ANOTHER VERSION OF STRASSEN'S LOG LOG LAW WITH AN APPLICATION TO APPROXIMATE UPPER FUNCTIONS OF A GAUSSIAN PROCESS WITH A POSITIVE INDEX

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Let $\{Y(t, \omega) = (X_1(t, \omega), \cdots, X_d(t, \omega)); 0 \le t \le 1\}$ be a d-dimensional Gaussian process whose components are independent copies of a Gaussian process with index α ; that is, $E[X(t, \omega)] = 0$, $X(0, \omega) = 0$, and $E[X(t, \omega) - X(s, \omega)]^2 = \sigma^2(|t-s|)$, where $\sigma(t) = t^{\alpha}$, $0 < \alpha < 1$. Let h(t) be a positive, non-increasing, continuous function and set

$$q = \sup \left\{ r \ge 0; \int_{+0} e^{-rh^2(t)/2} dt/t = +\infty \right\}.$$

Then, as an application of a version of Strassen's log log law, we have

 $\limsup_{t\downarrow 0} t^{-1}m(\{0 \le s \le t; || Y(s, \omega) || > \sigma(s)h(s)\})$

$$= \sup_{x \in B} m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\}),$$
 a.s.

where $\| \|$ denotes the usual Euclidean norm, $m(\Gamma)$ denotes the Lebesgue measure of a linear set Γ , and B is the unit ball of the direct sum of d copies of the reproducing kernel Hilbert space with the kernel $R(s,t) = (\sigma^2(t) + \sigma^2(s) - \sigma^2(|t-s|))/2$. In case of the d-dimensional Brownian motion, Strassen [7] had proved that the right-hand side of the above formula is equal to $1 - \exp\{-4(q-1)\}$ if $q \ge 1$, and 0 if $q \le 1$.

As a corollary, $\sigma(t)h(t)$ is an approximate upper function as introduced by D. Geman [2] if and only if $q \le 1$. Especially, if $\lim_{t \to 0} h(t)/\sqrt{2 \log \log 1/t} = c$, $\sigma(t)h(t)$ is an approximate upper function if and only if $c \ge 1$.

1. Introduction. In [2], D. Geman introduced the notion of approximate upper and lower functions of a stochastic process; locally, the former can be thought of as a modulus of approximate continuity of the sample paths, whereas the latter provides a lower bound on the growth of the path.

Let $\{X^d(t, \omega); 0 \le t \le 1\}$ be a measurable stochastic process defined on a probability space taking the value in R^d , d-dimensional Euclidean space with the Euclidean norm $\|\cdot\|$. A continuous function $\varphi(t)$ is called an approximate upper function (at t = 0) if, with probability 1,

$$\lim_{t\downarrow 0} t^{-1} m(\{0 \le s \le t; \| X^d(s, \omega) - X^d(0, \omega) \| > \varphi(s)\}) = 0,$$

where $m(\Gamma)$ denotes the Lebesgue measure of a linear set Γ .

Among many results in [2] and [3], Geman has shown that for any real-valued, centered Gaussian process, if $h \equiv \varphi/\sigma \uparrow +\infty$ as $t \downarrow 0$, then φ is an approximate upper function whenever

$$\int_{+0} h(t)^{-1} e^{-h^2(t)/2} dt/t < +\infty$$

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holds. (In particular, $\varphi(t) = \sigma(t) \sqrt{2 \log_{(2)} 1/t + \gamma \log_{(3)} 1/t}$, $\gamma > 1$.)

In this paper, we will focus our concern on a d-dimensional Gaussian process with positive index, which means that each component is an independent copy of a centered, path continuous Gaussian process with X(0) = 0 and $E[(X(t) - X(s))^2] = \sigma^2(|t - s|) = |t - s|^{2\alpha}, 0 < \alpha < 1$.

For the 1-dimensional case of this class, Geman [2] showed that $\sigma(t)\sqrt{2\log_{(2)}1/t}-\gamma\log_{(3)}1/t$, $\gamma<-1+1/\alpha$, is an approximate upper function. Even in the d-dimensional case, however, we will prove a much better result than this as a corollary of our theorem; namely, for $h\uparrow+\infty$ as $t\downarrow 0$, σh is an approximate upper function if and only if $q\leq 1$, where

$$q = \sup \left\{ r \ge 0; \int_{+0} e^{-rh^2(t)/2} dt/t = +\infty \right\}.$$

Especially, if $\lim_{t\downarrow 0} h(t)/\sqrt{2 \log \log 1/t} = c$, σh is an approximate upper function if and only if $c \ge 1$.

2. Main results. To describe our results, we need two function spaces: the space C of all d-dimensional continuous functions defined on [0, 1] with the sup norm $||x||_C = \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} ||x(t)||$, and a Hilbert space $K = H \oplus \cdots \oplus H$ (d copies), the direct sum of the reproducing kernel Hilbert space H with the reproducing kernel

$$R(s, t) = E[X(s)X(t)] = (\sigma^{2}(t) + \sigma^{2}(s) - \sigma^{2}(|t - s|))/2,$$

where $\sigma(t) = t^{\alpha}$, $0 < \alpha < 1$. It is well known that for $x \in K$, $x(t) = (x_1(t), \dots, x_d(t))$ is an element of C and

$$(2.1) || x ||_C^2 = \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i(\cdot), R(t, \cdot))_H^2 \le \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} R(t, t) \sum_{i=1}^d || x_i ||_H^2 = || x ||_K^2,$$

where we denote by $\| \|_H$ and $\| \|_K$ the norms in H and K respectively.

Let $\{Y(t, \omega); 0 \le t \le 1\}$ be a d-dimensional Gaussian process whose components are independent copies of the Gaussian process with index α , $0 < \alpha < 1$, mentioned in Section 1, and let h(t) be a non-increasing, positive, continuous function defined on the positive half-line.

Our first theorem is analogous to that of Strassen [7] and Oodaira [6].

THEOREM 1. Assume that for any $\varepsilon \neq 0$,

$$\int_{+0} e^{-(1+\varepsilon)h^2(t)/2} dt/t < +\infty, \quad or = +\infty$$

depending on whether $\varepsilon > 0$, or $\varepsilon < 0$. Then the random set in C given by $\{f_n(t, \omega) = Y(t/n, \omega)/(\sigma(1/n)h(1/n)); n = 1, 2, \cdots\}$ is, with probability 1, relatively compact in C and the set of all limit points coincides with the unit ball of K.

Applying Theorem 1 to obtain approximate upper functions for Gaussian sample paths, we have the following. Following Uchiyama (who, in a private communication, has applied this criterion to obtain the same result in case of the Brownian motion, although his proof is completely different from ours), set

(2.2)
$$q = \sup \left\{ r \ge 0, \int_{t=0}^{\infty} e^{-rh^2(t)/2} dt/t = +\infty \right\}.$$

THEOREM 2. (i) With probability 1,

 $\lim_{t \to 0} \sup t^{-1} m(\{0 \le s \le t; || Y(s, \omega) || > \sigma(s)h(s)\})$

(2.3)
$$= \sup_{x \in B} m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\}) \quad \text{if} \quad 0 < q < +\infty$$

$$= 1 \quad \text{if} \quad q = +\infty,$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad q = 0,$$

where B is the unit ball of the Hilbert space K.

(ii) The function

$$F(q) = \sup_{s \in B} m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\})$$

is continuous for q > 0; in particular, positive strictly increasing for q > 1 with $\lim_{q \uparrow + \infty} F(q) = 1$ and F(q) = 0 for $q \le 1$.

COROLLARY. As a corollary of Theorem 2, it follows that σh is an approximate upper function if and only if $q \leq 1$, where q is defined by (2.2).

REMARK. In case of one-dimensional Brownian motion, Strassen [7] had shown that

$$\sup_{x \in B} m(\{0 \le s \le 1; \| x(s) \| \ge \sqrt{s}/\sqrt{q} \}) = 1 - e^{-4(q-1)} \quad \text{if} \quad q \ge 1,$$

$$= 0 \quad \text{if} \quad 0 < q \le 1.$$

Nothing changes in the higher dimensional case: Uchiyama [8] has proved that the left-hand side of (2.3) in Theorem 2 is equal to $1 - e^{-4(q-1)}$ if $q \ge 1$ and 0 of $q \le 1$ in case of d-dimensional Brownian motion applying the methods of diffusion processes.

