (U(x, t) - M(x, t))(U(y, t) - M(y, t)). \end{aligned}$$

<sup>†</sup>To be more precise, let  $\Omega$  be a function space with generic element  $\omega = (\omega', \omega'')$ , where  $\omega'$  is a member of the space of bounded functions on  $\bar{\mathbb{R}}$ , and  $\omega''$  is a member of the space of bounded functions on  $[0, T]$ , with values in the Euclidean  $m$ -dimensional space  $\mathbb{E}^m$ , where  $m$  is the dimension of  $w_t$  and  $y_t$ . The terminology is used later. See part 1<sup>o</sup> of the proof of Theorem 1.

Let  $\mathcal{L}_x P(x, y, t)$  denote  $\mathcal{L}$  operating on  $P(x, y, t)$  as a function of  $x$ .

Lemma 4 proves that there is a version of the estimate  $M(x, t)$  which is, w.p.l., as smooth as the signal  $U(x, t)$ .

Lemma 4. Assume (A1) - (A9). Then (excluding a null set independent of  $(x, t)$ ) there are on  $(0, T] \times \bar{D}$  continuous versions of the first four sets of the continuous in quadratic mean functions

$$M(x, t), (D_i M(x, t)), (D_i D_j M(x, t)), (D_i D_j D_k M(x, t)) (D_i D_j D_k D_\ell M(x, t)); \quad (8)$$

also  $M(x, t) \rightarrow M(x, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$  (and also in quadratic mean) and the first three sets of 'mean square' derivatives are true derivatives and  $E_1^t \mathcal{L} U(x, t) = \mathcal{L} M(x, t)$ ; also  $M(x, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L} M(x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$ , and the first three sets of (7) have Holder continuous versions.  $P(x, y, t)$  has continuous third derivatives in the components of  $x$  and  $y$  on  $(0, T] \times D$ , and  $P(x, y, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_x P(x, y, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}_y P(x, y, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial D$  or  $y \rightarrow \partial D$ .  $P(x, y, t) \rightarrow P(x, y, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ .

Proof.  $M(x, t)$  and the  $(D_i M(x, t)), \dots, (D_i D_j D_k D_\ell M(x, t))$  exist and are 'mean square' continuous in  $x$ -uniformly in  $(x, t)$  in  $(0, T] \times D$ . Also  $E_1^t (D_i U(x, t)) = (D_i M(x, t))$  w.p.l. (as well as for the next three derivatives) for each  $x, t$  in  $(0, T] \times D$ . These assertions easily follow from estimates of the following type: let  $e_i$  be the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate direction in  $E^n$ , where  $n$  is the dimension of  $x$ . Then

$$E_1 \left| \frac{M(x + e_i \Delta, t) - M(x, t)}{\Delta} - E_1^t (D_i U(x, t)) \right|^2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= E_1 |E_1^t \left\{ \frac{U(x+e_i \Delta, t) - U(x, t)}{\Delta} - (D_i U(x, t)) \right\}|^2 \\
&\leq E_1 \left| \frac{U(x+e_i \Delta, t) - U(x, t)}{\Delta} - (D_i U(x, t)) \right|^2 \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned} \tag{*}$$

as  $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ , uniformly for  $x, t$  in  $D \times (0, T]$ .

Furthermore,  $M(x, t)$  also satisfies the estimates  $(**)$  and  $(***)$

$$\begin{aligned}
E_1 |M(x, t)|^u &= E_1 |E_1^t U(x, t)|^u \leq E_1 |U(x, t)|^u \\
E_1 |(D_i D_j D_k D_\ell M(x, t))|^u &\leq E_1 |(D_i D_j D_k D_\ell U(x, t))|^u
\end{aligned} \tag{**}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
E_1 |M(x, t) - M(x, s)|^u &= E_1 |E_1^t U(x, t) - E_1^s U(x, s)|^u \\
&\leq K E_1 |E_1^t (U(x, t) - U(x, s))|^u + K E_1 |E_1^t U(x, t) - E_1^s U(x, t)|^u \\
&\leq K E_1 |U(x, t) - U(x, s)|^u + \epsilon_u(x, t, s).
\end{aligned} \tag{***}$$

For  $u = 2$ ,  $\epsilon_u(x, t, s) \leq K_1 |t-s|$  (hence for  $u = 2r$ ,  $\epsilon_u(x, t, s) \leq K_r |t-s|^r$ ).

