

UNIVERSAL MULTIPLY SELF-DECOMPOSABLE PROBABILITY MEASURES ON BANACH SPACES

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Abstract. The aim of the present paper* is to prove the existence of universal Doéblin probability measures for classes of multiply self-decomposable probability measures on Banach spaces.

1. Introduction and notation. Throughout the paper we shall denote by X a real separable Banach space with the norm $\|\cdot\|$ and the topological dual space X^* . Given $r, s > 0$, let

$$B_{r,s} = \{x \in X: r < \|x\| \leq s\}, \quad B_s = \{x \in X: \|x\| < s\},$$

and let B'_s be the complement of B_s . We shall consider only σ -additive measures defined on Borel subsets of X . Given a bounded linear operator A and a measure μ on X let $A\mu$ denote a measure defined by

$$(A\mu)(E) = \mu(A^{-1}E) \quad (E \subset X).$$

In particular, if $Ax = cx$ ($x \in X$) for some $c \in R^1$, then $A\mu$ will be denoted by the usual symbol $T_c\mu$.

Let $L_0(X)$ denote the class of all infinite divisible (i.d.) probability measures (p.m.'s) on X endowed with the weak convergence \Rightarrow . It is well known [3] that for every measure $\mu \in L_0(X)$ its characteristic functional (ch.f.) $\hat{\mu}$ has a unique representation

$$(1.1) \quad \hat{\mu}(y) = \exp \left\{ i \langle x_0, y \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle Ry, y \rangle + \int_X k(x, y) M(dx) \right\} \quad (y \in X^*),$$

where x_0 is a vector in X , R a covariance operator corresponding to the

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symmetric Gaussian component of μ , and M a Lévy measure on X . The kernel k is given by the formula

$$(1.2) \quad k(x, y) = e^{i\langle x, y \rangle} - 1 - i\langle x, y \rangle 1_{B_1}(X) \quad (x \in X, y \in X^*),$$

where 1_E denotes the indicator of a subset E of X .

In the sequel we shall identify μ with the triple $[x_0, R, M]$ in (1.1). In particular, if $x_0 = 0$ and $R = 0$, then μ will be denoted simply by $[M]$ which, for a finite measure M , is of the form

$$[M](E) = e(M)(E) = e^{-M(X)} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} M^{**k}(E)/k! \quad (E \subset X),$$

where the asterisk $*$ denotes the convolution operation. Further, if $t > 0$ and $\mu = [x_0, R, M]$, then we denote by μ^t the p.m. $[tx_0, tR, tM]$.

A p.m. μ on X is called *self-decomposable* if for every $c \in (0, 1)$ there exists a p.m. μ_c such that

$$(1.3) \quad \mu = T_c \mu * \mu_c.$$

Note [7] that if μ is self-decomposable, then μ and μ_c are both i.d.

Multiply self-decomposable p.m.'s were studied by Urbanik [12] on R^1 and by the author [9] on general Banach spaces. Recall [9] that a p.m. μ on X is said to be *n times self-decomposable* if for every $c \in (0, 1)$ the decomposition (1.3) holds, where the measure μ_c is $n-1$ times self-decomposable. Let $L_n(X)$ denote the class of all n times ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) self-decomposable p.m.'s on X . The class $L_\infty(X)$ of *completely self-decomposable* p.m.'s on X is defined as the intersection of all $L_n(X)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$

In the sequel we shall extend the definition of classes $L_n(X)$ to the fractional case $L_\alpha(X)$ ($\alpha > 0$) by introducing operators J^α ($\alpha > 0$) on some σ -finite measures on X . Such operators stand for some analogues of ordinary fractional integration on functions.

In [4] Doéblin proved that there exists an i.d.p.m. belonging to the domain of partial attraction of every one-dimensional i.d.p.m. A natural generalization of this theorem in a Hilbert space was done by Barańska [1], and in a Banach space by Ho Dang Phuc [6]. A new version of the theorem was obtained by the author. Namely, in [10] we presented an operator approach to Doéblin's theorem.

