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## Introduction

In the present paper<sup>(1)</sup> we study the limit laws arising from affine modification of certain multi-parameter normed sums of independent Banach space valued random variables. We describe these limit laws in terms of their multi-dimensional decomposability algebraic structures and obtain the Urbanik representation theorems for the characteristic functionals.

The classical limit problem of characterizing of limit laws of normed sums of real-valued random variables was proposed by A. Ya. Khinchin in 1936 and solved by P. Lévy in [6] (p. 195) (see also M. Loève [7], p. 319). The attempt to extend the theory to the multi-dimensional linear space case developed by H. Shape [13] has resulted in several recent papers of K. Urbanik (see [16], [17]). Namely, he introduced a concept of decomposability semigroup  $D(\mu)$  associated with a probability measure  $\mu$  on a Banach space and characterized all full Lévy's measures  $\mu$  in terms of  $D(\mu)$ . Moreover, applying the extreme points method he obtained a representation for the characteristic functionals of Lévy's measures on  $X$ .

The purpose of this paper is to generalize the Lévy–Khinchin–Urbanik problem to the case where the summands are indexed by a countable lattice and take values in a Banach space. The technique developed in [17] by K. Urbanik will be widely exploited.

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### 1. Notation and preliminaries

This paper is concerned with probability measures defined on Borel subsets of a real separable Banach space  $X$  with the norm  $\| \cdot \|$  and the topological dual space  $X^*$ . For a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  its characteristic functional is defined by the formula

$$\hat{\mu}(y) = \int_X \exp i \langle y, x \rangle \mu(dx) \quad (y \in X^*)$$

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where  $\langle \cdot, \cdot \rangle$  denotes the dual pairing between  $X$  and  $X^*$ . A sequence  $\{\mu_j\}$  of probability measures on  $X$  is said to *converge to a probability measure*  $\mu$  if for every bounded continuous real-valued function  $f$  on  $X$

$$\int_X f d\mu_j \rightarrow \int_X f d\mu.$$

A probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is called *full* if its support is not contained in any proper hyperplane of  $X$ . Further, by  $\delta_x$ ,  $x \in X$ , we shall denote the unit mass at  $x$ .

Let  $B(X)$  denote the algebra of all continuous linear operators on  $X$  with the norm topology. The unit and zero elements of  $B(X)$  will be denoted by  $I$  and  $0$  respectively. An element  $P$  of  $B(X)$  is called a *projector* if  $P^2 = P$ . Given a subset  $F$  of  $B(X)$  let  $\text{Sem}(F)$  denote the "closed multiplicative semigroup of operators spanned by  $F$ ."

The concept of decomposability semigroup  $D(\mu)$  of linear operators associated with a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  was introduced in [16] and [17] by K. Urbanik. Namely,  $D(\mu)$  consists of all operators  $A$  from  $B(X)$  for which the equality

$$(1.1) \quad \mu = A\mu * \mu_A$$

holds for a certain probability measure  $\mu_A$  on  $X$ . Here  $*$  denotes the convolution of measures and  $A\mu$  denotes a probability measure defined by the formula

$$A\mu(E) = \mu(A^{-1}(E))$$

for all Borel subsets  $E$  of  $X$ . Since  $A\mu(y) = \hat{\mu}(A^*y)$ ,  $y \in X^*$ , we can write (1.1) in the form

$$(1.2) \quad \hat{\mu}(y) = \hat{\mu}(A^*y) \hat{\mu}_A(y) \quad (y \in X^*).$$

In the sequel we shall need a generalization of the concept of decomposability semigroups. Let  $d$  be a fixed positive integer and  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d$  be some operators from  $B(X)$ . Then a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is said to be  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle$ -*decomposable* if there exist probability measures  $\mu_{A_1}, \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d}$  such that  $\mu = A_1 \mu * \mu_{A_1}$ ,  $\mu_{A_1} = A_2 \mu_{A_1} * \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{d-1}} = A_d \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{d-1}} * \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d}$ . It is evident that if  $\hat{\mu}(y) \neq 0$  for every  $y \in X^*$  and  $\mu$  is  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle$ -decomposable then the measures  $\mu_{A_1}, \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots$  are uniquely determined. Further, let  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  be an infinite sequence of operators from  $B(X)$ . Then a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is said to be  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots \rangle$ -*decomposable* if there exist probability measures  $\mu_{A_1}, \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots$  such that  $\mu = A_1 \mu * \mu_{A_1}$ ,  $\mu_{A_1} = A_2 \mu_{A_1} * \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots$ . Let us introduce the notation:

$D^d(\mu) = \{ \langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle; A_j \in B(X), j = 1, 2, \dots, d \text{ and } \mu \text{ is } \langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle\text{-decomposable} \}$  and

$D^\infty(\mu) = \{\langle A_1, A_2, \dots \rangle : A_j \in B(X), j = 1, 2, \dots \text{ and } \mu \text{ is } \langle A_1, A_2, \dots \text{ decomposable}\}$ .

It is clear that for every probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  the sets  $D^d(\mu)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ , are non-empty and closed under the product weak\* operator topology. In the sequel every set  $D^d(\mu)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , will be called a *d-dimensional decomposability algebraic structure* associated with a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$ . For  $d = 1$   $D^d(\mu) = D(\mu)$  is a semigroup under multiplication of operators. One may expect that  $D^d(\mu)$ ,  $d \geq 2$ , should be a semigroup under multiplication of corresponding coordinates. Unfortunately this fails to be true if the measure  $\mu$  is not concentrated at a single point of  $X$ . The loss of semigroup properties of  $D^d(\mu)$  for the case  $d \geq 2$  seems to be the main difficulty to use the method developed in [17] by K. Urbanik.

Let  $F$  be a subset of  $B(X)$ . We say that a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is *d-times*,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , (resp. *completely*) *F-decomposable* if the Cartesian product  $F \times F \times \dots \times F$  ( $d$ -times) (resp.  $F \times F \times \dots$ ) is contained in  $D^d(\mu)$  (resp.  $D^\infty(\mu)$ ). For the further convenience if  $\mu$  is completely *F-decomposable* we shall write that  $\mu$  is  $\infty$ -times *F-decomposable*. In particular, for  $F = \{cI : 0 < c < 1\}$  the concept of multiply *F-decomposable* probability measures coincides with the concept of multiply self-decomposable probability measures introduced in [8].

Now we shall establish some simple properties of the multi-dimensional decomposability algebraic structures associated with probability measures on  $X$ .

PROPOSITION 1.1. *Let  $F_1, F_2, \dots$  be a sequence of subsets of  $B(X)$  with the property that for any  $i \neq j$ ,  $A \in F_i$  and  $B \in F_j$  we have  $AB = BA$ . Suppose that the Cartesian product  $F_1 \times F_2 \times \dots \times F_d$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  (resp.  $F_1 \times F_2 \times \dots$ ) is contained in  $D^d(\mu)$  (resp.  $D^\infty(\mu)$ ). Then*

$$\text{Sem}(F_1) \times \text{Sem}(F_2) \times \dots \times \text{Sem}(F_d) \subset D^d(\mu)$$

(resp.  $\text{Sem}(F_1) \times \text{Sem}(F_2) \times \dots \subset D^\infty(\mu)$ ).

Proof. It suffices to prove the proposition for the case  $d < \infty$ . Further, since  $D^d(\mu)$  is closed in the norm product topology of  $B(X) \times B(X) \times \dots \times B(X)$  ( $d$  times) and by a simple induction it suffices to prove that if  $\langle A_1^{(i)}, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , belong to  $F_1 \times F_2 \times \dots \times F_d$  then the element  $\langle A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle$  belongs to  $D^d(\mu)$ .

Accordingly, let  $\mu_{A_1^{(i)}}, \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2, \dots, A_d}$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ) be such probability measures that  $\mu = A_1^{(1)} \mu * \mu_{A_1^{(i)}}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A_1^{(i)}} &= A_2 \mu_{A_1^{(i)}} * \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2, \dots, A_{d-1}} \\ &= A_d \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2, \dots, A_{d-1}} * \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2, \dots, A_d} \quad (i = 1, 2). \end{aligned}$$

Then we have the equation

$$A_1 \mu = A_1^{(2)} A_1^{(1)} \mu * A_1^{(2)} \mu_{A_1^{(1)}}$$

and consequently,

$$\mu = A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)} \mu * \mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}}$$

where the measure  $\mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}}$  is defined as  $\mu_{A_1^{(2)} * A_1^{(2)}} \mu_{A_1^{(1)}}$ . Moreover, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}} &= A_2 \mu_{A_1^{(2)} * \mu_{A_1^{(2)}, A_2}} * A_1^{(2)} A_2 \mu_{A_1^{(1)} * A_1^{(2)}} \mu_{A_1^{(1)}, A_2} \\ &= A_2 \mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)} * \mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}, A_2}} \end{aligned}$$

where the measure  $\mu_{A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}, A_2}$  is defined as  $\mu_{A_1^{(2)}, A_2} * A_1^{(2)} \mu_{A_1^{(1)}, A_2}$ . This means that  $\langle A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}, A_2 \rangle$  belongs to  $D^2(\mu)$ . Proceeding successively, by induction, it follows that  $\langle A_1^{(1)} A_1^{(2)}, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle \in D^d(\mu)$ . The proposition is thus proved.

**PROPOSITION 1.2.** *Let  $P_1, P_2, \dots, P_r$  be some projectors in  $B(X)$  with the property that  $P_i P_j = P_j P_i = 0$  for all indexes  $i \neq j$ . Given a number  $v = 1, 2, \dots, d$  let  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_v^{(i)}, \dots, A_d$  ( $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$ ) be such operators that for every  $i = 1, 2, \dots, r$   $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_v^{(i)}, \dots, A_d$  commute one another and for each choice of  $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_s \leq d$  we have  $\langle A_{j_1}, A_{j_2}, \dots, A_{j_s} \rangle \in D^s(\mu)$ , where by  $A_v$  we denote an arbitrary operator from the set  $\{P_j, A_v^{(i)} : j = 1, 2, \dots, r\}$ . Put  $B_j = A_j$  for  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$  and  $j \neq v$  and put  $B_v = \sum_{i=1}^r P_i A_v^{(i)}$ . Then for any  $1 \leq j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_s \leq d$  we have  $\langle B_{j_1}, B_{j_2}, \dots, B_{j_s} \rangle \in D^s(\mu)$ .*

**Proof.** Let  $j_1 < j_2 < \dots < j_s$  be a fixed subsequence of the sequence  $\{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ . Without loss of generality we may assume that  $\{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_s\} = \{1, 2, \dots, d\}$  and  $v = 1$ . Put  $B = \sum_{i=1}^r P_i A_1^{(i)}$ . Since  $A_1^{(i)} \in D(\mu)$  we have the decompositions

$$\mu = A_1^{(i)} \mu * \mu_{A_1^{(i)}} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, r).$$

Moreover by the proof of Proposition 1.2 [17] we have

$$\mu = B \mu * \mu_B$$

where the measure  $\mu_B$  is defined by the formula

$$(1.3) \quad \mu_B = \sum_{i=1}^r P_i \mu_{A_1^{(i)}} * \left( I - \sum_{i=1}^r P_i \right) \mu$$

where the symbol  $\sum_{i=1}^r *$  denotes the convolution of relevant measures. Further,

we have the decompositions

$$\mu_{A_1^{(i)}} = A_2 \mu_{A_1^{(i)}} * \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2} \quad (i = 1, 2, \dots, r),$$

and

$$\mu = A_2 \mu * \mu_{A_2}.$$

Consequently, by virtue of (1.3) it follows that

$$\mu_B = A_2 \mu_B * \mu_{B, A_2}$$

where the measure  $\mu_{B, A_2}$  is defined by the formula

$$\mu_{B, A_2} = *_{i=1}^r P_i \mu_{A_1^{(i)}, A_2} * (I - \sum_{i=1}^r P_i) \mu_{A_2}.$$

Finally, by induction, it follows that  $\langle B, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle$  belongs to  $D^d(\mu)$  which completes the proof of the proposition.

