

Relationship Between $U(\cdot)$, $V(\cdot)$ and White Noise Components

The orthogonal processes $U(\cdot)$ and $V(\cdot)$ are **direct linear transformations** of the underlying white noise components, scaled by the square root of the power spectral density. This relationship embodies the fundamental connection between time-domain randomness and frequency-domain spectral structure.

Mathematical Foundation

In the spectral representation theorem, a real-valued stationary Gaussian process has the form:

$$X(t) = \int_0^\infty [\cos(\lambda t) dU(\lambda) + \sin(\lambda t) dV(\lambda)]$$

The orthogonal increment processes $U(\cdot)$ and $V(\cdot)$ are constructed from **complex-valued white noise measures** as described in the literature¹.

Direct Construction Relationship

In the discrete implementation, the relationship is explicit:

White Noise Components:

- $W_k^{re} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ (real part)
- $W_k^{im} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ (imaginary part)
- Independent across frequencies and between real/imaginary parts

Spectral Scaling: $Z_k = \sqrt{S(\lambda_k)\Delta\lambda} \cdot (W_k^{re} + iW_k^{im})$

Orthogonal Process Increments:

- $dU(\lambda_k) = \text{Re}(Z_k) = \sqrt{S(\lambda_k)\Delta\lambda} \cdot W_k^{re}$
- $dV(\lambda_k) = \text{Im}(Z_k) = \sqrt{S(\lambda_k)\Delta\lambda} \cdot W_k^{im}$

Key Properties

Isometry Preservation: The white noise isometry property² ensures that orthogonal white noise components map to orthogonal increments in $U(\cdot)$ and $V(\cdot)$. This means:

$$E[dU(\lambda_i)dU(\lambda_j)] = E[dV(\lambda_i)dV(\lambda_j)] = 0 \text{ for } i \neq j \quad E[dU(\lambda_i)dV(\lambda_j)] = 0 \text{ for all } i, j$$

Independence Structure: Since the underlying white noise components are independent Gaussians, and linear transformations preserve Gaussian distributions,

¹<https://arxiv.org/pdf/2111.01084.pdf>

²<https://www.math.utah.edu/~davar/math7880/S15/Chapter6.pdf>

the orthogonal increments maintain independence across frequencies³⁴.

Spectral Coloring: The power spectral density $S(\cdot)$ acts as a **frequency-dependent amplification factor** that transforms white (flat spectrum) noise into colored noise with the desired spectral characteristics.

Physical Interpretation

$U(\cdot)$ Process: Captures the **cosine components** of the spectral decomposition. Each increment $dU(\lambda_k)$ represents the contribution of frequency λ_k to the “even” or “symmetric” part of the process.

$V(\cdot)$ Process: Captures the **sine components** of the spectral decomposition. Each increment $dV(\lambda_k)$ represents the contribution of frequency λ_k to the “odd” or “antisymmetric” part of the process.

Randomness Inheritance: The statistical properties (Gaussianity, independence, zero mean) are **inherited directly** from the white noise, while the frequency-dependent variance structure comes from the spectral density.

Computational Implementation

In the code implementation:

```
// White noise generation (innovation)
element.re().set(random.nextGaussian()); //  $W_k^{re}$ 
element.im().set(random.nextGaussian()); //  $W_k^{im}$ 

// Spectral scaling (coloring)
complexSignal.get(k).set(element).mul(mag, bits); //  $Z_k = \sqrt{S(\lambda_k)} * W_k$ 

// Orthogonal process extraction
uProcess[k] = complexSignal.get(k).re().doubleValue(); //  $dU(\lambda_k)$ 
vProcess[k] = complexSignal.get(k).im().doubleValue(); //  $dV(\lambda_k)$ 
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This reveals that $U(\cdot)$ and $V(\cdot)$ are **not independent random processes**, but rather **deterministic linear functionals** of the same underlying white noise field, differentiated only by their real versus imaginary parts and their trigonometric roles in the spectral representation.

The white noise provides the fundamental **innovation** or **unpredictability**, while the spectral density determines how this innovation is **distributed across frequencies** to create the desired correlation structure in the time domain.

³<https://dsp.stackexchange.com/questions/35802/gaussian-white-noise-relation-between-distribution-and-correlation>

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