Let A be a bounded linear operator on X and let K be a subclass of $L_0(X)$. A p.m. μ on X is said to be *A-universal* for K if $\mu \in K$ and for every p.m. $\nu \in K$ there exist subsequences $\{n_k\}$ and $\{m_k\}$ of natural numbers such that the sequence $\{A^{n_k} \mu^{m_k}\}$ is shift convergent to ν . The case $K = L_0(X)$ was treated in [10]. In the sequel we shall prove the existence of *A-universal* p.m.'s for $L_\alpha(X)$ ($\alpha > 0$). Our results are new even in the one-dimensional case.

2. Fractional calculus on semi-finite measures on X . The starting point to this study is a known formula for Lévy measures corresponding to n times ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) self-decomposable p.m.'s on X . Namely, in [9], formula (5.2), we proved that $\mu \in L_n(X)$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) if and only if its Lévy measure M is of the form

$$(2.1) \quad M(E) = \int_X c_n(x) \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t}x) t^{n-1} dt m(dx) \quad (E \subset X),$$

where m is a finite measure on X vanishing at 0 and

$$(2.2) \quad c_n^{-1}(x) = \int_0^\infty \Phi(e^{-t}x) t^{n-1} dt \quad (x \in X),$$

Φ being a weight function on X in Urbanik's sense [13].

Putting $G(dx) = (n-1)! c_n(x) m(dx)$ and taking into account (2.1) we get a measure G which is finite on every B_r' ($r > 0$), $G(\{0\}) = 0$, and

$$(2.3) \quad M(E) = \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_X \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t}x) t^{n-1} dt G(dx) \quad (E \subset X),$$

where the constant $(n-1)!$ is introduced for further convenience.

Let $M(X)$ denote the class of all σ -finite measures M on X such that $M(\{0\}) = 0$ and $M(B_r') < \infty$ for every $r > 0$. A sequence $\{M_n\} \subset M(X)$ is said to be *convergent* to M if $M_n|_{B_r'}$ converges weakly to $M|_{B_r'}$ for every $r > 0$.

Formula (2.3) suggests a more general setting. Namely, for $\alpha > 0$ and $G \in M(X)$ we put

$$(2.4) \quad J^\alpha G(E) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_X \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx)$$

for all Borel subsets E of X .

It is evident that for any $G_1, G_2 \in M(X)$, $\alpha > 0$, and for every linear bounded operator A on X we have

$$(2.5) \quad J^\alpha(aAG_1 + G_2) = aAJ^\alpha G_1 + J^\alpha G_2.$$

Further, we have the following

2.1. PROPOSITION. For any $\alpha > 0$ and $G \in M(X)$, $J^\alpha G \in M(X)$ if and only if

$$(2.6) \quad \int_{B_1'} \log^\alpha \|x\| G(dx) < \infty.$$

Moreover, if $J^\alpha G \in M(X)$, then for every $p > 0$ we have

$$\int_{B_1'} \|x\|^p G(dx) < \infty$$

if and only if

$$\int_{B_1'} \|x\|^p J^\alpha G(dx) < \infty.$$

Proof. Given $r > 0$, by (2.4) and by a simple computation we have

$$(2.7) \quad J^\alpha G(B_r) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{B_r'} \log^\alpha \|x\| r^{-1} G(dx),$$

which implies the first part of the proposition. Further, for any $p > 0$ and $\delta > 0$ we obtain

$$(2.8) \quad \int_{B_\delta} \|x\|^p J^\alpha G(dx) \\ = p^{-\alpha} \int_{B_\delta} \|x\|^p G(dx) + \frac{\delta^p}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_\delta'} \int_0^\infty e^{-tp} (t + \log \|x\| \delta^{-1})^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx),$$

which, by a simple reasoning, implies the second part of the proposition. Thus the proof is completed.