## 2. Statement of the problem

Let  $N^d$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , denote the lattice of all  $d$ -vectors with natural components and with the natural ordering  $\leq$ . For  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$  we shall write  $n \rightarrow \infty$  whenever  $n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d \rightarrow \infty$  simultaneously.

In the sequel, we shall use the letters  $n, m, k, h$  to denote the vectors of  $N^d$  and use the letters  $i, j, r, v, u, d, t, s$  to denote real or natural numbers.

We say that a collection of probability measures  $\mu_{n,k}$  ( $n, k \in N^d$ ,  $k \leq k_n$ ,  $k_n \in N^d$ ,  $k_n \rightarrow \infty$  whenever  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) on a Banach space  $X$  is *uniformly infinitesimal* if for every subsequence  $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_s\}$  of the sequence  $\{1, 2, \dots, d\}$  such that  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_s$  and for every neighbourhood  $U$  of 0 in  $X$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \min_{\substack{1 \leq k^i \leq k_n^i \\ r=1, 2, \dots, s}} *_{\substack{1 \leq k^j \leq k_n^j \\ j \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\} \setminus \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_s\}}} \mu_{n,k}(U) = 1$$

where  $k = (k^1, k^2, \dots, k^d)$  and  $k_n = (k_n^1, k_n^2, \dots, k_n^d)$ .

It is evident that the collection  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$ ,  $n, k \in N^d$ , is uniformly infinitesimal if and only if for every subsequence  $\{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_s\}$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots, d\}$  with  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_s$  and for every choice of  $h_n^i$ ,  $1 \leq h_n^i \leq k_n^i$ ,  $n \in N^d$  and  $r = 1, 2, \dots, s$ ,

$$\min_{\substack{1 \leq k^j \leq k_n^j \\ j \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\} \setminus \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_s\}}} *_{\substack{k_r^i = h_n^i \\ r=1, 2, \dots, s}} \mu_{n,k} \rightarrow \delta_0.$$



Moreover, we have the following proposition:

**PROPOSITION 2.1.** *For every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  the class of all probability measures  $\mu$  on  $X$  for which there exists a uniformly infinitesimal collection  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$ ,  $n, k \in N^d$  and  $k \leq k_n$ , such that  $\underset{k \leq k_n}{*} \mu_{n,k} \rightarrow \mu$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  coincides with the class of all infinitely divisible probability measures on  $X$ .*

**Proof.** Suppose that  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$ ,  $n, k \in N^d$ , be a uniformly infinitesimal collection of probability measures on  $X$  such that

$$\underset{k \leq k_n}{*} \mu_{n,k} \rightarrow \mu \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

We shall prove that  $\mu$  is infinitely divisible.

Put, for  $t, s = 1, 2, \dots$

$$v_{t,s} = \underset{\substack{k \leq (s_t, s_t, \dots, s_t) \\ k^1 = s}}{*} \mu_{(t,t,\dots,t),k} \quad (d \text{ times})$$

where  $s_t = k_{(t,t,\dots,t)}^1$ . By the uniform infinitesimality condition of  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$  it follows that the triangular array  $\{v_{t,s}\}$  ( $t, s = 1, 2, \dots, s \leq s_t$ ) is uniformly infinitesimal too. Moreover,

$$\underset{s \leq s_t}{*} v_{t,s} = \underset{k \leq (s_t, s_t, \dots, s_t)}{*} \mu_{(t,t,\dots,t),k} \rightarrow \mu \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently,  $\mu$  is infinitely divisible.

Conversely, given an infinitely divisible probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  define a collection  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$  ( $n, k \in N^d$ ) by

$$\mu_{n,k} = \frac{1}{\mu^{n^1} \mu^{n^2} \dots \mu^{n^d}}$$

whenever  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$  and  $k \in N^d$ . It hints at the collection  $\{\mu_{n,k}\}$  ( $n, k \in N^d; k \leq n$ ) is uniformly infinitesimal and moreover,

$$\underset{k \leq n}{*} \mu_{n,k} = \mu \quad \text{for every } n \in N^d.$$

Thus the proposition is proved.

In terms of random variables, the problem we study can be formulated as follows:

**PROBLEM I.** Suppose that  $\{\xi_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , is a random field of  $X$ -valued random variables with distributions  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , is a vector field in  $X$  and  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  is a sequence of operators from  $B(X)$  such that

(I.1)  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  are invertible and commute one another,

(I.2)  $\text{Sem}(\{A_r A_s^{-1} : s = 1, 2, \dots, r; r = 1, 2, \dots\})$  is compact (in the norm topology of  $B(X)$ ),

(I.3) the probability measures  $\{A_n \mu_k\}$ , where  $k, n \in N^d$ ;  $k \leq n$  and  $A_n = A_{n_1} A_{n_2} \dots A_{n_d}$  if  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$ , form a uniformly infinitesimal collection and the distribution of

$$A_n \sum_{k \leq n} \xi_k + x_n$$

converges to a probability measure  $\mu$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; What can be said about the limit measure  $\mu$ ?

**PROBLEM II.** Suppose that  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  is a sequence of operators from  $B(X)$  with the properties (I.1) and (I.2) and  $\mu$  is a probability measure on  $X$  such that for every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  there exist a random field  $\{\xi_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , of independent  $X$ -valued random variables with distributions  $\{\mu_n\}$  and a vector field  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , in  $X$  such that (I.3) holds. What can be said about the limit measure  $\mu$ ?

Let us denote by  $N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , the set of all limit measures in the Problem I and by  $N_\infty(X)$  the set of all limit measures in the Problem II. Our further aim is to give a description of full measures belonging to  $N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ . In the case  $d = 1$  K. Urbanik [17] solved the Problem I without the assumption that the operators commute one another. It is interesting how to solve the Problem I for  $d \geq 2$  omitting the extra condition that  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  commute one another.

We note that for full measures in  $N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ , on finite-dimensional spaces the compactness condition (I.2) can be omitted ([16], Proposition 3.3). The same is true for non-degenerate measures on a Banach space  $X$  when  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  are multiples of I. In this case, the limit measures in the Problems I and II are multiply self-decomposable ones. We refer the reader to [5] and [8] for an account of multiply self-decomposable probability measures on Banach spaces.

### 3. Norming sequences

We say that a sequence  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  of operators from  $B(X)$  with the properties (I.1) and (I.2) is a *norming sequence corresponding to a probability measure  $\mu$  in  $N_d(X)$* ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ , if there exist sequences  $\{\mu_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , and  $\{x_n\}$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , of probability measures on  $X$  with the property (I.3) and elements of  $X$  respectively, such that

$$A_n \sum_{k \leq n} \mu_k * \delta_{x_n}$$

converges to  $\mu$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Here  $A_n = A_{n_1} A_{n_2} \dots A_{n_d}$  if  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$ . Further, a sequence  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  of operators from  $B(X)$  with the properties (I.1) and (I.2) is a *norming sequence corresponding to a measure  $\mu$  in  $N_\infty(X)$*

if it is a norming sequence corresponding to the measure  $\mu$  treated as an element of  $N_d(X)$  for every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ .

**PROPOSITION 3.1.** *For every norming sequence  $\{A_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  corresponding to a full measure  $\mu$  from  $N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ , we have  $A_j \rightarrow 0$ .*

*Proof.* It suffices to prove the proposition for the case  $d < \infty$ . Suppose that  $A_n \nu_n * \delta_{x_n} \rightarrow \mu$  where  $\mu$  is full,  $\nu_n = \bigstar_{k \leq n} \mu_n$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , and  $A_n = A_{n^1} A_{n^2} \dots A_{n^d}$  if  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$ . By the condition (I.2)  $\text{Sem}(\{A_j: j = 1, 2, \dots\})$  is compact. Let  $A$  be an arbitrary cluster point of the sequence  $\{A_j\}$  and  $A_{j_r} \rightarrow A$  as  $j_r \rightarrow \infty$ . Since for each  $n$ ,  $n \leq (j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)$ ,

$$A_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)} \nu_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)} * \delta_{x_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}} = A_{j_r}^d \nu_n * A_{j_r}^d \bigstar_{\substack{k \leq (j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r) \\ \text{and } \exists i=1,2,\dots,d \\ \text{such that } n^i < k^i}} \mu_k * \delta_{x_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}}$$

and

$$A_{j_r}^d \mu_k \rightarrow \delta_0 \quad \text{for every } k \in N^d \text{ when } j_r \rightarrow \infty,$$

we have the equation

$$(3.1) \quad \mu = A^d \nu_n * \mu \quad (n \in N^d).$$

Further, by the condition (I.2),  $\text{Sem}(\{AA_{j_r}^{-1}: r = 1, 2, \dots\})$  is compact. Let  $B$  be a cluster point of the sequence  $\{AA_{j_r}^{-1}\}$ . Passing if necessary, to a subsequence we may assume without loss of generality that  $AA_{j_r}^{-1} \rightarrow B$ . Consequently,

$$(3.2) \quad A = BA.$$

By (3.1) we have the equation

$$(3.3) \quad \mu = A^d A_{j_r}^{-d} (A_{j_r}^d \nu_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)} * \delta_{x_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}}) * \mu * \delta_{u_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}}$$

where  $u_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)} = -A_{x_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}}$ . Since the sequence  $\{\delta_{x_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}}\}$  is conditionally compact ([12], Chapter III, Theorem 2.1), we may assume without loss of generality that  $\delta_{u_{(j_r, j_r, \dots, j_r)}} \rightarrow \delta_u$ . Then (3.3) implies

$$\mu = B^d \mu * \mu * \delta_u.$$

Consequently,  $|\widehat{B^d \mu}(y)| = 1$  for every  $y \in X^*$ . Thus  $B^d \mu = \delta_x$  for a certain  $x \in X$  ([3], Proposition 2.3). But this is possible for a full measure  $\mu$  if and only if  $B^d = 0$  and  $x = 0$ . Now by (3.2) we get

$$A = B^d A = 0$$

and hence  $A_j \rightarrow 0$  which completes the proof of the proposition.

**LEMMA 3.1.** *Let  $\{A_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , be a norming sequence corresponding to a measure  $\mu \in N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  (resp.  $d = \infty$ ). Let  $F$  denote the set of all cluster points of sequences  $A_{j_r} A_{i_r}^{-1}$  with  $i_r \leq j_r$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots$  and  $i_r \rightarrow \infty$ .*

Then we have

$$F \times F \times \dots \times F \subset D^d(\mu)$$

( $d$  times)

(resp.  $F \times F \times \dots \subset D^\infty(\mu)$ ).