3. Stochastic version: Proof of Theorem 1. The proof of Theorem 1 splits into the following two lemmas.

Lemma 1. Assume that for any $1 > \varepsilon > 0$

(3.1)
$$\int_{+0} e^{-(1+\epsilon)h^2(t)/2} dt/t < +\infty.$$

Then, with probability 1, $\{f_n(t, \omega) = Y(t/n, \omega)/(\sigma(1/n)h(1/n)); n = 1, 2, \cdots\}$ is relatively compact in C and the set of all limit points is included in the unit ball B of K.

LEMMA 2. In addition to (3.1), assume that for any $1 > \varepsilon > 0$

(3.2)
$$\int_{+0} e^{-(1-\varepsilon)h^2(t)/2} dt/t = +\infty.$$

Then, with probability 1, the set of all limit points of $\{f_n(t, \omega); n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ coincides with B.

The main difference between our Lemma 1 and Theorem 1 of [5], or Theorems 1 and 2 of [6], is that our function h is not necessarily comparable with the function $\sqrt{\log \log 1/t}$; therefore, we need to modify their proof.

Before starting the proof of Lemmas 1 and 2, we notice that (3.1) and (3.2) are equivalent to the following statements respectively: for any $1 > \varepsilon > 0$ and any j

(3.1)'
$$\int_{+0} h^{j}(t)e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^{2}h^{2}(t)/2} dt/t < +\infty,$$

(3.2)'
$$\int_{+0}^{} h^{j}(t)e^{-(1-\epsilon)^{2}h^{2}(t)/2} dt/t = +\infty.$$

PROOF OF LEMMA 1. For any $\varepsilon > 0$, we can choose $\delta > 1$ and a positive integer q such that the following inequalities are fulfilled;

$$\sigma(n_{r+1}/n_r) \le 1 + \varepsilon$$
, $\sigma(n_{r+1}/n_r) - (1 + \varepsilon)^{-1} \le 2\varepsilon$, $\sigma(1 - n_r/n_{r+1}) \le \varepsilon$,

and

(3.3)
$$\sigma(n_{\alpha}n_{r}/n_{r+1}) \geq 2(1+\varepsilon)\varepsilon^{-1}.$$

where $n_r = [\delta^r]$, the largest integer not exceeding δ^r .

Step 1. With probability 1, $\{f_n(t, \omega); n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is equicontinuous in C. In fact, set

$$A_r = \{\omega; \sup_{n_r \le m \le n_{r+1}} \sup_{|t-s| \le n_0^{-1}||} Y(t/m, \omega) - Y(s/m, \omega) \| \ge \varepsilon \sigma(1/n_{r+1}) h(1/n_r) \}.$$

Then, we have

$$\begin{split} A_r &\subset \{\omega; \sup_{0 \leq t \leq t + h \leq n_r^- \mid 0 \leq h \leq n_r^- \mid n_q^- \mid} \| Y(t+h,\omega) - Y(t,\omega) \| \\ &\geq \varepsilon \sigma(1/n_{r+1}) h(1/n_r) \} \\ &\subset \cup_{k=0}^{n_q-1} \{\omega; \sup_{kn_r^- \mid n_q^- \mid \leq t \leq (k+1)n_r^- \mid n_q^- \mid 0 \leq h \leq n_r^- \mid n_q^- \mid} \| Y(t+h,\omega) - Y(t,\omega) \| \\ &\geq \varepsilon \sigma(1/n_{r+1}) h(1/n_r) \} \\ &\equiv \quad \cup_{k=0}^{n_q-1} A_{r,k}. \end{split}$$

Now, in order to apply Lemma 3 of [4] which is an extension of Fernique's inequality, set

$$S = \{(u, v); 0 \le v \le u \le n_r^{-1} n_q^{-1}, 0 \le u - v \le n_r^{-1} n_q^{-1}\},\$$

and

$$X^d(u, v, \omega) = Y(u, \omega) - Y(v, \omega)$$

Since we have

$$E[(X_{i}(u, \omega) - X_{i}(v, \omega) - X_{i}(u', \omega) + X_{i}(v', \omega))^{2}]$$

$$\leq 2E[(X_{i}(u, \omega) - X_{i}(u', \omega))^{2} + (X_{i}(v, \omega) - X_{i}(v', \omega))^{2}]$$

$$= 2(|u - u'|^{2\alpha} + |v - v'|^{2\alpha})$$

$$\leq 4(\sqrt{|u - u'|^{2} + |v - v'|^{2}})^{2\alpha},$$

and

$$E[(X_i(u, \omega) - X_i(v, \omega))^2] = |u - v|^{2\alpha} \le (n_r n_q)^{-2\alpha}$$

it follows from Lemma 3 of [4] that

$$P(\sup_{(u,v)\in S} || X^d(u,v,\omega) || \ge 2(n_r n_q)^{-\alpha} x) \le c_1 x^{d-2} e^{-x^2/2}$$

for sufficiently large x, where c_1 is a constant independent of x, r and q. Applying this inequality to have an upper bound of $P(A_{r,k})$ with the definition of q, we have

$$P(A_r) \leq \sum_{k=0}^{n_q-1} P(A_{r,k}) \leq n_q c_1 (1+\varepsilon)^{d-2} h^{d-2} (1/n_r) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h^2 (1/n_r)/2}$$

$$\begin{split} \sum_{r}^{\infty} P(A_{r}) &\leq n_{q} c_{1} (1+\varepsilon)^{d-2} \sum_{r}^{\infty} h^{d-2} (1/n_{r}) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^{2} h^{2} (1/n_{r})/2} \\ &= n_{q} c_{1} (1+\varepsilon)^{d-2} \sum_{r}^{\infty} h^{d-2} (1/n_{r}) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^{2} h^{2} (1/n_{r})/2} n_{r-1} (1-n_{r-1}/n_{r})^{-1} (n_{r-1}^{-1}-n_{r}^{-1}) \\ &\leq c_{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{+0}} h^{d-2} (t) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^{2} h^{2} (t)/2} dt/t < +\infty, \quad \text{by (3.1)'}. \end{split}$$

Therefore, by the Borel-Cantelli lemma, with probability 1, there exists $r_1 = r_1(\varepsilon, \omega)$ such that

$$||f_m(t,\omega) - f_m(s,\omega)|| < \varepsilon$$

holds for any $m \ge n_{r_1}$ and $|t - s| < n_q^{-1}$.

Before entering the next step, we need some notation. Let $\{e_j(t); j=1, 2, \cdots\}$ be a complete orthonormal system of H and let $\psi_n^{(i)}$ be the isometric isomorphism defined by $\psi_n^{(i)}R(t,\cdot)=X_i(t/n)/\sigma(1/n)$ between H and the closed linear subspace $L_2^{(n,i)}$ spanned by $\{X_i(t/n)/\sigma(1/n); 0 \le t \le 1\}$, recall that $X_i(t)$ is the ith component of Y(t). Then, $\xi_n^{(k,i)}(\omega) \equiv \psi_n^{(i)}(e_k), k=1,2,\cdots,i=1,\cdots,d$, are independent standard normal random variables. Set

$$Z_r(t, \omega) = (Z_r^{(1)}(t, \omega), \cdots, Z_r^{(d)}(t, \omega)),$$

where

$$Z_r^{(i)}(t, \omega) = \sum_{k=1}^{j} \xi_{n_r}^{(k,i)}(\omega) e_k(t),$$

and j is defined in the next step depending on ε .

Step 2. With probability 1, there exist integers $j = j(\varepsilon)$, independent of ω , and $r_2 = r_2(\varepsilon, \omega)$ such that

$$||f_{n_r}(t,\omega) - Z_r(t,\omega)/h(1/n_r)||_C < \varepsilon$$

holds for all $r \ge r_2$.

