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The Multivariate Müntz-Szasz Problem in Weighted Banach Space on \mathbb{R}^n

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The purpose of this paper is to give an extension of Müntz-Szasz theorems to multivariable weighted Banach space. Denote by $\{\lambda_k = (\lambda_k^1, \lambda_k^2, ..., \lambda_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ a sequence of real numbers in \mathbb{R}^n_+ . The completeness of monomials $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ in C_{α} is investigated, where C_{α} is the weighted Banach spaces which consist of complex continuous functions f defined on \mathbb{R}^n with $f(t) \exp(-\alpha(t))$ vanishing at infinity in the uniform norm.

1. Introduction and Notations

The object of this paper is to obtain some completeness criteria for monomials $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$, which is analogous to Müntz-Szasz theorem in one variable.

The following notations will be used. Throughout this paper, points of \mathbb{C}^n will be denoted by $z = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)$, where $z_k \in \mathbb{C}$. If $z_k = x_k + iy_k$, $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_n)$, $y = (y_1, \ldots, y_n)$, then we write z = x + iy. The vectors $x = \Re z$ and $y = \Im z$ are the real and imaginary parts of z, respectively, and \mathbb{R}^n will be thought of as the set of all $z \in \mathbb{C}^n$ with $\Im z = 0$, furthermore; $\mathbb{R}^n_+ = \{x = (x_1, x_2, \ldots, x_n) \mid x_j > 0 \text{ for all } 1 \le j \le n\}$, and $\mathbb{C}^n_+ = \{z = (z_1, z_2, \ldots, z_n) \mid \Re z_j > 0 \text{ for all } 1 \le j \le n\}$. The set of nonnegative integers will be denoted by \mathbb{Z}_+ . The notations

$$|z| = (|z_1|^2 + \dots + |z_n|^2)^{1/2}$$

$$|\Re z| = (|x_1|^2 + \dots + |x_n|^2)^{1/2}$$

$$|\Im z| = (|y_1|^2 + \dots + |y_n|^2)^{1/2}$$

$$z^{\beta} = z_1^{\beta_1} \cdots z_n^{\beta_n}$$

$$\langle z, t \rangle = z_1 t_1 + \dots + z_n t_n$$

(1)

will be used for any multi-index β and any $t \in \mathbb{R}^n$. The unit ball of \mathbb{C}^n will be denoted by $\mathbb{B}_n = \{z \in \mathbb{C}^n : |z| < 1\}.$

By a *complete system* of elements $\{h_k\}$ of a Banach space B, we mean $\overline{\text{Span}}\{h_k\} = B$; that is, the completeness is equivalent to the possibility of an arbitrary good approximation of any element of the space by linear combination of elements of this system.

The famous Müntz-Szasz theorem asserts that given a sequence of real numbers $0 < \lambda_1 < \lambda_2 < \cdots$ the functions $\{1, t^{\lambda_1}, t^{\lambda_2}, \cdots\}$ are complete C[0, 1] if and only if

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_k} = \infty.$$
 (2)

This classical result inspired an intensive research of related questions. Via duality, making use of suitable analytic varieties in the polydisk, in [1], for $1 \le p_1 < p_2 < \infty$ and $n \ge 2$, it is shown that there exists a sequence of monomials $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ with $\lambda_k^j \sim k$ for each j = 1, 2, ..., n whose linear span is dense in $L^{p_1}(I^n)$ but not in $L^{p_2}(I^n)$, where I^n is the Cartesian product of n copies of the closed unit interval [0, 1]. The Müntz-Szasz theorem is extended to multivariables and more general results are obtained by replacing t^{λ_k} by $\psi(t)^{\lambda_k}$ for some function $\psi(t)$ in [2]. For $\Omega \subset \mathbb{R}^n$, the so-called Müntz set relative to Ω is defined in [3], which enables one to construct "optimally sparse" lattice points sets for which density holds.

