

REPRESENTATION THEOREM
FOR MULTIPLY SELF-DECOMPOSABLE PROBABILITY MEASURES
ON GENERALIZED CONVOLUTION ALGEBRA

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Abstract. The purpose of the note is to give the proof of the representation theorem for multiply self-decomposable probability measures on generalized convolution algebra. The proof does not use neither the extreme method nor the representation theorem for α -times monotone functions ($\alpha > 0$).

Throughout the paper we preserve the terminology and notation of [1]-[3]. In particular, by $(\Pi, 0)$ we denote a regular generalized convolution algebra. For probability measure p in Π , let Φ_p be its characteristic function. Let Π_0 denote a class of all infinitely divisible measures in $(\Pi, 0)$. It is well known that for every $p \in \Pi_0$ the function Φ_p is of the form

$$(1) \quad \Phi_p(t) = \exp \left\{ -at^H + \int_0^\infty (\Omega(tx) - 1) M_p(dx) \right\},$$

where $a \geq 0$, M_p is a Borel measure on $(0, \infty)$ and H is a characteristic exponent of an algebra.

This representation is unique (see [3], Theorem 1), determined and M_p is called a *spectral measure* of p .

We repeat (cf. [2]) that a probability measure p in $(\Pi, 0)$ is α -times self-decomposable if for every c in $(0, 1)$ there exists a probability measure $p_{c,\alpha}$ in Π_0 such that

$$(2) \quad p = \bigcirc_{k=0}^{\infty} T_{c^k} p_{c,\alpha}^{r_{k,\alpha}} = p_{c,\alpha} \circ T_c p_{c,\alpha}^{r_{1,\alpha}} \circ T_{c^2} p_{c,\alpha}^{r_{2,\alpha}} \circ \dots,$$

where $p_{c,\alpha}^a$ denotes a measure in Π_0 with its characteristic function $\Phi_{p_{c,\alpha}^a}(t) = \Phi_{p_{c,\alpha}^a}^a(t)$ for every $a > 0$.

Let Π_α denote the class of all α -times self-decomposable measures in $(\Pi, 0)$. Our further aim is to give a proof of the representation theorem of measures in Π_α , in which we do not use neither the extreme method nor the representation of α -times monotone functions. We also obtain a proof of the representation theorem of α -times monotone function.

THEOREM. *The class of characteristic functions of α -times ($\alpha > 0$) self-decomposable measures in $(\Pi, 0)$ coincides with the class of functions of the form*

$$(3) \quad \Phi(t) = \exp \left\{ -at^H + \int_0^1 \left(\int_0^\infty (\Omega(ths) - 1) G(ds) (-\ln h)^{\alpha-1} \frac{dh}{h} \right) \right\},$$

where $t \in [0, \infty)$, $a \geq 0$ and H is the characteristic exponent of the algebra $(\Pi, 0)$, G is a measure defined on $(0, \infty)$ satisfying the following condition:

(4) G is a spectral measure for some $p \in \Pi_0$,

$$(5) \quad \int_1^\infty (\ln s)^\alpha G(ds) < \infty.$$

Two lemmas will precede the proof of the Theorem.

LEMMA 1. *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} S_\alpha &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^n r_{j,\alpha} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(n-1)^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^n r_{j,\alpha} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)^\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^\infty r_{j,\alpha} = \frac{1}{\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)}, \quad \text{where } \Gamma(\alpha) = \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha-1} e^{-t} dt \end{aligned}$$

and

$$(6) \quad r_{j,\alpha} = \binom{\alpha+j-1}{j} = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } j=0, \\ \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-j+1)}{j!} & \text{for } n=1, 2, \dots, \end{cases}$$

α being an arbitrary positive number.

Proof. According to the well-known formula

$$r_{j,\alpha} \sim \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} (j-1)^{\alpha-1}, \quad j = 2, 3, \dots,$$

we have

$$S_\alpha = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n\alpha} \left[1 + \alpha + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{j=2}^n (j-1)^{\alpha-1} \right] = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^\alpha} \sum_{j=1}^n j^{\alpha-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha\Gamma(\alpha)}$$

since, by Cavalieri formula,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^\alpha} \sum_{j=1}^n j^{\alpha-1} = \frac{1}{\alpha},$$

which completes the proof.