The inequality on  $\epsilon_u(x, t, s)$  follows from the Gaussianness, and the uniform positive definiteness of  $\sum_s$ , which gives an upper limit on the rate at which information can be collected.

Estimates  $(*)$ ,  $(**)$ ,  $(***)$  imply that the  $M(x, t), \dots, (D_i D_j D_k D_\ell M(x, t))$  are uniformly 'mean square' continuous in  $(0, T] \times D$ .

The statements concerning the continuity of  $M(x, t)$  and its derivatives

then follow from Lemmas 2 and 3 since by the estimates (\*\*), (\*\*\*) (and obvious similar estimates for  $(D_i M(x, t)), \dots, (D_i D_j D_k D_\ell M(x, t))$ , if  $U(x, t)$  satisfies Lemma 2 for  $m = 3$ , so does  $M(x, t)$ . Since (\*\*\*)) is valid for  $s = 0$ ,  $M(x, t) \rightarrow M(x, 0)$ .

$M(x, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}M(x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial\Omega$  since both  $U(x, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}U(x, t)$  and their variances  $\rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ .

The asserted smoothness of  $P(x, y, t)$  and its boundary properties follow from the continuity in quadratic mean of the elements of (8), (8'),  $\mathcal{L}M(x, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}U(x, t)$ .

$$U(x, t), \dots, (D_i D_j D_k D_\ell U(x, t)) \quad (8')$$

(see, for example, Loeve [6], Sec. 34.2 for the type of calculations which are required.) Q.E.D.

Theorem 1. Assume (A1) - (A9). Then there is a version of  $M(x, t)$  which has the Ito differential w.p.l.

$$\begin{aligned} dM(x, t) = & [\mathcal{L}M(x, t) + \int k(\xi, x, t)M(\xi, t)d\xi]dt + \\ & [dy - \int H(\xi, t)M(\xi, t)d\xi] \cdot \sum_{t=1}^{-1} [\int H(\xi, t)P(\xi, x, t)d\xi] \end{aligned} \quad (9)$$

and, for this version, w.p.l.,  $M(x, t)$  and  $\mathcal{L}M(x, t) \rightarrow 0$  as  $x \rightarrow \partial\Omega$ .

Furthermore,  $P(x, y, t)$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} P_t(x, y, t) = & [\mathcal{L}_x + \mathcal{L}_y]P(x, y, t) \\ & + \int k(y, \xi, t)P(x, \xi, t)d\xi + \int k(\xi, x, t)P(\xi, y, t)d\xi \quad (10) \\ & + \sigma(x, t)\sigma(y, t) - [\int H(\xi, t)P(x, \xi, t)d\xi] \cdot \sum_{t=1}^{-1} [\int H(\xi, t)P(\xi, y, t)d\xi]. \end{aligned}$$

$$P(x, y, t), \mathcal{L}_x P(x, y, t) \text{ and } \mathcal{L}_y P(x, y, t) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \partial D.$$

Proof. For the sake of keeping a framework which will allow a generalization (not proved here) to non-linear systems, we take a slightly more general approach than necessary. The non-linear problem for ordinary stochastic Ito equations was treated in [3], however here, we follow a slightly different approach, due to Zakai [4], which gives the result under weaker conditions than those required in [3].