Proof. It suffices to prove the lemma for the case  $d < \infty$ . Let  $n_r, m_r \in \mathbb{N}^d$ ,  $r = 1, 2, \dots$ , such that  $n_r \leq m_r$  and  $n_r \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $C_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ , be a cluster point of the sequence  $\{A_{m_r}^{-1} A_{n_r}^{-1}\}$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$ . Suppose that  $A_n v_n * \delta_{x_n} \rightarrow \mu$ , where  $v_n = \sum_{k \leq n} \mu_k$ ,  $A_n = A_{n^1} A_{n^2} \dots A_{n^d}$  whenever  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$ . Then

(3.4)

$$A_{m_r} v_{m_r} * \delta_{x_{m_r}} = A_{m_r}^{-1} A_{n_r}^{-1} (A_{n_r^1} A_{n_r^2} \dots A_{n_r^d} v_{(n_r^1, n_r^2, \dots, n_r^d)} * \delta_{x_{(n_r^1, n_r^2, \dots, n_r^d)}}) * \omega_r^{(1)}$$

where  $\omega_r^{(1)} = \sum_{k \leq m_r} \mu_k * \delta_{x_{m_r}^{(1)}}$  for some points  $x_{m_r}^{(1)} \in X$ . Further, we have

$$(3.5) \quad \omega_r^{(1)} = A_{m_r}^{-1} A_{n_r}^{-1} (A_{m_r^1} A_{n_r^2} A_{m_r^3} \dots A_{m_r^d} \sum_{\substack{n_r^1 < k^1 \\ k^2 \leq n_r^2 \\ k^3 \leq m_r^3 \\ \vdots \\ k^d \leq m_r^d}} \mu_k * \delta_{x_{(m_r^1, n_r^2, m_r^3, \dots, m_r^d)}}) * \omega_r^{(2)}$$

where  $\omega_r^{(2)} = \sum_{\substack{n_r^1 < k^1 \\ n_r^2 < k^2 \\ k^3 \leq m_r^3 \\ \vdots \\ k^d \leq m_r^d}} \mu_k * \delta_{x_{m_r}^{(2)}}$  for some  $x_{m_r}^{(2)} \in X$ . Proceeding successively,

we get a probability measure  $\omega_r^{(d)}$  such that

(3.6)

$$\omega_r^{(d-1)} = A_{m_r}^{-1} A_{n_r}^{-1} (A_{m_r^1} A_{m_r^2} \dots A_{m_r^{d-1}} A_{n_r^d} \sum_{\substack{n_r^1 < k^1 \\ n_r^2 < k^2 \\ \vdots \\ n_r^{d-1} < k^{d-1} \\ k^d \leq m_r^d}} \mu_k * \delta_{x_{(m_r^1, m_r^2, \dots, m_r^{d-1}, n_r^d)}}) * \omega_r^{(d)}.$$

For the simplicity of the notation we may assume that the sequences  $\{\omega_r^{(j)}\}_{r=1,2,\dots}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ) being conditionally compact ([12], Chapter III, Theorem 2.1) converge to some probability measures  $\omega^{(j)}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ), respectively and for every  $i = 1, 2, \dots, d$

$$C_i = \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} A_{m_r}^{-1} A_{n_r}^{-1}.$$



PROPOSITION 3.2. *To every full measure  $\mu \in N_d(X)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) there corresponds a norming sequence  $\{B_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , with the property that*

$$(3.8) \quad B_{j+1} B_j^{-1} \rightarrow I.$$

*Proof.* It suffices to prove the proposition for the case  $d < \infty$ . Let  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  be an arbitrary norming sequence corresponding to a full measure  $\mu \in N_d(X)$ . Put

$$G = A(\mu) \cap \text{Sem}(F)$$

where the set  $F$  is defined in Lemma 3.1. By Lemma 3.2  $G$  is a compact group containing all cluster points of the sequence  $\{A_{j+1} A_j^{-1}\}$ . Consequently, we can choose a sequence  $\{C_j\}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) of elements of  $G$  with the property

$$(3.9) \quad C_j^{-1} - A_{j+1} A_j^{-1} \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } j \rightarrow \infty.$$

Putting  $B_1 = A_1$  and  $B_j = C_1 C_2 \dots C_{j-1} A_j$  ( $j = 2, 3, \dots$ ) we infer that  $B_1, B_2, \dots$  are invertible and moreover,  $\text{Sem}(\{B_j B_r^{-1}: r = 1, 2, \dots, j; j = 1, 2, \dots\})$  being a closed subsemigroup of  $\text{Sem}(\{A_j A_r^{-1}: r = 1, 2, \dots, j; j = 1, 2, \dots\})$  is compact. Further, by assumption,  $A_n \mu_{j_n} \rightarrow \delta_0$  for every choice of  $\{j_n\}$ ,  $j_n \leq n$ ,  $n \in N^d$  and  $A_n = A_{n^1} A_{n^2} \dots A_{n^d}$  if  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$ . Since the sequence  $\{C_1 C_2 \dots C_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , is conditionally compact the last relation yields  $B_n \mu_{j_n} \rightarrow \delta_0$ , where  $B_n = B_{n^1} B_{n^2} \dots B_{n^d}$  if  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$ . Thus condition (I.3) is fulfilled. Moreover, the conditional compactness of the sequence  $\{C_1 C_2 \dots C_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , implies the conditional compactness of the sequence  $\{B_n v_n * \delta_{u_n}\}$ , where for  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$  with  $n^j \geq 2$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ )  $u_n = \prod_{j=1}^d (C_1 C_2 \dots C_{n^j-1}) x_n$  and  $v_n = \prod_{k \leq n} \mu_k$ .

From the relation  $A_n v_n * \delta_{u_n} \rightarrow \mu$  it follows that each cluster point of  $\{B_n v_n * \delta_{u_n}\}$  is of the form  $C\mu$ , where  $C$  is a cluster point of the sequence  $\{\prod_{j=1}^d (C_1 C_2 \dots C_{n^j-1})\}$ ,  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$  with  $n^j \geq 2$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ .

But  $C \in G$  and, consequently,  $\mu = C\mu * \delta_{v_C}$  for a certain  $v_C \in X$ . Hence it follows that we can choose elements  $v_n$ ,  $n \in N^d$ , in  $X$  in such a way that

$$B_n v_n * \delta_{v_n} \rightarrow \mu \quad \text{as } n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \rightarrow \infty.$$

Thus  $B_1, B_2, \dots$  is a norming sequence corresponding to  $\mu$ .

To prove the condition (3.8) we observe that the norms of elements of the compact set  $G$  are bounded in common, say by a constant  $b$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \|B_{j+1} B_j^{-1} - I\| &= \|C_1 C_2 \dots C_j (A_{j+1} A_j^{-1} - C_j) C_j^{-1} C_{j-2}^{-1} \dots C_1^{-1}\| \\ &\leq b^2 \|A_{j+1} A_j^{-1} - C_j^{-1}\| \end{aligned}$$

which, by (3.9), implies (3.8). The proposition is thus proved.

#### 4. A characterization of full measures belonging to $N_d(X)$

Let  $\mu$  be a full probability measure in  $N_d(X)$ ,  $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ . By Proposition 3.2 we choose a norming sequence  $\{A_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , corresponding to  $\mu$  with the property  $A_{j+1}A_j^{-1} \rightarrow I$ . We fix this norming sequence for the remainder of this section. Define the set  $F$  as in Lemma 3.1 and put  $S = \text{Sem}(F)$ . Let  $P$  be a projector belonging to  $S$  and

$$S_P = \{A \in S: AP = PA = A\}.$$

It is clear that  $S_P$  is a compact subsemigroup of  $S$ . Further, by  $G_P$  we denote the subset of  $S_P$  consisting of those operators  $A$  for which

$$P\mu = A\mu * \delta_x \quad \text{for a certain } x \in X.$$

LEMMA 4.1.  $G_P$  is a compact group with the unit  $P$ .

Proof. It is easy to check that  $G_P$  is a closed subsemigroup of  $S_P$  which implies the compactness of  $G_P$ . By the definition of  $G_P$  the projector  $P$  is the unit of  $G_P$ . Let  $A \in G_P$ . Then the monothetic semigroup  $\text{Sem}(A)$  is compact and, by Numakura Theorem ([11], Theorem 3.1.1), contains a projector  $Q$  and an operator  $B$  with the property

$$(4.1) \quad AB = BA = Q.$$

Of course  $PQ = QP = Q$  and  $P\mu = Q\mu * \delta_x$  for a certain  $x \in X$ . Since  $\mu$  is full the last formula yields  $PX = QX$ . Consequently,  $P = Q$  and, in view of (4.1),  $G_P$  is a group.

LEMMA 4.2. If  $A \in S_P$  and  $P \in \text{Sem}(A)$ , then  $A \in G_P$ .

Proof. Let  $A^{k_r} \rightarrow P$  for a subsequence  $\{k_r\}$  of  $\{1, 2, \dots\}$ . Of course, without loss of generality, we may assume that  $k_r \geq 2$  and the sequence  $\{A^{k_r-1}\}$  is convergent to an operator  $B$ . Then we have  $AB = P$  and for some probability measures  $\nu$  and  $\lambda$

$$(4.2) \quad \mu = A\mu * \nu,$$

$$(4.3) \quad \mu = B\mu * \lambda,$$

because  $A, B \in D(\mu)$ . From (4.3) we get  $A\mu = P\mu * A\lambda$ . Hence and from (4.2) we obtain the equation  $\mu = P\mu * A\lambda * \nu$ . Consequently,  $P\mu = P\mu * A\lambda * P\nu$  or in terms of the characteristic functionals

$$\widehat{P\mu}(y) = P\mu(y) \widehat{A\lambda}(y) \widehat{P\nu}(y) \quad (y \in X^*).$$

Thus  $|\widehat{P\mu}(y)| = 1$  in a neighbourhood of 0 in  $X^*$  which implies  $P\nu = \delta_x$  for a certain  $x \in X$  ([3], Proposition 2.3). Now taking into account (4.2) we have  $P\mu = A\mu * \delta_x$  which completes the proof of the lemma.

LEMMA 4.3. For every non-zero projector  $P$  belonging to  $S$  the semigroup  $S_P$  contains a one-parameter semigroup  $P \exp tV$  ( $t \geq 0$ ,  $V \in B(X)$  with  $PV = VP = V$ ). Moreover,  $S_P$  contains a projector  $Q$  with the properties  $P \neq Q$  and

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P - Q) \exp tV = 0.$$

Proof. By Lemma 4.1 the group  $G_P$  is compact. Put

$$a_{t,u} = \min \{ \|P - A_u A_t^{-1} H\| : H \in G_P \}.$$

Obviously,

$$(4.4) \quad a_{u,u} = 0 \quad (u = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and by Proposition 3.1,

$$(4.5) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} a_{t,u} = \|P\| \geq 1 \quad (t = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Since the semigroup  $\text{Sem}(\{A_r A_s^{-1} : s = 1, 2, \dots, r; r = 1, 2, \dots\})$  is compact, all its elements have the norm bounded in common by a constant  $b$ . Consequently, for  $t \leq u$

$$\begin{aligned} a_{t,u+1} &\leq \min \{ \|P - A_u A_t^{-1} H\| + \|(A_{u+1} A_u^{-1} - I) A_u A_t^{-1} H\| : H \in G_P \} \\ &\leq a_{t,u} + b \|A_{u+1} A_u^{-1} - I\| \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} a_{t,u} &\leq \min \{ \|P - A_{u+1} A_t^{-1} H\| + \|(A_{u+1} A_u^{-1} - I) A_u A_t^{-1} H\| : H \in G_P \} \\ &\leq a_{t,u+1} + b \|A_{u+1} A_u^{-1} - I\| \end{aligned}$$

which imply that

$$(4.6) \quad \lim_{u \rightarrow \infty} \max_{1 \leq t \leq u} |a_{t,u+1} - a_{t,u}| = 0.$$