LEMMA 2. Let p belong to the class Π_α with its spectral measure M_p as defined by (1). Then there exists a measure G on $(0, \infty)$ such that:

$$(7) \quad G(E) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lim_{t \searrow 0} t^{-\alpha} p_{c,\alpha}(E), \quad c = e^{-t} \quad (t > 0),$$

$p_{c,\alpha}$ being defined by (2);

$$(8) \quad M_p(e^{-u}, \infty) = \int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} \frac{(u+x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G(dx);$$

in particular, if $u = 0$,

$$(8') \quad \int_1^{\infty} (\ln s)^\alpha G(ds) < \infty;$$

(9) E is an arbitrary Borel set with $\bar{E} \subset (0, \infty)$.

Proof. It is easy to check that

$$M_p(E) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} r_{j,\alpha} T_c p_{c,\alpha}(E)$$

for every E satisfying (9).

Put $E_0 = (e^{-u_0}, \infty)$ and $q = (u_0 + \ln x)/t$. We easily can prove that

$$(10) \quad M_p(E_0) = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} r_{j,\alpha} \int_0^{\infty} I_{E_0}(c^j x) p_{c,\alpha}(dx) = \int_{e^{-u_0}}^{\infty} \sum_{0 \leq j < q} r_{j,\alpha} p_{c,\alpha}(dx),$$

where I denotes the indicator function.

By Lemma 2 we can show that

$$\lim_{t \searrow 0} \frac{\sum_{0 \leq j < q} r_{j,\alpha}}{q^\alpha / \alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} = 1$$

uniformly in every interval $[a, \infty)$ with $a > e^{-u_0}$ as $t \rightarrow 0$. From this and by

(10) for $a > e^{-u_0}$, we easily conclude that

$$(11) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{\infty} \sum_{0 \leq j < q} r_{j,\alpha} p_{c,\alpha}(dx) = \frac{1}{\alpha \Gamma(\alpha)} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{\infty} q^\alpha p_{c,x}(dx) < M_p(E_0),$$

$$(12) \quad M_p(E_0) = \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_{e^{-u_0}}^{\infty} \frac{(u_0 + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} p_{t,\alpha}(dx),$$

where

$$(12') \quad \bar{p}_{t,\alpha}(dx) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} t^{-\alpha} p_{c,\alpha}(dx), \quad t = -\ln c.$$

By (11) it is easy to show that there exists a positive number δ such that the family $\{\bar{p}_{t,\alpha}\}$, $0 < t \leq \delta$, is tight in weak topology.

In (12), after choosing $u'_0 > u_0$, we have for every t , $0 < t \leq \delta$,

$$\bar{p}_{t,\alpha}[e^{-u_0}, \infty) \leq \frac{\alpha M_p(E'_0)}{(u'_0 + \ln e^{-u_0})^\alpha} = \frac{\alpha M_p(E'_0)}{(u'_0 - u_0)^\alpha} < \infty,$$

where $E'_0 = (e^{-u_0}, \infty)$.

Hence, by Prokhorov's theorem, there exists a sequence $\bar{p}_{t_n,\alpha}$ ($t_n \searrow 0$) such that $\bar{p}_{t_n,\alpha}$ weakly converges to G_{u_0} on $[e^{-u_0}, \infty)$. Thus, according to (11) and (12), we can show that

$$(13) \quad M_p(E_0) = \int_{e^{-u_0}}^{\infty} \frac{(u_0 + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G_{u_0}(dx)$$

and

$$(14) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \int_a^{\infty} \frac{(u_0 + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} \bar{P}_{t,\alpha}(dx) = \int_a^{\infty} \frac{(a + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G_{u_0}(dx)$$

for every number $a > e^{-u_0}$.

We therefore conclude that G_{u_0} is a unique limiting point of the family $\{\bar{P}_{t,\alpha}\}$, i.e. $\bar{P}_{t,\alpha}$ weakly converges to G_{u_0} on E_0 for every u_0 .

It follows that, for every $u_1 < u_2$, $G_{u_2} = I_{E_2} G_{u_1}$, and

$$\bar{P}_{t,\alpha} \xrightarrow{w} \begin{cases} G_{u_1} & \text{on } E_1, \\ G_{u_2} & \text{on } E_2, \end{cases}$$

where

$$E_1 = (e^{-u_1}, \infty), \quad E_2 = (e^{-u_2}, \infty).$$

Put $G = \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} G_u$. By (12') we get

$$(15) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} \bar{P}_{t,\alpha}(E) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \lim_{t \rightarrow 0} t^{-\alpha} P_{c,\alpha}(E) = G(E)$$

for every Borel subset E with $\bar{E} \subset (0, \infty)$ and $G(\delta E) = 0$.

By (14) we also get

$$M_p(E_0) = \int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} \frac{(u + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G(dx).$$

Putting $u = 0$, we get (8'), which completes the proof of Lemma 2.

