Forward integrals and an Itô formula for fractional Brownian motion

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Abstract

We consider the *forward integral* with respect to fractional Brownian motion $B^{(H)}(t)$ and relate this to the Wick-Itô-Skorohod integral by using the *M*-operator introduced by [10] and the Malliavin derivative $D_t^{(H)}$. Using this connection we obtain a general Itô formula for the Wick-Itô-Skorohod integrals with respect to $B^{(H)}(t)$, valid for $H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$.

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1 Introduction

Fractional Brownian motion $B^{(H)}(t) = B^{(H)}(t, \omega), t \ge 0, \omega \in \Omega$, with Hurst parameter $H \in (0, 1)$ is a real-valued Gaussian process on a probability space

 $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ with the property that

$$E[B^{(H)}(t)] = B^{(H)}(0) = 0 \text{ for all } t \ge 0$$

and

$$E\left[B^{(H)}(t)B^{(H)}(s)\right] = \frac{1}{2}\left[t^{2H} + s^{2H} - |t - s|^{2H}\right]; \quad t, s \ge 0$$

where E denotes expectation with respect to \mathbb{P} .

Because of its properties the fractional Brownian motion has been used to model a number of phenomena, e.g. in biology, meteorology, physics and finance. See e.g. [24], [6], [7], [21] and the references therein. In that connection, it is of interest to develop a stochastic calculus based on $B^{(H)}(t)$. In particular, one wants an integration theory, a white noise theory and a Malliavin calculus for such processes. See e.g. [6] and the references therein for an account of this.

There are several different integral concepts of independent interest, among which the *pathwise integral* and the *Wick-Itô-Skorohod integral*. For each of these integrals several versions of an Itô formula have been obtained. See for example [5], [7], [9], [15], [18], [19], [11].

The purpose of this paper is to prove a new general Itô formula for the Wick-Itô-Skorohod integral based on the *M*-operator of [10] and the Malliavin derivative $D_t^{(H)}$, valid for $H \in (\frac{1}{2}, 1)$.

2 Some preliminaries

Here we recall the approach of [10], [16], [7] to white-noise calculus for fractional Brownian motion.

We begin by recalling the standard setup for the classical white noise probability space. See e.g. [13], [17], [14] or [1] for more details.

Definition 2.1 Let $S(\mathbb{R})$ denote the Schwartz space of rapidly decreasing smooth functions on \mathbb{R} and let $\Omega := S'(\mathbb{R})$ be its dual, usually called the space of tempered distributions. Let \mathbb{P} be the probability measure on the Borel sets $\mathcal{B}(S'(\mathbb{R}))$ defined by the property that

$$\int_{\mathcal{S}'(\mathbb{R})} \exp(i < \omega, f >) d\mathbb{P}(\omega) = \exp(-\frac{1}{2} \|f\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}^2); \quad f \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R}),$$
(2.1)

where $i = \sqrt{-1}$ and $\langle \omega, f \rangle = \omega(f)$ is the action of $\omega \in \Omega = S'(\mathbb{R})$ on $f \in S(\mathbb{R})$.

The measure \mathbb{P} is called the white noise probability measure. Its existence follows from the Bochner-Minlos theorem.

In the following we let

$$h_n(x) = (-1)^n e^{\frac{x^2}{2}} \frac{d^n}{dx^n} (e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}); \quad n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$
 (2.2)

denote the *Hermite polynomials* and we let

$$\xi_n(x) = \pi^{-\frac{1}{4}} ((n-1)!)^{-\frac{1}{2}} h_{n-1}(\sqrt{2}x) e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}; \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$
 (2.3)

be the Hermite functions. Then $\xi_n \in \mathcal{S}(\mathbb{R})$. From [25], $\{\xi_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ constitutes an orthonormal basis for $L^2(\mathbb{R})$. Let \mathcal{J} be the set of all multi-indices $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \ldots)$ of finite length $l(\alpha) = \max\{i; \alpha_i \neq 0\}$, with $\alpha_i \in \mathbb{N}_0 = \{0, 1, 2, \ldots\}$ for all *i*. For $\alpha = (\alpha_1, \ldots, \alpha_n) \in \mathcal{J}$ we put $\alpha! = \alpha_1!\alpha_2!\cdots\alpha_n!$ and $|\alpha| = \alpha_1 + \cdots + \alpha_n$ and we define

$$\mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega) = h_{\alpha_1}(\langle \omega, \xi_1 \rangle) h_{\alpha_2}(\langle \omega, \xi_2 \rangle) \cdots h_{\alpha_n}(\langle \omega, \xi_n \rangle).$$
(2.4)

In particular special cases are the unit vectors

$$\epsilon^{(k)} = (0, 0, \dots, 0, 1) \tag{2.5}$$

with 1 on the k'th entry, 0 otherwise; k = 1, 2, ... We now use the well-known Wiener-Itô chaos expansion Theorem to define the following space (S) of stochastic test functions and the dual space (S)^{*} of stochastic distributions:

Definition 2.2 a) We define the Hida space (S) of stochastic test functions to be all $\psi \in L^2(\mathbb{P})$ whose expansion

$$\psi(\omega) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} a_{\alpha} \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega)$$

satisfies

$$\|\psi\|_k^2 := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} a_\alpha^2 \alpha! (2\mathbb{N})^{k\alpha} < \infty \quad \text{for all } k = 1, 2, \dots$$
 (2.6)

where

$$(2\mathbb{N})^{\gamma} = (2\cdot 1)^{\gamma_1} (2\cdot 2)^{\gamma_2} \cdots (2\cdot m)^{\gamma_m} \quad if \, \gamma = (\gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_m) \in \mathcal{J}.$$
(2.7)

b) We define the Hida space $(S)^*$ of stochastic distributions to be the set of formal expansions

$$G(\omega) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} b_{\alpha} \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega)$$

such that

$$||G||_q^2 := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} b_\alpha^2 \alpha! (2\mathbb{N})^{-q\alpha} < \infty \quad \text{for some } q < \infty.$$
(2.8)

