$F_i$ ,  $i \in \{1, 2\}$ . We show that if the distribution of Y differs across categories, then so does the distribution of the distance of Y from almost every point z. Therefore, any univariate consistent two-sample test on the distances from z results in a consistent test of the equality of the multivariate distributions  $F_1$  and  $F_2$ , for almost every z. It is straightforward to generalize these results to K > 2 categories.

**Theorem 2.1.** If  $H_0: F_1 = F_2$  is false, then for every  $z \in \Re^q$ , apart from at most a set of Lebesgue measure 0, there exists an r > 0 such that  $F'_{1z}(r) \neq F'_{2z}(r)$ .

Proof. Suppose by contradiction, that there is a set  $\Gamma \subseteq \Re^q$  with positive Lebesgue measure, such that for all  $z \in \Gamma$ ,  $F'_{1z}(r) = F'_{2z}(r)$  for all r > 0. It follows that  $\int_{y \in B_q(z,r)} dF_1(y) - \int_{y \in B_q(z,r)} dF_2(y) = 0$  for all r > 0 and  $z \in \Gamma$ . Since  $|F_1 - F_2| \le 1$ , clearly  $F_1 - F_2$  is of at most exponential-quadratic growth. Moreover, the only real analytic function that vanishes on  $\Gamma$  is the zero function, since  $\Gamma$  has positive Lebesgue measure. Therefore, it follows from Proposition 2.1 that  $F_1 - F_2 = 0$ , thus contradicting the fact that  $H_0$  is false.

Corollary 2.1. For every  $z \in \Re^q$ , apart from at most a set of Lebesgue measure 0, a consistent two-sample univariate test of the null hypothesis  $H'_0: F'_{1z} = F'_{2z}$  will reject  $H_0: F_1 = F_2$  with a power increasing to one as the sample size increases.

Proof. If  $H_0: F_1 = F_2$  is false, then Theorem 2.1 guarantees that for every z, apart from at most a set of Lebesgue measure 0, the null univariate hypothesis,  $H'_0: F'_{1z} = F'_{2z}$ , is false. Since for such a z the asymptotic power of a false null univariate hypothesis will be one for any consistent two-sample univariate test, the power of the multivariate test will be one.

For the multivariate test of independence, let  $X \in \mathbb{R}^p$  and  $Y \in \mathbb{R}^q$  be two random vectors with marginal distributions  $F_X$  and  $F_Y$ , respectively, and with joint distribution  $F_{XY}$ . For  $z = (z_x, z_y), z_x \in \mathbb{R}^p, z_y \in \mathbb{R}^q$ , let  $F'_{XYz}$  be the joint distribution of