2.2. THEOREM. For any $\alpha, \beta > 0$ and $G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$, $J^\alpha G, J^\beta J^\alpha G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ if and only if $J^{\alpha+\beta} G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$. In any case we have

$$(2.9) \quad J^{\alpha+\beta} G = J^\beta J^\alpha G.$$

Proof. For any $\alpha, \beta > 0$ and $G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ we have

$$\int_{B_1'} \log^\beta \|x\| J^\alpha G(dx) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_X \int_0^\infty 1_{B_1'}(e^{-t}x) \log^\beta \|e^{-t}x\| t^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx) \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_1'} \int_0^{\log \|x\|} (\log \|x\| - t)^\beta t^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx) \\ = \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} \int_{B_1'} \log^{\alpha+\beta} \|x\| G(dx).$$

Thus

$$(2.10) \quad \int_{B_1'} \log^\beta \|x\| J^\alpha G(dx) = \frac{\Gamma(\beta+1)}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta+1)} \int_{B_1'} \log^{\alpha+\beta} \|x\| G(dx),$$

which, by Proposition 2.1, implies that $J^{\alpha+\beta} G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ iff $J^\alpha G, J^\beta J^\alpha G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$.

On the other hand, by (2.4), for every Borel subset E of X we get

$$J^\beta J^\alpha G(E) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\beta)} \int_X \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t}x) t^{\beta-1} dt J^\alpha G(dx) \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_X \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t-s}x) t^{\beta-1} s^{\alpha-1} dt ds G(dx) \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} \int_X \int_0^\infty \int_0^u 1_E(e^{-u}x) (u-s)^{\beta-1} s^{\alpha-1} ds du G(dx) \\ = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)} \int_X \int_0^\infty 1_E(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha+\beta-1} dt G(dx) = J^{\alpha+\beta} G(E),$$

which proves (2.9). Thus the proof is completed.

The following theorem can be considered as an analogue of the Dominated Convergence Theorem for ordinary integrals.

2.3. THEOREM. *Suppose that for $\alpha > 0$ and $G_n, G, H \in M(X)$ we have $G_n \Rightarrow G$, $G_n \leq H$ for every $n = 1, 2, \dots$, and $J^\alpha H \in M(X)$. Then*

$$J^\alpha G_n \Rightarrow J^\alpha G.$$

Proof. From the assumption that $J^\alpha H \in M(X)$ it follows that for every $r > 0$

$$(2.11) \quad J^\alpha H(B'_r) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty H(B'_{re^t}) t^{\alpha-1} dt < \infty.$$

Let f be a bounded continuous function on B'_r with

$$C = \sup \{|f(x)| : x \in B'_r\}.$$

Then for every $t > 0$ we have

$$(2.12) \quad \left| \int_{B'_{re^t}} f(e^{-t}x) G_n(dx) \right| \leq C G_n(B'_{re^t}) \leq C H(B'_{re^t}) \quad (n = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Further, since $G_n \Rightarrow G$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B'_{re^t}} f(e^{-t}x) G_n(dx) = \int_{B'_{re^t}} f(e^{-t}x) G(dx),$$

which together with (2.11) and (2.12), and the Dominated Convergence Theorem implies

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B'_r} f(x) J^\alpha G_n(dx) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \int_{B'_{re^t}} f(e^{-t}x) G_n(dx) t^{\alpha-1} dt \\ &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty \int_{B'_{re^t}} f(e^{-t}x) G(dx) t^{\alpha-1} dt = \int_{B'_r} f(x) J^\alpha G(dx). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, $J^\alpha G_n \Rightarrow J^\alpha G$. Thus the theorem is proved.

2.4. COROLLARY. *Suppose that $G_n, G \in M(X)$, $G_n \Rightarrow G$ and, for some $s > 0$, G_n ($n = 1, 2, \dots$) are concentrated on B_s . Then for every $\alpha > 0$ we have $J^\alpha G_n \Rightarrow J^\alpha G$.*

Proof. Write $H = \sup G_n$. Then $H \in M(X)$ and H is concentrated on B_s . Now, by Theorem 2.3 we get the Corollary.

2.5. THEOREM. *Suppose that for $\alpha > 0$ and $G_n, G, M_n, M \in M(X)$ we have $M_n = J^\alpha G_n$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$), $G_n \Rightarrow G$, and $M_n \Rightarrow M$. Then $M = J^\alpha G$.*

Proof. Choose s, r ($0 < s < r$) such that $B_{s,r}$ is a continuous set for G .