We equip (S) with the projective topology and (S)^{*} with the inductive topology. Convergence in (S) means convergence in $\|\cdot\|_k$ for every $k = 1, 2, \cdots$, while convergence in (S)^{*} means convergence in $\|\cdot\|_q$ for some $q < \infty$. Then (S)^{*} can be identified with the dual of (S) and the action of $G \in (S)^*$ on $\psi \in (S)$ is given by

$$\langle G, \psi \rangle_{(\mathbb{S})^*, (\mathbb{S})} := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \alpha! a_{\alpha} b_{\alpha}$$
 (2.9)

In the sequel, we will denote the action $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle_{(S)^*,(S)}$ simply with the symbol $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$. We can in a natural way define $(S)^*$ -valued integrals as follows:

Definition 2.3 (Integration in $(S)^*$) Suppose $Z : \mathbb{R} \to (S)^*$ has the property that

$$\langle Z(t),\psi\rangle\in L^1(\mathbb{R},dt)$$
 for all $\psi\in(\mathbb{S})$

Then the integral

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} Z(t) dt$$

is defined to be the unique element of $(S)^*$ such that

$$\left\langle \int_{\mathbb{R}} Z(t)dt, \psi \right\rangle = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \langle Z(t), \psi \rangle dt \quad \text{for all } \psi \in (\mathbb{S}).$$
 (2.10)

Such functions Z(t) are called dt-integrable in $(S)^*$.

Let B(t) a standard Brownian motion on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. If we consider B(t) as a map $B(\cdot) : \mathbb{R} \to (\mathbb{S})^*$, then B(t) is differentiable with respect to t and its derivative $W(t) := \frac{d}{dt}B(t)$ exists in $(\mathbb{S})^*$ and is called *white noise*. A fundamental property of the Wick product is the following relation to (Itô-)Skorohod integration. We recall the definition of Skorohod integral.

Let $u(t,\omega), \omega \in \Omega, t \in [0,T]$ be a stochastic process (always assumed to be (t,ω) -measurable), such that

$$u(t, \cdot)$$
 is \mathcal{F} -measurable for all $t \in [0, T]$ (2.11)

and

$$E[u^2(t,\omega)] < \infty \qquad \text{for all } t \in [0,T].$$
(2.12)

Definition 2.4 Suppose $u(t, \omega)$ is a stochastic process satisfying (2.11), (2.12) and with Wiener-Itô chaos expansion

$$u(t,\omega) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_n(f_n(\cdot,t)).$$
(2.13)

Then we define the Skorohod integral of u by

$$\delta(u): = \int_{\mathbb{R}} u(t,\omega) \delta B(t) := \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} I_{n+1}(\tilde{f}_n) \qquad (when \ convergent) \qquad (2.14)$$

where \tilde{f}_n is the symmetrization of $f_n(t_1, \ldots, t_n, t)$ as a function of n + 1 variables t_1, \ldots, t_n, t .

We say u is Skorohod-integrable and write $u \in \text{dom}(\delta)$ if the series in (2.14) converges in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$. This occurs iff

$$E[\delta(u)^2] = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (n+1)! \|\widetilde{f}_n\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R}^{n+1})}^2 < \infty.$$
 (2.15)

Theorem 2.5 Suppose $f(t, \omega) : \mathbb{R} \times \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ is Skorohod integrable. Then $f(t, \cdot) \diamond W(t)$ is dt-integrable in $(S)^*$ and

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t,\omega)\delta B(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t,\omega) \diamond W(t)dt, \qquad (2.16)$$

where the integral on the left is the Skorohod integral (which coincides with the Itô integral if f is adapted) and $f(t, \omega) \diamond W(t)$ denotes the Wick product in $(S)^*$.

2.1 Integration

We now review briefly how the classical white noise theory can be used in order to construct a stochastic integral with respect to a fractional Brownian motion $B^{(H)}(t)$ for any $H \in (0, 1)$ as in the approach of [10]. The main idea is to relate the fractional Brownian motion $B^{(H)}(t)$ with Hurst parameter $H \in (0, 1)$ to classical Brownian motion B(t) via the following operator M:

Definition 2.6 The operator $M = M^{(H)}$ is defined on functions $f \in S(\mathbb{R})$ by

$$\widehat{Mf}(y) = |y|^{\frac{1}{2} - H} \widehat{f}(y); \quad y \in \mathbb{R}$$
(2.17)

where

$$\hat{g}(y) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-ixy} g(x) dx \tag{2.18}$$

denotes the Fourier transform.

For further details on the operator M, we refer to [10] and to [6]. The operator M extends in a natural way from $S(\mathbb{R})$ to the space

$$\begin{split} L^2_H(\mathbb{R}) &:= \{ f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R} \text{ (deterministic)}; \ |y|^{\frac{1}{2} - H} \hat{f}(y) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \} \\ &= \{ f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}; Mf(x) \in L^2(\mathbb{R}) \} \\ &= \{ f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}; \|f\|_{L^2_H(\mathbb{R})} < \infty \}, \text{ where } \|f\|_{L^2_H(\mathbb{R})} = \|Mf\|_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}. \end{split}$$

The inner product on this space is

$$\langle f, g \rangle_{L^2_H(\mathbb{R})} = \langle Mf, Mg \rangle_{L^2(\mathbb{R})}.$$
(2.19)

If $(\xi_n)_{n\in\mathbb{N}}$ is the orthonormal basis of $L^2(\mathbb{R})$ introduced in (2.3), then

$$e_n := M^{-1}\xi_n, \qquad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$
(2.20)

is an orthonormal basis for $L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$. In particular, the indicator function $\chi_{[0,t]}(\cdot)$ is easily seen to belong to this space, for fixed $t \in \mathbb{R}$, and we write

$$M\chi_{[0,t]}(x) = M[0,t](x)$$

We now define, for $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\tilde{B}^{(H)}(t) := \tilde{B}^{(H)}(t,\omega) := <\omega, M[0,t](\cdot) >$$
(2.21)

Then $\tilde{B}^{(H)}(t)$ is Gaussian, $\tilde{B}^{(H)}(0) = E[\tilde{B}^{(H)}(t)] = 0$ for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$ and

$$E\left[\tilde{B}^{(H)}(s)\tilde{B}^{(H)}(t)\right] = \frac{1}{2}[|t|^{2H} + |s|^{2H} - |s - t|^{2H}]$$

as follows by [10], (A.10). Therefore the continuous version of $B^{(H)}(t)$ of $\tilde{B}^{(H)}(t)$ is a fractional Brownian motion on $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. Let $f \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$ and define