Given a number  $c$  satisfying the condition  $0 < c < 1$  we can find, by virtue of (4.4) and (4.5), an index  $u_t \geq t$  such that  $a_{t,u_t} < c$  and  $a_{t,u_t+1} \geq c$  ( $t = 1, 2, \dots$ ). From (4.6) it follows that  $a_{t,u_t} \rightarrow c$ . Further, by the conditional compactness of the sequence  $\{A_{u_t} A_t^{-1}\}$  and the compactness of  $G_P$  we can choose a cluster point  $A_c$  of  $\{A_{u_t} A_t^{-1}\}$  and  $D_c \in G_P$  such that

$$\|P - D_c A_c\| = c = \min \{ \|P - A_c H\| : H \in G_P \}.$$

By Lemma 3.1  $A_c \in S$ . Consequently, setting  $B_c = D_c A_c$  we have  $B_c \in S_P$  and

$$(4.7) \quad \|P - B_c\| = c = \min \{ \|P - B_c H\| : H \in G_P \}$$

which yields

$$(4.8)$$

$$B_c \notin G_P.$$




Put

$$b_{t,c} = \min \{ \|P - B_c^t H\| : H \in G_P \} \quad (t = 1, 2, \dots).$$

By (4.7) we have

$$(4.9) \quad b_{1,c} = c.$$

Consider the semigroup  $\text{Sem}(\{B_c\})$ . By Numakura Theorem ([11], Theorem 3.1.1) it contains a projector  $P_c$ . Of course

$$(4.10) \quad \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} b_{t,c} \geq \min \{ \|P - P_c H\| : H \in G_P \}.$$

Since  $P_c \in S_P$ ,  $P - P_c$  is also a projector and, by Lemma 4.2,  $P_c \neq P$ . Thus

$$(4.11) \quad \|P - P_c\| \geq 1.$$

Put

$$a = \inf \{ \|P - P_c H\| : H \in G_P, 0 < c < 1 \}.$$

We shall show that  $a > 0$ . Contrary to this let us assume that  $a = 0$ . Then by the compactness of  $S_P$  and  $G_P$ , we can find an element  $D$  of  $G_P$  and a cluster point  $R$  of  $\{P_c : 0 < c < 1\}$  with the property  $P = DR$ . Since  $R$  is also a projector and  $R \in S_P$ , we have  $R = PR = DR = P$ . Consequently,  $P$  is a cluster point of  $\{P_c : 0 < c < 1\}$  which contradicts (4.11). Thus  $a > 0$  and, by (4.10),

$$(4.12) \quad \limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} b_{t,c} \geq a > 0 \quad \text{for every } c \text{ (} 0 < c < 1 \text{)}.$$

Further, taking into account that all elements of the compact semigroup  $S$  have norm bounded by a constant  $b$ , we have, in view of (4.7),

$$b_{t+1,c} \leq \min \{ \|P - B_c^t H\| + \|(B_c^t - B_c^{t+1})H\| : H \in G_P \} \leq b_{t,c} + bc.$$

and

$$b_{t,c} \leq \min \{ \|P - B_c^{t+1} H\| + \|(B_c^{t+1} - B_c^t)H\| : H \in G_P \} \leq b_{t+1,c} + bc$$

which imply that

$$(4.13) \quad \lim_{c \rightarrow 0} \sup_{t=1,2,\dots} |b_{t+1,c} - b_t| = 0.$$

Let  $c_t \rightarrow 0$ . Given a number  $d$  satisfying the condition  $0 < d < a$ , we can find, by virtue of (4.9) and (4.12), an integer  $t_u$  such that  $b_{t_u, c_u} < d$  and  $b_{t_u+1, c_u} \geq d$ . From (4.13) it follows that  $b_{t_u, c_u} \rightarrow d$ . The sequence  $\{B_{c_u}^{t_u}\}$  is conditionally compact. Let  $E_d$  be its cluster point. Then

$$(4.14) \quad \min \{ \|P - E_d H\| : H \in G_P \} = d \quad (0 < d < a)$$

and, consequently,

$$(4.15) \quad E_d \notin G_P \quad (0 < d < a).$$

The set  $\{E_d: 0 < d < a\}$  is also conditionally compact. Let  $E_0$  be its cluster point when  $d \rightarrow 0$ . Then by (4.14) and the compactness of  $G_P$ ,  $P = H_0 E_0$  for a certain  $H_0$  of the group  $G_P$ . Since  $E_0 \in S_P$ , this implies that  $E_0 \in G_P$ . Consequently, by Numakura Theorem ([11], Theorem 3.1.1), there exists a positive integer  $q$  such that

$$\|P - E_0^q\| < \frac{1}{4}.$$

Taking a positive number  $d_0$  with the property

$$\|E_0^q - E_{d_0}^q\| < \frac{1}{4}$$

we put

$$(4.16) \quad W = E_{d_0}^q.$$

Then

$$(4.17) \quad \|P - W\| < \frac{1}{2}$$

and, by the definition of the operators  $E_d$ ,

$$(4.18) \quad B_{c_i}^{r_i} \rightarrow W$$

where  $r_i \in \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $r_i \rightarrow \infty$ . From (4.7) and (4.17) it follows that the operators  $B_{c_i}$  and  $W$  can be represented in an exponential form

$$(4.19) \quad B_{c_i} = P \exp U_i, \quad W = P \exp V$$

where  $U_i, V \in B(X)$ ,  $PV = VP = V$ ,  $PU_i = U_i V = U_i$  ( $i = 1, 2$ ),

$$(4.20) \quad WV = VW$$

and, by (4.18),

$$(4.21) \quad r_i U_i \rightarrow V$$

Let  $t$  be an arbitrary positive real number. Then, by (4.19) and (4.21),

$$B_{c_i}^{[r_i t]} \rightarrow P \exp tV,$$

where the square brackets denote the integral part. Since  $B_{c_i} \in S_P$  we infer that the one-parameter semigroup  $\{P \exp tV\}$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) is contained in  $S_P$ . Consider the semigroup  $\text{Sem}(\{W\})$ . By the Numakura Theorem ([11], Theorem 3.1.1) it contains a projector  $Q$ . By (4.16)  $Q \in \text{Sem}(\{E_{d_0}\})$ . By (4.15) and Lemma 4.2 we have the inequality  $P \neq Q$ . Obviously,  $Q \in S_P$  and the set  $\{(P - Q) \exp tV: t \geq 0\}$  is conditionally compact. Let  $H$  be its cluster point when  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Then for a sequence  $\{t_r\}$  tending to  $\infty$  we have

$$(4.22) \quad \lim_{r \rightarrow \infty} (P - Q) \exp t_r V = H.$$

Passing to a subsequence if necessary we may assume without loss of generality that both sequences  $\{P \exp [t_r] V\}$  and  $\{P \exp (t_r - [t_r]) V\}$  are

convergent to  $H_1$  and  $H_2$  respectively. By (4.19)  $H_1$  is a cluster point of the sequence  $\{W^r\}$ . Consequently,  $QH_1 = H_1Q = H_1$ . Thus  $(P-Q)H_1 = 0$ , because  $H_1 \in S_p$ . Furthermore, by (4.22),  $H = (P-Q)H_1H_2$  which implies  $H = 0$ . Thus we have proved that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P-Q) \exp tV = 0$$

which completes the proof of the lemma.

The following theorem gives a characterization of full measures belonging to  $N_d(X)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) in terms of their multi-dimensional decomposability algebraic structures.

**THEOREM 4.1.** *A full probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  belongs to the set  $N_d(X)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) (resp.  $d = \infty$ ) if and only if there exists a one-parameter semigroup  $T_t := \exp tV$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) with  $V \in B(X)$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} T_t = 0$  such that  $\mu$  is  $d$ -times (resp. completely)  $\{T_t\}_{t \geq 0}$ -decomposable.*

*Proof.* It suffices to prove the theorem for the case  $d < \infty$ .

The necessity. Suppose that  $\mu$  is a full measure from the set  $N_d(X)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ). By Proposition 3.2 we choose a norming sequence  $\{A_j\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$ , corresponding to  $\mu$  with the property that  $A_{j+1}A_j^{-1} \rightarrow I$ . By Lemma 3.2  $I \in S$ . By consecutive application of Lemma 4.3 we get a system of projectors  $P_0 = I, P_1, \dots, P_r$  and a system of operators  $V_1, V_2, \dots, V_r$  with the following properties:  $S_{P_j}$  contains the one-parameter semigroup  $P_j \exp tV_{j+1}$  ( $t \geq 0$ ),  $P_jV_{j+1} = V_{j+1}P_j = V_{j+1}$ ,  $P_{j+1} \in S_{P_j}$ ,  $P_{j+1}V_{j+1} = V_{j+1}P_{j+1}$ ,  $P_j \neq P_{j+1}$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} (P_j - P_{j+1}) \exp tV_{j+1} = 0$  ( $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, r-1$ ). Moreover, by the compactness of  $S$  we may assume that  $P_r = 0$ . Further, the condition  $P_j \in S_{P_{j-1}}$  yields  $P_jP_{j-1} = P_{j-1}P_j = P_j$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ ). Put  $Q_j = P_{j-1} - P_j = P_j(I - P_{j-1})$  and  $U = \text{Sem}(\{S, I - P_j: j = 1, 2, \dots, r\})$ . By Proposition 1.3 we have the inclusion

$$(4.23) \quad U \times U \times \dots \times U \in D^d(\mu).$$

( $d$  times)

It is clear that  $Q_j \in U$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, r$ ),  $\sum_{j=1}^r Q_j = I$ ,  $Q_jV_j = V_jQ_j$  and the one-parameter semigroup  $Q_j \exp tV_j$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) is contained in  $U$ . Moreover,

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j \exp tV_j = 0.$$

Now by (4.23) and by Proposition 1.2 we infer that for any  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$   $\langle \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j \exp t_1 V_j, \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j \exp t_2 V_j, \dots, \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j \exp t_d V_j \rangle \in D^d(\mu)$ .

Setting  $V = \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j V_j$  we have  $\exp tV = \sum_{j=1}^r Q_j \exp tV_j$ . Then the one-

parameter semigroup  $T_t = \exp tV$  satisfies the condition  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} T_t = 0$  and, moreover, the measure  $\mu$  is  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable.

The sufficiency. Let  $T_t = \exp tV$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) be a one-parameter semigroup such that  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} T_t = 0$  and  $\mu$  is  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable. Setting, for

$j = 1, 2, \dots$ ,  $B_j = \exp \frac{1}{j} V$ , we have the formula

$$(4.24) \quad \mu = B_{n^1} \mu * \lambda_{n^1} \quad (n^1 = 1, 2, \dots).$$

Put

$$A_j = \exp \sum_{i=1}^j \frac{1}{i} V \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots)$$

and

$$(4.25) \quad \mu_{n^1} = \begin{cases} A_1^{-1} \mu & \text{for } n^1 = 1, \\ A_{n^1}^{-1} \lambda_{n^1} & \text{for } n^1 = 2, 3, \dots \end{cases}$$

Since for any  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$   $\langle B_{n^1}, B_{n^2}, \dots, B_{n^d} \rangle \in D^d(\mu)$  and by (4.24) we have  $B_{n^2} \in D(\lambda_{n^1})$ . Consequently, by (4.25),  $B_{n^2} \in D(\mu_{n^1})$  and hence there exists a probability measure  $\lambda_{n^1, n^2}$  such that

$$(4.26) \quad \mu_{n^1} = B_{n^2} \mu_{n^1} * \lambda_{n^1, n^2}.$$

Put, for  $n^1, n^2 = 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$(4.27) \quad \mu_{n^1, n^2} = \begin{cases} A_1^{-1} \lambda_{n^1} & \text{for } n^2 = 1, \\ A_{n^2}^{-1} \lambda_{n^1, n^2} & \text{for } n^2 > 1. \end{cases}$$

By the same reason as above we infer that for every  $n^3 = 1, 2, \dots$   $B_{n^3} \in D(\mu_{n^1, n^2})$ . Proceeding successively, we get 2 systems of probability measures  $\mu_{n^1}, \mu_{n^1, n^2}, \dots, \mu_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d}$  and  $\lambda_{n^1}, \lambda_{n^1, n^2}, \dots, \lambda_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d}$  ( $n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) with the properties that for every  $r = 1, 2, \dots, d-1$

$$(4.28) \quad \mu_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^r} = B_{n^{r+1}} \mu_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^r} * \lambda_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^{r+1}}$$

and

$$(4.29) \quad \mu_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^{r+1}} = \begin{cases} A_1^{-1} \lambda_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^r} & \text{for } n^{r+1} = 1, \\ A_{n^{r+1}}^{-1} \lambda_{n^1, n^2, \dots, n^{r+1}} & \text{for } n^{r+1} > 1. \end{cases}$$

Now, by (4.25), (4.28) and (4.29), we have

$$\mu = A_{n^1} A_{n^2} \dots A_{n^d} *_{k \leq n} \mu_k \quad (n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)).$$

It remains to prove that the collection of probability measures  $\{A_n \mu_k\}$  ( $n, k \in N^d$ ,  $k \leq n$  and  $A_n = A_{n^1} A_{n^2} \dots A_{n^d}$  whenever  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d) \in N^d$ ) is uniformly infinitesimal. We shall prove this by induction.

