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ON MULTIDIMENSIONAL DETERMINATE  
 MOMENT SEQUENCES

**Abstract.** Let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , where  $1 \leq N \leq \infty$  and let  $\lambda_j > 0$  be a strictly positive sequence. It is proved that if two random vectors  $\eta = (\eta_j)$  and  $\xi = (\xi_j)$ , on

a finite dimensional  $\mathfrak{X}$ , satisfy  $Ee^{\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j |\eta_j|} < \infty$  and  $Ee^{\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j |\xi_j|} < \infty$ , and distributions of  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  are continuous, then they are the same if and only if

$$E\eta_1^{n_1} \dots \eta_N^{n_N} e^{-\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j |\eta_j|} = E\xi_1^{n_1} \dots \xi_N^{n_N} e^{-\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j |\xi_j|}$$

holds eventually for all large multiindices  $(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N)$ . Finally we characterize those finite signed measures  $\mu$  on  $\mathfrak{X}$  so that

$$\begin{aligned} j \rightarrow m_{n_1, \dots, n_{i-1}, j, n_{i+1}, \dots, n_k} \\ = \int x_1^{n_1} x_2^{n_2} \dots x_{i-1}^{n_{i-1}} x_i^j x_{i+1}^{n_{i+1}} \dots x_k^{n_k} e^{-\sum_{j=1}^N \lambda_j |x_j|} d\mu(\underline{x}) \end{aligned}$$

is eventually constant or periodic. Analogous results are obtained for  $N = \infty$ .

## 1. Introduction

It has been recently proved by G.D. Lin and Y.H. Too (see [LT]) that if

$$(1) \quad \int_a^\infty g(x) x^n e^{-\lambda x} dx = \text{const},$$

for all  $n \geq n_0$ , and if  $g$  is integrable, then  $g = 0$  almost everywhere on  $(a, \infty)$ . Following [Fu] we say that eventually constant moment sequences are determinate in the class of densities  $g(x)e^{-\lambda x}$ , where  $g \in L^1(a, \infty)$ . Our

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main goal is to extend results of [LT] to a multidimensional case and on some infinite dimensional Banach spaces.

Let  $(X, \rho)$  be a Polish metric space (i.e. separable and complete). By  $M(X)$  we denote the Banach lattice of all real, signed, finite,  $\sigma$  additive and Borel measures  $\mu$  on  $X$ . The set of all continuous measures is denoted by  $M_c(X)$ . If  $X$  is a subset of a finite dimensional Euclidean space then  $M_{ac}(X)$  stands for all absolutely continuous signed (with respect to the Lebesgue measure) measures concentrated on  $X$ . The following generalizes the notion of complete sequences (see [LT]).

**DEFINITION 1.** Let  $\mathfrak{L}$  be a subset of  $M(X)$  and  $\underline{m} = (m_n)_{n \geq 0}$  be a sequence of real numbers ( $\underline{m} = (m_{n_1, \dots, n_N})_{n_j \geq 0}$  be a multisequence  $\underline{m} : \mathbb{N}_0^N \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ ). A sequence  $\mathcal{F}$  of Borel functions  $f_n : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  (an indexed family  $\mathcal{F} = \{f_{n_1, \dots, n_N} : n_j \in \mathbb{N}_0\}$  of Borel functions) is said to be  $\underline{m}$ -complete on  $\mathfrak{L}$  if there exists a **unique**  $\nu \in \mathfrak{L}$  such that every measure  $\mu \in \mathfrak{L}$  satisfying the system of equations

$$(2) \quad \int_X f_n d\mu = m_n,$$

$$(3) \quad \left( \int_X f_{n_1, \dots, n_N} d\mu = m_{n_1, \dots, n_N} \text{ respectively} \right)$$

has the representation  $\mu = \mu_0 + \nu$ , where  $\mu_0 \in M(X)$  is concentrated on the set

$$Z_{\mathcal{F}} = \{x \in X : f(x) = 0 \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{F}\}.$$

We say that  $\mathcal{F}$  is *strictly  $\underline{m}$ -complete* if  $Z_{\mathcal{F}}$  is the empty set (in particular the system of identities (2) has a unique solution in  $\mathfrak{L}$ ).

The following two problems are addressed in this paper:

- Given a family  $\mathcal{M}$  of real sequences  $\underline{m}$  and a class  $\mathfrak{L} \subseteq M(X)$  find a sequence (indexed family) of Borel functions on  $X$  which is  $\underline{m}$ -complete on  $\mathfrak{L}$  for every  $\underline{m} \in \mathcal{M}$ .
- Given a class  $\mathfrak{L} \subseteq M(X)$  and a  $\underline{m}$ -complete family of Borel functions on  $X$ , where  $\underline{m}$  is an element of a fixed family  $\mathcal{M}$  of real sequences, find the formula

$$\mathcal{M} \ni \underline{m} \rightarrow \nu_{\underline{m}} \in \mathfrak{L}.$$

The result by Lin and Too, mentioned in the beginning of the paper, may be formulated as follows

**THEOREM 1.** (see [LT]) *Let  $X = (a, b)$ , where  $-\infty < a < b \leq +\infty$ , and  $L^1(a, b)$  be the class of all Lebesgue integrable functions on  $(a, b)$ . For every  $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}_0$  and  $\lambda > 0$  the family  $\mathfrak{F}_{\lambda, n_0} = \{x^n e^{-\lambda x} : n \geq n_0\}$  is  $\underline{c}$ -complete on*

$L^1(a, b)$ , where  $\underline{c}$  is a constant sequence  $c_n = c$ . Moreover, if it holds, then  $c = 0$  and (2) has a unique solution  $\nu_0 = 0$ .

