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# Weak Convergence of an Empirical Process Indexed by the Closed Convex Subsets of $I^2$

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Summary. Let  $I^2$  be the unit cube of  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $X_i$  be independent  $I^2$ -valued random variables that are distributed according to Lebesgue-measure. If S is the set of closed convex subsets of  $I^2$  we consider the process  $\{\mu_n(A)\}_{A \in S}$ , where  $\mu_n(A) = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^{n} 1_A(X_i)$ . It is proved that this process suitably normalized converges in a suitable weak sense to a Gaussian process.

## **§0. Introduction**

Let  $I^2$  be the unit cube in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $X_i$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a sequence of independent  $I^2$ -valued random variables that are distributed according to Lebesgue-measure  $\lambda$ . Let S be the set of closed convex subsets of  $I^2$ . We consider the process  $\{\mu_n(A)\}_{A \in S}$  where  $\mu_n(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{1}_A(X_i)$ . It is the purpose of this paper to prove that this process, appropriately normalized, converges in a suitably weak sense to a Gaussian process.

S has two natural metrics:  $\rho(A, B) = \lambda(A - B) + \lambda(B - A)$  and the Hausdorff metric  $\delta(A, B) = \max(\sup_{x \in A} \inf_{y \in B} d(x, y))$ ,  $\sup_{y \in B} \inf_{x \in A} d(x, y)$  (d the Euclidean metric). It is known that  $(S, \delta)$  is a compact metric space and that  $\delta$  and  $\rho$  generate the same topology on the subset of S which consists of sets with nonvoid interior. There exists a constant K > 0 such that

(0.1)  $\rho(A, B) \leq K \delta(A, B)$  for all  $A, B \in S$  (see e.g. [5] (4.2)).

The first problem one encounters is that the paths of  $\mu_n$  are not continuous on S. They are of course bounded and Borel-measurable functions on S, but  $\mu_n$  as a mapping from the basic probability space to the nonseparable Banach space of bounded measurable functions on S (endowed with the sup-norm) cannot be Borel-measurable. The tool for solving these problems is provided by the theory of weak convergence developed by Dudley [3]. In order to apply this theory one has to show that  $\mu_n$  is measurable as a mapping into the space of bounded measurable functions on S equipped with the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the balls of the sup-norm. (This  $\sigma$ -algebra is smaller than the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra). These measurability considerations are found in §1. After some preliminary work in §2, weak convergence in the sense of Dudley is proved in §3.

There is a paper by A. deHoyos in which such a theorem has been stated in incorrect form because it does not take into account the fact that the paths of  $\mu_n$  are not continuous ([6], Cor. 3). Beside this the proof contains other defects, the most serious one being that deHoyos seems to make use of the following false statement:

If  $\{Z_n^{\varepsilon}(t)\}_{t\in T}$ ,  $\{Z^{\varepsilon}(t)\}_{t\in T}$ ,  $n\in\mathbb{N}$ ,  $\varepsilon>0$  are processes with some index set T and if  $Z_n^{\varepsilon} \to Z^{\varepsilon}$  in some weak sense for each  $\varepsilon>0$  and if  $Z_n^{\varepsilon}(t) \to Z_n^{0}(t)$  and  $Z^{\varepsilon}(t) \to Z^{0}(t)$  in  $L_2$  as  $\varepsilon \to 0$  for each t then  $Z_n^{0} \to Z^{0}$  weakly. ([6], p. 161).

#### §1. Notations and Measurability Considerations

Let S,  $\lambda$ ,  $\delta$ ,  $\rho$  and d be defined as in §0. Let further  $\mathscr{B}(S)$  be the set of Borelsubsets of S (with respect to  $\delta$ ), B(S) the set of real-valued bounded  $\mathscr{B}(S)$ measurable functions on S and C(S) the continuous functions on S. For  $f \in B(S)$ we set  $||f|| = \sup\{|f(A)|: A \in S\}$ . (C(S), || ||) is a separable and (B(S), || ||) a nonseparable Banach-space. Let  $\mathscr{C}$  and  $\mathscr{D}$  be the class of Borel-subsets of C(S)and B(S). Further let  $\mathscr{S}$  be the  $\sigma$ -algebra on B(S) which is generated by the balls  $\{f: ||f-g|| < \varepsilon\}_{g \in B(S), \varepsilon > 0}$ .