It is a natural goal to consider whether it could give completeness conditions analogous to Müntz-Szasz theorem in the weighted higher-dimensional Banach space on \mathbb{R}^n case. The paper is concerned with this problem. Let $\alpha(t)$ be a nonnegative continuous function defined on \mathbb{R}^n , henceforth, called a *weight*, satisfying

$$\lim_{|t| \to \infty} \frac{\alpha(t)}{\log |t|} = \infty.$$
(3)

Given a weight $\alpha(t)$, the weighted Banach space C_{α} consists of complex continuous functions f defined on \mathbb{R}^n with $f(t) \exp(-\alpha(t))$ vanishing at infinity, normed by

$$\|f\|_{\alpha} = \sup\left\{ \left| f\left(t\right) \exp\left(-\alpha\left(t\right)\right) \right| : t \in \mathbb{R}^{n} \right\}.$$
 (4)

Our space C_{α} is rooted from [4–9, 12, 13], in which the exponential polynomial approximation problem is investigated.

Motivated by the Bernstein problem and the Müntz theorem in [10], combining Malliavin's uniqueness theorem in [11], in his paper [12], Guantie Deng obtained a necessary and sufficient condition for the functions $\{1, t^{\lambda_1}, t^{\lambda_2}, \ldots\}$ to be dense in C_{α} . The result which initiated the investigation of Müntz problem on weighted Banach space consists of complex functions continuous on the real axis and is described below.

Theorem 1. Suppose $\alpha(t)$ is an even function satisfying (3) and $\alpha(e^t)$ is a convex function on \mathbb{R} . Let $\Lambda = \{\lambda_k : k = 1, 2, ...\}$ be a sequence of strictly increasing positive integers and let

$$\Lambda(r) = 2\sum_{\lambda_k \le r} \frac{1}{\lambda_k}, \quad if \ r \ge \lambda_1; \ \lambda(r) = 0, \ otherwise, \tag{5}$$

 $k(r) = \Lambda(r) - \log^+ r$, $\log^+ r = \max\{\log r, 0\}$, $\tilde{k}(r) = \inf\{k(r') : r' \ge r\}$. If

$$\int_{0}^{+\infty} \frac{\alpha \left(\exp\left\{ \tilde{k}\left(t\right) - a\right\} \right)}{1 + t^{2}} \, dt = \infty,\tag{6}$$

for each $a \in \mathbb{R}$, then $\text{Span}\{1, t^{\lambda_1}, t^{\lambda_2}, \ldots\}$ is dense in C_{α} . Conversely, if the sequence Λ contains all of the odd inte-

Conversely, if the sequence Λ contains all of the odd integers, then, for Span $\{1, t^{\lambda_1}, t^{\lambda_2}, \ldots\}$ to be dense in C_{α} , it is necessary that (6) holds for each $a \in \mathbb{R}$.

Deng's result was generalized to the case where the weighted Banach space consists of complex functions continuous on infinitely many disjoint closed intervals in [7]. The result is described as follows.

Let *E* be a union of infinitely many disjoint closed intervals:

$$E = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} I_k,$$

$$I_k = [a_k, b_k], \quad 0 < a_1 < b_1 < a_2 < b_2 < \dots < b_k,$$
(7)

where I_k satisfies dist $(0, I_k) \rightarrow \infty$.

Theorem 2. Suppose $\alpha(t)$ is defined by (3) and $\Lambda = \{\lambda_k : k = 1, 2, ...\}$ is a sequence of complex numbers satisfying the following conditions:

the
$$\lambda_k$$
 are all distinct and $\lim_{k \to \infty} |\lambda_k| = \infty$,

$$\lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{k}{|\lambda_k|} = D, \quad (0 < D < \infty), \quad (8)$$

$$|\arg(\lambda_k)| < \beta < \frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Let

$$h = \frac{1}{\eta} + \varepsilon_0, \tag{9}$$

where ε_0 is some positive number and

$$\eta = \max_{0 < \delta < D \cos \beta} \frac{2\delta}{\sqrt{D^2 \sin^2 \beta + \delta^2}} \left(D \cos \beta - \delta \right).$$
(10)

If

$$_{E}\alpha\left(t\right)\omega\left(i,dt,\frac{\mathbb{C}}{E}\right) = +\infty,$$
(11)

where $\omega(i, dt, \mathbb{C} \setminus E)$ is the harmonic measure for the domain $\mathbb{C} \setminus E$ as seen from *i* and if

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha(t)}{t^{1+h}} dt = +\infty, \qquad (12)$$

then the system $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ (k = 1, 2, ...) is complete in $C_0(E)$.

