

A MULTI-PARAMETER GAUSSIAN PROCESS¹

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1. Introduction. Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a probability space and let A be the p -dimensional unit rectangle ($p \geq 2$). We denote by (A, \mathcal{A}, μ_p) the ordinary Lebesgue measure space. Let $\{X(u, \omega): u \in A\}$ be a Gaussian process defined on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) with the properties:

- (1.1) $X(u, \omega) = 0$ a.s. for every u in A_0 where
 $A_0 = \{(u_1, \dots, u_p) \in A: u_j = 0 \text{ for some } j \text{ with } 1 \leq j \leq p\}$.
- (1.2) $E[X(u, \omega)] = \int_{\Omega} X(u, \omega) dP(\omega) = 0$ for every u in A .
- (1.3) $E[X(u, \omega)X(v, \omega)] = \min(u_1, v_1) \cdots \min(u_p, v_p) = R(u, v)$
for every $u = (u_1, \dots, u_p)$ and $v = (v_1, \dots, v_p)$ in A .

By considering an expansion in terms of Haar functions on A , it is shown that $X(u, \omega)$ can be realized in the space $C(A)$ of real continuous functions on A which vanish at A_0 , i.e.

- (1.4) Almost all sample functions of $X(u, \omega)$ are continuous.

For $p = 2$, the existence of the above Gaussian process $X(u, \omega)$ is shown by Yeh [15] and Kuelbs [10]. We will call a Gaussian process $X(u, \omega)$ with the properties (1.1)–(1.4) the p -parameter Gaussian process. We then examine the interrelationship between the p -parameter Gaussian process and its reproducing kernel Hilbert space $H(R)$. Let $L^2(A)$ denote the space of Lebesgue square-integrable functions on A with an inner product $(f, g) = \int_A f(u)g(u) d\mu_p(u)$ and norm $\| \cdot \|$. We also define a stochastic integral $I(f) = \int_A f(u) dX(u, \omega)$ for $f \in L^2(A)$ with respect to the p -parameter Gaussian process in two different ways and show that they are identical. From this we show that the p -parameter Gaussian process has an a.s. uniformly convergent orthonormal expansion.

Defining a Gaussian random set function by

- (1.5) $X(F, \omega) = \int_A 1_F(t) dX(t, \omega)$

where $F \in \mathcal{A}$ and 1_F is the indicator function of F , we define the multiple Wiener integral (see Itô [6]) and show that any L^2 -functional of the process has an orthogonal representation.

By appealing to the results obtained by Parzen [13], Kallianpur [9] and Oodaira [11], we can simply deduce the results: a translation theorem, equivalence of

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