Let  $i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_s$  be a subsequence of  $\{1, 2, \dots, d\}$ . Then by virtue of (4.25), (4.28) and (4.29) we have

$$(4.30) \quad A_n \mu_k = A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_s}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_s}}^*$$

$1 \leq k^j \leq n^j$   
 $j \in \{1, 2, \dots, d\} \setminus \{i_1, i_2, \dots, i_s\}$

whenever  $n = (n^1, n^2, \dots, n^d)$  and  $k = (k^1, k^2, \dots, k^d)$ .

For  $s = 1$  it is known (see the proof of Theorem 4.1 [17]) that  $A_{n^{i_1}} \mu_{k^{i_1}} \rightarrow \delta_0$  for each choice of  $k^{i_1} \leq n^{i_1}$ . Suppose that for any choice of  $k^{i_1} \leq n^{i_1}, k^{i_2} \leq n^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r} \leq n^{i_r}$  ( $r = 1, 2, \dots, s-1$ ) we have

$$A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r}} \rightarrow \delta_0.$$

From (4.28) and (4.29) we get the equations

$$\begin{aligned} & A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r+1}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r+1}} \\ &= A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r}} (A_{n^{i_r+1}} A_{k^{i_r+1}}^{-1}) \lambda_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r+1}} \quad (k^{i_r+1} > 1) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} & A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r}} \\ &= B_{k^{i_r+1}} A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r}} * A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r}} \lambda_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r+1}}. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, by the induction assumption and by the fact that the sequence  $\{A_{n^{i_r+1}} A_{k^{i_r+1}}^{-1}\}$  is conditionally compact  $A_{n^{i_1}} A_{n^{i_2}} \dots A_{n^{i_r+1}} \mu_{k^{i_1}, k^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r+1}} \rightarrow \delta_0$  for each choice of  $k^{i_1} \leq n^{i_1}, k^{i_2} \leq n^{i_2}, \dots, k^{i_r+1} \leq n^{i_r+1}$ . Thus the condition (I.3) is also fulfilled which completes the proof of the theorem.

## 5. A characterization of multiply $\{T_i\}$ -decomposable probability measures on $X$

It is well-known ([14], [15], [2]) that every infinitely divisible probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  has a unique representation

$$(5.1) \quad \mu = \varrho * \tilde{\varepsilon}(M)$$

where  $\varrho$  is a symmetric Gaussian measure and  $\tilde{\varepsilon}(M)$  is a generalized Poisson measure on  $X$ . In terms of the characteristic functional we have the formulas

$$(5.2) \quad \tilde{\varrho}(y) = \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \langle y, Ry \rangle \right\} \quad (y \in X^*)$$

$R$  being a covariance operator i.e. a compact operator from  $X^*$  into  $X$  such that  $\langle y_1, Ry_2 \rangle = \langle y_2, Ry_1 \rangle$  (symmetry) and  $\langle y, Ry \rangle \geq 0$  (non-negativity)

([4], [18]) and

$$(5.3) \quad \tilde{e}(M)(y) = \exp \left\{ i \langle y, x_0 \rangle + \int_X K(x, y) M(dx) \right\}$$

for a certain  $x_0 \in X$ . The kernel  $K$  is defined by the formula

$$K(x, y) = \exp i \langle y, x \rangle - 1 - i \langle y, x \rangle 1_W(x)$$

where  $1_W$  denotes the indicator of a compact subset  $W$  of  $X$ . Furthermore, the measure  $M$  being a generalized Poisson exponent has a finite mass outside every neighbourhood of 0 in  $X$ .

Let  $R(X)$  denote the set of all covariance operators of symmetric Gaussian measures on  $X$  and  $M(X)$  denote the set of all generalized Poisson exponents on  $X$ . Recall that if  $R_1$  is a symmetric non-negative operator from  $X^*$  into  $X$  and  $R_2 - R_1$  is non-negative for a certain operator  $R_2 \in R(X)$ , then also  $R_1 \in R(X)$  ([18], p. 151). Moreover,  $M(X)$  is a cone, i.e. if  $M \in M(X)$  and  $M \geq N \geq 0$ , then  $N, M - N \in M(X)$ .

Given an operator  $V \in B(X)$  with the property that  $T_t := \exp tV \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  we shall denote by  $L_d(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) the set of all  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable probability measures on  $X$ . In particular,  $L_\infty(X, V)$  denotes the set of all completely  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable probability measures on  $X$ . It is evident that

$$L_d(X, V) \subseteq L_{d+1}(X, V) \subseteq L_\infty(X, V) \quad \text{for every } d = 1, 2, \dots$$

LEMMA 5.1. Suppose that  $\mu = \varrho * \tilde{e}(M)$  where  $\varrho$  is a symmetric Gaussian measure with the covariance operator  $R$  and  $M \in M(X)$ . If  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle \in D^d(\mu)$  and

$$\mu = A_1 \mu * \mu_{A_1},$$

$$\mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_j} = A_{j+1} \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_j} * \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{j+1}} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, d-1)$$

where the measures  $\mu_{A_1}, \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d}$  are infinitely divisible, then  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle \in D^d(\varrho)$  and  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d \rangle \in D^d(\tilde{e}(M))$ . Moreover, if  $\mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_j} = \varrho_j * \tilde{e}(M_j)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ) is the Tortrat representation of the measure  $\mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_j}$ , then the covariance operator  $R_j$  of  $\varrho_j$  is given by the formula

$$(5.4) \quad R_j = R + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} A_{i_r} A_{i_{r-1}} \dots A_{i_1} R A_{i_1}^* A_{i_2}^* \dots A_{i_r}^*$$

and the generalized Poisson exponent  $M_j$  is given by the formula

$$(5.5) \quad M_j = M + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} A_{i_r} A_{i_{r-1}} \dots A_{i_1} M.$$

Proof (by induction). If  $d = 1$  the lemma reduces to Urbanik's lemma ([17], Lemma 5.1). Suppose that our lemma is true for  $d \geq 1$ . Further, let  $\langle A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{d+1} \rangle \in D^{d+1}(\mu)$  and  $\mu_{A_1}, \mu_{A_1, A_2}, \dots, \mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_{d+1}}$  are infinitely divisible. We shall prove that for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d+1$  equations (5.4) and (5.5) hold.

By the induction assumption for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$   $R_j$  and  $M_j$  are given by (5.4) and (5.5) respectively. On the other hand,

$$\mu_{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_d} = A_{d+1} \varrho_d * \varrho_{d+1} * \tilde{e}(A_{d+1} M_d + M_{d+1}).$$

Consequently, by the uniqueness of the Tortrat representation,  $\varrho_d = A_{d+1} \varrho_d * \varrho_{d+1}$  and  $M_d = A_{d+1} M_d + M_{d+1}$  which together with (5.4) and (5.5) (for  $j = d$ ) imply that the equations (5.4) and (5.5) hold also for  $j = d+1$ . The lemma is thus proved.

**THEOREM 5.1.** *Let  $V \in B(X)$  and  $T_t := \exp tV \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Then a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) if and only if  $\mu = \varrho * \tilde{e}(M)$ , where  $\varrho$  is a symmetric Gaussian measure with the covariance operator  $R$  and  $M \in M(X)$  such that for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ,*

$$(5.6) \quad (-1)^j (V^j R + V^{j-1} R V^* + \dots + V R V^{*(j-1)} + R V^{*j}) \geq 0$$

and

$$(5.7) \quad M + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} T_{t_{i_1} + t_{i_2} + \dots + t_{i_r}} M \geq 0 \quad \text{for all } t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j \geq 0$$

Proof. It is enough to prove the theorem for  $d < \infty$ . Let  $\mu \in L_d(X, V)$  and  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$ . Then there exist probability measures  $\mu_{t_1}, \mu_{t_1, t_2}, \dots, \mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d}$  such that

$$\mu = T_{t_1} \mu * \mu_{t_1},$$

$$\mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} = T_{t_{j+1}} \mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} * \mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{j+1}} \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, d-1).$$

Since  $L_d(X, V) \subseteq L_1(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) and by Corollary 4.2 [17] the probability measures  $\mu, \mu_{t_1}, \dots, \mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d}$  are infinitely divisible. Let

$$\mu = \varrho * \tilde{e}(M) \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} = \varrho_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} * \tilde{e}(M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j})$$

be their Tortrat representations, where  $\varrho, \varrho_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ) are some symmetric Gaussian measures on  $X$  with the covariance operators  $R_j, R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  respectively and  $M, M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} \in M(X)$ . By virtue of Lemma 5.1

we get the equations

$$(5.8) \quad R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} = R + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} T_{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_r} R T_{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_r}^*$$

and

$$(5.9) \quad M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} = M + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} T_{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_r} M.$$

Hence it follows that the relation (5.7) holds. Further, by equation (5.8) and taking into account the expansion in a neighbourhood of 0

$$R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} = (-1)^j t_1 t_2 \dots t_j (V^j R + V^{j-1} R V^* + \dots + V R V^{*(j-1)} + R V^{*j}) + o(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j)$$

it follows that (5.6) holds.

Conversely, suppose that (5.6) and (5.7) hold for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ . Given  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$  define  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  and  $M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  according to the formulas (5.8) and (5.9). By an easy induction it follows that  $M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} \in M(X)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ) and

$$\tilde{e}(M) = T_{t_1} \tilde{e}(M) * \tilde{e}(M_{t_1}),$$

$$\tilde{e}(M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}) = T_{t_{j+1}} \tilde{e}(M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}) * \tilde{e}(M_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{j+1}}) \quad (j = 1, 2, \dots, d-1).$$

Consequently,  $\langle T_{t_1}, T_{t_2}, \dots, T_{t_d} \rangle \in D^d(\tilde{e}(M))$ . It remains to prove that  $\langle T_{t_1}, T_{t_2}, \dots, T_{t_d} \rangle \in D^d(\varrho)$ . Accordingly, it suffices to prove that  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} \geq 0$  for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$  and for all  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$ .

For  $j = 1$  we have  $R_{t_1} \geq 0$  ([17], Theorem 5.1). Suppose that  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} \geq 0$  ( $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j \geq 0$ ). By the definition of  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  we have the formula

$$R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{j+1}} = R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} - T_{t_{j+1}} R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} T_{t_{j+1}}^*$$

which, by Theorem 5.1 [17], implies that  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{j+1}} \geq 0$ . Thus by induction the theorem is proved.