Let  $(\Omega, \mathscr{A}, P)$  be a complete probability space and  $X_i$ ,  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ , be a sequence of independent  $I^2$ -valued,  $\lambda$ -distributed random variables. Let

$$\mu_n(A,\omega) = (1/n) \sum_{i=1}^n 1_A(X_i(\omega)) \quad \text{and} \quad Y_n(A,\omega) = \sqrt{n}(\mu_n(A,\omega) - \lambda(A)).$$

We interpret the  $\mu_n$  (and  $Y_n$ ) as mappings from  $\Omega$  to B(S):  $\mu_n(\omega)(A) = \mu_n(A, \omega)$ . The aim of this section is to prove

**Proposition 1.**  $\mu_n: (\Omega, \mathscr{A}) \to (B(S), \mathscr{S})$  is measurable for each *n*.

Throughout this section  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\delta$  are always rational and >0. If  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  let  $\mathscr{B}_n^*$  be the class of universally measurable sets in  $((I^2)^n, \mathscr{B}((I^2)^n))$ , that is the subsets of  $(I^2)^n$  which are in the completion of  $\mathscr{B}((I^2)^n)$  relative to any finite Borel-measure on  $(I^2)^n$ .

For  $A \in S$  let  $A^1 = A$  and  $A^0 = A^c$  (the complement of A)

Lemma 1. Let  $\Gamma \in \mathscr{B}(S)$ ,  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $(i_1, \ldots, i_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n$ . Then

$$\bigcup_{\mathbf{A}\in\Gamma}A^{i_1}\times\cdots\times A^{i_n}\in\mathscr{B}_n^*.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\Delta$  be a point which is separated from  $(I^2)^n$ . We define a map

$$\Phi: S \times (I^2)^n \to (I^2)^n \cup \{\Delta\}$$
  

$$\Phi(A, y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = \begin{cases} (y_1, \dots, y_n) & \text{if } y_k \in A^{i_k} \text{ for each } k \\ \Delta & \text{else.} \end{cases}$$

We claim that this map is Borel-measurable.

For  $\delta(>0, \text{ rational})$  let  $x_1^{\delta}, \dots, x_{m(\delta)}^{\delta} \in I^2$  be such that  $\bigcup_{j=1}^{m(\delta)} U_{\delta}(x_j^{\delta}) = I^2$  where  $U_{\delta}(x) = \{y \in I^2 : d(x, y) < \delta\}$ . We will drop the upper index  $\delta$  in  $x_i^{\delta}$  when no confusion can arise.

Let  $V_1, \ldots, V_n$  be open in  $I^2$  with  $\Delta \notin V_1 \times \cdots \times V_n$ . If we show that

(1.1) 
$$\Phi^{-1}(V_1 \times \cdots \times V_n) \in \mathscr{B}(S) \otimes \mathscr{B}((I^2)^n)$$

measurability will follow.

For  $\delta$  and  $1 \leq j_1, \dots, j_n \leq m(\delta)$  let

$$A^{j_1,\ldots,j_n} = \{A \in S \colon A \cap U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \neq \emptyset \text{ for those } k \text{ with} \\ i_k = 1, A \cap U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) = \emptyset \text{ for those } k \text{ with } i_k = 0\}$$

$$C^{i_k} = \begin{cases} U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) & \text{if } U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \subset V_k \end{cases}$$

$$\mathcal{O}_{\mathcal{F}} = \begin{cases} \emptyset & \text{if not.} \end{cases}$$

It is easy to see that  $A^{j_1,\ldots,j_n} \in \mathscr{B}(S)$ . Now

(1.2) 
$$\Phi^{-1}(V_1 \times \cdots \times V_n) = \bigcup_{\varepsilon > 0} \bigcap_{\delta < \varepsilon} \bigcup_{j_1, \dots, j_n = 1}^{m(\delta)} \Lambda^{j_1, \dots, j_n} \times C^{j_1} \times \cdots \times C^{j_n}.$$