1°.  $\mu_0$  and  $\mu_1$  are absolutely continuous with respect to one another and  $d\mu_1/d\mu_0 = \exp R_t$

$$R_t = -\frac{1}{2} \int_0^t h_s' \sum_{s=1}^{s-1} h_s ds + \int_0^t h_s' \sum_{s=1}^{s-1} dy_s.$$

Next, following Zakai [4], note that if  $E_1 |f(\omega, t)| < \infty$ , then (see Loeve, [5], Sec. 24.4)

$$E_1^t f(\omega, t) = \frac{E_0^t f(\omega, t) (d\mu_1/d\mu_0)}{E_0^t (d\mu_1/d\mu_0)} = \frac{E_0^t f(\omega, t) \exp R_t}{E_0^t \exp R_t}. \quad (11)$$

2°. Write

$$F_t = [\mathcal{L}U(x, t) + \int k(y, x, t)U(y, t)dy].$$

Then, w.p.l., by virtue of Lemma 4,

$$E_1^t F_t = \mathcal{L}M(x, t) + \int k(y, x, t)M(y, t)dy.$$

In (11), let  $f(\omega, t) = U(x, t)$ . Both  $U(x, t)$  and  $\exp R_t$  are stochastic integrals and

$$d[\exp R_s] = (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1} dy_s.$$

Then Ito's lemma, applied to (11) yields

$$\begin{aligned} E_1^t U(x, t) &= M(x, t) = \\ &\frac{E_0^t [U(x, 0) + \int_0^t \exp R_s (F_s ds + \sigma(x, s) dz_s)] [\int_0^t U(x, s) (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1} dy_s]}{E_0^t [1 + \int_0^t (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1} dy_s]} \\ &\equiv \frac{A_t}{B_t}, \\ A_t &= E_0^t \int_0^t dU(x, s) \exp R_s ds + E_0^t U(x, 0) \\ &= E_0^t \int_0^t [U(x, s) (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1} dy_s + (\exp R_s) (F_s ds + \sigma(x, s) dz_s)] + E_0^t U(x, 0) \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

and where  $dy dz = 0$  is used to eliminate the  $(dU(x, s)) (d \exp R_s)$  term from  $A_t$ .

As in Kushner [3] or Zakai [4], it can be shown below that,<sup>†</sup> w.p.l.

<sup>†</sup>The demonstration of (14), by the method of [3] requires more stringent conditions on  $R_s$  and  $U$ , then by the method of [4].

The method of [4] is applicable under the conditions of the hypothesis of Theorem 1.

The method of [3] may also be applied, by applying it to a suitable sequence of bounded  $F_s^\epsilon, h_s^\epsilon$  which converges to  $F_s$  and  $h_s$  in probability.

$$E_o^t \int_0^t (\exp R_s) [F_s ds + \sigma(x, s) dz_s] = \int_0^t [E_o^s (\exp R_s) F_s] ds \quad (14)$$

$$E_o^t \int_0^t U(x, s) [(\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1}] dy_s = \int_0^t [E_o^s U(x, s) (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1}] dy_s$$

$$E_o^t \int_0^t (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1} dy_s = \int_0^t [E_o^s (\exp R_s) h_s' \sum_s^{-1}] dy_s$$

where the second integrals are well-defined w.p.l. Assuming (14) now, we proceed exactly as in [3] and get

$$dM(x, t) = \frac{dA_t}{B_t} - \frac{A_t dB_t}{B_t^2} + \frac{A_t (dB_t)^2}{B_t^3} - \frac{(dA_t)(dB_t)}{B_t^2} \quad (15)$$

where

$$(dB_t)^2 = E_o^t [(\exp R_t) h_t'] \sum_t^{-1} [E_o^t (\exp R_t) h_t],$$

$$(dA_t)(dB_t) = [E_o^t U(x, t) (\exp R_t) h_t'] \sum_t^{-1} [E_o^t (\exp R_t) h_t].$$

(9) is obtained by substituting in (12) and using the fact ((11)) that

$$E_o^t f = [E_o^t f \exp R_t] / E_o^t \exp R_t.$$

3°. Similarly,  $dP$  is calculated from the expression

$$dP(x, y, t) = dE_1^t U(x, t) U(y, t) - dM(x, t) M(y, t).$$

To get  $dE_1^t U(x, t) U(y, t)$ , repeat the procedure starting with (11), where we now let  $f(\omega, t) = U(x, t) U(y, t)$ , and use the w.p.l. equalities

$$\begin{aligned} E_1^t U(x, t) \mathcal{L}_y U(y, t) &= M(x, t) \mathcal{L}_y M(y, t) \\ &\quad + E_1^t (U(x, t) - M(x, t)) \mathcal{L}_y (U(y, t) - M(y, t)) \\ &= M(x, t) \mathcal{L}_y M(y, t) + \mathcal{L}_y P(x, y, t). \end{aligned}$$

The details are straightforward and are omitted. Q.E.D.