Proof of the Theorem. By Lemma 2 we have

$$M_p(u^{-u}, \infty) = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{(u + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G(dx) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_{\ln x}^u (y + \ln x)^{\alpha-1} dy G(dx),$$

whence, for $y = -\ln t$ and $dy = -dt/t$,

$$(16) \quad M_p(e^{-u}, \infty) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_{e^{-u}}^s \left(\ln \frac{s}{t} \right)_+^{\alpha-1} \frac{dt}{t} \right) G(ds) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} \left(\frac{s}{t} \right)_+^{\alpha-1} \frac{dt}{t} \right) G(ds),$$

where

$$\left(\ln \frac{s}{t} \right)_+ = \max \left(\ln \frac{s}{t}, 0 \right).$$

From that it is easy to see that

$$(17) \quad M_p(E) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_E \left(\ln \frac{s}{t} \right)_+^{\alpha-1} \frac{dt}{t} \right) G(ds)$$

for every Borel set E with $\bar{E} \subset (0, \infty)$.

Moreover,

$$(18) \quad \int_0^{\infty} (\Omega(tx) - 1) M_p(dx) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^s (\Omega(tx) - 1) \left(\ln \frac{s}{x} \right)_+^{\alpha-1} \frac{dx}{x} G(ds).$$

After changing the arguments under the integral by putting $x = sh$, we

obtain

$$\int_0^{\infty} (\Omega(tx) - 1) M_p(dx) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_0^1 (\Omega(tsh) - 1) (-\ln h)^{\alpha-1} \frac{dx}{x} \right) G(ds).$$

Since the function under the integral is not negative, we get, by Fubini's theorem and formula (1), formula (3).

By (3) it is easy to show that

$$\int_0^{\infty} (1 - \Omega(tsh)) G(ds) < \infty,$$

i.e. G is the spectral measure.

By Lemma 2, formula (5) is also true. As the second part needs no comment, the proof is completed.

Recall that a function $J(u)$, defined on $(-\infty, \infty)$, is said to be α -times monotone if $J(-\infty) = 0$ and for any $t > 0$ and $x > y$

$$\Delta_t^\alpha J(x) \geq \Delta_t^\alpha J(y), \quad \alpha > 0,$$

where

$$\Delta_t^\alpha J(u) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} J(u - kt).$$

Now we put

$$M_J(E) = \int_{-\ln E} dJ(u).$$

For every Borel subset E with $\bar{E} \subset (0, \infty)$ we have the following

COROLLARY. Three following conditions are equivalent:

- (i) The function $J(u)$ α -times monotone.
- (ii) There exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function J_α on R^1 such that

$$(19) \quad J(u) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{-\infty}^u (u-x)^{\alpha-1} J_\alpha(x) dx.$$

- (iii) The measure M_{J_α} is of the form

$$(20) \quad M_J(E) = \int_0^{\infty} \left(\int_E \left(\ln \frac{s}{t} \right)^{\alpha-1} \frac{dt}{t} \right) G(ds),$$

and $\int_1^{\infty} (\ln s)^\alpha G(ds) < \infty$ for some measure G .

Proof. (i) \Rightarrow (iii). Put

$$\Delta_c^\alpha M_J = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} T_{c^k} M_J = M_{\alpha, c} \quad \text{for } c \in (0, 1).$$

It is easy to show that M_j has the form (9') if and only if $\Delta_c^\alpha M_j(E) > 0$ for every $c \in (0, 1)$ and for every Borel set E with $\bar{E} \subset (0, \infty)$.

By Lemma 2 and formula (17) we conclude that (20) is true and (iii) is proved.

(iii) \Rightarrow (ii). By Lemma 2 and formula (17) it is easy to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} J(u) &= \int_{-\infty}^u dJ(u) = M_j(e^{-u}, \infty) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \frac{(u + \ln x)^\alpha}{\alpha} G(dx) = \int_0^\infty \left(\int_{-\ln u}^u (u-t)^{\alpha-1} dt \right) G(dx) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\int_{-\infty}^u (u-t)^{\alpha-1} I_{(-\ln x, \infty)}(t) dt \right) G(dx) \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^u (u-t)^{\alpha-1} G(e^{-t}, \infty) dt = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{-\infty}^u (u-t)^{\alpha-1} J_\alpha(t) dt, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$J_\alpha(u) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} G(e^{-u}, \infty).$$

The implication (ii) \Rightarrow (i) is immediate, thus the Corollary is proved.

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