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MOMENTS OF PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS SEMI-ATTRACTED TO SEMI-STABLE MEASURES ON HILBERT SPACES ¹

Let H be a real separable Hilbert space, q a non-degenerate semistable distribution on H and $\alpha \in (0, 2]$ an exponent for q.

It is proved that the probability distributions semi-attracted to the measure q have absolute moments of order β for $\beta \in (0, \alpha)$ and have no such moments for $\beta > \alpha$ and $\alpha \neq 2$.

Let H be a real separable Hilbert space with the norm $|\cdot|$. Consider the sums

$$\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{k_n}}{a_n} + x_n$$

where X_j are independent H-valued random variables with a common distribution $p, a_n > 0, x_n \in H$ and $\{k_j\}$ is an increasing sequence of positive integers such that

(2)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} k_{n+1} k_n^{-1} = r < +\infty.$$

The distributions of sums (1) may be written in the form

$$T_{a_n^{-1}}p^{k_n}*\delta_{x_n},$$

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where the power p^k is taken in the sense of convolution, δ_x denotes the distribution concentrated at a point $x \in H$, and the measure $T_a p$ is defined by the formula

$$T_a p(B) = p\{x \in H : ax \in B\},\$$

for all Borel subsets B of H.

A probability measure on H is said to be semi-stable if it is a weak limit of sequence (3). W.M. Kruglov gave in [4] a characterization of semi-stable measures. Namely, a measure on H is semi-stable if and only if it is a Gaussian measure or an infinitely divisible purely Poissonian measure represented by a Lévy-Khintchine spectral measure M such that

$$(4) T_{\lambda}M = \lambda^{\alpha}M,$$

for some $\alpha \in (0, 2)$ and $\lambda \in (0, +\infty) \setminus \{1\}$.

The class of semi-stable measures is a subclass of infinitely divisible measures and is a natural extension of the class of stable measures. For this reason, in the sequel, the number α in (4) will be called an exponent for a purely Poissonian semi-stable measure (the exponent for a Gaussian measures is equal to 2). Semi-stable measures have their domains of semi-attraction. Namely, by a domain of semi-attraction of a semi-stable measure q we mean a class of distributions p such that sequence (3) converges weakly to q for some $a_n > 0$, $x_n \in H$ and $\{k_n\}$ satisfying (2). We shall also say that p is semi-attracted to q if p belongs to this class.

The theorems on moments of measures attracted to stable laws can be found in [1] and [5]. We shall prove an analogous theorem for distributions semi-attracted to semi-stable measures on H. Our proof is elementary in the case r > 1 and, in the case r = 1 (the stable case), we can apply the same method. Consequently, if we reduce the problem to measures attracted to stable laws on a straight line, then we obtain a proof simpler than the classical one.

Theorem. Let q be a non-degenerate semi-stable measure on H, and $\alpha \in (0,2]$ an exponent for q. If a distribution p on H is semi-attracted to the measure q, then

$$\int_{H} |x|^{\beta} p(dx) < +\infty, \quad \text{for} \quad \beta \in (0, \alpha)$$

and

$$\int_{H} |x|^{\beta} p(dx) = +\infty, \quad \text{for} \quad \beta > \alpha, \quad \alpha \neq 2.$$

Proof. We shall consider several cases.

CASE I. Let $\alpha \in (0,2)$. Thus the measure q is represented by a Lévy-Khintchine measure $M \not\equiv 0$. From the assumption we can find sequences $\{a_n\}, \{x_n\}, \{k_n\}$ such that

(5)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} T_{a_n^{-1}} p^{k_n} * \delta_{x_n} = q.$$

Using Corollary in [2] and Lemma 7.1 in [6], we obtain the following:

for any $\varepsilon > 0$, the sequence of measures $\{k_n T_{a_n^{-1}} p\}$ restricted to the set

$$\{x \in H : |x| > \varepsilon\}$$

is weakly convergent to the measure M restricted to the same set. In particular, we have, for some t > 0,

(6)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} k_n p\{x \in H : |x| > ta_n\} = M\{x \in H : |x| > t\} > 0.$$

CASE IA. Let

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} k_{n+1} k_n^{-1} = r > 1.$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n a_{n+1}^{-1} = a \in (0, 1)$$

and

$$a^{\alpha}r = 1$$

(see [4]). Of course,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} a_n = +\infty$$

and, since a < 1, we can assume that $\{a_n\}$ is an increasing sequence. By (6), putting $b_n = ta_n$, we have

(7)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{p\{x \in H : |x| > b_{n+1}\}}{p\{x \in H : |x| > b_n\}} = \lim_{n \to \infty} k_n k_{n+1}^{-1} = r^{-1}.$$

Let us now consider a series of the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^{\beta} p\{x \in H : |x| > b_n\}.$$

By (7) and d'Alembert's Criterion, we obtain the convergence of the series if $a^{-\beta}r^{-1} < 1$, i.e. if $\beta \in (0, \alpha)$, and the divergence if $\beta > \alpha$. It now suffices to make use of the inequalities

(8)
$$\int_{|x|>b_1} |x|^{\beta} p(dx) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{b_n < |x| \le b_{n+1}} |x|^{\beta} p(dx)$$
$$\le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{b_{n+1}}{b_n}\right)^{\beta} b_n^{\beta} p\{x \in H : |x| > b_n\}$$

and

(9)
$$\int_{|x|>b_1} p(dx)$$

$$\geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^{\beta} p\{x \in H : |x| > b_n\} \Big(1 - \frac{p\{x \in H : |x| > b_{n+1}\}}{p\{x \in H : |x| > b_n\}}\Big).$$

CASE IB. Let

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} k_{n+1} k_n^{-1} = r = 1,$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n a_{n+1}^{-1} = a = 1$$

and q is a stable measure (see [4]). Consequently, the measure M has the property $T_{\lambda}M = \lambda^{\alpha}M,$

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for each $\lambda > 0$.

