59. Absolute Continuity of Probability Laws of Wiener Functionals

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1. The Wiener space, which is a typical example of abstract Wiener spaces introduced by L. Gross [1], is a triple (B, H, μ) where B is a Banach space consisting of all real valued continuous functions x(t) (x(0)=0) defined on the interval [0, 1] with norm $||x|| = \sup_{0 \le t \le 1} |x(t)|$, H is a Hilbert space consisting of absolutely continuous functions x(t) (x(0)=0) such that $x'(t) \in L^2[0, 1]$ with inner product

$$\langle x, y
angle_H = \int_0^1 x'(t) y'(t) dt$$

and μ is the Wiener measure, i.e., the Borel probability measure on B such that

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$$\int_{B} e^{i(h,x)} \mu(dx) = \exp\left\{-\frac{1}{2}\langle h,h\rangle_{H}\right\},$$

where $h \in B^* \subset H$ and (,) is a natural paring of B^* and B. It is readily seen that $\{x(t); 0 \leq t \leq 1\}$ is a standard Wiener process on the probability space (B, μ) . A real-valued (or more generally, a Banach space-valued) measurable function defined on the probability space (B, μ) is called a *Wiener functional*. Two Wiener functionals $F_1(x)$ and $F_2(x)$ are identified if $\mu\{x; F_1(x) \neq F_2(x)\} = 0$. Typical examples of Wiener functionals are solutions of stochastic differential equations or multiple Wiener integrals (see Itô [2]).

Malliavin [3] introduced a notion of derivatives of Wiener functionals and applied it to the absolute continuity of the probability law induced by a solution of stochastic differential equations at a fixed time. Here, we define the derivatives of Wiener functionals in a somewhat different way and rephrase a theorem of Malliavin. We will apply it to the absolute continuity of the probability law induced by a system of multiple Wiener integrals.

2. Let (B, H, μ) be the Wiener space or more generally, any abstract Wiener space. Let E be a Banach space, F be a mapping from B into E, and $\mathcal{L}(B, E)$ denote the space of all bounded linear operators from B into E. If there exists an operator $T \in \mathcal{L}(B, E)$ such that

(2) F(x+y)-F(x)=T(y)+o(||y||) as $||y|| \rightarrow 0$ $(y \in B)$, then F is said to be B-differentiable at $x \in B$, and the operator T is called the B-derivative (or Fréchet derivative) of F at $x \in B$, F'(x) in