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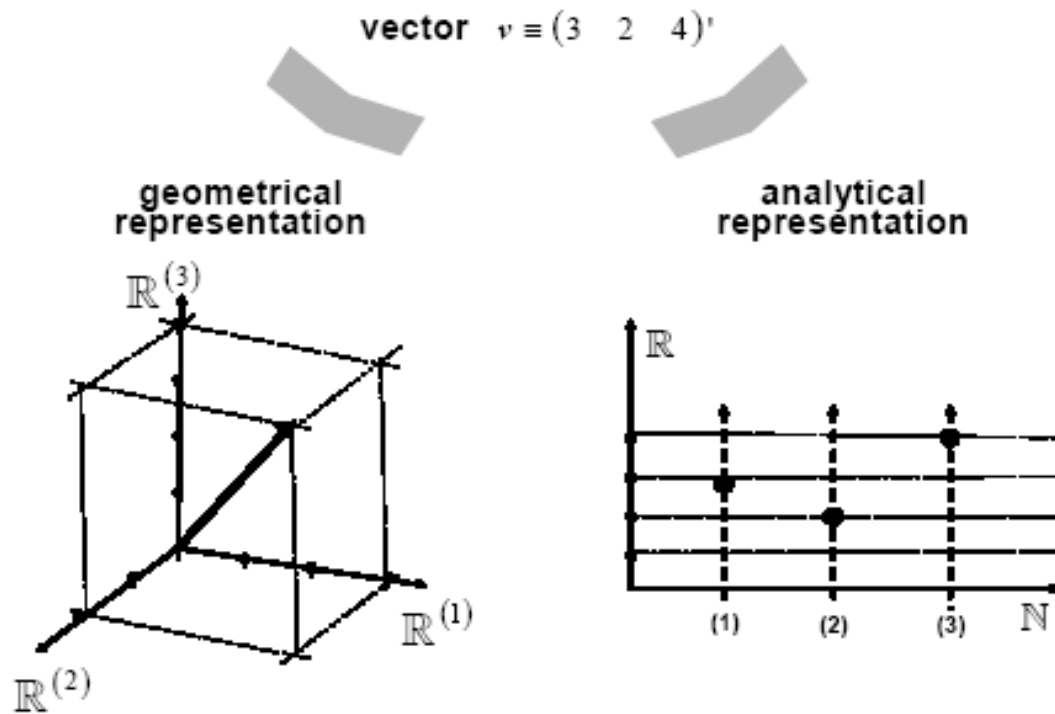


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linear  
algebra

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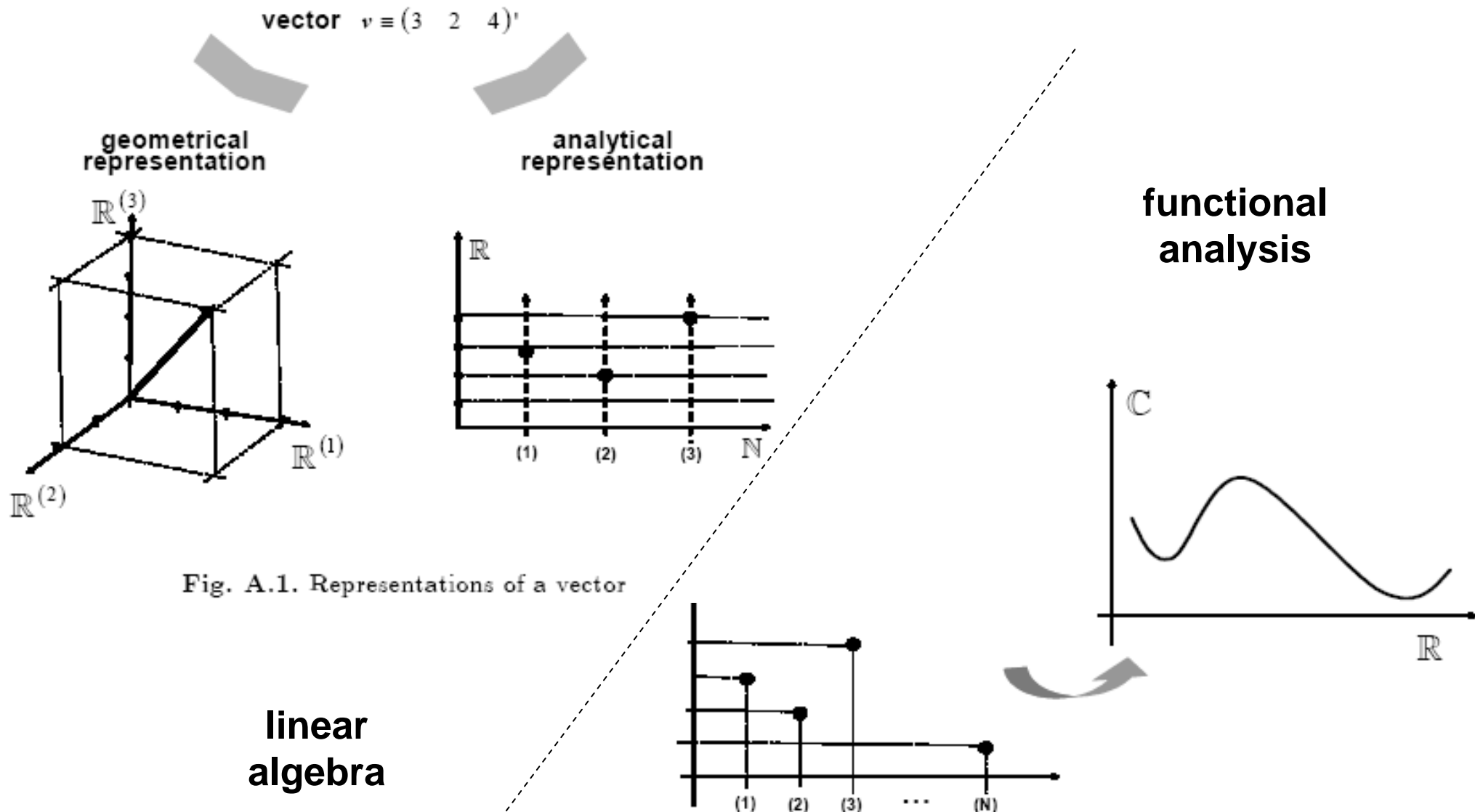