Thus, for all t > 0, the set

$$\{x \in H : |x| > t\}$$

is a continuity set of M and condition (6) is satisfied for each t > 0. This implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{p\{x \in H : |x| > ta_n\}}{p\{x \in H : |x| > a_n\}} = t^{-\alpha}$$

for each t > 0, and, since a = 1, we obtain

(10)
$$\lim_{u \to \infty} \frac{p\{x \in H : |x| > tu\}}{p\{x \in H : |x| > u\}} = t^{-\alpha}$$

for each t > 0.

By putting t = 2 and $u = 2^n$ in (10), we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2^{\beta} p\{x \in H: |x| > 2^{n+1}\}}{p\{x \in H: |x| > 2^n\}} = 2^{\beta - \alpha}.$$

Thus, the series of the form

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n)^{\beta} p\{x \in H : |x| > 2^n\}$$

is convergent for $\beta \in (0, \alpha)$ and is divergent for $\beta > \alpha$. It now suffices to use inequalities (8) and (9) for $b_n = 2^n$.

Case II. Let $\alpha = 2$. In this case we can assume that

$$\int_{H} |x|^2 p(dx) = +\infty.$$

Now, q is a Gaussian measure on H represented by a non-negative, self-adjoint operator S with a positive finite trace. Let $\{a_n\}$, $\{x_n\}$, $\{k_n\}$ be sequences such that the condition of form (5) is satisfied. In the same way as in the proof of Theorem 3.2 in [3], condition (5) implies now

(11)
$$\lim_{n \to \infty} k_n a_n^{-2} \int_{|x| < ta_n} |x|^2 p(dx) = trS > 0$$

for each t > 0.

CASE IIA. Let r > 1. Then $a \in (0,1)$ and $a^2r = 1$ (see [4]). We have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} a_n = +\infty$$

and, since a < 1, we can assume that $\{a_n\}$ is an increasing sequence. For $\beta \in (0,2)$, we have the following inequality:

(12)
$$\int_{|x| \ge a_1} |x|^{\beta} p(dx) \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n^{\beta - 2} \int_{|x| < a_{n+1}} |x|^2 p(dx).$$

By using (11) for t = 1, we obtain

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{a_{n+1}^{\beta - 2} \int_{|x| < a_{n+1}} |x|^2 p(dx)}{a_n^{\beta - 2} \int_{|x| < a_n} |x|^2 p(dx)} = a^{-\beta} \lim_{n \to \infty} k_n k_{n+1}^{-1}$$
$$= a^{-\beta} r^{-1} < a^{-2} r^{-1} = 1.$$

Thus the series in (12) is convergent and

$$\int_{H} |x|^2 p(dx) < +\infty$$

for $\beta \in (0,2)$.

Case IIB. Let r = 1. Condition (11) implies that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\int_{|x| < ta_n} |x|^2 p(dx)}{\int_{|x| < a_n} |x|^2 p(dx)} = 1$$

for each t > 0 and, since a = 1, we further have

(13)
$$\lim_{u \to \infty} \frac{\int_{|x| < tu} |x|^2 p(dx)}{\int_{|x| < u} |x|^2 p(dx)} = 1$$

for each t > 0.

Putting t = 2 and $u = 2^n$ in (13), we obtain, for $\beta \in (0, 2)$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2^{\beta - 2} \int_{|x| < 2^{n+1}} |x|^2 p(dx)}{\int_{|x| < 2^n} |x|^2 p(dx)} = 2^{\beta - 2} < 1.$$

The above inequality means that the series

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (2^n)^{\beta-2} \int_{|x|<2^n} |x|^2 p(dx)$$

is convergent. It now suffices to make use of inequality (12) by putting $a_n = 2^n$.

Our theorem implies the following

Corollary. Every semi-stable measure on H has exactly one exponent.

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MOMENTY ROZKŁADÓW PÓŁPRZYCIĄGANYCH PRZEZ MIARY PÓŁSTABILNE W PRZESTRZENI HILBERTA

Niech H będzie rzeczywistą, ośrodkową przestrzenią Hilberta, q – niezdegenerowanym pólstabilnym rozkładem prawdopodobieństwa na H, a $\alpha \in (0,2]$ – wykładnikiem rozkładu q. W pracy udowodniono, że rozkład prawdopodobieństwa na H półprzyciągany przez q ma momenty absolutne rzędu β dla $\beta \in (0,\alpha)$ i nie ma takich momentów dla $\beta > \alpha$ i $\alpha \neq 2$.

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