Then, for every bounded continuous function f on $B_{s,r}$, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_X f(x) M_n | B_{s,r}(dx) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_{s,r}} \int_0^{\log \|x\|^{s-1}} f(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha-1} dt G_n(dx) + \\
 & \quad + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B'_r} \int_{\log \|x\|^{r-1}}^{\log \|x\|^{s-1}} f(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha-1} dt G_n(dx) \\
 &= \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_{s,r}} \int_0^{\log \|x\|^{s-1}} f(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx) + \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B'_r} \int_{\log \|x\|^{r-1}}^{\log \|x\|^{s-1}} f(e^{-t}x) t^{\alpha-1} dt G(dx) \\
 &= \int_X f(x) J^\alpha G | B_{s,r}(dx),
 \end{aligned}$$

which shows that $M | B_{s,r} = J^\alpha G | B_{s,r}$ and, consequently, $M = J^\alpha G$. Thus the theorem is proved.

Given $\alpha > 0$, $c = e^{-t}$, $t > 0$, and $M \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ we put

$$(2.13) \quad \Delta_t^\alpha M(E) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} T_{c^k} M(E)$$

for all Borel subsets E of X such that $0 \notin \bar{E}$, where

$$\binom{\alpha}{0} = 1 \quad \text{and} \quad \binom{\alpha}{k} = \frac{\alpha(\alpha-1)\dots(\alpha-k+1)}{k!} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Since

$$\binom{\alpha}{k} = O(k^{-\alpha-1}), \quad k \rightarrow \infty,$$

it follows that if $0 \notin \bar{E}$, then the series (2.13) is absolutely convergent, and hence it defines a signed measure on the field of Borel subsets E of X such that $0 \notin \bar{E}$. It is clear that $\Delta_t^\alpha M$ is σ -additive on every B'_r ($r > 0$).

In the sequel we shall need the following function on $(0, \infty)$:

$$(2.14) \quad p_\alpha(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \sum_{0 \leq k < x} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} (x-k)^{\alpha-1} \quad (x \geq 0).$$

Such a function plays an important role in the study of ordinary fractional integrals. Recall [14] that $p_\alpha \in L^1(0, \infty)$ ($\alpha > 0$) and

$$(2.15) \quad \int_0^\infty p_\alpha(x) dx = 1.$$

Further, for any $\alpha, t > 0$ we define a signed measure on $(0, \infty)$ by

$$(2.16) \quad m_t^\alpha(dx) = t^{-1} p_\alpha(x/t) dx.$$

Then we get the following lemma:

2.6. LEMMA. For every $\alpha > 0$ the signed measures m_t^α ($t > 0$) have a common finite variation on $(0, \infty)$ and $m_t^\alpha \Rightarrow \delta_0$ as $t \downarrow 0$.

Proof. By (2.14), (2.16), and by the fact that $p_\alpha \in L^1(0, \infty)$ the measures m_t^α ($t > 0$) have a common finite variation on $(0, \infty)$. For $v \geq 0$ we put

$$(2.17) \quad f_{\alpha,t}(v) = \int_0^v m_t^\alpha(du).$$

Then, by (2.16) we get the formula

$$(2.18) \quad f_{\alpha,t}(v) = \frac{t^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \sum_{0 \leq k < v/t} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} (v-kt)^\alpha.$$

Therefore

$$(2.19) \quad \lim_{t \downarrow 0} f_{\alpha,t}(v) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } v = 0, \\ 1 & \text{if } v > 0, \end{cases}$$

which implies that $m_t^\alpha \Rightarrow \delta_0$ as $t \downarrow 0$. Thus the lemma is proved.

2.7. LEMMA. Suppose that for $\alpha > 0$ and $M, G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ we have $M = J^\alpha G$. Then $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M \Rightarrow G$ on every B_r' ($r > 0$) as $t \downarrow 0$.