Motivated by [4-9, 12, 13], in this paper, we will investigate the completeness of monomials $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ in C_{α} , where $\{\lambda_k = (\lambda_k^1, \lambda_k^2, \dots, \lambda_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of real numbers in \mathbb{R}^n_+ and $\alpha(t)$ is a nonnegative continuous function defined in \mathbb{R}^n for $t \in \mathbb{R}^n$. Our result can be thought of as a generalization of the results in [7, 8, 13] to multivariable case. It also can be regarded as a generalization of the results in [1–3]. Our main result depends upon the uniqueness theory of analytic functions on the unit ball \mathbb{B}_n . As is well known the zeros of analytic functions in \mathbb{C}^n $(n \ge 2)$ are never discrete. The multivariable case may be different from a single variable case. That is why it needs to be treated separately (see [9]).

In the sequel, we will use *A* to denote positive constants that may vary in value from one occurrence to the next. The main results of this paper are as follows.

Theorem 3. Let $\beta(s)$ be a nonnegative and nondecreasing function with continuous derivative defined on $(A, +\infty)$ for some positive constant A, satisfying

$$\int_{A}^{+\infty} \frac{\beta(s)}{s^2} ds = +\infty,$$
(13)

and let $\alpha(t)$ be a nonnegative continuous function defined on \mathbb{R}^n satisfying

$$A_{1}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\log\left|t_{j}\right|\right)^{2}\right) \leq \int_{A_{2}}^{|t|} \frac{\beta\left(s\right)}{s} \, ds \leq \alpha\left(t\right), \qquad (14)$$

where A_1 and A_2 are fixed positive constants. Let $\{\lambda_k = (\lambda_k^1, \lambda_k^2, ..., \lambda_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence of real numbers in \mathbb{R}^n_+ . If

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left| \frac{2\lambda_k^j - \lambda_k^1 - 1}{2\lambda_k^j} \right|^{2+\varepsilon_0} = +\infty$$
 (15)

for some $j \in \{2, ..., n\}$, where ε_0 is some fixed positive constant, then $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ is complete in C_{α} .

Theorem 4. Let $\alpha(t)$ be a nonnegative continuous function defined on \mathbb{R}^n satisfying

$$\alpha(t) \le A (\log|t|)^2, \tag{16}$$

where A is some fixed positive constant. Suppose that $\{\lambda_k = (\lambda_k^1, \lambda_k^2, ..., \lambda_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of real numbers in \mathbb{R}^n_+ . If

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\left(\lambda_k^j\right)^{2+\varepsilon}} < +\infty \tag{17}$$

is satisfied for every $j \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$ and arbitrary positive constant ε , then $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ is incomplete in C_{α} .

There are obvious ways in which our main result can be generalized: the example of Theorem 1 can be extended to much more general sets by using Lemma 5 in Section 2. We decided not to pursue elaborations; our aim is to present the essence of an interesting qualitative phenomenon, avoiding as far as possible obscuring technicalities.

The remaining part of this paper is organized as follows. In Section 2 we give some notation and we introduce several results used later. In Section 3 we prove our main results.

2. Preliminaries

In this section, we will establish a uniqueness result for functions holomorphic in \mathbb{B}^n . The proof of such a result depends on several lemmas.