In fact: If  $(A, y_1, ..., y_n) \in \Phi^{-1}(V_1 \times \cdots \times V_n)$  then  $y_k \in A^{i_k} \cap V_k$  for all k. So there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that for  $\delta < \varepsilon$  and  $y_k \in U_{\delta}(x_{j_k})$ ,  $U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \subset V_k$  for all k and  $U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \subset A^{i_k}$  for those k with  $i_k = 0$ . Further  $U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \cap A^{i_k} \neq \emptyset$  for k with  $i^k = 1$ . So  $(A, y_1, ..., y_n) \in$  right side of (1.2).

Conversely if  $(A, y_1, ..., y_n) \in \text{right side of } (1.2)$  then there is an  $\varepsilon$  such that for  $\delta < \varepsilon$ there exists  $j_1, ..., j_n$  with  $y_k \in U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \subset V_k$  for all k,  $A \cap U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) \neq \emptyset$  if  $i_k = 1$  and  $A \cap U_{\delta}(x_{j_k}) = \emptyset$  if  $i_k = 0$ . By compactness of A we have  $y_k \in A$  if  $i_k = 1$ . So

 $(A, y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \Phi^{-1}(V_1 \times \dots \times V_n)$ 

So (1.2) and (1.1) are proved.

Now

$$\bigcup_{A\in\Gamma} A^{i_1}\times\cdots\times A^{i_n}=\Phi(\Gamma\times(I^2)^n)\cap(I^2)^n.$$

As  $S \times (I^2)^n$  is a complete separable metric space and  $\Phi$  is measurable, it follows from Theorem 3.4 Ch. I of [7] that  $\bigcup_{A \in \Gamma} A^{i_1} \times \cdots \times A^{i_n}$  is analytic, so in  $\mathscr{B}_n^*$ .

The same proof gives the following corollary which is probably well known but has until now escaped my attention.

**Corollary.** Let K be a compact metric space,  $2^{K}$  the set of closed subsets of K equipped with the Hausdorff metric and further  $\mathscr{B}(2^{K})$  the class of Borel subsets of  $2^{K}$  (with respect to the Hausdorff metric). If  $\Gamma \in \mathscr{B}(2^{K})$  then  $| \ | \Gamma$  is analytic in K.

Proof of Proposition 1. Let

 $\Psi: (I^2)^n \to B(S)$  be defined as follows

$$\Psi(y_1, ..., y_n) = (1/n) \sum_{j=1}^n 1.(y_j)$$

Clearly  $\mu_n(\omega, A) = \Psi(X_1(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega))(A).$ 

By the completeness of  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$  it suffices to prove that

 $\Psi$ :  $((I^2)^n, \mathscr{B}_n^*) \to (B(S), \mathscr{S})$ 

is measurable.

Let  $g \in B(S)$  and  $\sigma > 0$  be fixed. We will show that

(1.3) 
$$D_{g,\sigma} = \{(y_1, \dots, y_n) \in (I^2)^n : \| \Psi(y_1, \dots, y_n) - g \| \le \sigma \} \in \mathscr{B}_n^*.$$

Let

$$\Gamma_k = \{A \in S \colon |g(A) - k/n| > \sigma\} \in \mathscr{B}(S).$$

As is easy to see

(1.4) 
$$D_{g,\sigma} = \bigcap_{k=0}^{n} \bigcap_{A \in I_k} \left[ \bigcup_{\substack{i_1, \dots, i_n \in \{0, 1\}^n \\ i_1 + \dots + i_n = k}} A^{i_1} \times \dots \times A^{i_n} \right]^c.$$

By Lemma 1

$$\bigcup_{\mathbf{A}\in\Gamma_k}\bigcup_{\substack{i_1,\ldots,i_n\\i_1+\cdots+i_n=k}}A^{i_1}\times\cdots\times A^{i_n}\in\mathscr{B}_n^*.$$

So  $D_{g,\sigma}$  which is the intersection of the complements of these n+1 sets is in  $\mathscr{B}_n^*$ . The proposition is proved.