Proof. Given $r > 0$ and a bounded continuous function f on B_r' we have, by (2.13), the formulas

$$\begin{aligned} t^{-\alpha} \int_{B_r'} f(x) \Delta_t^\alpha M(dx) &= \frac{t^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_X \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} \int_0^{\infty} 1_{B_r'}(e^{-s-kt}x) f(e^{-s-kt}x) s^{\alpha-1} ds G(dx) \\ &= \frac{t^{-\alpha}}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_r'} \int_0^{\log \|x\|/r} f(e^{-u}x) \sum_{0 \leq k < u/t} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} (u-kt)^{\alpha-1} du G(dx). \end{aligned}$$

Hence and by (2.14) and (2.16) we get

$$t^{-\alpha} \int_{B_r'} f(x) \Delta_t^\alpha M(dx) = \int_{B_r'} \int_0^{\log \|x\|/r} f(e^{-u}x) m_t^\alpha(du) G(dx),$$

which, by Lemma 2.6, implies that

$$\lim_{t \downarrow 0} t^{-\alpha} \int_{B_r'} f(x) \Delta_t^\alpha M(dx) = \int_{B_r'} f(x) G(dx).$$

Consequently, $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M \Rightarrow G$ as $t \downarrow 0$. Thus the lemma is proved.

2.8. LEMMA. Suppose that for $\alpha > 0$ and $M, G \in M(R^1)$ we have

$$(2.20) \quad \int_{|x|>1} \log^\alpha |x| G(dx) < \infty$$

and assume that $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M \Rightarrow G$ on every set $\{x \in R^1: |x| > r\}$ ($t > 0$) as $t \downarrow 0$. Then $M = J^\alpha G$.

Proof. We may assume that M and G are both concentrated on $(0, \infty)$. For $u \in R^1$ and $t > 0$ we put

$$(2.21) \quad q(u) = \int_{e^{-u}}^x M(dx),$$

$$(2.22) \quad g(u) = \int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} G(dx),$$

$$(2.23) \quad \Delta_t^\alpha q(u) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} (-1)^k \binom{\alpha}{k} q(u-kt).$$

By (2.13), (2.21), and (2.23) we get

$$(2.24) \quad t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha q(u) = \int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M(dx) \quad (u \in R^1),$$

which, by the assumption of the lemma, implies

$$(2.25) \quad \lim_{t \downarrow 0} t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha q(u) = \int_{e^{-u}}^{\infty} G(dx) = g(u)$$

for every point u of continuity of g . Further, from (2.22) it follows that for every $a \in R^1$

$$\int_{-\infty}^a (a-u)^{\alpha-1} g(u) du = \alpha^{-1} \int_{e^{-a}}^{\infty} (a+\log x)^\alpha G(dx),$$

which, by (2.20), implies that for every $a \in R^1$

$$(2.26) \quad \int_{-\infty}^a (a-u)^{\alpha-1} g(u) du < \infty.$$

Finally, formulas (2.25) and (2.26) together give an integral representation of q (cf. [8]). Namely,

$$q(u) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{-\infty}^u (u-t)^{\alpha-1} g(t) dt \quad (u \in R^1),$$

which, by (2.21) and (2.22), implies $M = J^\alpha G$. Thus the lemma is proved.

2.9. THEOREM. For any $\alpha > 0$ and $M, G \in M(X)$ the relation $M = J^\alpha G$ holds if and only if condition (2.6) is satisfied and $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M \Rightarrow G$ on every B_r' ($r > 0$) as $t \downarrow 0$. Consequently, the operator J^α ($\alpha > 0$) is one-to-one.

Proof. The necessity follows from Proposition 2.1 and Lemma 2.7. We prove the sufficiency.

Suppose that for $\alpha > 0$ we have $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha M \Rightarrow G$ on every B_r^1 ($r > 0$) as $t \downarrow 0$ and G satisfies (2.6). Given a functional $y \in X^*$ with $\|y\| = 1$ let yM and yG denote projections of M and G on R^1 , respectively. By (2.6) it is evident that

$$\int_{|x| > 1} \log^\alpha |x| yG(dx) < \infty$$

and, moreover, $t^{-\alpha} \Delta_t^\alpha yM \Rightarrow yG$ on every set $\{x \in R^1 : |x| > r\}$ ($r > 0$) as $t \downarrow 0$. Hence and from Lemma 2.8 it follows that $yM = J^\alpha yG$. Consequently, $yM = yJ^\alpha G$, and since y is arbitrarily chosen, we get $M = J^\alpha G$, which completes the proof.