In fact, it is well known that there exists $j_0 = j_0(\varepsilon)$ such that

$$\sup_{0 \le t \le 1} |R(t, t) - \sum_{k=1}^{j} e_k^2(t)| < \varepsilon$$

holds for all $j \ge j_0$. Now, set

$$B_r = \{\omega; \| W(t, \omega) \|_C \ge \varepsilon \ h(1/n_r) \},$$

where $W(t, \omega) = (W_1(t, \omega), \cdots, W_d(t, \omega))$ is defined by

$$W_i(t,\omega) = X_i(t/n_r,\omega)/\sigma(1/n_r) - Z_r^{(i)}(t,\omega).$$

Then, $\{W_i(t, \omega); i = 1, \dots, d\}$ are independent centered Gaussian random processes such that

$$E[W_i^2(t,\omega)] = R(t,t) - \sum_{k=1}^{j} e_k^2(t) \le \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} e_k^2(t) \equiv \Gamma_j^2$$

and

$$E[(W_{i}(t,\omega) - W_{i}(s,\omega))^{2}] = \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} (e_{k}(t) - e_{k}(s))^{2}$$

$$\leq \sup_{|t-s|=h,0 \leq t,s \leq 1} \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} (e_{k}(t) - e_{k}(s))^{2} \equiv \sigma_{i}^{2}(h).$$

Therefore, again by Lemma 3 of [4], we have

$$P(\| W(t, \omega) \|_{C} \ge x (\Gamma_{j} + 4 \int_{0}^{\infty} \sigma_{j}(e^{-u^{2}}) du))$$

$$\le c_{3} x^{d-2} e^{-x^{2}/2},$$

where c_3 is a constant independent of x and j. In this inequality, choosing sufficiently large j such that $(1 + \varepsilon)(\Gamma_j + 4 \int_0^\infty \sigma_j(e^{-u^2}) du) \le \varepsilon$, and setting $x = (1 + \varepsilon)h(1/n_r)$, we have

$$P(B_r) \le c_3 (1+\varepsilon)^{d-2} h^{d-2} (1/n_r) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h^2 (1/n_r)/2}$$

$$\begin{split} \sum_{r}^{\infty} P(B_r) &\leq c_3 (1+\varepsilon)^{d-2} \sum_{r}^{\infty} h^{d-2} (1/n_r) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h (1/n_r)/2} \times n_{r-1} (1-n_{r-1}/n_r)^{-1} (n_{r-1}^{-1}-n_r^{-1}) \\ &\leq c_4 \int_{+0} h^{d-2} (t) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h^2 (t)/2} dt/t < + \infty. \end{split}$$

Applying the Borel-Cantelli lemma, we have (3.5).

Step 3. With probability 1, $\{Z_r(t,\omega)/h(1/n_r); r=1,2,\cdots\}$ is pre-compact in C and all limit points are contained in the unit ball B of K.

In fact, set

$$C_r = \{\omega : ||Z_r(t, \omega)||_K > (1 + \varepsilon)h(1/n_r)\}.$$

Since we have

$$\|Z_r(t,\omega)\|_K^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d \|Z_r^{(i)}(t,\omega)\|_H^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{k=1}^j |\xi_{n-1}^{(k,i)}(\omega)|^2$$

and $\{\xi_{n_r}^{(k,i)}(\omega); k=1, \cdots, j, i=1, \cdots, d\}$ are independent standard normal random variables, it follows that

$$\begin{split} \sum_{r}^{\infty} P(C_r) &\leq c_5 \sum_{r}^{\infty} (1+\varepsilon)^{dj} h^{dj} (1/n_r) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h^2 (1/n_r)/2} \\ &\leq c_6 \int_{+0} h^{dj} (t) e^{-(1+\varepsilon)^2 h^2 (t)/2} dt/t < + \infty. \end{split}$$

By the Borel-Centelli lemma, with probability 1, there exists an $r_3 = r_3(\varepsilon, \omega)$ such that

$$||Z_r(t,\omega)||_K \leq (1+\varepsilon)h(1/n_r)$$

holds for any $r \ge r_3$.

Step 4. Conclusion. Since $f_n(0, \omega) = 0$ for all $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ and for any ω , $\{f_n(t, \omega); n = 1, 2, \cdots\}$ is pre-compact in C by Step 1. Now, consider the following triangular inequality for $r \ge r_4 = \max(r_1, r_2, r_3)$ and $n_r \le m < n_{r+1}$;

$$\begin{split} \left\| f_m(t,\omega) - \frac{Z_r(t,\omega)}{h(1/m)(1+\varepsilon)} \right\|_C &\leq \frac{\sigma(1/n_r)h(1/n_r)}{\sigma(1/m)h(1/m)} \left\| f_{n_r} \left(\frac{n_r}{m} t, \omega \right) - Z_r \left(\frac{n_r}{m} t, \omega \right) / h(1/n_r) \right\|_C \\ &+ \frac{\sigma(1/n_r)}{\sigma(1/m)h(1/m)} \left\| Z_r \left(\frac{n_r}{m} t, \omega \right) - Z_r(t,\omega) \right\|_C \\ &+ \left(\frac{\sigma(1/n_r)}{\sigma(1/m)} - \frac{1}{1+\varepsilon} \right) \| Z_r(t,\omega) \|_C / h(1/m) \\ &\equiv I_1 + I_2 + I_3. \end{split}$$

From (3.3), (3.5), and monotonicity of h, we have $I_1 \le \varepsilon(1 + \varepsilon)$. Using the reproducing property of the kernel Hilbert space, monotonicity of h, (3.3) and (3.6), we have

$$I_2 \le \sigma(n_{r+1}/n_r)\sigma(1-n_r/n_{r+1}) \|Z_r(t,\omega)\|_K/h(1/n_r) \le (1+\varepsilon)^2 \varepsilon.$$

Finally, from (2.1), (3.3), (3.6) and monotonicity of h, we have $I_3 \leq 2\varepsilon(1+\varepsilon)$, and $I_1 + I_2 + I_3 \leq 10\varepsilon$ because of $\varepsilon < 1$. Since, with probability 1, we have $(1+\varepsilon)^{-1}Z_r(t,\omega)/h(1/m) \in B$ by (3.6), it follows that $f_m(t,\omega) \in B_{10\varepsilon}$, the 10ε -neighborhood of B in C. This completes the proof of Lemma 1.

PROOF OF LEMMA 2. The proof of Lemma 2 is much more complicated than that of Lemma 1; still, it is routine work for Gaussian processes. It seems that Oodaira's or Lai's proof for the corresponding result to Lemma 2 does not work for our case, but the ideas are similar. Because of separability of K, it is sufficient to prove that for any $x \in B$ such

that $0 < ||x||_K < 1$, with probability 1, x is a limit point of $\{f_n(t, \omega) = Y(t/n, \omega)/(\sigma(1/n)h(1/n)); n = 1, 2, \cdots\}$. Now, fix any $\varepsilon > 0$ such that $1 - \varepsilon > ||x||_K > 4\varepsilon$. For 0 < a < 1, we denote by H_a , K_a , and C_a the restriction to [a, 1] of H, K, and C respectively, we choose a so small that

$$||x||_{K} - ||x||_{K_{s}} < \varepsilon,$$

and

(3.8)
$$\sup_{0 \le t \le a} \|y(t)\| \le \sigma(a) \|y\|_{K} \le \varepsilon \|y\|_{K}$$

for any $y \in K$. Then, it follows by (3.8) that

$$\sup_{0 \le t \le a} \|y(t)\| \le 11\varepsilon$$

holds for any $y \in B_{10\epsilon}$, the 10ϵ -neigoborhood of B in C. Consider the compact operator $\varphi \to \int_a^a R(t,s)\varphi(s)\,ds$ on $L^2([a,1],ds)$ and let $\{\varphi_k: k=1,2,\cdots\}$ be normalized eigenfunctions corresponding to the eigenvalues $\{\lambda_1 \geq \lambda_2 \geq \cdots > 0\}$. That is,

(3.10)
$$\int_{a}^{1} R(t, s) \varphi_{k}(s) ds = \lambda_{k} \varphi_{k}(t), \qquad a \leq t \leq 1,$$

and

(3.11)
$$\int_{a}^{1} \varphi_{k}(s) \varphi_{k'}(s) ds = 1, \quad \text{if } k = k',$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{if } k \neq k'.$$

We notice that not only is φ_k an element of H_a but also $\{\sqrt{\lambda_k} \ \varphi_k; \ k=1, 2, \dots\}$ forms a CONS of H_a