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} f(t)dB^{(H)}(t) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} Mf(t)dB(t); \quad f \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R}).$$
(2.22)

Now define the *fractional white noise* $W^{(H)}(t)$ as the derivative with respect to t of $B^{(H)}(t)$

$$\frac{dB^{(H)}(t)}{dt} = W^{(H)}(t) \text{ in } (\mathfrak{S})^*.$$
(2.23)

In particular, by [7] we obtain that the relation between fractional and classical white noise is given by

$$W^{(H)}(t) = MW(t). (2.24)$$

In view of Theorem 2.5 the following definition is natural:

Definition 2.7 (The fractional Wick-Itô-Skorohod (WIS) integral) Let $Y : \mathbb{R} \to (S)^*$ be such that $Y(t) \diamond W^{(H)}(t)$ is dt-integrable in $(S)^*$. Then we say that Y is $dB^{(H)}$ -integrable and we define the Wick-Itô-Skorohod (WIS) integral of $Y(t) = Y(t, \omega)$ with respect to $B^{(H)}(t)$ by

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} Y(t,\omega) dB^{(H)}(t) := \int_{\mathbb{R}} Y(t) \diamond W^{(H)}(t) dt.$$
(2.25)

Note that this definition coincides with (2.22) if $Y = f \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$.

Definition 2.8 A process $Y(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} c_{\alpha}(t) \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega) \in (\mathfrak{S})^{*}$ belongs to the space \mathcal{M} if $c_{\alpha}(\cdot) \in L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R})$ and $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} Mc_{\alpha}(t) \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega)$ converges in $(\mathfrak{S})^{*}$ for all t.

Then the following fundamental relation holds.

Proposition 2.9 (Integration)[**BØSW**, (5.2)], [Ø, (3.16)] Suppose $Y : \mathbb{R} \to (S)^*$ is $dB^{(H)}$ -integrable (Definition 2.7) and $Y \in \mathcal{M}$. Then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} Y(t) dB^{(H)}(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} MY(t) \delta B(t).$$
(2.26)

2.2 Differentiation

We now recall the approach in [16] to differentiation, as modified and extended by [10]:

Definition 2.10 Let $F : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ and choose $\gamma \in \Omega$. Then we say F has a directional M-derivative in the direction γ if

$$D_{\gamma}^{(H)}F(\omega) := \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\varepsilon} [F(\omega + \varepsilon M\gamma) - F(\omega)]$$
(2.27)

exists almost surely in $(S)^*$. In that case we call $D_{\gamma}^{(H)}F$ the directional *M*-derivative of *F* in the direction γ .

Definition 2.11 We say that $F : \Omega \to \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable if there exists a function

$$\Psi:\mathbb{R}\to(\mathbb{S})^*$$

in \mathcal{M} such that

$$D_{\gamma}^{(H)}F(\omega) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} M\Psi(t)M\gamma(t)dt \quad \text{for all} \quad \gamma \in L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R}).$$
 (2.28)

Then we write

$$D_t^{(H)}F := \frac{\partial^{(H)}}{\partial\omega}F(t,\omega) = \Psi(t)$$
(2.29)

and we call $D_t^{(H)}F$ the Malliavin derivative or the stochastic gradient of F at t.

In the classical case $(H = \frac{1}{2})$ we use the notation D_t for the corresponding Malliavin derivative.

Proposition 2.12 [BØSW, (5.1)] Let $F \in (S)^*$. Then

$$D_t F = M D_t^{(H)} F \quad for \ a.a. \ t \in \mathbb{R}.$$

$$(2.30)$$

Proposition 2.13 [BØSW, Theorem 5.3] Suppose $Y : \mathbb{R} \to (S)^*$ is $dB^{(H)}$ -integrable. If $D_tY(\cdot) : \mathbb{R} \to (S)^*$ is $dB^{(H)}$ -integrable for every t, then

$$D_t^{(H)}(\int_{\mathbb{R}} Y(s)dB^{(H)}(s)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} D_t^{(H)}Y(s)dB^{(H)}(s) + Y(t).$$
(2.31)

Definition 2.14 Let $\mathbb{D}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ be the set of all $F \in L^2(\mathbb{P})$ such that the Malliavin derivative $D_t^{(H)}F$ exists and

$$E\left[\int_{\mathbb{R}} [D_t^{(H)}F]^2 dt\right] < \infty \tag{2.32}$$

The following result has been obtained with a different proof in Lemma 2 of [18].

Lemma 2.15 Suppose $g \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$ and let $F \in \mathbb{D}^{(H)}_{1,2}$. Then

$$F \diamond \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(t) dB^{(H)}(t) = F \cdot \int_{\mathbb{R}} g(t) dB^{(H)}(t) - \langle g, D_{\cdot}^{(H)} F \rangle_{L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R})}$$
(2.33)

3 The forward integral

By following the approach of [23], we now define the *forward integral* with respect to the fractional Brownian motion as follows:

Definition 3.1

a) The (classical) forward integral of a real valued measurable process Y with integrable trajectories is defined by

$$\int_{0}^{T} Y(t) d^{-} B^{(H)}(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} Y(t) \frac{B^{(H)}(t+\epsilon) - B^{(H)}(t)}{\epsilon} dt,$$

provided that the limit exists in probability under \mathbb{P} .

b) The (generalized) forward integral of a real valued measurable process Y with integrable trajectories is defined by

$$\int_{0}^{T} Y(t) d^{-} B^{(H)}(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} Y(t) \frac{B^{(H)}(t+\epsilon) - B^{(H)}(t)}{\epsilon} dt$$

provided that the limit exists in $(S)^*$.

Note that in the generalized definition of forward integral, the limit is required to exist in the *Hida space of stochastic distributions* $(S)^*$ introduced in Definition 2.2. Convergence in $(S)^*$ is also explained in Section 2.