Recall that a Banach space X is of type p ($0 < p \leq 2$) if for every sequence $\{x_n\} \subset X$ with $\sum_n \|x_n\|^p < \infty$ the series $\sum_n x_n \varepsilon_n$ converges with probability 1, where $\{\varepsilon_n\}$ is the Rademacher sequence. Every Banach space X is of type 1 and every Hilbert space is of type 2. Further, X is of type p ($0 < p \leq 2$) if and only if every $M \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ with $\int_{B_1} \|x\|^p M(dx) < \infty$ is a Lévy measure. Hence and by Proposition 2.1 we get the following

2.10. PROPOSITION. *Suppose that X is of type p ($0 < p \leq 2$), $\alpha > 0$, and $G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ with $\int_{B_1} \|x\|^p G(dx) < \infty$. Then $J^\alpha G$ is a Lévy measure if and only if*

$$(2.27) \quad \int_{B_1} \log^\alpha \|x\| G(dx) < \infty.$$

This proposition implies the following

2.11. COROLLARY. *For every Lévy measure on a Hilbert space H and for every $\alpha > 0$, $J^\alpha G$ is a Lévy measure if and only if condition (2.27) is satisfied.*

3. Universal multiply self-decomposable p.m.'s. Operators J^α ($\alpha > 0$) defined by (2.4) allow us to subclassify i.d.p.m.'s on X into decreasing subclasses $L_\alpha(X)$ ($\alpha > 0$) which, for $\alpha = n$ ($n = 1, 2, \dots$), coincide with classes of n times self-decomposable p.m.'s on X . Namely, given $\alpha > 0$, we put

$$L_\alpha(X) = \{\mu = [x, R, M] \in L_0(X) : M = J^\alpha G \text{ for some } G \in \mathcal{M}(X)\}.$$

By (2.3) and Theorem 2.9 we get the following characterization of multiply self-decomposable p.m.'s on X :

3.1. THEOREM. A p.m. $\mu = [x, R, M] \in L_0(X)$ is n times self-decomposable if and only if there exists a $G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ such that

$$\int_{B'_r} \log^n \|x\| G(dx) < \infty$$

and $t^{-n} \Delta_t^n M \Rightarrow G$ as $t \downarrow 0$ on every B'_r ($r > 0$).

3.2. THEOREM. For any $0 < \alpha < \beta$ we have

$$(3.1) \quad L_\beta(X) \subset L_\alpha(X).$$

Proof. Suppose that $\mu \in L_\beta(X)$. We prove that $\mu \in L_\alpha(X)$. Clearly, one may assume that $\mu = [M]$, where $M = J^\beta G$ for some $G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$. By Theorem 2.2 we have $J^{\beta-\alpha} G \in \mathcal{M}(X)$ and $M = J^\alpha J^{\beta-\alpha} G$, which shows that $[M] \in L_\alpha(X)$ and (3.1) is proved.

In [10] we proved that if A is a bounded invertible linear operator on X such that

$$(3.2) \quad \|A^k\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty,$$

then there exists a $\mu \in L_0(X)$ such that μ is A -universal for $L_0(X)$. Moreover, if X is a finite-dimensional space, then from the existence of A -universal p.m.'s for $L_0(X)$ it follows that A is invertible and condition (3.2) is satisfied.

The same is true for $L_\alpha(X)$. Namely, we get the following theorems:

3.3. THEOREM. Let A be a linear operator on \mathbb{R}^d ($d = 1, 2, \dots$) such that for some $\alpha > 0$ there exists an A -universal p.m. for $L_\alpha(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Then A is invertible and condition (3.2) is satisfied.

Proof is the same as the proof of Lemma 1 in [10] and will be omitted.