Next, in order that the following Step 1 and Step 4 go well, we have to choose a positive integer j sufficiently large such that

$$(3.12) (1+\varepsilon)(\bar{\Gamma}_j+4\int_0^\infty \bar{\sigma}_j(e^{-u^2})\ du) \leq \varepsilon,$$

where

$$\bar{\Gamma}_j = \sup_{\alpha \le t \le 1} (R(t, t) - \sum_{k=1}^j \lambda_k \varphi_k^2(t)) = \sup_{\alpha \le t \le 1} (\sum_{k=j+1}^\infty \lambda_k \varphi_k^2(t)),$$

and

$$\bar{\sigma}_i(h) = \sup_{|t-s|=h, a \le t, s \le 1} \sum_{k=j+1}^{\infty} \lambda_k (\varphi_k(t) - \varphi_k(s))^2,$$

and such that

where $\bar{x} = (\bar{x}_1, \dots, \bar{x}_d)$ is the jth partial sum of the expansion of $x = (x_1, \dots, x_d)$ in K_a ; that is,

$$x_i = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} x_i^{(k)} \sqrt{\lambda_k} \varphi_k \text{ in } H_a,$$

and

$$\bar{x}_i = \sum_{k=1}^{j} x_i^{(k)} \sqrt{\lambda_k} \varphi_k.$$

Finally, we need to choose a positive integer Δ such that

(3.14)
$$\Delta \ge 2/a, \quad 3\lambda_j^{-1}a^{-\beta}j(1+\varepsilon)\Delta^{-\beta} \le \varepsilon,$$

$$(3.15) 27(1+2\varepsilon)^2 \lambda_J^{-2} a^{-2\beta} j(\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-2} \Delta^{-2\beta} \le (\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2 / 4$$

hold, where $\beta = \min(\alpha, 1 - \alpha)$.

In the sequel, we use abbreviations $n_r = \Delta^r$, $r = 1, 2, \dots$, and $h_r = h(1/n_r)$.

Step 1. Set

$$\eta_r^{(k,\ i)}(\omega) = \frac{\int_a^1 X_i(s/n_r,\,\omega)\varphi_k(s)\ ds}{\sqrt{\lambda_k}\ \sigma(1/n_r)},$$

 $k = 1, 2, \dots, j, i = 1, \dots, d,$ and

$$\bar{Z}_r(t, \omega) = (\bar{Z}_r^{(1)}(t, \omega), \cdots, \bar{Z}_r^{(d)}(t, \omega)),$$

where

$$\bar{Z}_r^{(i)}(t,\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^{j} \sqrt{\lambda_k} \, \varphi_k(t) \eta_r^{(k,i)}(\omega).$$

Then, with probability 1, there exists $r_1 = r_1(\varepsilon, \omega)$ such that

(3.16)
$$||f_{n_r}(t,\omega) - \bar{Z}_r(t,\omega)/h_r||_{C_a} < \varepsilon$$

holds for all $r \ge r_1$.

In fact, $\{\eta_r^{(k,i)}(\omega); k=1,2,\cdots,j, i=1,\cdots,d\}$ are independent standard normal random variables such that

$$E[X_i(t/n_r)\eta_r^{(k,i)}] = \int_a^1 R(t/n_r, s/n_r)\varphi_k(s) \ ds/(\sqrt{\lambda_k} \ \sigma(1/n_r))$$
$$= \sqrt{\lambda_k} \ \varphi_k(t)\sigma(1/n_r).$$

On the other hand, by Mercer's theorem, we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \lambda_k \varphi_k(t) \varphi_k(s) = R(t, s),$$

where the convergence is uniform in s and t. Therefore, by an analogous way with that of Step 2 of Lemma 1 using (3.12), we have (3.16).

Step 2. Set

$$D_r = \{\omega; \|\bar{Z}_r(\cdot, \omega)/h_r - \bar{x}(\cdot)\|_{K_a} \le \varepsilon\}.$$

Then, we have

Since we have $\sum_{i=1}^{d} \sum_{k=1}^{j} |x_i^{(k)}|^2 \le ||x||_{K_a}^2 \le ||x||_K^2$, it follows that

$$\begin{split} P(D_r) &= P(\{\omega; \sum_{i=1}^{d} \sum_{k=1}^{j} (\eta_r^{(k,i)}(\omega)/h_r - x_i^{(k)})^2 \leq \varepsilon^2\}) \\ &\geq \prod_{i=1}^{d} \prod_{k=1}^{j} P(\{\omega; |\eta_r^{(k,i)}(\omega)/h_r - x_i^{(k)}| \leq \varepsilon \sqrt{dj}\}) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{d} \prod_{k=1}^{j} \int_{(|x_i^{(k)}| + \varepsilon/\sqrt{dj})h_r}^{(|x_i^{(k)}| - \varepsilon/\sqrt{dj})h_r} (2\pi)^{-1/2} e^{-u^2/2} du \\ &\geq \left(\frac{\varepsilon h_r}{\sqrt{2\pi dj}}\right)^{dj} \prod_{i=1}^{d} \prod_{k=1}^{j} e^{-(|x_i^{(k)}|^2 + \varepsilon^2(dj)^{-1})h_r^2/2}. \\ &\geq \left(\frac{\varepsilon h_r}{\sqrt{2\pi dj}}\right)^{dj} e^{-(\|x\|_k^2 + \varepsilon^2)h_r^2/2}. \end{split}$$

Hence, (3.17) follows from $||x||_K^2 + \varepsilon^2 < 1 - 2\varepsilon + 2\varepsilon^2 < 1$ and (3.2)'.

Step 3. There exists a constant c_8 , independent of r, such that

$$(3.18) h_r^2 \ge \log \log n_r - \log c_8$$

holds for all r. In fact, from (3.1) we have

$$+\infty > c_8 \ge \int_{n_r^{-1}}^1 e^{-h^2(t)} \ dt/t \ge e^{-h_r^2} \int_{n_r^{-1}}^1 dt/t = e^{-h_r^2} \log n_r$$
 for all r .

Step 4. Set

$$\Lambda = \{r; h_r \le (\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-1} \sqrt{3 \log \log n_r} \}.$$

Then, we have

Since by (3.7) and (3.13) we have

$$\begin{split} P(D_r) &\leq P(\{\omega; \|\bar{Z}_r(\cdot, \omega)\|_{K_a} \geq (\|\bar{x}\|_{K_a} - \varepsilon)h_r\}) \\ &\leq P(\{\omega; \|\bar{Z}_r(\cdot, \omega)\|_{K_a} \geq (\|x\|_{K_a} - 2\varepsilon)h_r\}) \\ &\leq P(\{\omega; \sum_{i=1}^d \sum_{k=1}^j |\eta_r^{(k,i)}(\omega)|^2 \geq (\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^2 h_r^2\}) \\ &\leq c_9(\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{dj-2} h_r^{dj-2} e^{-(\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^2 h_r^2/2}, \end{split}$$

it follows that

$$\sum_{r \notin \Lambda} P(D_r) < +\infty$$

Combining this with (3.17), we have (3.19).

Step 5. Set $g_r = 2(\beta \log \Delta)^{-1} \log \log r$. Then, for $r \in \Lambda$ and $r' \in \Lambda$ with $r' \ge r + g_r$, we have

$$P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \leq c_r P(D_r) P(D_{r'}),$$

where c_r is a constant independent of r' such that $\lim_{r\to\infty} c_r = 1$.

In order to show Step 5, we need the following inequalities; for 0 < s < t,

$$\begin{split} \frac{R(s,t)}{\sigma(s)\sigma(t)} &= \frac{\sigma(s)}{2\sigma(t)} + \frac{(\sigma(t) - \sigma(t-s))(\sigma(t) + \sigma(t-s))}{2\sigma(s)\sigma(t)} \\ &\leq \frac{\sigma(s)}{2\sigma(t)} + \frac{\sigma(t) - \sigma(t-s)}{\sigma(s)} \leq \frac{\sigma(s)}{2\sigma(t)} + \frac{\sigma(t-s)}{\sigma(s)} \frac{s}{t-s}, \end{split}$$

where the last inequality follows from concavity of $\sigma(t)$. Hence, for $2s \le t$ we have

(3.20)
$$\frac{R(s,t)}{\sigma(s)\sigma(t)} \le 2^{-1}(s/t)^{\alpha} + 2^{1-\alpha}(s/t)^{1-\alpha} < 3(s/t)^{\beta},$$

where $\beta = \min(\alpha, 1 - \alpha)$.

