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**Abstract**

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### ON GAUSSIAN LINEAR FUNCTIONALS ON A COUNTABLY HILBERT SPACE

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Let  $U$  be a real separable countably Hilbert space, whose topology is given by means of a countable number of scalar products

$$(u, v)_1, \quad (u, v)_2, \dots, \quad (1)$$

$X = U'$  is the set of continuous linear functionals  $x = \langle u, x \rangle$  on the space  $U$ ;  $\mathfrak{A}$  is the  $\sigma$ -algebra of Borel sets (with respect to the weak topology) of the space  $X$ .

A probability measure  $P(dx)$  on the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  is called **Gaussian** if, for every  $u \in U$ , the random variable  $u = \langle u, x \rangle$ , considered as a function of  $x \in X$ , is Gaussian. This is equivalent to saying that the characteristic functional

$$\chi(u) = \int_X e^{i\langle u, x \rangle} P(dx)$$

of the measure  $P(dx)$  has the form

$$\chi(u) = e^{ia(u) - \frac{1}{2}b(u, u)},$$

where

$$a(u) = \int_X \langle u, x \rangle P(dx), \quad (2)$$

$$b(u, v) = \int_X [\langle u, x \rangle - a(u)][\langle v, x \rangle - a(v)] P(dx). \quad (3)$$

Measures in linear topological spaces and arbitrary Gaussian measures have been the subject of numerous and relatively recent investigations. The principal results are contained partly already in the monograph <sup>(1)</sup>, in survey articles <sup>(2, 3)</sup> (see also <sup>(4)</sup>). The facts given below, concerning Gaussian measures in the space of linear functionals on a countably Hilbert space, are a simple consequence of these results.

Let  $P(dx)$  be a Gaussian measure on the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathfrak{A}$  of the space  $X = U'$ , and let  $a(u)$  and  $b(u, v)$  be the functionals on the countably Hilbert space  $U$  defined by formulas (2) and (3);  $a(u)$  is called the **mathematical expectation**, and  $b(u, v)$  the **correlation functional**.

$a(u)$ ,  $b(u, v)$  ( $u, v \in U$ ) are the mathematical expectation and correlation functional of some Gaussian measure if and only if they are representable in the form

$$a(u) = (u, a)_n; \quad b(u, v) = (Bu, v)_n, \quad (4)$$

where  $(u, v)_n$  is some scalar product from (1);  $a$  is an element of the Hilbert space  $\bar{U} = U_n$  with this scalar product, obtained by completing  $U$ ;  $B$  is a positive nuclear operator in  $\bar{U}$ .

Let us establish, for example, formula (4) for the correlation functional—

$b(u, v)$ . As is known, this is a positive bilinear functional, which for some  $n$  is bounded not only on the sphere  $(u, u)_n \leq 1$ , but also on a set of the form  $(Su, u)_n \leq 1$ , where  $S$  is a positive nuclear operator in  $\bar{U} = U_n$  (see <sup>(2)</sup>, p. 414). This says that  $b(u, v)$  is representable in the form (4), where  $B$  is a linear positive operator such that  $Bu = 0$  when  $Su = 0$  and the product  $BS^{-1}$  is bounded. If  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  is an orthonormal system of eigenvectors of the nuclear operator  $S$ , corresponding to positive eigenvalues  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots$ , then  $\|BS^{-1}u_k\| = \lambda_k^{-1}\|Bu_k\| \leq C$ , whence it is seen that, together with the series  $\sum \lambda_k$ , the series  $\sum \|Bu_k\|$  also converges. Consequently,  $B$  is a nuclear operator (see <sup>(1)</sup>, p. 65).

Let us next consider two Gaussian measures  $P(dx)$  and  $P_1(dx)$ . Like any Gaussian measures, they are either mutually absolutely continuous (that is, equivalent) or perpendicular. We indicate conditions for their equivalence and an expression for the corresponding density  $p(x) = P_1(dx)/P(dx)$ .