Corollary 3.2 Let $\psi(t) = \psi(t, \omega)$ be a measurable forward integrable process and assume that ψ is càglàd. The forward integral of ψ with respect to the fractional Brownian motion $B^{(H)}$ coincides with

$$\int_{0}^{T} \psi(t) d^{-} B^{(H)}(t) = \lim_{|\Delta| \to 0} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \psi(t_j) \Delta B_{t_j}^{(H)}$$
(3.1)

whenever the left-hand limit exists in probability, where $\pi : 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_N = T$ is a partition of [0,T] with mesh size $|\Delta| = \sup_{j=0,\cdots,N-1} |t_{j+1} - t_j|$ and $\Delta B_{t_j}^{(H)} = B_{t_{j+1}}^{(H)} - B_{t_j}^{(H)}$.

PROOF. Let ψ be a càglàd forward integrable process and

$$\psi^{(\Delta)}(t) = \sum_{k} \psi(t_k) \chi_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}(t)$$
(3.2)

be a càglàd step function approximation to ψ . Then $\psi^{(\Delta)}(t)$ converges boundedly almost surely to $\psi(t)$ as $|\Delta| \longrightarrow 0$. The forward integral of $\psi^{(\Delta)}(t)$ is then given by

$$\int_{0}^{T} \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) d^{-} B^{(H)}(t) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \psi^{(\Delta)}(s) \frac{B^{(H)}(s+\epsilon) - B^{(H)}(s)}{\epsilon} ds$$
$$= \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \sum_{k} \psi(t_{k}) \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{s}^{s+\epsilon} dB^{(H)}(u) ds$$
$$= \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \sum_{k} \psi(t_{k}) \int_{t_{k}}^{t_{k+1}} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{u-\epsilon}^{u} ds dB^{(H)}(u)$$
$$= \sum_{k} \psi(t_{k}) \Delta B^{(H)}_{t_{k}}, \qquad (3.3)$$

where $\Delta B_{t_k}^{(H)} = B_{t_{k+1}}^{(H)} - B_{t_k}^{(H)}$. Hence (3.1) follows by the dominated convergence theorem and by (3.3).

For the sequel we will use the same notation as in Section 2.

Definition 3.3 The space $\mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ consists of all càglàd processes

$$\psi(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} c_{\alpha}(t) \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega) \in (\mathfrak{S})^{n}$$

for every $t \in [0, T]$ and such that

$$\|\psi\|_{\mathbb{L}^{(H)}_{1,2}}^{2} := \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \alpha_{i} \alpha! \|c_{\alpha}\|_{L^{2}([0,T])}^{2} < \infty.$$
(3.4)

Note that if $\psi(t) \in (S)^*$ for every $t \in [0, T]$, then $D_s \psi(t)$ exists in $(S)^*$ (see Lemma 3.10 of [1]). We recall a preliminary lemma needed in the following.

Lemma 3.4 Let (Γ, \mathcal{G}, m) be a measure space. Let $f_{\epsilon} : \Gamma \to B$, $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$, be measurable functions with values in a Banach space $(B, \|\cdot\|_B)$. If $f_{\epsilon}(\gamma) \to f_0(\gamma)$ as $\epsilon \to 0$ for almost every $\gamma \in \Gamma$ and there exists $K < \infty$ such that

$$\int_{\Gamma} \|f_{\epsilon}(\gamma)\|_{B}^{2} dm(\gamma) < K$$
(3.5)

for all $\epsilon \in \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\int_{\Gamma} f_{\epsilon}(\gamma) dm(\gamma) \to \int_{\Gamma} f_{0}(\gamma) dm(\gamma)$$
(3.6)

in $\|\cdot\|_B$.

PROOF. The proof is analogous to the one of Theorem II.21.2 of [22]. \Box

Lemma 3.5 Suppose that $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$. Then

$$M_{t+}D_{t+}\psi(t) := \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_s D_s \psi(t) ds$$
(3.7)

exists in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ for all t. Moreover

$$\int_{0}^{T} M_{t+} D_{t+} \psi(t) dt = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s} D_{s} \psi(t) ds \right) dt$$
(3.8)

in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ and

$$E\left[\left(\int_0^T M_{s+}D_{s+}\psi(s)ds\right)^2\right] < \infty.$$
(3.9)

PROOF. Suppose that $\psi(t)$ has the expansion

$$\psi(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} c_{\alpha}(t) \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega).$$

In the sequel we drop ω in $\mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega)$ for the sake of simplicity. Then we have

$$D_s \psi(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{\alpha}(t) \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha - \epsilon^{(i)}} \xi_i(s)$$

and

$$M_s D_s \psi(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{\alpha}(t) \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha - \epsilon^{(i)}} \eta_i(s),$$

where $\eta_i(s) = M\xi_i(s)$. Hence

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s} D_{s} \psi(t) ds = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (c_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds) \alpha_{i} \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}} \,.$$

Since $\eta_i(s) = M\xi(s)$ is a continuous function, we have that

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \to \eta_i(t)$$

as $\epsilon \to 0$.

We apply now Lemma 3.4 with $\gamma = (\alpha, i)$, $dm(\gamma) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta_{(\alpha,i)}$, where δ_x denotes the point mass at $x, B = L^2(\mathbb{P})$ and $f_{\epsilon} = (c_{\alpha}(t)\frac{1}{\epsilon}\int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s)ds)\alpha_i\mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}}$. We obtain

$$\begin{split} \int_{\Gamma} \|f_{\epsilon}(\gamma)\|_{B}^{2} dm(\gamma) &= \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|f_{\epsilon}(\gamma)\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{P})}^{2} \\ &= \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} (c_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds)^{2} \alpha_{i} \alpha! \\ &\leq \left[\frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H} - t^{2H}}{\epsilon} \right]^{2} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} c_{\alpha}(t)^{2} \alpha_{i} \alpha! \,, \end{split}$$

since

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds = \langle M\xi_{i}, \frac{1}{\epsilon} \chi_{[t,t+\epsilon]} \rangle_{L^{2}(\mathbb{R})} = \\ \langle M^{2}e_{i}, \frac{1}{\epsilon} \chi_{[t,t+\epsilon]} \rangle_{L^{2}(\mathbb{R})} = \langle e_{i}, \frac{1}{\epsilon} \chi_{[t,t+\epsilon]} \rangle_{L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R})} \leq \\ \|e_{i}\|_{L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R})} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \|\chi_{[t,t+\epsilon]}\|_{L^{2}_{H}(\mathbb{R})} = \frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H} - t^{2H}}{\epsilon},$$

where we have used that the fact that $||e_i||_{L^2_H(\mathbb{R})} = 1$ and the equality