Checking by (3.14) that

$$2s/n_{r'} \le 2s/n_{r+1} \le 2/n_{r+1} \le a/n_r \le t/n_r$$

holds for all $a \le s$, $t \le 1$, from (3.20) we have

$$|E[\eta_{r'}^{(k,i)}\eta_{r}^{(k,i)}]| = (\sqrt{\lambda_{k'}\lambda_{k}} \sigma(1/n_{r'})\sigma(1/n_{r}))^{-1} \left| \int_{a}^{1} \int_{a}^{1} R(s/n_{r'}, t/n_{r})\varphi_{k'}(s)\varphi_{k}(t) ds dt \right|$$

$$(3.21) \qquad \leq (\lambda_{k}\lambda_{k'})^{-1/2} 3\alpha^{-\beta} (n_{r}/n_{r'})^{\beta} \int_{a}^{1} \int_{a}^{1} |\varphi_{k'}(s)| |\varphi_{k}(t)| ds dt$$

$$\leq 3\lambda_{j}^{-1}a^{-\beta}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta} \left(\int_{a}^{1} |\varphi_{k'}(s)|^{2} ds \int_{a}^{1} |\varphi_{k}(t)|^{2} dt \right)^{1/2}$$
$$= 3\lambda_{j}^{-1}a^{-\beta}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}.$$

By definition, $\{\eta_r^{(k,i)}, \eta_r^{(k',i)}; k = 1, \dots, j, \text{ and } k' = 1, \dots, j\}$ forms a Gaussian system, so $\eta_r^{(k',i)}$ can be represented as follows:

(3.22)
$$\eta_{r'}^{(k',i)}(\omega) = \bar{\eta}_{r'}^{(k',i)}(\omega) + \zeta_{r'}^{(k,i)}(\omega),$$

$$\zeta_{r'}^{(k',i)}(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^{j} \alpha_{r',k'}^{(k,i)} \eta_{r}^{(k,i)}(\omega),$$

where $\{\eta_r^{(k,i)}; k=1, \dots, j\}$ and $\{\tilde{\eta}_r^{(k,i)}; k=1, \dots, j\}$ are independent but we notice that the random variables of the latter system are not necessarily independent. From (3.21) we have

$$|a_r^{(k,i)}| = |E[\zeta_r^{(k',i)}\eta_r^{(k,i)}]| = |E[\eta_r^{(k',i)}\eta_r^{(k,i)}]| \le 3\lambda_i^{-1} a^{-\beta} \Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}$$

Now, we have an upper bound of the joint probability of D_r and $D_{r'}$. For simplicity, we use the following abbreviation;

$$\eta_r = (\eta_r^{(k,i)}), \quad \bar{\eta}_{r'} = (\bar{\eta}_{r'}^{(k',i)}), \quad \zeta_{r'} = (\zeta_{r'}^{(k',i)})$$

and $\bar{x} = (x_i^{(k)})$ are regarded as elements of dj-dimensional Euclidean space with the Euclidean norm $\|\cdot\|$. Since by (3.23) we have

$$\|\zeta_{r'}\| \leq 3\lambda_i^{-1} a^{-\beta} j \Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta} \|\eta_r\|$$

and we have $\|\bar{x}\| = \|\bar{x}\|_{K_n} < 1$ and $h_r/h_{r'} \le 1$, it follows that

$$P(D_{r} \cap D_{r'}) = P(\|\eta_{r}/h_{r} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon, \|(\bar{\eta}_{r'} + \zeta_{r'})/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon)$$

$$\leq P(\|\eta_{r}/h_{r} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon, \|\bar{\eta}_{r'}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon + \|\zeta_{r'}/h_{r'}\|)$$

$$\leq P(\|\eta_{r}/h_{r} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon, \|\bar{\eta}_{r'}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon + c_{10}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta})$$

$$(c_{10} = 3\lambda_{j}^{-1}a^{-\beta}j(1+\varepsilon))$$

$$= P(\|\eta_{r}/h_{r} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon)P(\|\bar{\eta}_{r'}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon')$$

$$(\varepsilon' = \varepsilon + c_{10}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta})$$

$$\equiv P(D_{r})P(\bar{D}_{r}),$$

where

$$\bar{D}_{r'} = \{\omega : \|\bar{\eta}_{r'}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \le \varepsilon'\}$$

and

$$\varepsilon' = \varepsilon + c_{10} \Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}$$

$$= \varepsilon + 3\lambda_j^{-1} a^{-\beta} j (1+\varepsilon) \Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta} \le 2\varepsilon,$$
 by (3.15).

From (3.23) we have

$$\begin{split} E[||\bar{\eta}_{r'}^{(p,i)}||^2] &\equiv r_{p,p}^{(i)} = 1 - E[||\xi_{r'}^{(p,i)}||^2] \\ &\geq 1 - 9\lambda_j^{-2} \alpha^{-2\beta} j \Delta^{-2(r'-r)\beta} \equiv 1 - \theta_{r,r'}, \end{split}$$

(3.25)
$$|E[\bar{\eta}_{r'}^{(p,i)}\bar{\eta}_{r',q}^{(q,i)}] \equiv |r_{p,q}^{(t)}| = |\sum_{k=1}^{j} a_{r',p}^{(k,i)} a_{r',q}^{(k,i)}| \\ \leq 9\lambda_{j}^{-2} a^{-2\beta j} \Delta^{-2(r'-r)\beta} = \theta_{r,r'}.$$

We denote by R_i and R_i^{-1} a positive definite matrix $(r_{p,q}^{(i)})_{p,q=1}^{j}$ and its inverse matrix, respectively. Then, under the condition (3.25), there exists a constant c_{11} , independent of $\theta_{r,r'}$ and any vector $\bar{y} = (y_1, \dots, y_j)$, such that

$$|(R_i^{-1}\bar{y},\bar{y}) - (\bar{y},\bar{y})| \le c_{11} \theta_{r,r'}(\bar{y},\bar{y})$$

and

(3.27)
$$\det R_{i} \geq (1 - \theta_{rr'})^{j} - (j! - 1)\theta_{r,r'}^{j-1}$$

$$\geq (1 - \theta_{r,r+g_{r}})^{j} - (j! - 1)\theta_{r,r+g_{r}}^{j-1}$$

$$\equiv b_{r} \uparrow 1 \quad \text{as} \quad r \to +\infty.$$

Therefore, by (3.26) and (3.27), we have

$$P(\bar{D}_{r'}) \leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2} b_r^{-d/2} \int_{\|\bar{u}/h, -\bar{x}\| \leq \epsilon'} e^{-(R^{-1}\bar{u}, \bar{u})/2} \ d\bar{u}$$

(where
$$R^{-1}$$
 is the inverse matrix of $R=\begin{pmatrix}R_1\\&\cdot\\&\cdot\\&R_d\end{pmatrix}$)
$$\leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2}b_r^{-d/2}\int_{\|\bar{u}/h,-\bar{x}\|\leq \epsilon'}e^{-(\bar{u},\bar{u})/2+c_{11}\theta_{\cdot,\cdot}\cdot(\bar{u},\bar{u})}d\bar{u}$$

(setting
$$(\bar{u}/h_{r'} - \bar{x})\varepsilon = (\bar{v}/h_{r'} - \bar{x})\varepsilon'$$
)

$$(3.29) \leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2} b_r^{-d/2} (1 + c_{10} \varepsilon^{-1} \Delta^{-g,\beta})^{dj}$$

$$\times \int_{\|\bar{\upsilon}/h_{\iota'} - \bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon} e^{-(1/2 - c_{11}\theta_{\iota,\iota'})\|\varepsilon'\bar{\upsilon}/\varepsilon - \bar{x}h_{\iota}(\varepsilon' - \varepsilon)/\varepsilon\|^2} d\bar{\upsilon}.$$