Following [14], we denote the angles ($\alpha \le \arg \le \beta$) and ($\alpha < \arg < \beta$) by [α, β] and (α, β), respectively. Let a function f(z) be analytic in (α, β) and continuous in [α, β], and let the relations

$$\max_{\alpha \le \theta \le \beta} \left| f\left(r e^{i\theta} \right) \right| < \exp\left(r^{\nu} \right), \quad r > r_{\nu}, \tag{18}$$

hold for some v > 0. Denote by ρ the most lower bound of all $v_* > 0$ such that

$$\limsup_{r \to \infty} r^{-\nu_*} \log \left| f\left(r e^{i\theta} \right) \right| \equiv 0, \quad \alpha \le \theta \le \beta.$$
(19)

Then, the number ρ is called *the order* of the function f(z). Recall that the canonical Weierstrass factor is defined by

$$E(z,q) = 1 - z, \quad q = 0,$$
 (20)

$$E(z,q) = (1-z)\exp\left(z + \frac{z^2}{2} + \dots + \frac{z^q}{q}\right), \quad q = 1, 2.\dots$$
(21)

The canonical Nevanlinna factor is defined by

$$D_q(z, a_k) = \frac{E(z/a_k, q)}{E(z/\overline{a_k}, q)}.$$
(22)

We define the following modified canonical factor by

$$E^{-}\left(\frac{z}{a_{k}},q\right) = 1 - \frac{z}{a_{k}}, \quad q = 0,$$

$$E^{-}\left(\frac{z}{a_{k}},q\right) = \left(1 - \frac{z}{a_{k}}\right) \exp\left(\frac{(-1)z}{a_{k}} + (-1)^{2}\frac{(z/a_{k})^{2}}{2} + \dots + (-1)^{q}\frac{(z/a_{k})^{q}}{q}\right)$$

$$(23)$$

for q = 1, 2...,

$$E^{+}\left(\frac{z}{a_{k}},q\right) = 1 + \frac{z}{a_{k}}, \quad q = 0,$$

$$E^{+}\left(\frac{z}{a_{k}},q\right) = \left(1 + \frac{z}{a_{k}}\right)$$

$$\times \exp\left(\frac{z}{a_{k}} + \frac{\left(z/a_{k}\right)^{2}}{2} + \dots + \frac{\left(z/a_{k}\right)^{q}}{q}\right)$$
(24)

for q = 1, ..., and

$$D_{q}^{\pm}(z,a_{k}) = \frac{E^{-}(z/a_{k},q)}{E^{+}(z/\overline{a_{k}},q)}.$$
(25)

From page 25 of [14], we know that an analytic function of arbitrary finite order admits canonical representation as follows.

Lemma 5. Every function f(z) analytic and of a finite order ρ in the right half plane $\Re z > 0$ admits the representations

$$f(z) = e^{(b_0 + b_1 z + \dots + b_q z^q)} \prod_{|a_k| \le 1} \frac{z - a_k}{z + \overline{a_k}} \prod_{|a_k| > 1} D_q^{\pm}(z, a_k)$$

$$\times \exp\left\{\frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{(itz+1)^{q+1} \log|f(it)|}{(t^2+1)^{q+1} (t-iz)} dt \qquad (26)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{(itz+1)^{q+1} d\varphi(t)}{(t^2+1)^{q+1} (t-iz)}\right\},$$

where $q = [\rho], b_0, \dots, b_q$ are complex numbers, $a_k = r_k e^{i\theta_k}, -\pi/2 < \theta_k < \pi/2$ are zeros of f(z), and $\varphi(t)$ is a singular

boundary function. All integrals and infinite products are absolutely convergent. The following relations hold:

$$\sum_{r_{k} \leq 1} r_{k} \cos \theta_{k} < \infty, \qquad \sum_{r_{k} > 1} r_{k}^{-\nu - \varepsilon} \cos \theta_{k} < \infty,$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{\log |f(it)|}{1 + |t|^{1 + \nu + \varepsilon}} dt < \infty,$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{|d\varphi(t)|}{1 + |t|^{1 + \nu + \varepsilon}} < \infty,$$
(27)

where $v = \max(\rho, 1)$ and ε is an arbitrary positive number.

We can deduce the following lemma by conformal maps.

Lemma 6. Suppose that f(z) is analytic in the unit disk $\mathbb{D} = \{|z| < 1\}$, satisfying

$$|f(z)| \le \exp\{A(1-|z|)^{-\rho}\},$$
 (28)

for some $\infty > \rho > 1$. If, for some fixed $\varepsilon_0 > 0$,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1-a_k}{1+a_k}\right)^{\rho+\varepsilon_0} = +\infty$$
(29)

and $f(a_k) = 0$, where $\{a_k\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of real numbers in $\mathbb{D} = \{|z| < 1\}$, then, $f(z) \equiv 0$.