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} [M[a,b](x)]^2 dx = (b-a)^{2H}.$$

Since we have $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} c_{\alpha}(t)^2 \alpha_i \alpha! < \infty$ for almost every t, by Lemma 3.4 it follows that $\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (c_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds) \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}}$ converges to

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_{\alpha}(t) \eta_i(t) \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha - \epsilon^{(i)}}$$

in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$. We now prove (3.8). Consider

$$\int_0^T \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} M_s D_s \psi(t) ds dt = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^\infty \int_0^T \left(c_\alpha(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \right) dt \ \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}} .$$

Now assuming $f_{\epsilon} = \int_0^T \left(c_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \right) dt \ \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}}$ and as before $\gamma = (\alpha, i), B = L^2(\mathbb{P}), dm(\gamma) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta_{\alpha,i}$, where δ_x denotes the point mass at x, we use again Lemma 3.4. We obtain

$$\int_{\Gamma} \|f_{\epsilon}(\gamma)\|_{B}^{2} dm(\gamma) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \|f_{\epsilon}(\gamma)\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{P})}^{2}$$

$$= \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} \left(\int_{0}^{T} c_{\alpha}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds \ dt \right)^{2} \alpha_{i} \alpha!$$

$$\leq \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} \left(\int_{0}^{T} c_{\alpha}(t) \left[\frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H} - t^{2H}}{\epsilon} \right] dt \right)^{2} \alpha_{i} \alpha!$$

$$\leq \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1} \left(\int_{0}^{T} c_{\alpha}(t)^{2} dt \right) \left(\int_{0}^{T} \left[\frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H} - t^{2H}}{\epsilon} \right]^{2} dt \right) \alpha_{i} \alpha!.$$
(3.10)

Since $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ by Lemma 3.4 we can conclude that the limit 3.8 exists in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ and also that (3.9) holds. \Box

Lemma 3.6 Suppose that $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ and let

$$\psi^{(\Delta)}(s) = \sum_{k} \psi(t_k) \chi_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}(s)$$
(3.11)

be a càglàd step function approximation to ψ , where $\Delta = \max_i |\Delta t_i|$ is the maximal length of the subinterval in the partition $0 = t_0 < \cdots < t_n = T$ of [0,T]. Then $\psi^{(\Delta)} \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ for all Δ and

$$\int_0^T M_{s+} D_{s+} \psi^{(\Delta)}(s) ds \longrightarrow \int_0^T M_{s+} D_{s+} \psi(s) ds \qquad \text{in } L^2(\mathbb{P})$$
(3.12)

 $as \ |\Delta| \longrightarrow 0.$

PROOF. Since $\psi^{(\Delta)}(s) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}(s) \mathcal{H}_{\alpha}(\omega)$ with

$$c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}(s) = \sum_{k} c_{\alpha}(t_k) \chi_{(t_k, t_{k+1}]}(s)$$

and

$$\|c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}\|_{L^{2}([0,T])} \leq const. \|c_{\alpha}\|_{L^{2}([0,T])} \quad \forall \alpha,$$
(3.13)

it follows that $\psi^{(\Delta)} \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$. We have

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s} D_{s} \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) ds = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \left(\int_{0}^{T} (c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds) dt \right) \alpha_{i} \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}} .$$

If we assume $\gamma = (\alpha, i)$, $B = L^2(\mathbb{P})$, $m(d\gamma) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \delta_{(\alpha,i)}$, where δ_x denotes the point mass at x, and $f_{\Delta} = \left(\int_0^T c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \right) dt \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}}$, with the same argument as in (3.10) by Lemma 3.4 we obtain that

$$\int_{0}^{T} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s} D_{s} \psi(t) ds\right) dt = \lim_{|\Delta| \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s} D_{s} \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) ds\right) dt$$
(3.14)

in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ for almost every s, since $c_{\alpha}^{(\Delta)}$ converges by dominated convergence to c_{α} in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$ and $\psi^{(\Delta)} \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$. Using (3.14) and Lemma 3.5 we conclude that (3.12) holds.

We now investigate the relation among forward integrals and WIS-integrals for $H > \frac{1}{2}$. In [4] and [19] a similar relation is established between the symmetric integral and the divergence, in [9] between the forward integral and the fractional Wick-Itô-Skorohod integral. For the case $H < \frac{1}{2}$, we refer to [2].

Theorem 3.7 Let $H \in (0, 1)$. Suppose $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ and that one of the following conditions holds:

i) ψ is Wick-Itô-Skorohod integrable (Definition 2.7);

ii) ψ is forward integrable in (S)^{*} (Definition 3.1).

Then

$$\int_0^T \psi(t) d^- B^{(H)}(t) = \int_0^T \psi(t) dB^{(H)}(t) + \int_0^T M_{t+} D_{t+} \psi(t) dt, \qquad (3.15)$$

holds as an identity in $(S)^*$, where here $\int_0^T \psi(t) dB^{(H)}(t)$ is the WIS-integral of Definition 2.7.