To obtain an upper bound of (3.29), assume that $\|\bar{v}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| \le \epsilon$, $\|\bar{x}\| \le 1$, and $r' \in \Lambda$; then, for sufficiently large r we have

$$\begin{split} \|\,\varepsilon'\bar{v}/\varepsilon - \bar{x}h_{r'}(\varepsilon' - \varepsilon)/\varepsilon\|^2 &= \|\,\bar{v} + c_{10}\varepsilon^{-1}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}(\bar{v} - h_{r'}\bar{x})\|^2 \\ &\geq \|\,\bar{v}\,\|^2 - 2c_{10}\varepsilon^{-1}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}\|\,\bar{v}\,\|(\|\,\bar{v}\,\| + h_{r'}\,\|\,\bar{x}\,\|) \\ &\geq \|\,\bar{v}\,\|^2 - 2c_{10}\varepsilon^{-1}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \varepsilon)\,h_{r'}^2 \\ &\geq \|\,\bar{v}\,\|^2 - 6(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \varepsilon)\varepsilon^{-1}c_{10}(\|\,x\,\| - 3\varepsilon)^{-2}\Delta^{-(r'-r)\beta}\log\log\Delta^{r'} \\ &\geq \|\,\bar{v}\,\|^2 - 6(1 + \varepsilon)(2 + \varepsilon)\varepsilon^{-1}c_{10}(\|\,x\,\| - 3\varepsilon)^{-2}\Delta^{-g_r\beta}\log\log\Delta^{r+g_r} \end{split}$$

(because the function $\Delta^{-x\beta} \log \log \Delta^x$ is decreasing for large x)

$$\equiv \|\bar{v}\|^2 - c_{12}(r),$$

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{r,r'} \| \varepsilon' \bar{v} / \varepsilon - \bar{x} h_{r'} (\varepsilon' - \varepsilon) / \varepsilon \|^2 &\leq \theta_{r,r'} (\| 2 \bar{v} \| + \| \bar{x} \| h_{r'})^2 \\ &\leq \theta_{r,r'} (3 + 2\varepsilon)^2 h_{r'}^2 = (3 + 2\varepsilon)^2 9 \lambda_j^{-2} a^{-2\beta} j \Delta^{-2(r'-r)\beta} h_{r'}^2 \\ &\leq 27 (3 + 2\varepsilon)^2 \lambda_j^{-2} a^{-2\beta} j (\| x \|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-2} \Delta^{-2g_j \beta} \log \log \Delta^{r+g_j} \\ &\equiv c_{13}(r). \end{aligned}$$

Here, recall that $g_r = 2(\beta \log \Delta)^{-1} \log \log r$, so that $\lim_{r\to\infty} c_{12}(r) = \lim_{r\to\infty} c_{13}(r) = 0$. Therefore, from (3.29) and (3.30) we have

$$P(\bar{D}_{r'}) \leq c_r (2\pi)^{-dj/2} \int_{\|\bar{v}/h, -\bar{x}\| \leq \varepsilon} e^{-\|\bar{v}\|^2/2} \ d\bar{v} = c_r P(D_{r'}),$$

where

$$c_r = b_r^{-dj} (1 + c_{10} \varepsilon^{-1} \Delta^{-g_r \beta})^{dj} e^{c_{11} c_{13}(r) + c_{12}(r)/2} \downarrow 1$$

as $r \to +\infty$.

Step 6. For each r,

$$(3.31) \qquad \sum_{r < r' \le r + g_r, r' \in \Lambda} P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \le d_r P(D_r),$$

where d_r is a constant such that $d_r \to 0$ as $r \to +\infty$. Just analogously with Step 5, we have

$$\det R_i \ge b_r \ge (1 - \theta_{r,r+1})^j - (j! - 1)\theta_{r,r+1}^{j-1}$$

 $\equiv c_{14}$ (independent of r by definition),

and under the assumptions of $\|\bar{u}/h_{r'} - \bar{x}\| < 2\varepsilon$, $\|\bar{x}\| < 1$, $r < r' \le r + g_r$, and $r' \in \Lambda$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \theta_{r,r'} \| \bar{\mathbf{u}} \|^2 &\leq 9 \lambda_j^{-2} a^{-2\beta} j \Delta^{-2\beta} (1 + 2\varepsilon)^2 h_{r'}^2 \\ &= 27 (1 + 2\varepsilon)^2 \lambda_j^{-2} a^{-2\beta} j (\| x \|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-2} \Delta^{-2\beta} \log \log \Delta^{r+g_r} \\ &\leq (\| x \|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2 / 4 \log \log \Delta^{r+g_r}, \quad \text{by (3.15)}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, it follows from (3.18) and (3.28) that

$$\begin{split} P(\bar{D}_{r'}) &\leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2} c_{14}^{-d/2} \int_{\|\bar{u}/h, -\bar{x}\| \leq 2\varepsilon} e^{-(\bar{u},\bar{u})/2 + c_{11}\theta_{r,r'}(\bar{u},\bar{u})} \, d\bar{u} \\ &\leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2} c_{14}^{-d/2} (2 + 4\varepsilon)^{dj} h_r^{dj} \, e^{-(\|\bar{x}\| - 2\varepsilon)^2 h_r^2/2 + (\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2 \log\log\Delta^{r+g,/4}} \\ &\leq (2\pi)^{-dj/2} (2 + 4\varepsilon)^{dj} c_{14}^{-d/2} 3^{dj/2} (\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-dj} (\log\log\Delta^{r+g,})^{dj/2} \\ &\times e^{-(\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2 (\log\log\Delta^{r} - \log c_8)/2 + (\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2/4 \log\log\Delta^{r+g,}}, \end{split}$$

hence,

$$\sum_{r < r' \le r + g_r, r' \in \Lambda} P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \le d_r P(D_r),$$

where

$$\begin{split} d_r &= g_r (2\pi)^{-dj/2} (2 + 2\varepsilon)^{dj} c_{14}^{-d/2} 3^{dj/2} (\|x\|_K - 3\varepsilon)^{-dj} (\log\log\Delta^{r+g_r})^{dj/2} \\ & \cdot \exp\{-(\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2 (\log\log\Delta^r - \log c_8)/2 + (\|x\|_K - 4\varepsilon)^2/4 \cdot \log\log\Delta^{r+g_r}\} \\ & \to 0 \quad \text{as} \quad r \to +\infty. \end{split}$$

Step 7.

(3.32)
$$P(\limsup_{r \in \Lambda, r \to +\infty} D_r) = 1.$$

By Schwarz's inequality we have

$$(\sum_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} P(D_r))^2 = (E[\chi(U_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} D_r)(\sum_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} \chi(D_r))])^2$$

$$(3.33) \qquad \le E[\chi(U_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} D_r)]E[(\sum_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} \chi(D_r))^2]$$

$$= P(U_{p \le r \le q, r \in \Lambda} D_r)\sum_{p \le r, r' \le q, r, r' \in \Lambda} P(D_r \cap D_{r'}),$$

where $\chi(A)$ is the indicator function of A. Applying Steps 5 and 6, we have

$$\begin{split} \sum_{p \leq r, r' \leq q, r, r' \in \Lambda} & P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \\ & \leq \sum_{p \leq r \leq q, r \in \Lambda} & P(D_r) + 2 \sum_{p \leq r < r' \leq q, r' \leq r + g_r, r, r' \in \Lambda} & P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \\ & + 2 \sum_{p \leq r < r' \leq q, r + g_r < r', r, r' \in \Lambda} & P(D_r \cap D_{r'}) \\ & \leq (1 + 2 \sup_{r \geq p} d_r) \sum_{p \leq r \leq q, r \in \Lambda} & P(D_r) + \sup_{r \geq p} c_r (\sum_{p \leq r \leq q, r \in \Lambda} & P(D_r))^2. \end{split}$$

Combining this with (3.19) and (3.33) by letting q go to infinity, we have

$$P(U_{r \ge p, r \in \Lambda} D_r) \ge 1/\sup_{r \ge p} c_r \uparrow 1$$
 as $p \to +\infty$, (by Step 5).