3.4. THEOREM. For every invertible bounded linear operator A on X satisfying condition (3.2) and for every $\alpha > 0$ there exists an A -universal p.m. for $L_\alpha(X)$.

Proof. Suppose that A is an invertible bounded linear operator on X such that condition (3.2) is satisfied. By (3.2), there exist constants $c > 0$ and $a > 1$ such that

$$(3.3) \quad \|A^k\| \leq ca^{-k} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Given $\alpha > 0$ we infer from the definition of $L_\alpha(X)$ and Lemma 2.4 in [11] that there exists a countable dense subset $\{p_k\}$ of $L_\alpha(X)$ such that $p_k = [M_k] * \delta_{x_k}$, $M_k = J^\alpha G_k$, where G_k is a measure concentrated on B_k , $G_k(\{0\}) = 0$ and $G_k(X) \leq k$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$).

Put

$$(3.4) \quad G = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [a^{k^2}]^{-1} A^{-k^3} G_k,$$

where for a real number b its integer part is denoted by $[b]$ and the constant a is determined by (3.3). Since $G_k(X) \leq k$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$), G is a finite measure on X and, moreover, $G(\{0\}) = 0$.

Let $\beta = \max(e, \|A^{-1}\|)$. Then, for every $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B_1} \log^\alpha \|x\| A^{-k^3} G_k(dx) &= \int_X \log^\alpha \max(1, \|A^{-k^3} x\|) G_k(dx) \\ &\leq \int_{B_k} \log^\alpha \max(1, \|A^{-1}\|^k \|x\|) G_k(dx) \leq k \log^\alpha k \beta^{k^3} \\ &\leq 2^\alpha k^{3\alpha+1} \log^\alpha \beta. \end{aligned}$$

Hence and by (3.4) we get

$$(3.5) \quad \int_{B_1} \log^\alpha \|x\| G(dx) \leq 2^\alpha \log^\alpha \beta \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [a^{k^2}]^{-1} k^{3\alpha+1} < \infty,$$

which, by the fact that G is finite and by Proposition 2.10, implies that $J^\alpha G$ is a Lévy measure. Put $M = J^\alpha G$ and $p = [M]$. It is evident that $p \in L_\alpha(X)$. Our further aim is to prove that p is A -universal for $L_\alpha(X)$.

Accordingly, let q be an arbitrary p.m. in $L_\alpha(X)$. Then there is a subsequence $\{p_{n_k}\}$ of $\{p_n\}$ converging to q . Let us put $t_k = [a^{n_k^2}]$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$). We shall prove that the sequence $v_k := A^{n_k^3} p_{n_k}^{t_k}$ ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) is shift convergent to q .

For $k = 1, 2, \dots$ we write

$$(3.6) \quad N_k^1 = \sum_{n > n_k} t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} A^{n^3 - n^3} G_n,$$

$$(3.7) \quad N_k^2 = \sum_{n < n_k} t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} A^{n^3 - n^3} G_n,$$

$$(3.8) \quad H_k^i = J^\alpha N_k^i \quad (i = 1, 2).$$

It is clear that N_k^i and H_k^i are Lévy measures and

$$(3.9) \quad v_k = p_{n_k} * [H_k^1] * [H_k^2] * \delta_{-x_{n_k}} \quad (k = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Further, for every $k = 1, 2, \dots$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} N_k^1(X) &\leq \sum_{n > n_k} n t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n_k + n) [a^{n^2}] [a^{(n_k+n)^2}]^{-1} \\ &\leq a(a-1)^{-1} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n_k + n) a^{-(2n_k+n)n}, \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$(3.10) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} N_k^1(X) = 0.$$

Let s be an arbitrary positive number. By (3.6) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B'_k} \log^s \|x\| N_k^1(dx) &= \sum_{n > n_k} t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} \int_X \log^s \max(1, \|x\|) A^{n^3 - n^3} G_n(dx) \\ &\leq \sum_{n > n_k} t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} \int_X \log^s \max(1, \|A^{-1}\|^{n^3 - n_k^3} \|x\|) G_n(dx) \\ &\leq \sum_{n > n_k} n t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} \log^s n \beta^{n^3 - n_k^3} \\ &\leq a(a-1)^{-1} \log^s \beta \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} (n_k + m)(m^3 + 3n_k^3 m + 3n_k m^2 + n_k + m)^s a^{-(2n_k + m)m}, \end{aligned}$$

where $\beta = \max(e, \|A^{-1}\|)$. Consequently,

$$(3.11) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B'_k} \log^s \|x\| N_k^1(dx) = 0.$$