Proof. We will show that the existence of some f(z) satisfying (28) and $f(a_k) = 0$ contradicts Lemma 5.

Suppose that f(z) is a nontrivial function analytic in the unit disk, satisfying (28) and $f(a_k) = 0$. Taking the conformal transformation z = (w-1)/(w+1), it is well known that such transformation maps the unit disk onto the right half plane. Thus,

$$\left|f\left(z\right)\right| = \left|f\left(\frac{w-1}{w+1}\right)\right| \le A \exp\left\{A\left(1-\left|\frac{w-1}{w+1}\right|\right)\right\}^{-\rho}.$$
(30)

Define

$$g(w) = f\left(\frac{w-1}{w+1}\right);\tag{31}$$

then, we get a function g(w) which is analytic in the right half plane $\mathbb{C}_+ = \{\Re w > 0\}$ and satisfies $g(\lambda_k) = 0$ for $\lambda_k = (1 + a_k)/(1 - a_k) > 0$; furthermore, we have

$$|q(w)| \le A e^{A|w|^{\rho}} \tag{32}$$

for sufficient large |w|. Applying Lemma 5, we have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{\lambda_k^{\rho+\varepsilon}} < +\infty \tag{33}$$

for arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$; thus,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \left(\frac{1-a_k}{1+a_k}\right)^{\rho+\varepsilon} < +\infty, \tag{34}$$

which is a contradiction to (29).

The following uniqueness lemma is crucial in the establishment of the main result of this paper. It is closely related to results of [15].

Lemma 7. Let $\{a_k = (a_k^1, a_k^2, ..., a_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ be a sequence in \mathbb{R}^n , satisfying $0 < |a_k^j| < 1$ for all k and j = 1, 2, ..., n. Suppose that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{+\infty} \left| \frac{a_k^j - 1}{a_k^j} \right|^{\rho + \varepsilon_0} = +\infty$$
(35)

for some $j \in \{1, 2, ..., n\}$, where ε_0 is some fixed positive constant. Let E be the set of all $z \in \mathbb{B}_n$ that have $z_j \in \{a_k^j\}$. Let f(z) be an analytic function on \mathbb{B}_n which satisfies the growth condition

$$|f(z)| \le \exp\{A(1-|z|)^{-\rho}\}$$
 (36)

for some $0 < A < \infty$ and $\infty > \rho > 1$. Denote by Z(f) the zero set of f(z). If $Z(f) \supset E$, then $f \equiv 0$.

Proof. We will follow the proof of Theorem 7.3.4 on pages 135-136 of [15]. Without loss of generality, it is enough to investigate the case where j = 1.

Denote, by $w = (w_1, w'), w' = (w_2, \dots, w_n)$. Let Ω be the set of all $w \in \mathbb{B}_n$ satisfying

$$|2w_1 - 1| < 1, \qquad |w'| < |1 - w_1|.$$
 (37)

It is apparent that Ω is a nonempty set. Thus, it is enough to prove that $f \equiv 0$ for fixed $w \in \Omega$.

Define

$$h(z) = \left(\frac{1+z}{2}, \frac{1-z}{2(1-w_1)}w'\right),$$
(38)

where $z = re^{i\theta} \in \mathbb{D}$. Let $\delta = 1 - |w'|^2 |1 - w_1|^2$. Then, $0 < \delta < 1$ and

$$4\left(1-\left|h\left(re^{i\theta}\right)\right|^{2}\right)=2\left(1-r^{2}\right)+\delta\left(1-2r\cos\theta+r^{2}\right)$$
$$\geq 2\left(1-r^{2}\right),$$
(39)

for $0 \le r < 1$ and $|\theta| \le \pi$. It follows that h maps \mathbb{D} into \mathbb{B}_n . Define

$$g(z) = f(h(z)), \quad z \in \mathbb{D}.$$
(40)