### §2. Approximating Convex Sets from Above

In order to prove weak convergence of our empirical process, we want to use a technique like that employed by Strassen and Dudley [8] for the case of Lipschitz-continuous independent summands in C(K), where K is a compact metric space. Instead of continuity we use the fact that the summands in  $\sum (1_A(X_i) - \lambda(A))$  up to the Lipschitz-continuous  $\lambda(A)$  are monotone in A. To make this work, we have to approximate the elements in S from above by classes of not to many sets.

We have to blow up  $I^2$  somewhat. Let  $\hat{S}$  be the set of closed convex subsets of  $[-1,2]^2$ . The following proposition is taken from Dudley [5] (Theorem 4.1)

**Proposition 2.** For  $\varepsilon > 0$  there exist coverings  $\tilde{S} = \bigcup_{j=1}^{N(\varepsilon)} \tilde{S}_j^{\varepsilon}$  with  $\delta(\tilde{S}_j^{\varepsilon}) < \varepsilon$  and  $\log(N(\varepsilon)) = o(\varepsilon^{-\beta})$  as  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  for each  $\beta > 1/2$ , where

$$\delta(\tilde{S}_{j}^{\epsilon}) = \sup_{A, B \in \tilde{S}_{j}^{\epsilon}} \delta(A, B).$$

Let  $B_j^{(m)}$  be elements in  $\tilde{S}_j^{2^{-m}}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq N(2^{-m})$ . For  $A \in S$  let  $A_m = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^2 : d(x, A) \leq 2^{-m}\} \in \tilde{S}$ . Then  $A_m \in \tilde{S}_j^{2^{-m-1}}$  for some j. Let  $\hat{A}_m = I^2 \cap B_j^{(m+1)}$ . From the convexity of  $A \in S$  and the above construction one has:

(2.1) for each  $A \in S$ ,  $m \in \mathbb{N}$   $\hat{A}_m \in S$ (2.2)  $\hat{A}_m \supset A$ (2.3)  $\delta(\hat{A}_m, A) \leq 3 \cdot 2^{-m-1}$ Let  $\lambda_m = \operatorname{card} \{ \hat{A}_m : A \in S \}$ . Then (2.4)  $\lambda_m \leq N(2^{-m-1})$ .

Let now  $\check{A}_m = \{x \in I^2 : d(x, (\hat{A}_m)^c) \ge 2^{-m+1}\}$ . Then one easily obtains

- (2.5)  $\check{A}_m \in S$
- $(2.6) \quad \check{A}_m \subset A$
- (2.7) there is a constant c > 0 such that for each  $m \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $A \in S \rho(\hat{A}_m, \check{A}_m) \leq c 2^{-m}$ .

Note that one cannot have  $\delta(\hat{A}_m, \check{A}_m) \leq c \, 2^{-m}$  in (2.7).

## §3. Weak Convergence of the Empirical Process

Let (M, d) be a metric space and  $\mathcal{M}$  the class of Borel-sets. If  $\mathcal{M}'$  is another  $\sigma$ -algebra of sets in M, v a measure on  $(M, \mathcal{M}')$  and F a bounded function on M we set

$$\int_{*}^{*} F \, dv = \inf\{ \int f \, dv: f \ge F, f \, \mathcal{M}' \text{-measurable} \}$$
  
$$\int_{*} F \, dv = \sup\{ \int f \, dv: f \le F, f \, \mathcal{M}' \text{-measurable} \}.$$

We take the following definition from Dudley [3]:

If v is a Borel-measure on M and  $v_n$  is a sequence of measures (not necessarily Borel), we say

 $v_n \rightarrow v \text{ (weak *)}$ 

if for every bounded continuous function F on M

$$\lim_{v \to \infty} \int F \, dv_n = \lim_{v \to \infty} \int F \, dv_n = \int F \, dv.$$

A set  $\mathscr{K}$  of measures on M is said to be weak\*-sequentially relatively compact if for any sequence  $\{\beta_n\} \subset \mathscr{K}$  there is a subsequence converging weak\* to a Borel-measure on M.