Let  $\{T_i\}$  be the same as in Theorem 5.1. For every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  let  $R_d(X, V)$  denote a subset of  $R(X)$  consisting of all covariance operators  $R$  of the form

$$(5.10) \quad R = \int_0^\infty t^{d-1} T_t Q T_t^* dt$$

for a certain symmetric non-negative operator  $Q$  from  $X^*$  into  $X$ . It is evident that

$$R_{d+1}(X, V) \subseteq R_d(X, V) \quad (d = 1, 2, \dots).$$



Further, we put

$$(5.11) \quad R_\infty(X, V) = \bigcap_{d=1}^{\infty} R_d(X, V).$$

**THEOREM 5.2.** *The class of all covariance operators of  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable Gaussian measures on  $X$  coincides with  $R_d(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ).*

**Proof.** Let  $d < \infty$  and  $R$  be a covariance operator of  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable Gaussian measure  $\varrho$  on  $X$ . Given  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$  define the covariance operators  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j}$  by the formula (5.8). For every  $y \in X^*$  define the functions  $f_y(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$ ) by

$$f_y(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j) = \langle y, R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} y \rangle.$$

It is evident that

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\partial^j}{\partial t_1 \partial t_2 \dots \partial t_j} f_y(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j) \\ &= \langle y, T_{t_1+t_2+\dots+t_j} \{(-1)^j (V^j R + V^{j-1} R V^* + \dots + V R V^{*(j-1)} + R V^{*j})\} \times \\ & \quad \times T_{t_1+t_2+\dots+t_j} y \rangle. \end{aligned}$$

Consequently,

$$f_y(t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j) = \int_0^{t_1} \int_0^{t_2} \dots \int_0^{t_j} \langle y, T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j} Q_j T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j}^* y \rangle ds_1 ds_2 \dots ds_j$$

where by  $Q_j$  we denote the operator

$$(-1)^j (V^j R + V^{j-1} R V^* + \dots + V R V^{*(j-1)} + R V^{*j}).$$

Letting  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j \rightarrow \infty$  and taking into account the fact that  $T_t \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  we get the equation

$$\langle y, R y \rangle = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty \langle y, T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j} Q_j T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j}^* y \rangle ds_1 ds_2 \dots ds_j$$

which, by a simple changing the variables, implies that

$$\langle y, R y \rangle = \frac{1}{(j-1)!} \langle y, \int_0^\infty t^{j-1} T_t Q_j T_t^* dt y \rangle.$$

Putting  $j = d$  and  $Q = \frac{1}{(d-1)!} Q_d$  into this formula we have the equation

$$R = \int_0^\infty t^{d-1} T_t Q T_t^* dt.$$

It is clear, by Theorem 5.1, that  $Q$  is a symmetric non-negative operator from  $X^*$  into  $X$ . Thus we conclude that  $R \in R_d(X, V)$ .

Conversely, let  $R \in R_d(X, V)$ . Then there exists a symmetric non-negative operator  $Q$  from  $X^*$  into  $X$  such that the equation (5.10) holds. Let us write (5.10) in an equivalent form

$$(5.12) \quad R = \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j} Q' T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_j}^* ds_1 ds_2 \dots ds_j,$$

where  $Q' = (d-1)! Q$ . Then for any  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$  and  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j \geq 0$  we get the formula

$$\begin{aligned} R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} &:= R + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} T_{i_1+t_2+\dots+t_{i_r}} R T_{i_1+t_2+\dots+t_{i_r}}^* \\ &= \int_0^{t_1} \int_0^{t_2} \dots \int_0^{t_j} \int_0^\infty \int_0^\infty \dots \int_0^\infty T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_d} Q' T_{s_1+s_2+\dots+s_d}^* ds_1 ds_2 \dots ds_d, \\ &\quad \text{(d-1) times} \end{aligned}$$

which, by the assumption that  $Q$  is symmetric and non-negative implies  $R_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_j} \geq 0$ . But, by the proof of Theorem 5.1, the last inequality is equivalent to the condition (5.6). Hence and by Theorem 5.1  $R$  is a covariance operator of a  $d$ -times  $\{T_i\}$ -decomposable Gaussian measure on  $X$ . Thus the theorem is proved for the case  $d < \infty$ . The case  $d = \infty$  is quite clear which completes the proof of the theorem.

## 6. A reduction of the problem

In [17] K. Urbanik has introduced a concept of weight functions on a real separable Banach space  $X$ . Roughly speaking, a weight function on  $X$  is every real-valued function  $\Phi$  on  $X$  such that

- (a)  $\Phi(0) = 0$  and  $\Phi(x) > 0$  for all  $x \neq 0$ ,
- (b)  $\Phi(x)$  converges to a positive limit as  $\|x\| \rightarrow \infty$ ,
- (c)  $\Phi(x) \leq \alpha \|x\|^2$  for a certain positive constant  $\alpha$  and for all  $x \in X$ ,
- (d)  $\int_X \Phi(x) M(dx) < \infty$  for every  $M \in M(X)$ ,
- (e) if  $M_j \in M(X)$ ,  $\tilde{\nu}(M_j) \rightarrow \mu$  and  $\int_X \Phi(x) M_j(dx) \rightarrow 0$ , then  $\mu = \delta_x$  for a certain  $x \in X$ .

It is known ([17], Proposition 5.2) that for every real separable Banach space  $X$  there exists a weight function on  $X$ .

Given a subset  $E$  of  $X$  we put

$$\tau(E) = \{T_t x : x \in E, -\infty < t < \infty\},$$

where  $\{T_t\}$  is a semigroup as described in Theorem 5.1.

Lemma 6.1 (cf. [17], Lemma 5.4). *For every  $M \in M(X)$  there exists a sequence  $\{E_j\}$  of compact subset of  $X$  such that  $0 \notin E_j$ ,  $\tau(E_i) \cap \tau(E_j) = \emptyset$*

if  $i \neq j$  ( $i, j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) and  $M = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_j$  where  $M_j$  is the restriction of  $M$  to  $\tau(E_j)$ .

We note that if  $M \in M_d(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) then for every  $\{T_t\}$ -invariant subset  $U$  of  $X$ , i.e. such a subset that  $\tau(U) = U$ , the restriction of  $M$  to  $U$ , denoted by  $M|_U$  belongs to  $M_d(X, V)$  too. Consequently, from Lemma 6.1 we get the following corollary:

**COROLLARY 6.1.** *Let  $M \in M_d(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ). Then there exists a decomposition  $M = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_j$ , where  $M_j \in M_d(X, V)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ )  $M_j$  are concentrated on disjoint sets  $\tau(E_j)$ ,  $0 \notin E_j$ , and  $E_j$  are compact.*

This corollary reduces our problem of examining measures  $M \in M_d(X, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) to the case of measures concentrated on  $\tau(E)$  where  $E$  is compact and  $0 \notin E$ . We denote this class of measures by  $L_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ). Following K. Urbanik [17] we shall find a suitable compactification of  $\tau(E)$  and determine the extreme points of a certain convex set formed by probability measures on this compactification.

Accordingly, let  $[-\infty, \infty]$  be the usual compactification of the real line and let  $E$  be a compact subset of  $X$  such that  $0 \notin E$ . Then  $E \times [-\infty, \infty]$  endowed with the product topology becomes a compact space. We define an equivalence relation in  $E \times [-\infty, \infty]$  as follows:  $(x_1, t_1) \sim (x_2, t_2)$  where  $x_1, x_2 \in E$  and  $t_1, t_2 \in [-\infty, \infty]$ , if and only if there exists a real number  $s$  such that  $T_s x_1 = x_2$  and  $t_2 = t_1 - s$ . It is known [17] that  $\sim$  is continuous. Hence the quotient space  $E \times [-\infty, \infty] / \sim$  denoted by  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  is compact. The element of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ , i.e. the coset containing  $(x, t)$  will be denoted by  $[x, t]$ . Each element of  $\tau(E)$  is of the form  $T_t x$ , where  $x \in E$  and  $t$  is a real number. In general this representation is not unique. But  $T_{t_1} x_1 = T_{t_2} x_2$  if and only if  $(x_1, t_1) \sim (x_2, t_2)$ . Thus the mapping  $T_t x \rightarrow [x, t]$  is an embedding of  $\tau(E)$  into a dense subset of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . In other words,  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  is a compactification of  $\tau(E)$ . In the sequel we shall identify the elements  $T_t x$  of  $\tau(E)$  and the corresponding elements  $[x, t]$  of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . Further, we extend the functions  $T_s$  ( $-\infty < s < \infty$ ) and  $\| \cdot \|$  from  $\tau(E)$  onto  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  by continuity, i.e. we put  $T_s[x, -\infty] = [x, -\infty]$ ,  $T_s[x, \infty] = [x, \infty]$ ,  $\|[x, -\infty]\| = \infty$ ,  $\|[x, \infty]\| = 0$  for all  $x \in E$ . Then we have the formula

$$T_s[x, t] = [x, t+s].$$

Let  $\Phi$  be a weight function on  $X$ . By Lemma 5.3 [17] and the condition (b)  $\Phi$  is bounded from below on every set  $\{x: \|x\| \geq r\} \cap \tau(E)$  with  $r > 0$ . Further,  $\Phi$  can be extended to  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  by assuming  $\Phi([x, \infty]) = 0$  and  $\Phi([x, -\infty]) = \lim_{\|z\| \rightarrow x} \Phi(z)$ . Let  $N$  be a finite Borel measure on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . Put

$$(6.1) \quad M_N(U) = \int_U \frac{N(du)}{\Phi(u)}$$

for every subset  $U$  of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  with the property  $\inf \{\|u\|: u \in U\} > 0$ . This formula defines a  $\sigma$ -finite measure  $M_N$  on the set  $\{u \in \bar{\tau}(E): \|u\| > 0\}$ . Let  $H_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) denote the class of all finite measures  $N$  on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  for which the corresponding measures  $M_N$  fulfil the condition

$$(6.2) \quad M_N + \sum_{r=1}^j (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_r \leq j} T_{i_1 + i_2 + \dots + i_r} M_N \geq 0$$

for every  $j = 1, 2, \dots, d$  and for all  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d \geq 0$ . Moreover, we put

$$H_\infty(E, V) = \bigcap_{d=1}^{\infty} H_d(E, V).$$

It is easy to check that the sets  $H_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) are closed and convex. Let us consider the measures  $M$  from  $L_d(E, V)$  as measures on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . Set

$$(6.3) \quad N^M(U) = \int_U \Phi(u) M(du)$$

for every Borel subset  $U$  of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . It is evident that  $M \in L_d(E, V)$  if and only if  $N^M \in H_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ). By  $I_d(E, V)$  we shall denote the subset of  $H_d(E, V)$  consisting of probability measures. Clearly,  $I_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) is convex and compact. Further, for every Borel subset  $E_1$  of  $E$  the sets  $\tau(E_1)$ ,  $\{[x, -\infty]: x \in E_1\}$  and  $\{[x, \infty]: x \in E_1\}$  are  $\{T_t\}$ -invariant. Hence if  $N \in H_d(E, V)$ , the restriction of  $N$  to any of these sets is again in  $H_d(E, V)$ . This implies that every extreme point of  $I_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) must be concentrated on orbits of elements of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ , i.e. on one of the following sets:  $\tau(\{x\})$ ,  $\{[x, -\infty]\}$  and  $\{[x, \infty]\}$  where  $x \in E$ . Obviously, all measures  $\delta_x$ ,  $x \in \bar{\tau}(E) \setminus \tau(E)$  are extreme points of  $I_d(E, V)$ . Then the problem of examining the measures  $M$  from  $L_d(E, V)$  is reduced to finding extreme points of sets  $I_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots, \infty$ ) concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$ , where  $x \in E$ .

## 7. Multiply monotone functions

A real-valued function  $g$  defined on the real line is called *d-times monotone* ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) if the following conditions are satisfied:

(i)  $g$  is left-continuous and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} g(t) = 0$ ,

(ii) for any  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d > 0$  and  $a, b \in (-\infty, \infty)$  with  $a < b$  we have the inequality

$$\Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g(b) \geq \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g(a)$$

where  $\Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d}$  is a difference operator defined on the real functions  $g$  inductively as follows:

$$\Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g(s) = \begin{cases} \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_{d-1}} g(s) - g(s - t_d) & \text{if } d \geq 2, \\ g(s) - g(s - t_1) & \text{if } d = 1 \end{cases}$$

( $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d > 0$  and  $-\infty < s < \infty$ ).