By (36) and (39), we have

$$\log \left| g\left(re^{i\theta} \right) \right| \leq \frac{A}{\left(1 - \left| h\left(re^{i\theta} \right) \right|^2 \right)^{\rho}}$$

$$\leq \frac{A}{\left(1 - \left| z \right| \right)^{\rho}}.$$
(41)

Note that

$$g\left(2a_{k}^{1}-1\right) = f\left(a_{k}^{1}, \frac{1-a_{k}^{1}}{1-w_{1}}w'\right).$$
 (42)

Since $Z(f) \supset E$, the zero sequence $\{2a_k^1 - 1\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$ satisfies (35) which is (29) in Lemma 6. It follows that g(z) = 0 for all $z \in \mathbb{D}$. In particular, $2w_1 - 1 \in \mathbb{D}$, so that $f(w) = f(w_1, w') = g(2w_1 - 1) \equiv 0$.

We will be concerned with density of polynomials in C_{α} which is essential in the proof of Theorem 3. We need the following result from [16] (see also similar result in [17]).

Lemma 8. Let $\beta(s)$ be a nonnegative and nondecreasing function with continuous derivative defined on $(A, +\infty)$ for some positive constant A, satisfying

$$\int_{A}^{\infty} \frac{\beta(s)}{s^2} \, ds = \infty. \tag{43}$$

If μ is a complex measure on \mathbb{R}^n such that

$$\int_{|t|>A} \exp\left(\int_{A}^{|t|} \frac{\beta(s)}{s} ds\right) d\mu(t) < \infty, \tag{44}$$

then the polynomials are dense in $L_1(\mathbb{R}^n, \mu)$.

Proof. Since a real measure has the Jordan decomposition as the difference of positive and negative variation (see page 119 of [18], e.g.), for any complex measure μ on a σ -algebra in X, there is a measurable function h such that |h(x)| = 1 for all $x \in X$ and such that $d\mu = hd|\mu|$ (see page 124 of [18], e.g.), replacing the positive measure in the proof of Theorems 2.1 and 2.3 in [16]; repeating the proof there word by word, we can see that the same conclusion still holds for the case of complex measures.

We will use the following elementary results on inequality in [19].

Lemma 9. Let $a_j \ge 0$ for $j = 1, \ldots, n$. Then,

$$\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_j\right)^p \le n^{p-1} \left(\sum_{k=1}^{n} a_j^p\right) \tag{45}$$

for $1 \le p < \infty$.

Lemma 10. Let

$$\log^{+} a = \begin{cases} \log a, & a \ge 1 \\ 0, & 0 \le a < 1. \end{cases}$$
(46)

If $a_j \ge 0$ for $j = 1, \ldots, n$, then,

$$\log^{+}\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} a_{j}\right) \leq \sum_{j=1}^{n} \log^{+} a_{j} + A, \qquad (47)$$

where A is some positive constant depending on n.

3. Proof of Main Results

In this section, we prove the main results of this paper.

Proof of Theorem 3. If $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$ is incomplete in C_{α} , by the Hahn-Banach theorem there exists a nontrivial bounded linear functional *T* such that ||T|| = 1 and $T(t^{\lambda_k}) = 0$. So by the Riesz representation theorem, there exists a complex measure μ on \mathbb{R}^n satisfying

$$\|\mu\| = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\alpha(t)} |d\mu(t)| = \|T\|,$$

$$T(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h(t) d\mu(t), \quad h \in C_{\alpha}.$$
(48)

Define

$$\begin{aligned} f(z) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} t^{z} d\mu(t) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{0} \cdots \int_{-\infty}^{0} |t_{1}|^{z_{1}} e^{-i(\pi/2)z_{1}} \cdots |t_{n}|^{z_{n}} e^{-i(\pi/2)z_{n}} d\mu(t) \\ &+ \cdots + \int_{0}^{+\infty} \cdots \int_{0}^{+\infty} t_{1}^{z_{1}} e^{i(\pi/2)z_{1}} \cdots t_{n}^{z_{n}} \\ &\times e^{-i(\pi/2)z_{n}} d\mu(t); \end{aligned}$$
(49)