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Fig. B.1. From linear algebra to functional analysis



inner product	$\langle \mathbf{u}, \mathbf{v} \rangle \equiv \sum_{n=1}^N u_n v_n.$	(A.5)
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canonical  
basis

$$\langle \mathbf{v}, \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(n)} \rangle = v_n. \quad (\text{A.16})$$

$$\begin{aligned} \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(1)} &\equiv (1, 0, \dots, 0)' \\ &\vdots \\ \boldsymbol{\delta}^{(N)} &\equiv (0, 0, \dots, 1)' . \end{aligned} \quad (\text{A.15})$$

**linear  
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**functional  
analysis**

inner product  $\langle u, v \rangle \equiv \int_{\mathbb{R}^N} u(\mathbf{x}) \overline{v(\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x},$  (B.5)

Dirac delta  $\langle v, \delta^{(\mathbf{y})} \rangle \equiv v(\mathbf{y}).$  (B.16)

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^N} v(\mathbf{x}) \overline{\delta^{(\mathbf{y})}(\mathbf{x})} d\mathbf{x} = v(\mathbf{y}). \quad (\text{B.17})$$



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approximate Dirac delta	$\delta_{\epsilon}^{(y)}(\mathbf{x}) \equiv \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{\frac{N}{2}} \epsilon^N} e^{-\frac{1}{2\epsilon^2}(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})'(\mathbf{x}-\mathbf{y})}.$	(B.18)
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	$\langle v, \delta_{\epsilon}^{(y)} \rangle \approx v(y).$	(B.19)
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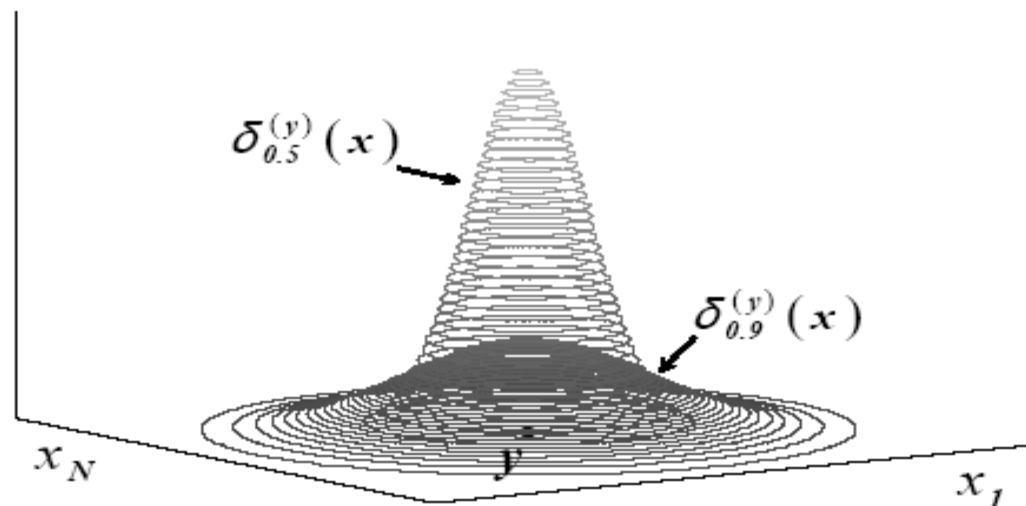