Let  $\mu$  be the Gaussian measure on  $(C(S), \mathscr{C})$  such that for  $A, B \in S$ 

$$\int_{C(S)} f(A) \mu(df) = 0, \qquad \int_{C(S)} f(A) f(B) \mu(df) = \lambda(A \cap B) - \lambda(A) \lambda(B).$$

Such a measure exists (see Dudley [4], Theorem 4.3). Clearly  $\mu$  extends to a Borelmeasure on  $(B(S), \mathcal{D})$ .

Let  $\kappa_A: B(S) \to \mathbb{R}$ ,  $\kappa_A(f) = f(A)$  and  $\mathscr{S}'$  be the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by  $\mathscr{S}$  and the  $\kappa_A$ 's. Further let  $\mu^n$  be the measures on  $(B(S), \mathscr{S}')$  induced by the maps

$$\Omega \to B(S)$$
  

$$\omega \to Y_n(\cdot, \omega) = \sqrt{n}(\mu_n(\cdot, \omega) - \hat{\lambda}(\cdot)).$$

By Proposition 1 the  $\mu^n$  are defined on  $(B(S), \mathscr{S}')$ .

We can now formulate our main result. An earlier unsuccessful attempt at such a theorem was made by deHoyos [6].

**Theorem 1.**  $\mu^n \rightarrow \mu$  (weak\*).

We quote the following version of the Bernstein inequality

**Lemma 2.** Let  $\xi_i$  be i.i.d.r.v. with  $E(\xi_i) = 0$ ,  $E(\xi_i^2) = \sigma^2$  and  $|\xi_i| \le 1$  a.s. Then  $P\left(\left|\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i\right| > t\right) \le 2\exp(-t^2/(2n\sigma^2 + 2t/3)).$ 

For a proof see [1]. A straightforward corollary is

**Lemma 3.** For any a > 0 and  $A, B \in S$ 

 $P(|Y_n(A) - Y_n(B)| > a) \leq 2\exp(-n a^2/(2n \rho(A, B) + 2\sqrt{n} a/3)).$ 

We state the following convention for the rest of the paper: *m* and *n* are always related by  $m = \lfloor \log n/\alpha \log 2 \rfloor$  where  $\alpha < 2$  is fixed and sufficiently close to 2 ('sufficiency' being clear in what follows)

**Lemma 4.** For each  $\varepsilon > 0$  and  $m \in \mathbb{N}$   $\{f \in B(S): \sup_{A \in S} |f(A) - f(\hat{A}_m)| > \varepsilon\} \in \mathscr{S}'.$ 

*Proof.* Let  $\hat{B}(S) = \{g \in B(S): g(A) = g(B) \text{ whenever } \hat{A}_m = \hat{B}_m\}$ . Clearly  $(\hat{B}(S), || ||)$  is separable. Let Q be a countable dense subset in  $\hat{B}(S)$ . For  $f \in B(S)$  let  $\hat{f} \in \hat{B}(S)$  be defined by  $\hat{f}(A) = f(\hat{A}_m)$ . Then clearly  $\sup_{A \in S} |f(A) - f(\hat{A}_m)| > \varepsilon$  if and only if there is a  $\varepsilon' > \varepsilon$  such that for each  $\delta > 0$  there exists a  $g \in Q$  such that  $||f - g|| > \varepsilon' - \delta$  and  $||\hat{f} - g|| < \delta$ . So the lemma follows.

**Lemma 5.** For each  $\varepsilon > 0$   $\lim_{n \to \infty} (\mu^n)^* \{ f : \sup_{A \in S} |f(A) - f(\hat{A}_m)| > \varepsilon \} = 0.$ 

Proof. From Lemma 4 it follows that

$$(\mu^n)^* \{ f: \sup_{A \in S} |f(A) - f(\hat{A}_m)| > \varepsilon \} = P\{ \omega: \sup_{A \in S} |Y_n(A, \omega) - Y_n(\hat{A}_m, \omega)| > \varepsilon \}.$$

We therefore have to show that

(3.1) 
$$\lim_{n\to\infty} P\{\omega: \sup_{A\in S} |Y_n(A,\omega) - Y_n(A_m,\omega)| > \varepsilon\} = 0.$$