### 3. The Second Boundary Value Problem

Now, we consider the equation

$$dU(x, t) = [\mathcal{L}U(x, t) - f(x, t)]dt - \sigma(x, t)dz, \quad (16a)$$

$$\begin{aligned} U_V(x, t) + \beta(x, t)U(x, t) &= g(x, t) + v(x, t)r(t) \\ \mathcal{L} &= \sum a_{ij}(x, t)D_i D_j + \sum b_i(x, t)D_i \end{aligned} \quad (16b)$$

where  $U_V(x, t)$  is the co-normal derivative<sup>t</sup>  $\frac{\partial U}{\partial V} = \lim_{\substack{y \rightarrow x \\ y \in D}} \frac{\partial U(y, t)}{\partial V(x)}$  at

$x$  on  $\partial D$ , and (B1) - (B8) are assumed.

$$(B1) \quad \sum a_{ij}(x, t)\xi_i \xi_j \geq K \sum \xi_i^2 \text{ for some real } K > 0.$$

(B2)  $a_{ij}(x, t)$  and  $b_i(x, t)$  are Holder continuous in  $R$ .

(B3)  $f(x, t)$  is continuous, and Holder continuous in  $x$ , uniformly in  $t$ .

(B4)  $\partial D$  has a local representation with Holder continuous derivatives.

(B5) Real-valued  $g(x, t)$  and row-vector valued  $v(x, t)$  are continuous on  $\bar{R}$  and  $r$  is the Gaussian random process satisfying  $dr = A(t)rdt + G(t)d\tilde{z}$ , where  $\tilde{z}_t$  is independent the  $z_t$  and  $w_t$  processes introduced earlier, and of  $U(x, 0)$ .  $A(t)$  and  $G(t)$  are bounded continuous functions.

(B6) The observations  $dy = \left[ \int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)U(\xi, t)dS_{\xi} \right] dt + dw$  are taken, where  $H(\xi, t)$  is continuous on  $\partial D \times [0, T]$ , and  $w_t$  is independent of  $U(x, 0)$ , and  $dS_{\xi}$  is the differential surface measure on  $\partial D$ . Also  $\sum_t$  satisfies (A9), where  $dw = \sum_t^{1/2} d\tilde{w}_t$ , and  $\tilde{w}_t$  is a normalized Wiener process.

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<sup>t</sup> $V(x)$  is the co-normal direction at the point  $x$  on  $\partial D$

(B7) Denote  $\alpha(x, t, s) = \int_D \Gamma(x, \xi, t, s) \sigma(\xi, s) d\xi$ , where  $\Gamma$  is the fundamental solution of  $D_t U = \mathcal{L}U$ . Let  $\sigma(\xi, s)$  be uniformly continuous. Let  $\gamma(x, t, s)$  represent either  $\alpha(x, t, s)$ ,  $D_i \alpha(x, t, s)$  or  $D_i D_j \alpha(x, t, s)$ . Let, uniformly in  $\bar{R}$ ,

$$\int_t^{t'} \gamma^2(x, t', \tau) d\tau + \int_0^t [\gamma(x, t', \tau) - \gamma(x, t, \tau)]^2 d\tau \leq K |t' - t|^\beta \quad (17)$$

for some real  $K$  and  $\beta > 0$ . Let  $D_i D_j D_k \gamma(x, t, s)$  satisfy (17) uniformly for  $x, t, t'$  in any compact subset of  $D \times [0, T]^2$ .

(B8) Let  $U(x, 0)$  be differentiable w.p.l., and let  $a_{ij}(x, 0)$  be continuously differentiable in some neighborhood of  $\partial D$ .