Hence and from (3.10) it follows that for any $s, \delta > 0$

$$(3.12) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B'_\delta} \log^s (\|x\| \delta^{-1}) N_k^1(dx) = 0.$$

Next, by (3.3) and (3.7) we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_X \|x\| N_k^2(dx) &= \sum_{n < n_k} \int_X \|A^{n^3 - n^3} x\| t_k [a^{n^2}]^{-1} G_n(dx) \\ &\leq c \sum_{n < n_k} n^2 a^{n^3 - n_k^3} [a^{n_k^2}] [a^{n^2}]^{-1} \\ &\leq ca(a-1)^{-1} \sum_{n < n_k} n^2 a^{-n^2} a^{n^3 - n_k^3 + n_k^2} \\ &\leq ca(a-1)^{-1} \sum_{n < n_k} n^2 a^{-n^2} a^{(n_k - 1)^3 - n_k^3 + n_k^2} \\ &\leq ca(a-1)^{-1} a^{-2n_k^2 + 3n_k - 1} \sum_{n=1}^{n_k} n^2 a^{-n^2}, \end{aligned}$$

where the constants a and c are determined by (3.3). Consequently,

$$(3.13) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_X \|x\| N_k^2(dx) = 0.$$

Hence it follows that for any $s, \delta > 0$

$$(3.14) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B'_\delta} \log^s \|x\| \delta^{-1} N_k^2(dx) = 0.$$

Further, formulas (2.7) and (3.8) imply that, for any $r > 0$ and $i = 1, 2$,

$$H_k^i(B_r) = J^\alpha N_k^i(B_r) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha+1)} \int_{B_r} \log^\alpha \|x\| r^{-1} N_k^i(dx).$$

Consequently, by (3.12) and (3.14), for $r > 0$ and $i = 1, 2$, we get

$$(3.15) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} H_k^i(B_r) = 0.$$

On the other hand, from (2.8) it follows that for any $\delta > 0$ and $i = 1, 2$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| H_k^i(dx) &= \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| J^\alpha N_k^i(dx) \\ &= \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| N_k^i(dx) + \frac{\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_0^\infty e^{-t} (t + \log \|x\| \delta^{-1})^{\alpha-1} dt N_k^i(dx). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for $i = 1, 2$ the following inequality holds:

$$(3.16) \quad \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| H_k^i(dx) \leq \begin{cases} \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| N_k^i(dx) + \delta N_k^i(B_\delta) & \text{if } 0 < \alpha < 1, \\ \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| N_k^i(dx) + 2^{\alpha-1} \delta N_k^i(B_\delta) + \\ + 2^{\alpha-1} \frac{\delta}{\Gamma(\alpha)} \int_{B_\delta} \log^{\alpha-1} \|x\| \delta^{-1} N_k^i(dx) & \text{if } \alpha \geq 1. \end{cases}$$

Consequently, by (3.10), (3.12)-(3.14), and (3.16), we have

$$(3.17) \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int_{B_\delta} \|x\| H_k^i(dx) = 0 \quad (\delta > 0, i = 1, 2).$$

Noting that every Banach space is of type 1 we infer from formulas (3.15), (3.17), and Corollary 2.8 in [5] that, for $i = 1, 2$,

$$(3.18) \quad [H_k^i] \Rightarrow \delta_0 \quad \text{as } k \rightarrow \infty.$$

Finally, since $p_{n_k} \Rightarrow q$, formulas (3.9) and (3.18) imply that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} v_k * \delta_{x_{n_k}} = q,$$

which shows that the sequence $\{v_k\}$ is shift convergent to q . Thus the theorem is proved.

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