Step 8. Conclusion. With probability 1, x is a limit point of $\{f_n(t,\omega); n=1,2,\cdots\}$. First, we recall from Step 4 of Lemma 1 that, with probability 1, there exists $n_1=n_1(\varepsilon,\omega)$ such that $f_n\in B_{10\varepsilon}$ for all $n\geq n_1$. On the other hand, it follows from Step 7 that, with probability 1, there exists a subsequence $(n_{r_k}; k=1,2,\cdots)$ such that

(3.34)
$$\|\bar{Z}_{r_h}(\cdot,\omega)/h_{r_h} - \bar{x}(\cdot)\|_{K_a} \leq \varepsilon.$$

Next, combining (3.8), (3.9), (3.13), (3.16) and (3.34), we have

$$\begin{split} \| f_{n_{r_{k}}}(\cdot,\omega) - x \|_{C} &\leq \sup_{0 \leq t \leq a} (\| f_{n_{r_{k}}}(t,\omega) \| + \| x(t) \|) \\ &+ \| f_{n_{r_{k}}}(\cdot,\omega) - x(\cdot) \|_{C_{a}} \\ &\leq 12 \; \varepsilon + \| f_{n_{r_{k}}}(\cdot,\omega) - \bar{Z}_{r_{k}}(\cdot,\omega) / h_{r_{k}} \|_{C_{a}} \\ &+ \| \bar{Z}_{r_{k}}(\cdot,\omega) / h_{r_{k}} - \bar{x}(\cdot) \|_{C_{a}} + \| \bar{x} - x \|_{C_{a}} \\ &\leq 12 \varepsilon + \varepsilon + \| \bar{Z}_{r_{k}}(\cdot,\omega) / h_{r_{k}} - \bar{x}(\cdot) \|_{K_{a}} + \| \bar{x} - x \|_{K_{a}} \\ &\leq 15 \varepsilon. \end{split}$$

4. Real analytic version: Proof of Theorem 2. In this section we will discuss nonrandom arguments. For q > 0 and $x \in C$, set

$$m(q; x) = m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\})$$

 $F(q) = \sup_{x \in B} m(q; x).$

and

First, we will prove the following two lemmas concerning F(q).

LEMMA 3. F(q) is a continuous function of q. Moreover, we have the following lemma.

LEMMA 4. 1 > F(q) > 0 for q > 1, F(q) = 0 for $1 \ge q > 0$, $\lim_{q \uparrow + \infty} F(a) = 1$ and F(q) is a strictly increasing function for $q \ge 1$.

PROOF OF LEMMA 3. First, we notice that the function m(q; x) on C is upper semi-continuous with respect to x. In fact, we have

$$\sup_{x \in U_{\epsilon}(x_0)} m(q; x) \le m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x_0(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q} - \varepsilon\})$$

$$\downarrow m(q; x_0), \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0,$$

where $U_{\epsilon}(x_0)$ is an ϵ -neighborhood of x_0 . In addition, we have $m(q; x/\|x\|_K) \ge m(q; x)$ if $0 < \|x\|_K < 1$. Therefore, it follows that there exists x_q with $\|x_q\|_K = 1$ such that $F(q) = m(q; x_q)$, for B is compact in C (Lemma 3 of [6]). Now, we will show that F(q) is a right continuous function. Since F(q) is a non-decreasing function, it is sufficient to prove that there exists a sequence $q_n \downarrow q$ such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} F(q_n) = F(q)$. Since B is compact, we can find a sequence $q_n \downarrow q$ such that x_{q_n} converges to some element $x_0 \in B$ in C. It means that

for any $\varepsilon < 0$ there exists an n_0 such that $||x_0(s)|| \ge ||x_{q_n}(s)|| - \varepsilon$ holds for all $n \ge n_0$ and $0 \le s \le 1$. Therefore, we have

$$\begin{split} \lim_{n\to\infty} &F(q_n) = \lim_{n\to\infty} m(q_n; \, x_{q_n}) \\ &\leq \lim_{n\to\infty} m(\{0 \leq s \leq 1; \, \|\, x_0(s)\| \geq \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q_n} - \varepsilon\}) \\ &= m(\{0 \leq s \leq 1; \, \|\, x_0(s)\| \geq \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q} - \varepsilon\}) \downarrow m(q; \, x_0), \quad \text{as } \varepsilon \downarrow 0 \\ &\leq &F(q). \end{split}$$

This shows that F(q) is right continuous.

It is rather difficult to show the left continuity of F(q), for it depends on the property of the r.k. Hilbert space H. We denote by H(I) the closed linear subspace of H spanned by $\{R(t,\cdot); t \in I\}$ for a subset I of [0, 1]. Since H([0, 1]) = H, it follows that for any $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $x' = (x'_1, \dots, x'_d) \in B$, where $x'_i(\cdot) = \sum_{j=1}^n a_i^{(j)} R(t_j, \cdot)$ such that

$$(4.1) F(q) \le m(q; x') + \varepsilon/2.$$

Since $R(t, \cdot)$ does not belong to $H([0, t - \varepsilon] \cup [t + \varepsilon, 1])$ for any $1 \ge t + \varepsilon > t - \varepsilon \ge 0$, there exists an interval I, whose length is less than $\varepsilon/2$, such that $\|x'/K(I^c)\|_K$ is positive but strictly less than $\|x'\|_K \le 1$, where $x'/K(I^c)$ denotes the projection of x' onto the closed subspace $K(I^c) = H(I^c) \oplus \cdots \oplus H(I^c)$, $I^c = [0, 1] - I$. Now, set

$$x'=x_1'+x_2',$$

and $x'' = x_1' / \|x_1'\|_K$, where $x_1' = x' / K(I^c)$ and x_2' is the orthogonal complement of x'. Then, we have $\|x_1'\|_K < \|x'\|_K \le 1$ and $\|x''\|_K = 1$. Since x_2' is orthogonal to $K(I^c)$, this means that $x_2'(t) = (0, \dots, 0)$ for $t \in I^c$, so $x''(t) = x'(t) / \|x_1'\|_K$ for $t \in I^c$. Combining with (4.1), we have

$$\begin{split} F(q) &\leq \varepsilon/2 + m(q; \, x') \\ &\leq \varepsilon + m(\{s \in I^c; \| \, x'(s) \| \geq \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q} \}) \\ &= \varepsilon + m(\{s \in I^c; \| \, x''(s) \| \geq \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q} \| \, x_1' \|_K^2 \}) \\ &\leq \varepsilon + F(q \| \, x_1' \|_K^2) \\ &\leq \varepsilon + F(q') \text{ for } q \| \, x_1' \|_K^2 < q' < q. \end{split}$$

This shows that F(q) is left continuous.

PROOF OF LEMMA 4. We will prove Lemma 4 in several steps.

Step 1. F(q) = 0 for $q \le 1$. In fact, by Schwarz's inequality, we have

(4.2)
$$||x(s)||^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i(s))^2 = \sum_{i=1}^d (x_i(\cdot), R(s, \cdot))_H^2$$

$$\leq \sigma^2(s) \sum_{i=1}^d ||x_i||_H^2 = \sigma^2(s) ||x||_K^2.$$

Therefore, if $x \in B$, $\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\}$ is empty for any q < 1. This means F(q) = 0 for q < 1, and by continuity of F(q) we have F(1) = 0.

Step 2. F(q) > 0 for q > 1, and $\lim_{q \to +\infty} F(q) = 1$. To see this, set $y(\cdot) = (R(t, \cdot)/\sigma(t), 0, \dots, 0)$ for a fixed t > 0. Then, clearly we have $||y(\cdot)||_K = 1$, $F(q) \ge m(q; y) > 0$, and $\lim_{q \to +\infty} m(q, y) = 1$.

Step 3. F(q) < 1 for all q > 0. Since there exists an $x_q \in B$ such that $F(q) = m(q; x_q)$, it is sufficient to show that for q > 1 and $x \in B$, $\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\}$ is isolated from the origin. To show this, assume that there exists a sequence $s_n \downarrow 0$ such that $||x(s_n)|| \ge \sigma(s_n)/\sqrt{q}$ and $s_{n+1}/s_n \le 1/2$. Then, we will find a contradiction. In fact, define $y^{(n)} = 1/2$.