Lemma 5. Assume (B1) - (B8). Then there is a random function  $U(x, t)$  which has a version with the following properties, w.p.l. (where the null set doesn't depend on  $x, t$ ).

- (a)  $U(x, t)$  is continuous<sup>†</sup> on  $\bar{R}$  (also in quadratic mean);
- (b)  $(D_i U(x, t))$  is continuous on compact subsets of  $\bar{D} \times (0, T]$  (also in quadratic mean).
- (c)  $U(x, t)$  has an Ito differential which satisfies (16a), for  $t > 0$ .

- (d)  $U(x, t)$  satisfies the boundary condition (16b), and  $U(x, t) \rightarrow U(x, 0)$  as  $t \rightarrow 0$ .

- (e) The variances of  $U(x, t)$ ,  $(D_i U(x, t))$  (in compact subsets of  $\bar{D} \times (0, T]$ ) and  $(D_i D_j U(x, t))$  (in compact subsets of  $D \times (0, T]$ ) are

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<sup>†</sup> $D_i U(x, t)$  on  $\partial D$  is defined as  $\lim_{\substack{y \rightarrow x \\ y \in D}} D_i U(y, t)$ .

uniformly bounded.

(f)  $U(x, t)$  is non-anticipative with respect to the  $z_t$  and  $\tilde{z}_t$  processes.

Proof. The treatment in Friedman [7], (Theorem 2, p. 144 and Corollary 2, p. 147) will be followed, with the few modifications required by the stochastic nature of the problem taken into account. Define

$$\begin{aligned} r(x, t) &= \int_0^t dz_s \alpha(x, t, s), \quad r_i(x, t) = \int_0^t dz_s D_i \alpha(x, t, s), \\ r_{ij}(x, t) &= \int_0^t dz_s D_i D_j \alpha(x, t, s), \quad r_{ijk}(x, t) = \int_0^t dz_s D_i D_j D_k \alpha(x, t, s). \end{aligned}$$

Let  $k(x, t) = \int_0^t dz_s \rho(x, t, s)$ . Then

$$E k^2(x, t) = \int_0^t dt \rho^2(x, t, s) \quad (18)$$

$$E k^{2n}(x, t) = K_n [E k^2(x, t)]^n, \text{ for some real } K_n$$

$$E[k(x, t') - k(x, t)]^2 = \int_t^{t'} ds \rho^2(x, t', s) + \int_0^t ds [\rho(x, t', s) - \rho(x, t, s)]^2.$$

Note also that  $r_i(x, t)$  is the 'mean square' derivative of  $r_o(x, t)$  with respect to the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of  $x$  in  $D \times (0, T]$ , and  $r_{ijk}(x, t)$  is the 'mean square' derivative of  $r_{jk}(x, t)$  with respect to the  $i^{\text{th}}$  coordinate of  $x$  in  $D \times (0, T]$ .

Then, by the estimates (18), (B7) and Lemma 2, there is a version of  $r_o(x, t)$  which (w.p.l.) is continuous on  $\bar{R}$ ; it has continuous derivatives  $D_i r_o(x, t) = (D_i r_o(x, t)) = r_i(x, t)$  on  $\bar{R}$  and continuous

second derivatives  $D_i D_j \gamma_o(x, t) = \gamma_{ij}(x, t) = (D_i D_j \gamma_o(x, t))$  in compact subsets of  $D \times [0, T]$ . Furthermore, for  $(x, t) \in \partial D \times (0, T]$ ,  $\partial/\partial V(x) = \sum \varphi_i(x) D_{i,j}$ , where  $\varphi_i$  are Holder continuous. Hence, the function