Further, if for every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$  a function  $g$  is  $d$ -times monotone, then it is called *completely monotone*.

**PROPOSITION 7.1.** *Let  $g$  a  $d$ -times monotone function on the real line ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Then there exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function  $q$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$*

$$(7.1) \quad g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{-\infty}^{u_{d-1}} \int_{-\infty}^{u_{d-2}} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{u_1} q(u) du du_1 du_2 \dots du_{d-1}.$$

**Proof.** It is evident that every  $d$ -times monotone function  $g$  on the real line is convex non-negative and monotone non-decreasing. Consequently, there exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function  $g_1$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t g_1(s) ds.$$

It is easy to check that if  $d > 1$  then the function  $g_1$  is  $(d-1)$ -times monotone. Hence and by an easy induction it follows that there exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function  $q$  such that (7.1) holds. The proposition is thus proved.

**PROPOSITION 7.2.** *Let  $g$  be a completely monotone function on the real line. Then there exists a unique completely monotone function  $q$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$*

$$(7.2) \quad g(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t q(u) du.$$

**Proof.** By the definition of completely monotone functions it follows that the function  $g$  is convex non-negative monotone non-decreasing. Consequently, there exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function  $q$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$  equation (7.2) holds. It is clear that

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} q(t) = 0$$

and, moreover, for any  $d = 1, 2, \dots, t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d > 0$  and  $a, b \in (-\infty, \infty)$  with  $a < b$

$$\int_a^b \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} q(s) ds = \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g(b) - \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g(a) \geq 0.$$

Consequently,  $\Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} q(s) \geq 0$  for every  $s \in (-\infty, \infty)$  which shows that the function  $q$  is completely monotone. Thus the proposition is proved.

### 8. The Urbanik representation for $d$ -times $\{T_i\}$ -decomposable ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) probability measures on $X$

Consider a compact subset  $E$  of  $X$  such that  $0 \notin E$  and an arbitrary probability measure  $N$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$  ( $x \in E$ ). Setting

$$(8.1) \quad g_N(b) = M_N(\{[x, t]: t < b\})$$

we infer, by (6.2), that  $N \in I_d(E, V)$  if and only if for any  $t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d > 0$  and  $a < b$

$$(8.2) \quad \begin{aligned} & \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g_N(b) - \Delta_{t_1, t_2, \dots, t_d} g_N(a) \\ &= M_N(U) + \sum_{r=1}^d (-1)^r \sum_{1 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_r \leq d} T_{t_1 + t_2 + \dots + t_r} M_N(U) \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

where  $U = \{[x, t]: a \leq t < b\}$ . In other words,  $N \in I_d(E, V)$  if and only if the function  $g_N$  defined by the formula (8.1) is  $d$ -times monotone. Further, by Proposition 7.1, there exists a unique non-negative left-continuous monotone non-decreasing function  $q_N$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$(8.3) \quad g_N(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{-\infty}^{u_{d-1}} \int_{-\infty}^{u_{d-2}} \dots \int_{-\infty}^{u_1} q_N(u) du du_1 du_2 \dots du_{d-1}.$$

which, by virtue of (6.1) and (8.1), implies that

$$(8.4) \quad N(\{[x, t]: a \leq t < b\}) = \int_a^b \Phi([x, t]) g_N^*(t) dt$$

where the function  $g_N^*$  is defined by the formula

$$(8.5) \quad g_N^*(t) = \begin{cases} \int_{-\infty}^t \int_{-\infty}^{u_{d-2}} \int_{-\infty}^{u_1} q_N(u) du du_1 du_2 \dots du_{d-2} & \text{whenever } d \geq 2, \\ q_N(t) & \text{whenever } d = 1. \end{cases}$$

Consequently, we have

$$(8.6) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi([x, t]) g_N^*(t) dt = 1.$$

Conversely, every non-negative monotone non-decreasing left-continuous function  $q_N$  with the property (8.6) determines, by (8.4) and (8.5), a probability measure  $N$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$  for which the corresponding function  $g_N$  is  $d$ -times monotone. Consequently,  $N \in I_d(E, V)$ . Hence we conclude that a measure  $N \in I_d(E, V)$  is an extreme point of  $I_d(E, V)$  if and only if the corresponding function  $q_N$  cannot be decomposed into a non-trivial convex combination of two functions  $q_{N_1}$  and  $q_{N_2}$  ( $N_1, N_2 \in I_d(E, V)$ ). But this is possible only in the case  $q_N(t) = 0$  if  $t \leq t_0$  and  $q_N(t) = c$  if  $t > t_0$  for some constants  $t_0$  and  $c$ . By (8.4), (8.5) and by some computation we get the formula

$$(8.7) \quad N(\{[x, t]: a \leq t < b\}) = c(d-1)! \int_a^b \Phi([x, t]) \{(t-t_0)_+\}^{d-1} dt$$

where for a real number  $\lambda$  we write  $\lambda_+ = \max(\lambda, 0)$ . The constant  $c$  is determined by (8.6) and (8.7). Namely,

$$(8.8) \quad c^{-1} = (d-1)! \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi([x, t]) \{(t-t_0)_+\}^{d-1} dt.$$

We remark, by condition (c) and by Lemma 5.2 [17], that the last integral is finite for every  $d = 1, 2, \dots$ . Thus we have proved that every extreme point of  $I_d(E, V)$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$  is of the form (8.7), where the constant  $c$  is given by (8.8).

Conversely, let  $N$  be a probability measure on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  defined by the formula (8.7) where  $x \in E$  and the constant  $c$  is given by (8.8). Then the corresponding measure  $M_N$  is of the form

$$M_N(\{[x, t]: a \leq t < b\}) = c(d-1)! \int_a^b \{(t-t_0)_+\}^{d-1} dt.$$

It is easy to check that the measure  $M_N$  defined by the last formula satisfies the condition (6.2) and hence it belongs to the set  $I_d(E, V)$ . Moreover,  $M_N$  is an extreme point of  $I_d(E, V)$ .

For every  $z \in \tau(E)$ ,  $z = T_s x$  and  $x \in E$ , we put

$$(8.9) \quad N_z^{(d)}(U) = C_d(z) \int_0^{\infty} 1_U(T_t z) \Phi(T_t z) t^{d-1} dt$$

where  $1_U$  denotes the indicator of a subset  $U$  of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  and

$$(8.10) \quad C_d^{-1}(z) = (d-1)! \int_0^{\infty} \Phi(T_t z) t^{d-1} dt.$$

By virtue of (8.7) and (8.8) it follows that  $N_z^{(d)}$  are extreme points of  $I_d(E, V)$ . We extend the definition of  $N_z^{(d)}$  to  $z \in \bar{\tau}(E) \setminus \tau(E)$  by assuming  $N_z^{(d)} = \delta_z$ . In this case we have also  $N_z^{(d)} \in I_d(E, V)$ . It hints at, the mapping  $z \rightarrow N_z^{(d)}$  from  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  into  $I_d(E, V)$  is one-to-one and continuous. Consequently, it is a homeomorphism between  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  and the set  $e(I_d(E, V))$  of all extreme points of  $I_d(E, V)$ . Thus we have proved the following lemma:

LEMMA 8.1. *The set  $\{N_z^{(d)}: z \in \bar{\tau}(E)\}$  is identical with the set  $e(I_d(E, V))$  of all extreme points of  $I_d(E, V)$  and the mapping  $z \rightarrow N_z^{(d)}$  is a homeomorphism between  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  and  $e(I_d(E, V))$ .*

Once the extreme points of  $I_d(E, V)$  are found we can apply a well-known Krein–Milman–Choquet Theorem ([14], Chapter 3). Since each element of  $H_d(E, V)$  is of the form  $cN_1$  where  $N_1 \in I_d(E, V)$  and  $c \geq 0$  we then get the following proposition:

PROPOSITION 8.1. *A measure  $N$  belongs to  $H_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) if and only if there exists a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  such that*

$$\int_{\tau(E)} f(x) N(dx) = \int_{\tau(E)} \int_{\tau(E)} f(u) N_z^{(d)}(du) m(dz)$$

for every continuous function  $f$  on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . If  $N$  is concentrated on  $\tau(E)$  then  $m$  does the same.

From this proposition and by (6.1) and (8.9) we get, after some computation, the following corollary:

COROLLARY 8.1. *Let  $M$  be a measure from  $M(X)$  concentrated on  $\tau(E)$ . Then  $M \in L_d(E, V)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) if and only if there exists a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $\tau(E)$  such that*

$$\int_{\tau(E)} f(x) M(dx) = \int_{\tau(E)} C_d(z) \int_0^\infty f(T_t z) t^{d-1} dt m(dz)$$

for every  $M$ -integrable function  $f$  on  $\tau(E)$ . The function  $C_d(z)$  is defined by the formula (8.10).

We now turn to the consideration of arbitrary measures  $M \in M(X)$  corresponding to  $d$ -times  $\{T_i\}$ -decomposable probability measures on  $X$ . By Lemma 6.1 there exists a decomposition  $M = \sum_{j=1}^\infty M_j$ , where  $M_j \in M(X)$  are restrictions of  $M$  to disjoint sets  $\tau(E_j)$ ,  $0 \notin E_j$  and  $E_j$  are compact. Then we have  $M_j \in L_d(E_j, V)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ). Let  $m_j$  denote a finite measure on  $\tau(E_j)$  corresponding to  $M_j$  in the representation given by Corollary 8.1. Then

$$\int_X f(x) M(dx) = \sum_{j=1}^\infty \int_{\tau(E_j)} C_d(z) \int_0^\infty f(T_t z) t^{d-1} dt m_j(dz)$$

for every  $M$ -integrable function  $f$ . Substituting  $f = \Phi$  into this formula, we



get the equation

$$\int_X \Phi(x) M(dx) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m_j(\tau(E_j)).$$

Consequently, setting  $m = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m_j$ , we get a finite measure on  $X$  satisfying the equation

$$(8.11) \quad \int_X f(x) M(dx) = \int_X C_d(z) \int_0^{\infty} f(T_t z) t^{d-1} dt m(dz)$$

for every  $M$ -integrable function  $f$  on  $X$ . Moreover,  $m(\{0\}) = 0$ .

Putting, for any  $x \in X$  and  $y \in X^*$ ,

$$(8.12) \quad K_{\Phi, V}^{(d)}(x, y) = C_d(x) \int_0^{\infty} K(T_t x, y) t^{d-1} dt$$

where the kernel  $K$  is given by the formula (5.3), we get the formula

$$\int_X K(x, y) M(dx) = \int_X K_{\Phi, V}^{(d)}(x, y) m(dx) \quad (y \in X^*)$$

which together with (5.1), (5.2), (5.3) and (5.6) yields the following theorem:

**THEOREM 8.1.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a weight function on  $X$ ,  $V \in B(X)$  and  $T_t := \exp tV \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . Then a probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is  $d$ -times  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) if and only if there exist a finite measure  $m$  on  $X$  vanishing at 0, an element  $x_0 \in X$  and an operator  $R \in R_d(X, V)$  such that*

$$(8.13) \quad \hat{\mu}(y) = \exp(i\langle y, x_0 \rangle - \frac{1}{2}\langle y, Ry \rangle) + \int_X K_{\Phi, V}^{(d)}(x, y) m(dx)$$

for every  $y \in X^*$ . The kernel  $K_{\Phi, V}^{(d)}$  is defined by the formula (8.12).

Combining Theorems 4.1 and 8.1 we get the following solution of the Problem I which is a generalization of the Urbanik representation theorem for full Levy's measures on Banach spaces ([17], Theorem 5.3).