*For the equivalence of  $P(dx)$  and  $P_1(dx)$  it is necessary and sufficient that, first, the corresponding mathematical expectations  $a(u)$ ,  $a_1(u)$  and correlation functionals  $b(u, v)$ ,  $b_1(u, v)$  have the form (4) for some common  $n$ ; second, the corresponding nuclear operators  $B$  and  $B_1$  in the Hilbert space  $\bar{U} = U_n$  have the same null subspace  $\bar{U}^0$ , and the difference  $I - C$ ,  $C \equiv B^{-1/2}B_1B^{-1/2}$ , be a Hilbert-Schmidt operator in the subspace  $\bar{U}^+$  orthogonal to  $\bar{U}^0$ ; third, the difference of the corresponding elements  $a_1 - a$ , defining by formula (4) the mathematical expectations  $a(u)$  and  $a_1(u)$ , belong to the domain of definition of the operator  $B^{-1/2}$ .*

This fact (cf. (5)) follows easily from the general condition for equivalence of Gaussian measures (see (3), p. 449), which in the case under consideration can be reformulated as follows: for a complete system in  $\bar{U}^+$  of elements  $v_1, v_2, \dots$  such that  $(Bv_k, v_k)_n = 1$  and

$$(Bv_k, v_j)_n = 0 \quad \text{for } k \neq j; \quad k, j = 1, 2, \dots,$$

the series

$$\sum_{k,j} |(Bv_k, v_j)_n - (B_1v_k, v_j)_n|^2$$

and

$$\sum_k (v_k, a_1 - a)^2$$

converge, with  $a_1 - a \in \bar{U}^+$ . If one puts

$$u_k = B^{1/2}v_k,$$

then  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  will be a complete orthonormal system in  $\bar{U}^+$ . Moreover,

$$(Bv_k, v_j)_n - (B_1v_k, v_j)_n = (I - Cu_k, u_j)_n$$

and the series

$$\sum_{k,j} (I - Cu_k, u_j)_n^2,$$

$$\sum_k (B^{-1/2}u_k, a_1 - a)_n^2$$

are convergent. This is equivalent to the fact that the difference  $I - C$  is a Hilbert-Schmidt operator (see (1), p. 50) and that the element  $a_1 - a$  belongs to the domain of definition of the operator  $B^{-1/2}$ .

In order to find an expression for the density  $p(x) = P_1(dx)/P(dx)$  of the equivalent measures  $P(dx)$  and  $P_1(dx)$ , we turn to the above-mentioned space  $\bar{U} = U_n$ . On it let us consider the new scalar product

$$(u, v) = (Bu, v)_n.$$

Let  $\overline{\overline{U}}$  denote the corresponding completion of the space  $\overline{U}$  with respect to this scalar product. To each element  $u$  of the Hilbert space  $\overline{\overline{U}}$  there corresponds a certain measurable function  $u = u(x)$  of  $x$ . This correspondence is such that  $u(x) = \langle u, x \rangle$  for  $u \in U$ , and to a convergent sequence of elements  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  there corresponds a sequence of functions  $u_1 = u_1(x), u_2 = u_2(x), \dots$  converging in mean square. The operator  $B^{-1/2}$ , considered in the space  $\overline{U}$ , is bounded on the ellipsoid of the form  $(u, u)_n \leq 1$  and therefore can be uniquely defined on the whole subspace  $\overline{U}^+$  of the space  $\overline{\overline{U}}$ .

Let  $u_1, u_2, \dots$  be a complete system of eigenvectors of the operator

$$C = B^{-1/2} B_1 B^{-1/2}$$

in the Hilbert space  $\overline{U}^+$ , and let  $\sigma_1^2, \sigma_2^2, \dots$  be the system

corresponding eigenvalues. Without loss of generality, one may assume  $a(u) \equiv 0$ . Put

$$m_k = (u_k, B^{-1/2} a_1), \quad v_k = B^{-1/2} u_k, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (5)$$

The density  $p(x) = P_1(dx)/P(dx)$  can be expressed by the formula

$$\log p(x) = -\frac{1}{2} \sum_k \left\{ \log \sigma_k^2 + \frac{[v_k(x) - m_k]^2}{\sigma_k^2} - v_k(x)^2 \right\}, \quad (6)$$

where  $v_k = v_k(x)$  are measurable functions of  $x$  corresponding to the elements  $v_k \in \overline{U}$  ( $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ).

This formula is easily obtained from general results, if one takes into account that the random variables  $v_1, v_2, \dots$  are independent both with respect to the measure  $P(dx)$  and with respect to the measure  $P_1(dx)$ .

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