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Now  $|\lambda(\hat{A}_m) - \lambda(\check{A}_m)| = O(2^{-m}), \sqrt{n} = o(2^m)$ , so there is a  $n_0(\varepsilon)$  such that for  $n \ge n_0(\varepsilon)$ (3.2)  $\{\omega: \sqrt{n} | (\mu_n(A) - \lambda(A)) - (\mu_n(\hat{A}_m) - \lambda(\hat{A}_m))| > \varepsilon \}$   $\subset \{\omega: \sqrt{n} (\mu_n(\hat{A}_m) - \mu_n(A)) > 2\varepsilon/3 \}$   $\subset \{\omega: \sqrt{n} (\mu_n(\hat{A}_m) - \mu_n(\check{A}_m)) > 2\varepsilon/3 \}$  $\subset \{\omega: \sqrt{n} | \mu_n(\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m) - \lambda(\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m)| > \varepsilon/3 \}.$ 

Let  $\xi_i = 1_{\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m}(X_i) - \hat{\lambda}(\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m)$ . Then  $E(\xi_i) = 0$ ,  $E(\xi_i^2) = O(2^{-m})$  and  $|\xi_i| \leq 1$  a.s. By Lemma 2

(3.3) 
$$P\{\omega: \sup_{A \in S} \sqrt{n} |\mu_n(\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m) - \lambda(\hat{A}_m - \check{A}_m)| > \varepsilon/3\}$$
$$< 2\lambda_m \exp(-n\varepsilon^2/(cn2^{-m} + 2\sqrt{n}\varepsilon)) \quad \text{for some } c > 0$$
$$= o(1).$$

(3.2) and (3.3) prove (3.1).

*Proof of Theorem 1.* If  $A_1, ..., A_k \in S$  are fixed, one has by the multivariate central limit theorem

(3.4) 
$$(\mu^n \kappa_{A_1}^{-1}, \dots, \mu^n \kappa_{A_k}^{-1}) \rightarrow (\mu \kappa_{A_1}^{-1}, \dots, \mu \kappa_{A_k}^{-1})$$
 weakly in  $\mathbb{R}^k$ .

Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. We shall prove that

(3.5) 
$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} (\mu^n)^* \{ f: \sup_{\delta(A,B) < \delta} |f(A) - f(B)| > \varepsilon \} = 0.$$

By (0.1) it suffices to prove this relation with  $\delta(\cdot, \cdot)$  replaced by  $\rho(\cdot, \cdot)$ . We have

$$(3.6) \quad \{f: \sup_{\rho(A,B)<\delta} |f(A) - f(B)| > \varepsilon\} \\ \subset \{f: \sup_{A\in S} |f(A) - f(\hat{A}_m)| > \varepsilon/3\} \cup \{f: \sup_{\rho(A,B)<\delta} |f(\hat{A}_m) - f(\hat{B}_m)| > \varepsilon/3\}.$$

Clearly the last event is in  $\mathscr{S}'$ . It suffices therefore to show that

(3.7) 
$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} P(\omega: \sup_{\rho(A,B) < \delta} |Y_n(\hat{A}_m) - Y_n(\hat{B}_m)| > \varepsilon) = 0.$$

Let  $\zeta > 0$ , then (Lemma 3)

$$P(\sup_{A\in\mathcal{S}}|Y_n(\hat{A}_j) - Y_n(\hat{A}_{j-1})| > \zeta) \leq \lambda_j^2 \rho_{j,n}(\zeta)$$

where

$$\rho_{j,n}(\zeta) = 2\exp(-\sqrt{n}\,\zeta^2/(c\,\sqrt{n}\,2^{-j}+2\,\zeta/3)) \quad \text{(note } \rho(\hat{A}_j,\hat{A}_{j-1}) \leq c'\,2^{-j} \text{ by (2.7)}.$$

Take  $\zeta_j = j^{-2}$ ; then there exists  $m_0$  such that for  $m_0 \leq j \leq m$ 

$$\rho_{j,n}(\zeta_j) \leq 2\exp(-2^{(\alpha m/2)}2^{(2j/3)}/(2^{(\alpha m/2)}+2^{(5j/6)}))$$