then, f(z) is holomorphic in $\mathbb{H} = \{z : \Re z_1 > |z'|^2\} \bigcap \mathbb{C}^n_+$ and satisfies

$$\left| f(z) \right| \le 2^{n} \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} \exp\left(\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j} \log \left| t_{j} \right| \right) - \alpha(t) \right)$$

$$\times \exp\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\pi}{2} \left| y_{j} \right| \right) \exp(\alpha(t)) d\mu(t);$$
(50)

thus, by (14), we have

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}^{n}} \left\{ \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j} \log \left| t_{j} \right| \right) - \alpha \left(t \right) \right\}$$

$$\leq \sum_{j=1}^{n} \sup_{t_{j} \in \mathbb{R}} \left\{ x_{j} \log \left| t_{j} \right| - A_{1} \left(\log \left| t_{j} \right| \right)^{2} \right\}$$
(51)

which yields

$$|f(z)| \le 2^{n} ||T|| \exp \left\{ A|\Re z|^{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{n} \frac{\pi}{2} |y_{j}| \right\},$$
 (52)

for all $z \in \mathbb{H}$. Denote by $e^j = \underbrace{(0, \dots, 1, \dots, 0)}_{j}$ the Cayley transform from \mathbb{H} to \mathbb{B}_n ; consider

$$w = \varphi(z) = \frac{2z}{1+z_1} - e^1.$$
 (53)

Define the function

$$g(w) = f\left(\varphi^{-1}(w)\right),\tag{54}$$

where *f* is the function defined in (52) and φ^{-1} is the inverse of the Cayley transform defined in (53). Thus, we have

$$|g(w)| = |f(\varphi^{-1}(w))| \le A \exp\left\{\frac{A}{(1-|w|)^2}\right\}.$$
 (55)

Denote, by

$$a_k^1 = \frac{2\lambda_k^1}{1+\lambda_k^1} - 1,$$

$$a_k^j = \frac{2\lambda_k^j}{1+\lambda_k^j},$$
(56)

for j = 2, ..., n. It is obvious that (15) relates to (35) in Lemma 7. Thus, we have $f(z) \equiv 0$; it follows that $T(t^j) = 0$ for all nonnegative integers $j = (j_1, ..., j_n)$. From Lemma 8, it is obvious that $T \equiv 0$, from which the conclusion of Theorem 3 follows.

Proof of Theorem 4. If there exist a real constant *A* and some positive constant ε_0 such that both (16) and (17) are satisfied, we will show the existence of a nontrivial bounded functional which annihilates $\{t^{\lambda_k}\}$.

If (17) holds, we know that there exists analytic functions $g_j(z_j)$ (j = 1, 2, ..., n) which can be represented in the forms in Lemma 5. The function $g_j(z_j)$ (j = 1, 2, ..., n) verifies $g_j(\lambda_k^j) = 0$ for all λ_k^j satisfying (17); furthermore, the following estimate

$$\left|g_{j}(z_{j})\right| \leq e^{A_{1}(|x_{j}|^{2} + |y_{j}|^{2})}$$
(57)

holds for all $z_i \in \mathbb{C}_+$. It is obvious that

$$\exp\left(\left\langle z, e^{j} \right\rangle^{2}\right) = \exp\left(z_{j}^{2}\right).$$
(58)

For $z \in \mathbb{C}^n_+$, define

$$G_{0}(z) = \prod_{j=1}^{n} g_{j}(z_{j}) = \prod_{j=1}^{n} g_{j}(\langle z, e^{j} \rangle)$$

$$G_{1}(z) = G_{0}(z) \exp\left(A_{2} \sum_{j=1}^{n} (\langle z, e^{j} \rangle)^{2}\right),$$
(59)

where $A_2 > A_1$ is some positive constant satisfying

$$A - \frac{1}{4\left(A_1 + A_2\right)} < 0 \tag{60}$$

(61)

for the constant *A* defined in (16). Then, we have the following estimate:

$$\left|G_{1}(z)\right| \leq \exp\left\{\left(A_{1}+A_{2}\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}^{2}\right)-\left(A_{1}-A_{2}\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^{n} y_{j}^{2}\right)\right\},$$
$$z \in \mathbb{C}_{+}^{n}.$$