PROOF. We prove (3.15) assuming that hypothesis i) is in force. The argument works symmetrically under hypothesis ii). Let $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$. Since ψ is càglàd, we can approximate it as

$$\psi(t) = \lim_{|\Delta t| \longrightarrow 0} \sum_{j} \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j, t_{j+1}]}(t)$$
 a.e.

where for any partition $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_N = T$ of [0, T], with $\Delta t_j = t_{j+1} - t_j$, we have put $|\Delta t| = \sup_{\substack{j=0,\cdots,N-1\\ j=0}} \Delta t_j$. As before we put $\psi^{(\Delta)}(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} \psi(t_k) \chi_{(t_k,t_{k+1}]}(t)$ and evaluate

$$\begin{split} \int_0^T \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) d^- B^{(H)}(t) &= \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \psi^{(\Delta)}(t,\omega) \frac{B^{(H)}(t+\epsilon) - B^{(H)}(t)}{\epsilon} dt = \\ &\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T (\sum_j \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j,t_{j+1}]}(t)) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} dB^{(H)}(u) dt = \\ &\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T (\sum_j \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j,t_{j+1}]}(t)) \diamond \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} dB^{(H)}(u) dt + \\ &\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \sum_j \int_0^T \chi_{(t_j,t_{j+1}]}(t) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{[t,t+\epsilon]}(u) M_u^2 D_u^{(H)} \psi(t_j) du dt \,. \end{split}$$

The first limit is equal to

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T (\sum_j \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j, t_{j+1}]}(t)) \diamond \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} dB^{(H)}(u) dt = \\ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T (\sum_j \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j, t_{j+1}]}(t)) \diamond \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} W^{(H)}(u) du dt = \\ \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_0^T \frac{1}{\epsilon} (\int_{u-\epsilon}^u \sum_j \psi(t_j) \chi_{(t_j, t_{j+1}]}(t)) \diamond W^{(H)}(u) du = \\ \int_0^T \psi^{(\Delta)}(u) \diamond W^{(H)}(u) du, \end{split}$$

that converges in $(S)^*$ to $\int_0^T \psi(u) \diamond W^{(H)}(u) du = \int_0^T \psi(u) dB^{(H)}(u)$. For the second limit we get

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \sum_{j} \int_{0}^{T} \chi_{(t_{j}, t_{j+1}]}(t) \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{u}^{2} D_{u}^{(H)} \psi(t_{j}) du dt =$$
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{u}^{2} D_{u}^{(H)} \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) du dt =$$
$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \int_{0}^{T} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{u} D_{u} \psi^{(\Delta)}(t) du dt.$$

By Lemmas 3.5 and 3.6 the last limit converges to

$$\int_{0}^{T} M_{u+} D_{u+} \psi(u) du$$
 (3.16)

in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$.

An analogous relation to the one of Theorem 3.7 between Stratonovich integrals and Wick-Itô-Skorohod integrals for fractional Brownian motion is proved under different conditions in [18].

An Itô formula for forward integrals with respect to classical Brownian motion was obtained by [23] and then extended to the fractional Brownian motion case in [12]. Here we prove the following Itô formula for forward integrals with respect to fractional Brownian motion as a consequence of Lemma 3.8.

Lemma 3.8 Let $G \in (S)^*$ and suppose that ψ is forward integrable. Then

$$G(\omega) \int_0^T \psi(t) d^- B^{(H)}(t) = \int_0^T G(\omega) \psi(t) d^- B^{(H)}(t)$$
(3.17)

PROOF. This is immediate by Definition 3.1.

Definition 3.9 Let ψ be a forward integrable process and let $\alpha(s)$ be a measurable process such that $\int_0^t |\alpha(s)| ds < \infty$ a.s. for all $t \ge 0$. Then the process

$$X(t) := x + \int_0^t \alpha(s)ds + \int_0^t \psi(s)d^-B^{(H)}(s); \quad t \ge 0$$
 (3.18)

is called a fractional forward process. As a shorthand notation for (3.18) we write

$$d^{-}X(t) := \alpha(t)dt + \psi(t)d^{-}B^{(H)}(t); \quad X(0) = x.$$
(3.19)

Theorem 3.10 Let

$$d^{-}X(t) = \alpha(t)dt + \psi(t)d^{-}B^{(H)}(t); \ X(0) = x$$

be a fractional forward process. Suppose $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and put Y(t) = f(t, X(t)). Then if $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$, we have

$$d^{-}Y(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, X(t))dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X(t))d^{-}X(t)$$

PROOF. Let $0 = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_N = t$ be a partition of [0, t]. By using Taylor expansion, we get by equation (3.17)

$$\begin{split} Y(t) - Y(0) &= \sum_{j} Y(t_{j+1}) - Y(t_{j}) \\ &= \sum_{j} f(t_{j+1}, X(t_{j+1})) - f(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) \\ &= \sum_{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) \Delta t_{j} + \sum_{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) \Delta X(t_{j}) \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j} \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) (\Delta X(t_{j}))^{2} + \sum_{j} o((\Delta t_{j})^{2}) + o((\Delta X(t_{j}))^{2}) \\ &= \sum_{j} \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) \Delta t_{j} + \sum_{j} \int_{t_{j}}^{t_{j+1}} \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) d^{-} X_{t} \\ &+ \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j} \frac{\partial^{2} f}{\partial x^{2}}(t_{j}, X(t_{j})) (\Delta X(t_{j}))^{2} + \sum_{j} o((\Delta t_{j})^{2}) + o((\Delta X(t_{j}))^{2}) \end{split}$$

where $\Delta X(t_j) = X(t_{j+1}) - X(t_j)$. Since $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$, the quadratic variation of the fractional Brownian motion is zero and we are left with the first terms of the sum above, which converges to $\int_0^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial s}(s, X(s))ds + \int_0^t \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(s, X(s))d^-X(s)$.

Using the results of Theorem 3.7 and 3.10, we obtain a general Itô formula for functionals of Wick-Itô-Skorohod integrals with respect to the fractional Brownian motion when $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$. An Itô formula for $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$ has been already proved in [9] and in [4], but under more restrictive hypotheses. Here we provide a different proof under weaker assumptions. If $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$ this theorem extends Theorem 3.8 in [7]. A related result, obtained independently and by a different method, can be found in [11]. Moreover our results hold in a different setting.