(recall the relation between *m* and *n*:  $2^{(\alpha m/2)} \leq \sqrt{n} \leq 2^{(\alpha(m+1)/2)}$ ), whence for  $10/6 < \alpha < 2 \rho_{j,n}(\zeta_j) \leq 2\exp(-2^{(2j/3-1)})$ . Applying (2.4), for each  $\sigma > 0$  there exists  $m_1(\sigma) \geq m_0$  such that for  $m_1 \leq m' \leq m \sum_{j=m'}^m \lambda_j^2 \rho_{j,n}(\zeta_j) < \sigma$ , whence

$$(3.8) \quad \sum_{j=m'}^{m} P\{\sup_{A\in S} |Y_n(\hat{A}_j) - Y_n(\hat{A}_{j-1})| > j^{-2}\} < \sigma.$$

Let now  $\varepsilon$ ,  $\varepsilon' > 0$  be given and choose  $m_2 \ge m_1(\varepsilon'/3)$  such that

$$(3.9) \quad \sum_{j=m_2}^{\infty} j^{-2} < \varepsilon/3.$$

If  $\rho(A, B) < \delta$  then from Lemma 3

$$\begin{split} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \lambda_k^2 P\{|Y_n(\hat{A}_k) - Y_n(\hat{B}_k)| > \varepsilon/3\} \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} \lambda_k^2 2 \exp\left(-\frac{n \varepsilon^2}{3} \left/ (2n(\delta + c' 2^{-k}) + 2\sqrt{n} \varepsilon/3)\right) \\ &< 3 \exp(2^{\beta k} - c \varepsilon^2 (1/(\delta + c' 2^{-k}))) \end{split}$$

for some c, c' > 0, any  $\beta > 1/2$  and  $k \ge k_1(\beta)$ . We can therefore choose  $\delta_1(\varepsilon, \varepsilon', \beta) > 0$ ,  $m_3 > \max(m_2, k_1(\beta))$  and  $n_1$  such that for all  $0 < \delta < \delta_1$ 

$$(3.10) \quad \lambda_{m_3}^2 P\{|Y_n(\hat{A}_{m_3}) - Y_n(\hat{B}_{m_3})| > \varepsilon/3\} < \varepsilon'/3 \quad \text{if } n \ge n_1, \quad \rho(A, B) < \delta.$$

(3.8) - (3.10) give

$$\begin{split} P(\sup_{\rho(A,B)<\delta} |Y_n(\hat{A}_m) - Y_n(\hat{B}_m)| > \varepsilon) \\ &\leq P(\sup_{\rho(A,B)<\delta} |Y_n(\hat{A}_{m_3}) - Y_n(\hat{B}_{m_3})| > \varepsilon/3) \\ &+ 2\sum_{j=m_3+1}^{\infty} P(\sup_{A\in S} |Y_n(\hat{A}_j) - Y_n(\hat{A}_{j-1})| > j^{-2}) < \varepsilon'. \end{split}$$

for  $n \ge n_1$  and  $m \ge m_3$ , that is for *n* sufficiently large. This yields (3.7) and with (3.6) and Lemma 5 (3.5).

It follows from Theorem 1 and Proposition 2 of [3] that  $\mu^n$  is weak-sequentially relatively compact.

If  $\mu^{n_k}$  is a subsequent converging to v then for  $A_1, \ldots, A_n \in S$ 

$$(\mu^{n_k} \kappa_{A_1}^{-1}, \dots, \mu^{n_k} \kappa_{A_n}^{-1}) \to (\mu \kappa_{A_1}^{-1}, \dots, \mu \kappa_{A_n}^{-1}).$$

It follows that

$$(\mu \kappa_{A_1}^{-1} \dots, \mu \kappa_{A_n}^{-1}) = (\nu \kappa_{A_1}^{-1}, \dots, \nu \kappa_{A_n}^{-1}).$$

Now proposition 2 of [3] shows that v too sits on C(S). But the finite dimensional separate the distributions on  $(C(S), \mathcal{C})$ . So it follows that  $v = \mu$ .

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