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial V(x)} \int_0^t dz_s \alpha(x, t, s) \equiv r_V(x, t)$$

also has a continuous w.p.l. version on  $\partial D \times (0, T]$ , and in fact, can be identified with  $\int_0^t dz_s \frac{\partial \alpha(x, t, s)}{\partial V(x)}$ . Next  $D_t \alpha(x, t, s) = \alpha(x, t, s)$ ,  $s < t$ ,  $x \notin \partial D$ , and, by (B7),  $\int_0^t (D_t \alpha(x, t, s))^2 ds \leq K < \infty$  on  $\bar{R}$ . Also  $\alpha(x, t, s)$  is continuous on  $\bar{R}$  and tends to  $\sigma(x, t)$  as  $s \uparrow t$ . Hence  $d \int_0^t \alpha(x, t, s) dz_s = \sigma(x, t) dz_t + [\int_0^t \alpha_t(x, t, s) dz_s] dt = \sigma(x, t) dz_t + L \int_0^t \alpha(x, t, s) dz_s dt$ .

From what has been said the function  $F(x, t)$  defined by

$$\begin{aligned} F(x, t) = & \int_D \frac{\partial \Gamma(x, \xi; t, 0)}{\partial V(x)} U(\xi, 0) d\xi - \int_0^t d\tau \int \frac{\partial \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau)}{\partial V(x)} f(\xi, \tau) d\xi \\ & + \beta(x, t) \int_D \Gamma(x, \xi; t, 0) U(\xi; 0) d\xi \\ & - \beta(x, t) \int_0^t d\tau \int_D \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau) f(\xi, \tau) d\tau - \beta(x, t) \gamma_o(x, t) - g(x, t) \\ & - v(x, t) r(t) \end{aligned}$$

is continuous and uniformly bounded w.p.l. on  $\partial D \times (0, T]$  (see Friedman [7], p. 145, where continuity is shown for a similar deterministic problem). Then, there is a continuous (and uniformly bounded (w.p.l.) solution on  $\partial D \times [0, T]$  to the equation (see Friedman [7], eqn. 3.6, p. 145))

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(x, t) = & 2 \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\partial D \times [0, T]} \left[ \frac{\partial \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x, t) \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau) \right] \varphi(\xi, \tau) dS_\xi \\ & + 2F(x, t)\end{aligned}$$

where  $dS_\xi$  is the differential surface measure on  $\partial D$ . Finally, (see [7], Theorem 2, p. 144 and Corollary 2, p. 147), it is evident that the function

$$\begin{aligned}U(x, t) = & \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\partial D} \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau) \varphi(\xi, \tau) dS_\xi + \int_D \Gamma(x, \xi; t, 0) U(\xi, 0) d\xi - r_o(x, t) \\ & - \int_0^t d\tau \int_{\partial D} \Gamma(x, \xi; t, \tau) f(\xi, \tau) dS_\xi\end{aligned}$$

has the properties required. In particular,  $F(x, t)$  is a non-anticipative functional of the  $z_t$  and  $\tilde{z}_t$  processes, which implies that  $\varphi(x, t)$  and, in turn,  $U(x, t)$ , are also non-anticipative. Q.E.D.

Now, redefine  $\mu_1$  to be the measure determined by  $U(x, s)$ ,  $s \leq t$ , and  $dy_s$  given by (B6) for  $s \leq t$ , and  $dr(s)$ ,  $s \leq t$ , given by (B5). Let  $\mu_o$  be the measure determined by  $U(x, s)$ ,  $r(s)$ ,  $s \leq t$ , and  $w(s)$ ,  $s \leq t$ .

Let  $R(t)$  denote the vector  $E_1^t r(t)$ ,  $P_R(t)$  denote the covariance matrix  $E_1^t (r(t) - E_1^t r(t)) (r(t) - E_1^t r(t))'$  and  $P_{MR}(x, t)$  denote the covariance  $E_1^t (U(x, t) - E_1^t U(x, t)) (r(t) - E_1^t r(t))$ .