**THEOREM 8.2.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a weight function on  $X$ . A full probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  belongs to  $N_d(X)$  ( $d = 1, 2, \dots$ ) if and only if there exists a one-parameter semigroup  $T_t := \exp tV$  ( $t \geq 0$ ) with  $V \in B(X)$  and  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} T_t = 0$ , an element  $x_0 \in X$ , an operator  $R \in R_d(X, V)$  and a finite measure  $m$  on  $X$  vanishing at 0 such that the equation (8.13) holds.*

## 9. The Urbanik representation for completely $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable probability measures on $X$

Consider a compact subset  $E$  of  $X$  such that  $0 \notin E$  and an arbitrary probability measure  $N$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$  where  $x \in E$ . Define a function  $g_N$  by virtue of the formula (8.1). From (6.2) and (8.2) it follows that

$N \in I_\infty(E, V)$  if and only if  $g_N$  is completely monotone. Further, by Proposition 7.2 there exists a unique completely monotone function  $p_N$  such that for every  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$(9.1) \quad g_N(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t p_N(u) du$$

which together with (6.3) and (8.1) implies the formula

$$(9.2) \quad N\{[x, t]: a \leq t < b\} = \int_a^b \Phi([x, t]) P_N(t) dt.$$

Consequently, we have

$$(9.3) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi([x, t]) p_N(t) dt = 1.$$

Conversely, every completely monotone function  $p_N$  on the real line with the property (9.3) determines, according to the formula (9.2), a probability measure  $N$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$ . Moreover, we have  $N \in I_\infty(E, V)$ . Hence we conclude that a measure  $N \in I_\infty(E, V)$  concentrated on  $\tau(\{x\})$  is an extreme point of  $I_\infty(E, V)$  if and only if the corresponding function  $p_N$  cannot be decomposed into a non-trivial convex combination of two functions  $p_{N_1}$  and  $p_{N_2}$  ( $N_1, N_2 \in I_\infty(E, V)$ ). Given  $t > 0$  and a function  $p$  with such a property define two auxiliary functions  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  as follows:

$$p_1(u) = \frac{p(u) + p(u-t)}{1+c} \quad \text{and} \quad p_2(u) = \frac{p(u) + p(u-t)}{1+c} \quad (-\infty < u < \infty),$$

where  $c = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi([x, u]) p(u-t) du$ . It is evident that for sufficiently large  $t$  we have  $0 < c < 1$  and then the functions  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  are both completely monotone. Moreover, they are normalized by the condition (9.3) and for every  $u \in (-\infty, \infty)$

$$p(u) = \frac{1}{2}(1+c)p_1(u) + \frac{1}{2}(1-c)p_2(u).$$

Consequently, for every  $u \in (-\infty, \infty)$  and sufficiently large  $t > 0$

$$p(u-t) = p(u) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi([x, s]) p(s-t) ds$$

which, by a simple reason, implies that the function  $p$  is of the form

$$(9.4) \quad p(u) = Ce^{su} \quad (-\infty < u < \infty)$$

where  $C, s$  are some positive constants.

Given a subset  $U$  of  $X$  and an operator  $V \in B(X)$  such that  $T_t := \exp tV \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$  define a congruence relation in  $U$  as follows:

$x_1 \varrho x_2$ , where  $x_1, x_2 \in U$ , if and only if there exists a number  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$  such that  $T_t x_1 = x_2$ . It is evident that the relation  $\varrho$  is continuous. Let  $U/\varrho$  denote the quotient space. Then for every  $U \subset X$  we have  $U/\varrho = \tau(U)/\varrho$ .

Suppose that  $\Phi$  is a weight function on  $X$ . Put

$$(9.5) \quad \sigma_{\Phi, V}(U) = \{([x], s) \in U/\varrho \times R_+ : \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi(T_t x) e^{st} dt < \infty\}$$

where  $U \subset X \setminus \{0\}$ ,  $[x]$  is an equivalence class of  $U/\varrho$  and  $R_+$  is the positive half-line.

By Lemma 5.2 [17] and the condition (c) it follows that for every non-void  $U \subset X \setminus \{0\}$  the set  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(U)$  is non-void. Further, for every sequence  $U_1, U_2, \dots$  of subsets of  $X \setminus \{0\}$  such that the sets  $\tau(U_j)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are disjoint, the sets  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(U_j)$  are disjoint too and

$$(9.6) \quad \sigma_{\Phi, V}\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} U_j\right) = \bigcup_{j=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{\Phi, V}(U_j).$$

Given an element  $([z], s) \in \sigma_{\Phi, V}(E)$ , where  $E$  is a compact subset of  $X \setminus \{0\}$  and  $[z]$  is an equivalence class of  $E/\varrho$  with  $z \in E$  we put

$$(9.7) \quad N_{[z], s}(Q) = C_{\Phi, V}(z, s) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} 1_Q(T_t z) \Phi(T_t z) e^{st} dt$$

where  $1_Q$  denotes the indicator of a subset  $Q$  of  $\bar{\tau}(E)$  and

$$(9.8) \quad C_{\Phi, V}^{-1}(z, s) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi(T_t z) e^{st} dt.$$

It is easy to check that the right-hand side of (9.7) does not depend on any choice of the representing element  $z$  of  $[z]$ .

Since for every extreme point  $N$  of  $I_{\infty}(E, V)$  the corresponding function  $P_N$  is of the form (9.4) and normalized by the condition (9.3) the set  $\{N_{[z], s} : ([z], s) \in \sigma_{\Phi, V}(\tau(E))\}$  contains all extreme points of  $I_{\infty}(E, V)$  concentrated on  $\tau(E)$ . Our further aim is to prove that every measure  $N_{[z], s}((\tau(E)))$  defined by the formula (9.7) is an extreme point of  $I_{\infty}(E, V)$ .

Accordingly, from (9.7) it follows that the measure  $N_{[z], s}$  is concentrated on  $\tau(\{z\})$  and the corresponding measure  $M_{N_{[z], s}}$  is of the form

$$M_{N_{[z], s}}(\{T_t z : a \leq t < b\}) = C_{\Phi, V}(z, s) \int_a^b e^{st} dt$$

$(-\infty < a < b < \infty)$ . Consequently,  $M_{N_{[z], s}} \in L_{\infty}(E, V)$  and hence the measure  $N_{[z], s}$  defined by the formula (9.7) is an extreme point of the set  $I_{\infty}(E, V)$ . It is easily seen that the mapping  $([z], s) \rightarrow N_{[z], s}$  from  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(\tau(E))$  into  $I_{\infty}(E, V)$  is one-to-one and continuous. Thus we have proved the following lemma:

LEMMA 9.1. *The set  $\{N_{[z],s}: ([z], s) \in \sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E))\}$  is identical with the set of all extreme points of the set  $I_\infty(E, V)$  concentrated on  $\tau(E)$  and the mapping  $([z], s) \rightarrow N_{[z],s}$  is a homeomorphism between them.*

Denoting by  $e(I_\infty(E, V))$  the set of all extreme points of  $I_\infty(E, V)$  and taking into account the fact that each element of  $H_\infty(E, V)$  is of the form  $cN_1$ , where  $N_1 \in I_\infty(E, V)$  and  $c \geq 0$ , we then get the following proposition:

PROPOSITION 9.1. *A measure  $N$  belongs to the set  $H_\infty(E, V)$  if and only if there exists a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $e(I_\infty(E, V))$  such that*

$$\int_{\bar{\tau}(E)} f(x) N(dx) = \int_{e(I_\infty(E, V))} \int_{\bar{\tau}(E)} f(u) \pi(du) m(d\pi)$$

for every continuous function  $f$  on  $\bar{\tau}(E)$ . If  $N$  is concentrated on  $\tau(E)$  then  $m$  is concentrated on the subset of  $e(I_\infty(E, V))$  consisting of probability measures concentrated on  $\tau(E)$ .

Combining (6.1), (9.7), Lemma 9.1 and Proposition 9.1 we get the following corollary:

COROLLARY 9.1. *Let  $M$  be a measure from  $M(X)$  and concentrated on  $\tau(E)$ . Then  $M$  belongs to the set  $L_\infty(E, V)$  if and only if there exists a finite Borel measure  $m$  on the set  $\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E))$  such that*

$$\int_{\tau(E)} f(x) M(dx) = \int_{\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E))} C_{\phi,V}(z, u) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(T_t z) e^{ut} dt m(d([z], u))$$

for every  $M$ -integrable function  $f$  on  $\tau(E)$ . The function  $C_{\phi,V}(z, u)$  is defined by the formula (9.8).

Consider an arbitrary measure  $M \in M(X)$  corresponding to a completely  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable probability measure on  $X$ . By Corollary 6.1 there exists a decomposition  $M = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} M_j$ , where  $M_j \in M_\infty(X, V)$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ),  $M_j$  are concentrated on disjoint sets  $\tau(E_j)$ ,  $0 \notin E_j$  and  $E_j$  are compact. Let  $m_j$  denote a finite Borel measure on  $\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E_j))$  corresponding to  $M_j$  in the representation given by Corollary 9.1. Then, for every  $M$ -integrable function  $f$  on  $X$

$$\int_X f(x) M(dx) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \int_{\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E_j))} C_{\phi,V}(z, u) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(T_t z) e^{ut} dt m(d([z], u)).$$

Substituting  $f = \Phi$  into this formula we get the equation

$$\int_X f(x) M(dx) = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m_j(\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E_j))) < \infty.$$

Consequently, setting  $m = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} m_j$  and taking into account the fact that the sets  $\sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E_j))$  ( $j = 1, 2, \dots$ ) are disjoint,  $\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sigma_{\phi,V}(\tau(E_j)) = \sigma_{\phi,V}(X \setminus \{0\})$  we

get a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})$  satisfying the equation

$$(9.9) \quad \int_X f(x) M(dx) = \int_{\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})} C_{\Phi, V}(z, u) \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(T_t z) e^{ut} dt m(d([z], u))$$

which, by virtue of (9.8), can be written in the form

$$(9.10) \quad \int_X f(x) M(dx) = \int_{\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(T_t z) e^{ut} dt \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi(T_t z) e^{ut} dt \right]^{-1} m(d([z], u)).$$

Hence and by (5.1), (5.2), (5.3), (5.6) we get the following theorem:

**THEOREM 9.1.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a weight function on  $X$  and  $V$  an operator from  $B(X)$  such that  $T_t := \exp tV \rightarrow 0$  as  $t \rightarrow \infty$ . A probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  is completely  $\{T_t\}$ -decomposable if and only if there exists a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})$ , a covariance operator  $R \in R_{\infty}(X, V)$  and an element  $x_0 \in X$  such that for every  $y \in X^*$*

$$(9.11) \quad \hat{\mu}(y) = \exp \{i \langle y, x_0 \rangle - \frac{1}{2} \langle y, Ry \rangle + \\ + \int_{\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(T_t z, y) e^{ut} dt \left[ \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \Phi(T_t z) e^{ut} dt \right]^{-1} m(d([z], u))\}$$

where the set  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})$  is defined by the formula (9.5) and the kernel  $K$  is given by (5.3). The integrand over  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})$  does not depend on any choice of the representing elements  $z$  of the equivalence classes  $[z]$  of  $X \setminus \{0\}/\rho$ .

Combining Theorems 4.1 and 9.1 we get the following solution of Problem II:

**THEOREM 9.2.** *Let  $\Phi$  be a weight function on  $X$ . A full probability measure  $\mu$  on  $X$  belongs to the set  $N_{\infty}(X)$  if and only if there exist an operator  $V \in B(X)$  with  $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \exp tV = 0$ , an element  $x_0 \in X$ , an operator  $R \in R_{\infty}(X, V)$  and a finite Borel measure  $m$  on  $\sigma_{\Phi, V}(X \setminus \{0\})$  such that the characteristic functional of  $\mu$  is given by the formula (9.11).*

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