Fig. B.2. Approximation of the Dirac delta with Gaussian exponentials

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$$(1.120) \quad f_{i_T}(x) = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \delta^{(x_t)}(x) \quad \approx \quad f_{i_T;\epsilon} \equiv f_{i_T} * \delta_{\epsilon}^{(0)} = \frac{1}{T} \sum_{t=1}^T \delta_{\epsilon}^{(x_t)} \quad (1.121)$$

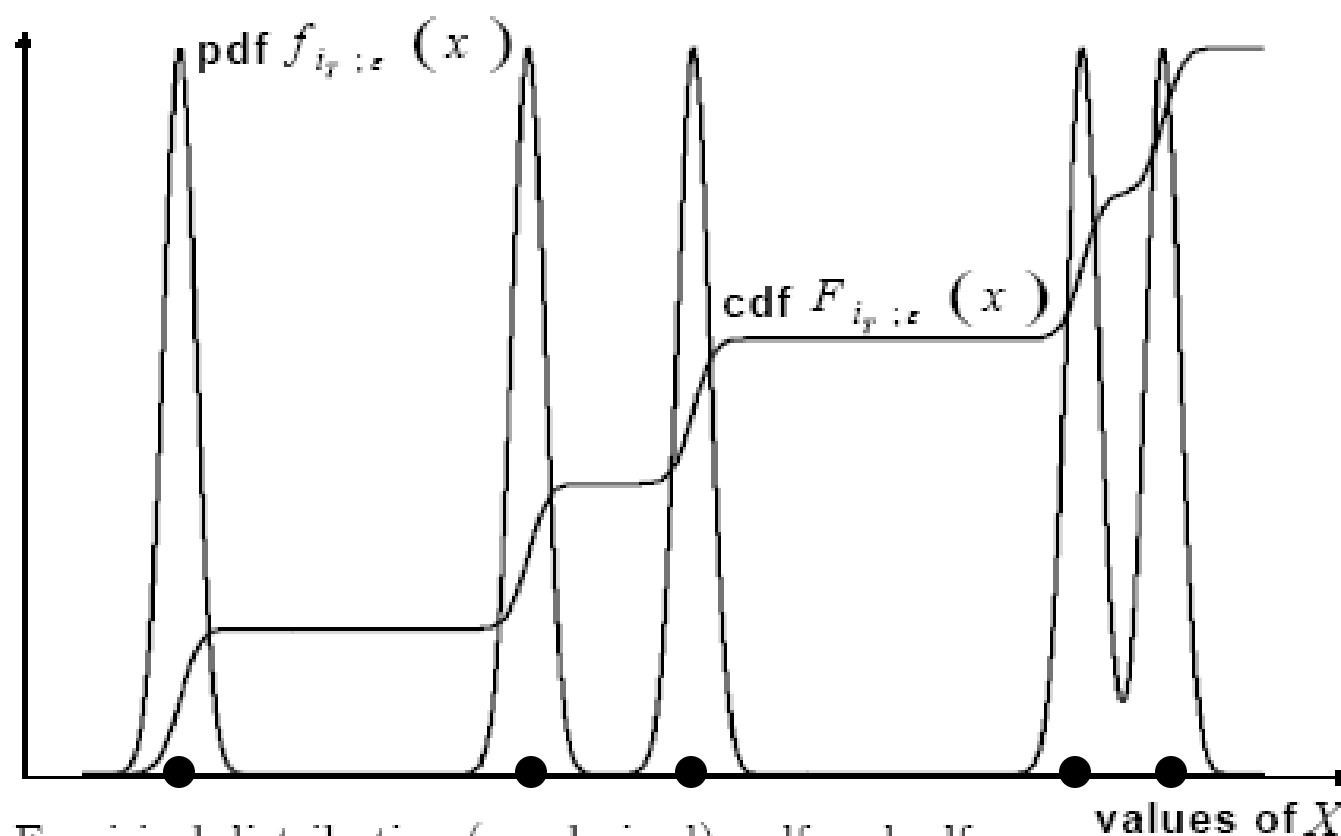


Fig. 1.12. Empirical distribution (regularized): pdf and cdf