Theorem 2. Assume (B1) - (B8). Then there is a version of  $M(x, t)$  such that w.p.l.:  $M(x, t)$  and its first 'mean square' (or true) derivative are continuous w.p.l. on  $\bar{R}$  and  $\bar{D} \times (0, T]$ , resp. The second 'mean square' (or true) derivatives of  $M(x, t)$  are continuous in  $D \times (0, T]$  and  $M(x, t)$  has an Itô differential which satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} dM(x, t) = & [\mathcal{L}M(x, t) - f(x, t)]dt + \\ & [dy - \int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)M(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \cdot \sum_t^{-1} [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P(\xi, x, t)dS_\xi]. \end{aligned} \quad (19a)$$

Also

$$\frac{\partial M(x, t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x, t)M(x, t) = g(x, t) + R(x, t) \quad (19b)$$

$$dR(t) = AR(t)dt + [dy - \int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)M(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \cdot \sum_t^{-1} [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P_{MR}(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \quad (20)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{P}(x, y, t) = & (\mathcal{L}_x + \mathcal{L}_y)P(x, y, t) + \sigma(x, t)\sigma(y, t) \\ & - [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P(x, \xi, t)dS_\xi] \cdot \sum_t^{-1} [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P(\xi, y, t)dS_\xi] \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{P}_R(t) = & A' P_R(t) + P_R(t)A + G(t)G'(t) - \\ & - [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P_{MR}(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \cdot \sum_t^{-1} [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P_{MR}(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \dot{P}_{MR}(x, t) = & \mathcal{L}P_{MR}(x, t) + AP_{MR}(x, t) \\ & - [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P(x, \xi, t)dS_\xi] \cdot \sum_t^{-1} [\int_{\partial D} H(\xi, t)P_{MR}(\xi, t)dS_\xi] \end{aligned}$$

$P(x, y, t)$  satisfies the boundary conditions for  $(x, t)$  on  $\partial D \times (0, T]$ ,

$$\frac{\partial P}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x, t)P(x, y, t) = v(x, t)P_{MR}(x, t)$$

and  $P_{MR}(x, t)$  satisfies the (vector) boundary conditions

$$\frac{\partial P_{MR}(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)P_{MR}(x,t) = v(x,t)P_R(t).$$

Proof. The details are very similar to those of Theorem 1 and Lemma 4 and are omitted. Only the boundary conditions will be discussed. By Lemma 5, and a result similar to that of Lemma 4, it is easy to show that there is a version of  $M(x,t)$  so that (w.p.l.)  $M(x,t)$  is continuous on  $\bar{R}$  (and in quadratic mean)  $(D_i M(x,t)) = D_i M(x,t)$  is continuous on  $\bar{D} \times (0,T]$  (and in quadratic mean). Similarly, for  $x \in \partial D$ , it can be shown that  $\partial M(y,t)/\partial V(x)$  and  $\partial U(y,t)/\partial V(x)$  are continuous in quadratic mean on  $\bar{D} \times (0,T]$  (as functions of  $(x,y,t)$ ). Then  $E_1^t(\partial U(y,t)/\partial V(x)) = \partial M(y,t)/\partial V(x)$ , where the last term is defined by

$$\lim_{y \rightarrow x, y \in D} \partial M(y,t)/\partial V(x) \equiv \partial M(x,t)/\partial V(x).$$

Also  $\lim_{y \rightarrow x, y \in D} \partial U(y,t)/\partial V(x)$  satisfies (w.p.l.)

$$\begin{aligned} E_1^t[\frac{\partial U(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)U(x,t) - v(x,t)r(t) - g(x,t)] \\ = \frac{\partial M(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)M(x,t) - v(x,t)R(t) - g(x,t). \end{aligned}$$

The equation

$$\begin{aligned} E_1^t[U(y,t) - M(y,t)][\frac{\partial U(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)U(x,t) - v(x,t)r(t) \\ - g(x,t)] = 0 \end{aligned}$$

implies

$$\frac{\partial P(x,y,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)P(x,y,t) - v(x,t)P_{RM}(y,t) = 0$$

Also

$$E_1^t[r(t) - R(t)][\frac{\partial U(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)U(x,t) - v(x,t)r(t) - g(x,t)] = 0$$

implies

$$\frac{\partial P_{MR}(x,t)}{\partial V(x)} + \beta(x,t)P_{MR}(x,t) - v(x,t)P_R(t) = 0.$$

End of details.

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