Suppose that $G_1(z)$ is the analytic function defined in (59); define

$$h_{0}(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} G_{1}\left(\frac{1}{2} + iy\right) t^{-(1/2 + iy)} dm_{n}(y), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}^{n}_{+},$$
(62)

where 1/2 = (1/2, 1/2, ..., 1/2) and m_n denotes the Lebesgue of \mathbb{R}^n . Note first that $G_1(1/2 + iy)$ is in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$ by $A_1 < A_2$ and (61); furthermore, $h_0(t)$ is continuous on \mathbb{R}^n_+ .

Next, we claim that the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} G_1\left(\zeta + i\eta, z_2, \dots, z_n\right) t^{-(\zeta + iy)} d\eta \tag{63}$$

is independent of ζ for arbitrary $t = (t_1, \ldots, t_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n_+$ and complex $z = (z_1, \ldots, z_n)$. Without loss of generality, we prove it for the first coordinate. To see this, let Γ be a rectangular path in the $\zeta + i\eta$ -plane, with one edge on the image axis and one on the line $\zeta = \zeta_1$, whose horizontal edges move off to infinity. By Cauchy's theorem, the integral of the integrand (63) over Γ is 0. From (61) we know that the contribution of the horizontal edges to this integral is also 0. Thus, it follows that (63) is the same for $\zeta = \zeta_1$ as for $\zeta = 1/2$, which establishes our claim.

The same can be done for the other coordinates. Hence, we conclude from (62) that

$$h_{0}(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}} G_{1}(x+iy) t^{-(x+iy)} dm_{n}(y)$$
(64)

for every $y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ and $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n_+$. From (61) and (64), we have

$$\left|h_{0}(t)\right| \leq A_{4} e^{(A_{1}+A_{2})(\sum_{j=1}^{n} x_{j}^{2} - x_{j} \log|t_{j}|)},\tag{65}$$

where $A_4 = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{-(A_2 - A_1)|y|^2} dm_n(y)$. Thus,

$$|h_0(t)| \le A_4 \prod_{j=1}^n e^{\inf\{(A_1 + A_2)x_j^2 - x_j \log |t_j| : x_j \in \mathbb{R}_+\}};$$
(66)

direct calculation yields

$$\left|h_{0}(t)\right| \leq A_{4}e^{-(\sum_{j=1}^{n}(\log|t_{j}|)^{2}/4(A_{1}+A_{2}))}.$$
(67)

From (67) we know that $h_0(t)$ is in $L^1(\mathbb{R}^n)$. Taking the inverse Fourier transform in (64), we obtain

$$G_{1}(z) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{n}_{+}} h_{0}(t) t^{z} dm_{n}(t), \qquad (68)$$

for $x \in \mathbb{R}^n_+$. Extend $h_0(t)$ to an even function by defining $h_0(t) = h_0(-t)$ whenever $t_j < 0$.

It is apparent that, for $|t_j| \ge 1$, we have $\log^+|t_j| = \log |t_j|$. Thus, combining Lemmas 9 and 10 with (16), we conclude that there exists some positive constant *A* such that

$$\alpha(t) \le A \sum_{j=1}^{n} \left(\log \left| t_{j} \right| \right)^{2}.$$
(69)

Therefore, from (69) and (67), if (60) holds, choosing A_2 satisfying

$$A - \frac{1}{4\left(A_1 + A_2\right)} < 0, \tag{70}$$

we obtain the bounded linear functional

$$T(h) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} h_0(t) h(t) dm_n(t), \quad h \in C_\alpha$$
(71)

satisfying $T(t^{\lambda_k}) = 0$ for $\{\lambda_k = (\lambda_k^1, \lambda_k^2, \dots, \lambda_k^n)\}_{k=1}^{\infty}$, satisfying (17) and

$$\|T\| = \int_{\mathbb{R}^n} e^{\alpha(t)} |d\mu(t)| > 0.$$
 (72)

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