Theorem 3.11 (Itô formula for the WIS-integral) Suppose $\frac{1}{2} < H < 1$. 1. Let $\gamma(s)$ be a measurable process such that $\int_0^t |\gamma(s)| ds < \infty$ a.s. for all $t \ge 0$, let $\psi(t) = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathfrak{J}} c_\alpha(t) \mathfrak{H}_\alpha(\omega)$ be càglàd, WIS-integrable and such that

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|c_{\alpha}\|_{L^{2}([0,T])} \alpha_{i}(\alpha_{k}+1)\alpha! < \infty.$$

Suppose that $M_t D_t \psi(s)$ is also WIS-integrable for almost all $t \in [0, T]$. Consider

$$X(t) = x + \int_0^t \gamma(s) ds + \int_0^t \psi(s) dB^{(H)}(s), \quad t \in [0, T],$$

or, in short-hand notation,

$$dX(t) = \gamma(t)dt + \psi(t)dB^{(H)}(t), \quad X(0) = x$$

Suppose X_t has a càdlàg version (Remark 3.12). Let $f \in C^2(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and put Y(t) = f(t, X(t)). Then on [0, T]

$$dY(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, X(t))dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X(t))dX(t) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, X(t))\psi(t)M_{t+}D_{t+}X(t)dt,$$
(3.20)

and equivalently

$$dY(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, X(t))dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X(t))dX(t) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, X(t))\psi(t)M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t dt + \left[\frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, X(t))\psi(t)\int_0^t M_t^2 D_t^{(H)}\psi(u)dB^{(H)}(u)\right]dt,$$
(3.21)

where $M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t = M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})(t)$.

PROOF. For simplicity we put $\alpha = 0$. By Theorem 3.7 we have

$$X(t) = \int_0^t \psi(s) d^- B^{(H)}(s) - \int_0^t M_{s+}^2 D_{s+}^{(H)} \psi(s) ds$$

We note that

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s}^{2} D_{s}^{(H)}(f'(X(t))\psi(t)) ds = f'(X(t)) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s}^{2} D_{s}^{(H)}\psi(t) ds + \psi(t) f''(X(t)) \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s}^{2} D_{s}^{(H)}X(t) ds$$
(3.22)

Since $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$, the first term converges to $f'(X(t))M_{t+}^2 D_{t+}^{(H)}\psi(t)$ as $\epsilon \to 0$. For the second term we restrict our attention to

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_s^2 D_s^{(H)} X(t) ds = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \int_{0}^{t} M_s^2 D_s^{(H)} \psi(u) dB^{(H)}(u) ds}_{a)} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_s^2(\psi \chi_{[0,t]}) ds}_{b)}.$$

a) To study the convergence of the term a), we proceed as in Lemma 3.5. By using the chaos expansion we obtain

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \int_{0}^{t} M_{s}^{2} D_{s}^{(H)} \psi(u) dB^{(H)}(u) ds = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (c_{\alpha}, \xi_{k})_{t} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds \ \alpha_{i} \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}+\epsilon^{(k)}}.$$

Put $\psi_{i,k,\alpha,\epsilon} := (c_{\alpha},\xi_k)_t \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \ \alpha_i \mathcal{H}_{\alpha-\epsilon^{(i)}+\epsilon^{(k)}}$. Then

$$\sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|\psi_{i,k,\alpha,\epsilon}\|_{L^{2}(\mathbb{P})}^{2} = \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (c_{\alpha}, \xi_{k})_{t}^{2} \left(\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_{i}(s) ds\right)^{2} \alpha_{i}(\alpha_{k}+1)\alpha! \leq \left[\frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H}-t^{2H}}{\epsilon}\right]^{2} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|c_{\alpha}\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} \|\xi_{k}\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} \alpha_{i}(\alpha_{k}+1)\alpha! \leq \left[\frac{(t+\epsilon)^{2H}-t^{2H}}{\epsilon}\right]^{2} \sum_{\alpha \in \mathcal{J}} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \|c_{\alpha}\|_{L^{2}(0,T)}^{2} \alpha_{i}(\alpha_{k}+1)\alpha!, \quad (3.23)$$

where we have used that $\|\xi_k\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 \le \|\xi_k\|_{L^2(0,T)}^2 = 1, \forall k = 1, 2, \cdots$. Since

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \eta_i(s) ds \to \eta_i(t) \tag{3.24}$$

and (3.23) holds, by Lemma 3.4 we conclude that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} \int_{0}^{t} M_{s}^{2} D_{s}^{(H)} \psi(u) dB^{(H)}(u) ds = \int_{0}^{t} M_{t}^{2} D_{t}^{(H)} \psi(u) dB^{(H)}(u)$$
(3.25)

in $L^2(\mathbb{P})$.

b) Since $\psi \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$, we have

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_{t}^{t+\epsilon} M_{s}^{2}(\psi\chi_{[0,t]}) ds \longrightarrow M^{2}(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_{t}, \quad \text{a.e. and in } L^{2}(\mathbb{P}), \qquad (3.26)$$

where for the sake of simplicity we have put $M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t = M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})(t)$. Let $A_t = -\int_0^t M_{s+}^2 D_{s+}^{(H)} \psi(s) ds$. Then by the Itô formula for forward integrals (Theorem 3.10) we obtain

$$dY(t) = f'(X(t))d^{-}X(t)$$

= $f'(X(t))dA_{t} + f'(X(t))d^{-}B^{(H)}(t)$
= $-f'(X(t))M_{t+}D_{t+}\psi(t)dt + f'(X(t))\psi(t)dB^{(H)}(t)$
+ $\left[f'(X(t))M_{t+}D_{t+}\psi(t) + \psi(t)f''(X(t))M_{t+}D_{t+}X(t)\right]dt$
= $f'(X(t))dX(t) + f''(X(t))\psi(t)M_{t+}D_{t+}X(t)dt$

and by (3.25) and (3.26) we can conclude that

$$dY(t) = f'(X(t))dX(t) + f''(X(t))\psi(t) \int_0^t M_t^2 D_t^{(H)}\psi(u)dB^{(H)}(u)dt + f''(X(t))\psi(t)M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t dt.$$

Note that all the integrands appearing in (3.27) are well-defined because X_t is càdlàg.

Remark 3.12 Conditions under which the integral process admits a continuous modification are proved in [3] and [4]. **Corollary 3.13** Assume that $\psi \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$, $\alpha = 0$ and otherwise let H, X, f, Y be as in Theorem 3.11. Then

$$dY(t) = \frac{\partial f}{\partial t}(t, X(t))dt + \frac{\partial f}{\partial x}(t, X(t))dX(t) + \frac{\partial^2 f}{\partial x^2}(t, X(t))\psi(t)M^2(\chi_{[0,t]}\psi)_t dt$$
(3.27)

Remark 3.14 In the case when $\psi(s)$ is deterministic, a (different) Itô formula, valid for all $H \in (0, 1)$ and for all x-entire functions f(t, x) of order 2, has been obtained in Theorem 11.1 of [15].

