

**ON LIMIT THEOREMS FOR THE FIRST EXIT TIME  
FROM A STRIP FOR STOCHASTIC PROCESSES. II***V. I. Lotov and V. R. Khodzhibaev*

We consider a stochastic process  $\xi(t)$ ,  $t \geq 0$ ,  $\xi(0) = 0$ , with independent stationary increments. Let  $\eta(t, a)$  be a stochastic process with delay at the boundary of the half-interval  $[-a, \infty)$ ,  $a \geq 0$ , i.e.,  $\eta(t, a) = \xi(t) - a - \min\{-a; \inf_{s \leq t} \xi(s)\}$ . Under some restrictions on  $\xi(1)$ , we obtain asymptotic expansions for the Laplace–Stieltjes transforms of the normed random variable  $\theta(a, b) = \inf\{t : \eta(t, a) \geq b\}$  as  $b \rightarrow \infty$ . The cases  $\mathbb{E}\xi(1) = 0$  and  $\mathbb{E}\xi(1) < 0$  are considered and the situations  $a = \text{const}$ ,  $b \rightarrow \infty$ ;  $a \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $b \rightarrow \infty$ ; and  $a \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $b = \text{const}$  are treated separately.

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