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Auxiliary calculation

Let $a,b \in \mathbb{R}^n$ be elements of an inner product space over the field \mathbb{R} . If the inner product is a valid bilinear form then we have for scalars c:

$$c \cdot \langle a, b \rangle^k = \prod_{i=1}^k \sqrt[k]{c} \langle a, b \rangle$$
$$= \langle \sqrt[k]{c} a, b \rangle^k.$$

Furthermore, the multinomial theorem asserts that

$$\left[\sum_{i=1}^{n} x_{i}\right]^{k} = \sum_{m_{1} + \dots + m_{n} = k}^{k} {k \choose m_{1}, \dots, m_{n}} \prod_{t=1}^{n} x_{t}^{m_{t}},$$

where $\binom{k}{m_1,\dots,m_n}$ represents the binomial coefficient.

Starting off with McLaurin:

$$k(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{\mu}) = e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu})^{T}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu})}$$

$$= e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}(\mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu}, \mathbf{x} - \mathbf{\mu})}$$

$$= \underbrace{e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}(\mathbf{x}, \mathbf{x})}}_{a(\mathbf{x})} e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}[-2\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{\mu} \rangle]} \underbrace{e^{-\frac{1}{2\sigma^{2}}[-2\langle \mathbf{\mu}, \mathbf{\mu} \rangle]}}_{a(\mathbf{\mu})}$$

$$= a(\mathbf{x})a(\mathbf{\mu}) \left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sigma^{2}} \right)^{k} \frac{(\langle \mathbf{x}, \mathbf{\mu} \rangle)^{k}}{k!} \right]$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\langle \frac{\sqrt[k]{a(\mathbf{x})}}{\sqrt[k]{k!}} \mathbf{x}, \frac{\sqrt[k]{a(\mathbf{\mu})}}{\sqrt[k]{k!}} \mathbf{\mu} \rangle \right)^{k}$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (\langle b(\mathbf{x}) \mathbf{x}, b(\mathbf{\mu}) \mathbf{\mu} \rangle)^{k}$$

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utilizing, that

$$\begin{split} \phi_{k,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) &= \sqrt{\binom{k}{m_1, \dots, m_n}} \prod_{t=1}^n [b(\mathbf{x}) x_t]^{m_t} \\ \phi_{k,\alpha}(\mathbf{\mu}) &= \sqrt{\binom{k}{m_1, \dots, m_n}} \prod_{t=1}^n [b(\mathbf{\mu}) \mu_t]^{m_t}. \end{split}$$

This can be decomposed into a dot product again, which leads to:

$$\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{|\alpha|=k} \phi_{k,\alpha}(\mathbf{x}) \phi_{k,\alpha}(\mathbf{\mu}) \right) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \mathbf{\Phi}_k(\mathbf{x})^{\mathrm{T}} \mathbf{\Phi}_k(\mathbf{\mu}),$$

where

$$\mathbf{\Phi}_k(\mathbf{x})_i = \phi_{k,f(i)}(\mathbf{x}),$$

with index set $f: \mathbb{N} \to \{\alpha: m_1 + \dots + m_n = k, m_j \in \mathbb{N}\}.$