4 Examples

4.1 A special case

In [5] and [7] an Itô formula for the case when $Y(t) = f(B^{(H)}(t))$ is provided, valid for all $H \in (0, 1)$. We recall here that formula

$$dY(t) = f'(X(t))dX(t) + Ht^{2H-1}f''(X(t))\psi(t)dt$$
(4.1)

We now show that if $H > \frac{1}{2}$ then (3.20) and (4.1) coincide in this case.

Proposition 4.1 For every $H \in (0,1)$ we have

$$M_{t+}D_{t+}B^{(H)}(t) = Ht^{2H-1}, \quad t \ge 0.$$

PROOF. Let $t \ge 0$. We recall that $D_t^{(H)}B^{(H)}(u) = \chi_{[0,u)}(t)$. Hence we need to prove that

$$M_{t+}D_{t+}B^{(H)}(t) = \lim_{s \to t^+} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} M_s^2 D_s^{(H)} B^{(H)}(t) ds$$
$$= [M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{u=t} = Ht^{2H-1}$$

We consider $\psi(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (M_t \chi_{[0,u)}(t))^2 dt$. Since, by [10], we have that $\psi(u) = u^{2H}$, we only need to show that $\psi'(u) = 2[M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=u}$. We rewrite $\psi(u)$ as follows

$$\psi(u) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} (M_t \chi_{[0,u)}(t))^2 dt$$

= $\int_{\mathbb{R}} \chi_{[0,u)}(t) M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t) dt$
= $\int_0^u M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t) dt$

by using the properties of the operator M. We compute

$$\frac{\psi(u+\epsilon) - \psi(u)}{\epsilon} = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\int_0^{u+\epsilon} M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t) dt - \int_0^u M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t) dt \right) \\
= \frac{1}{\epsilon} \left(\int_u^{u+\epsilon} M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t) dt + \int_0^u [M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t) - M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)] dt \right)$$

by adding and subtracting $\int_0^u M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t) dt$. Since the operator M transforms $\chi_{[0,u)}(t)$ into a continuous function, we obtain

1. $\int_{u}^{u+\epsilon} M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t) dt = [M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t)]_{t=\xi_{\epsilon}} \epsilon, \text{ where } u < \xi_{\epsilon} < u+\epsilon. \text{ By writing}$

$$[M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t)]_{t=\xi_{\epsilon}} = [M_t^2 (\chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]} - \chi_{[0,u)})(t)]_{t=\xi_{\epsilon}} + [M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=\xi_{\epsilon}}$$

we obtain that, when taking the limit as $\epsilon \longrightarrow 0$, the first term goes to zero, while the second term converges to $[M_t^2\chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=u}$ since $\xi_{\epsilon} \longrightarrow u$ when $\epsilon \longrightarrow 0$.

2. We have that

$$\frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^u [M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u+\epsilon]}(t)dt - M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]dt = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^u M_t^2 [\chi_{(u,u+\epsilon]}(t)]dt = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_0^T \chi_{[0,u)}(t)(M_t^2 [\chi_{(u,u+\epsilon]}(t)]dt = \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_u^{u+\epsilon} M_t^2 [\chi_{[0,u)}(t)]dt$$

converges to $[M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=u}$ as $\epsilon \longrightarrow 0$.

Hence

$$\psi'(u) = \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \frac{\psi(u+\epsilon) - \psi(u)}{\epsilon} = 2[M_t^2 \chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=u}$$

i.e. the equality $[M_t^2\chi_{[0,u)}(t)]_{t=u} = Hu^{2H-1}$ holds for every $H \in (0,1)$.

4.2 An integration by parts formula

Let $\psi(s) = \psi(s, \omega) \in \mathbb{L}_{1,2}^{(H)}$ be $dB^{(H)}$ -integrable and define

$$X(t) = \int_0^t \psi(s) dB^{(H)}(s)$$

and

$$Y(t) = X^2(t).$$

By (3.25) and (3.26) we have

$$M_{t+}D_{t+}X(t) = \int_0^t M_t D_t \psi(s) dB^{(H)}(s) + M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t, \qquad (4.2)$$

where $M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t = M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})(t)$. Then by Theorem 3.11 and by Proposition 2.12 we have

$$dY(t) = 2X(t)dX(t) + 2\psi(t)\left(\int_0^t M_t D_t \psi(s)dB^{(H)}(s) + M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t\right)dt$$
(4.3)

In particular, if $\psi \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$, we get

$$dY(t) = 2X(t)dX(t) + 2\psi(t)M^2(\psi\chi_{[0,t]})_t dt$$
(4.4)

By using that $X_1X_2 = \frac{1}{2}[(X_1 + X_2)^2 - X_1^2 - X_2^2]$ this gives the following product rule:

Proposition 4.2 (Product rule) Suppose $\psi_1, \psi_2 \in L^2_H(\mathbb{R})$ and define

$$X_i(t) = \int_0^t \psi_i(s) dB^{(H)}(s); \quad i = 1, 2$$

and

$$Y(t) = X_1(t)X_2(t)$$

Then

$$dY(t) = X_1(t)dX_2(t) + X_2(t)dX_1(t) + \left\{\psi_1(t)M^2(\psi_2\chi_{[0,t]})_t + \psi_2(t)M^2(\psi_1\chi_{[0,t]})_t\right\}dt$$
(4.5)

Corollary 4.3 (Integration by parts) Let $X_i(t)$, i = 1, 2, be as in Proposition 4.2. Then

$$\int_{0}^{t} X_{1}(s) dX_{2}(s) = X_{1}(t) X_{2}(t) - \int_{0}^{t} X_{2}(s) dX_{1}(s) - \int_{0}^{t} \left\{ \psi_{1}(s) M^{2}(\psi_{2}\chi_{[0,s]})_{s} + \psi_{2}(s) M^{2}(\psi_{1}\chi_{[0,s]})_{s} \right\} ds. \quad (4.6)$$

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