 $(y_1^{(n)}, \dots, y_d^{(n)}) \in K$ as follows:

$$y_i^{(n)} = \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j x_i(s_j) R(s_j, \cdot),$$

and

(4.3)
$$a_j = (\sigma^2(s_j)j)^{-1},$$

where $x_i(s)$ is the *i*th component of x(s). Then, we have

$$(x, y^{(n)})_{K} = \sum_{i=1}^{d} (x_{i}, y_{i}^{(n)})_{H} = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j} x_{i}^{2}(s_{j})$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j} \| x(s_{j}) \|^{2}$$

$$\geq \sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j} \sigma^{2}(s_{j}) / q$$

$$= \sum_{j=1}^{n} (jq)^{-1} \uparrow + \infty, \quad \text{as } n \to + \infty.$$

On the other hand, by (4.2) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|y^{(n)}\|_{K}^{2} &= \sum_{i=1}^{d} \|y_{i}\|_{H}^{2} = \sum_{i=1}^{d} \sum_{j,k}^{n} a_{j} a_{k} x_{i}(s_{j}) x_{i}(s_{k}) R(s_{j}, s_{k}) \\ &\leq \sum_{j,k}^{n} a_{j} a_{k} R(s_{j}, s_{k}) \|x(s_{j})\| \|x(s_{k})\| \\ &\leq \sum_{j,k}^{n} a_{j} a_{k} R(s_{j}, s_{k}) \sigma(s_{j}) \sigma(s_{k}) \\ &= \sum_{j,k}^{n} (jk)^{-1} R(s_{j}, s_{k}) / (\sigma(s_{j}) \sigma(s_{k})) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} j^{-2} + 2 \sum_{i \leq k} (jk)^{-1} R(s_{i}, s_{k}) / (\sigma(s_{j}) \sigma(s_{k})). \end{aligned}$$

By definition we have $2s_k \le s_j$ for j < k; therefore, applying the inequality (3.20), it follows that

$$\|y^{(n)}\|_{K}^{2} \leq \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{-2} + 6 \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} j^{-2} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} 2^{-\beta k}.$$

This means that $\|y^{(n)}\|_K^2$ is bounded; however, (4.4) and (4.5) contradict the Schwarz inequality $(x, y^{(n)})_K \le \|x\|_K \|y^{(n)}\|_K \le \|y^{(n)}\|_K$.

Step 4. F(q) is strictly increasing for q > 1. Since there exists an $x_q \in B$ for each q such that $F(q) = m(q; x_q)$ and we have 1 > F(q) > 0 for q > 1 by Steps 2 and 3, it follows that $m(q; x_q) < m(q'; x_q) \le F(q')$ for q' > q.

Next, we will prove the following two lemmas, still concerned with nonrandom arguments, on which the proof of Theorem 2 is essentially based. For a function f in C and a continuous and non-increasing function h having a finite positive q of (2.2), set

$$m(t; h, f) = m(\{0 \le s \le t; || f(s) || > \sigma(s) h(s) \}),$$

$$f_n(t) = f(t/n) / (\sqrt{q} \sigma(1/n) h(1/n)), \qquad n = 1, 2, \cdots$$

and

$$f_n^{(\epsilon)}(t) = f(t/n)/(\sqrt{q} \, \sigma(1/n) \, h(\epsilon/n)), \qquad \epsilon > 0.$$

Then, we have

LEMMA 5. Assume that for a fixed q > 0, the set $\{f_n(t); n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is pre-compact in C and that all the limit points are contained in B, the unit ball of the Hilbert space K. Then,

$$(4.6) \qquad \qquad \lim \sup_{t \mid 0} m(t; h, f)/t \le F(q).$$

LEMMA 6. Assume that for a fixed q > 0, and for each rational $\varepsilon > 0$, the set $\{f_n^{(\varepsilon)}(t); n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ is pre-compact in C and that the set of all the limit points coincides with B.

Then.

(4.7)
$$\lim \sup_{t \downarrow 0} m(t; h, f)/t \ge F(q).$$

Proof of Lemma 5. It is sufficient for the proof to show a contradiction if we assume that

(4.8)
$$\lim \sup_{t \downarrow 0} m(t; h, f)/t \ge F(q + \varepsilon) + 3\varepsilon$$

holds for some $\varepsilon > 0$. From (4.8) there exists a sequence $t_n \downarrow 0$ such that

$$(4.9) m(t_n; h, f)/t_n \ge F(q + \varepsilon) + 2\varepsilon.$$

Now, take an integer k_n such that $(k_n+1)^{-1} < t_n \le k_n^{-1}$. Then, if necessary, choosing a subsequence of $\{t_n\}$, we can assume (from the assumption of Lemma 5) that $\{f_{k_n}(t); n=1,2,\cdots\}$ converges to some continuous $x \in B$. This means that there exists n_0 such that for all $n \ge n_0$ we have

On the other hand, letting I[x] = 1 if x > 1, = 0 otherwise, we have

$$m(1/n; h, f) \leq \varepsilon/n + m(\{\varepsilon/n \leq s \leq 1/n; \|f(s)\| > \sigma(h)h(s)\})$$

$$= \varepsilon/n + \int_{\varepsilon/n}^{1/n} I[\|f(s)\|/(\sigma(s)h(s))] ds$$

$$= \varepsilon/n + n^{-1} \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\|f(t/n)\|/(\sigma(t/n)h(t/n))] dt$$

$$\leq \varepsilon/n + n^{-1} \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\|f_n(t)\|/(\sigma(t)q^{-1/2})] dt.$$

Consider k_n instead of n in (4.11) and take account of (4.10); then, we have

$$m(t_{n}; h, f)/t_{n} \leq m(k_{n}^{-1}; h, f)(k_{n} + 1)$$

$$= m(k_{n}^{-1}; h, f) + \varepsilon + \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\|f_{k_{n}}(t)\|/(\sigma(t)q^{-1/2})] dt$$

$$\leq m(k_{n}^{-1}; h, f) + \varepsilon + \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\|x(t)\|/(\sigma(t)(q + \varepsilon)^{-1/2})] dt$$

$$\leq m(k_{n}^{-1}; h, f) + \varepsilon + F(q + \varepsilon).$$

This inequality, however, contradicts with (4.9) if we take sufficiently large n such that $m(k_n^{-1}; h, f) < \varepsilon$.

PROOF OF LEMMA 6. It is sufficient for the proof to show that for any $x \in B$ and any rational $\varepsilon > 0$ ($\varepsilon < q$)

(4.12)
$$\lim \sup_{n\to\infty} nm(1/n; h, f) \ge m(q - \varepsilon; x) - \varepsilon$$

holds; recall that $m(q; x) = m(\{0 \le s \le 1; ||x(s)|| \ge \sigma(s)/\sqrt{q}\})$. From our assumption there exists a subsequence $\{j_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ such that $\{f_{j_n}^{(c)}(t): n=1, 2, \cdots\}$ converges to $x \in B$ in C. This means that there exists an n_0 such that for any $n \ge n_0$

By an argument to that around (4.11), we have

$$j_{n}m(1/j_{n}; h, f) \geq j_{n}m(\{\varepsilon/j_{n} \leq s \leq 1/j_{n}; \| f(s) \| > \sigma(s) h(s)\})$$

$$= j_{n} \int_{\varepsilon/j_{n}}^{1/j_{n}} I[\| f(s) \| / (\sigma(s) h(s))] ds$$

$$= \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\| f(t/j_{n}) \| / (\sigma(t/j_{n}) h(t/j_{n}))] dt$$

$$\geq \int_{\varepsilon}^{1} I[\| f_{J_{n}}^{(\varepsilon)}(t) \| / (\sigma(t) q^{-1/2})] dt.$$

Combining (4.13) and (4.14), we have

$$j_n m(1/j_n; h, f) \ge m(\{\varepsilon \le t \le 1; ||x(t)|| \ge \sigma(t)/\sqrt{q - \varepsilon}\})$$

$$\ge m(q - \varepsilon; x) - \varepsilon \quad \text{for} \quad n \ge n_0.$$

We have completed the proof of Lemma 6.

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. Since the function $h(\varepsilon t)$ has the same q in (2.2) as h(t), Theorem 1 is also valid for

$$\{f_n^{(\varepsilon)}(t,\omega)=Y(t/n,\omega)/(\sqrt{q}\,\sigma(1/n)\,h(\varepsilon/n));\qquad n=1,\,2,\,\cdots\}.$$

Therefore, we obtain the proof of Theorem 2 from Theorem 1, Lemma 5 and Lemma 6.

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