REMARK 1. It has been actually proved in [LT] that  $\mathfrak{F}_{\lambda, n_0}$  is  $\underline{c}$ -complete on the class  $M_c(a, b)$ .

REMARK 2. Our restriction to study  $m$ -completeness, only for some specified classes  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{L}$ , is essential in the light of Boas's theorem (see [C] Theorem 6.3, page 74), which asserts that given any sequence of real numbers  $m_n$  there exists a signed measure  $\mu$ , such that  $\int_0^\infty x^n d\mu(x) = m_n$ .

## 2. One dimensional case

In this section we generalize and simplify the proof of Theorem 1 from [LT]. The idea of studying behaviour of derivatives of the transform of measures is also inherited from [LT]. We discuss eventually periodic sequences  $\underline{m}$ , instead of constants. We say that a sequence  $\underline{m} = (m_n)_{n \geq 1}$  of real numbers is eventually  $d$  periodic, if there exists a positive  $L$ , such that  $m_{n+d} = m_n$  holds for all  $n \geq L$ . We begin with the following commonly known fact (see Proposition 43.1 in [P]). For the sake of completeness of the paper and the convenience of the reader a detailed proof is included.

LEMMA 1. Let  $-\infty \leq a < b \leq +\infty$  and  $F : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies

$$(4) \quad 0 < |F(x)| \leq Ae^{-\varepsilon|x|}$$

for some  $A, \varepsilon > 0$ . Then the only signed measure  $\mu \in M(a, b)$  satisfying

$$(5) \quad \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = 0$$

for all  $n \geq 0$  is the zero measure.

If instead of (4) we assume the weaker condition

$$(6) \quad 0 \leq |F(x)| \leq Ae^{-\varepsilon|x|}$$

then a measure  $\mu$  satisfies (5) if and only if it is concentrated on the set  $\{x \in (a, b) : F(x) = 0\}$ .

Proof. We define

$$\Psi(z) = \int_{(a,b)} e^{izx} F(x) d\mu(x).$$

By (4) the function  $\Psi$  is well defined and analytic on the complex halfplane  $E = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : \operatorname{Im}(z) > -\varepsilon\}$ , containing  $\mathbb{R}$ . Clearly its  $n^{\text{th}}$  derivative is given by

$$\Psi^{(n)}(z) = i^n \int_{(a,b)} e^{izx} x^n F(x) d\mu(x).$$

Using the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem (which is applicable because of (4)) we obtain

$$\Psi^n(z) = i^n \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^k \beta^k}{k!} \int_{(a,b)} x^{n+k} F(x) d\mu(x) = 0$$

for all  $z = i\beta$ , where  $\beta \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ . This implies  $\Psi(z) = \text{const} = \Psi(0) = 0$  on the halfplane  $E$ . In particular

$$\Psi(t) = \int_{(a,b)} e^{itx} F(x) d\mu(x) = 0$$

for all  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . This implies that  $F(x)d\mu(x)$  is the zero measure. If we assume (4) then obviously  $\mu = 0$  as  $F(x) \neq 0$ . If (6) holds we only get  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq \{x : F(x) = 0\}$ . ■

Immediately we obtain

**COROLLARY 1.** *Let  $a, b$  and  $F$  be as in Lemma 1. If  $\mu \in M(a, b)$  satisfies*

$$(7) \quad \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = 0$$

*for  $n \geq n_0$ , where  $n_0$  nonnegative, then  $\mu = t\delta_0$  for some scalar  $t$ . If only (6) is assumed, then  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq \{x : F(x) = 0\} \cup \{0\}$ .*

**P r o o f.** It is enough to substitute in Lemma 1 the measure  $x^{n_0}d\mu(x)$  instead of  $\mu$  and adjust constants  $A$  and  $\varepsilon$ . ■

The following is the main result of this chapter.

**THEOREM 2.** *Let  $-\infty \leq a < b \leq +\infty$  and  $F : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies the property (4) on  $X$ . Suppose that  $\underline{m}$  is eventually  $d$  periodic and a signed measure  $\mu \in M(a, b)$  satisfies*

$$(8) \quad \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = m_n \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

*Then the following hold:*

(i) *If  $d$  is even then  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $\{-1, 0, 1\} \cap (a, b)$ .*

*If  $a < -1$  and  $b > 1$  then  $m_{n+2} = m_n$  for all  $n \geq 1$  (hence  $d = 2$ ) and*

$$\mu = \nu_{\underline{m}} = \frac{m_2 - m_3}{2F(-1)} \delta_{-1} + \frac{m_0 - \frac{m_2 - m_3}{2} - \frac{m_2 + m_3}{2}}{F(0)} \delta_0 + \frac{m_2 + m_3}{2F(1)} \delta_1.$$

*If  $-1 \leq a$  then  $m_1 = m_2 = \dots$  and  $d = 1$  is actually odd.*

(ii) *If  $d$  is odd then  $d = 1$  and  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $\{0, 1\} \cap (a, b)$ , and  $m_1 = m_2 = \dots$*

If  $\{0, 1\} \subset (a, b)$  then

$$\mu = \nu_{\underline{m}} = \frac{m_0 - m_1}{F(0)} \delta_0 + \frac{m_1}{F(1)} \delta_1.$$

If  $\{0, 1\} \cap (a, b) = \{0\}$  then  $0 = m_1 = m_2 = \dots$  and

$$\mu = \nu_{\underline{m}} = \frac{m_0}{F(0)} \delta_0.$$

If  $\{0, 1\} \cap (a, b) = \{1\}$  then  $m_0 = m_1 = \dots$

$$\mu = \nu_{\underline{m}} = \frac{m_1}{F(1)} \delta_1.$$

If  $\{0, 1\} \cap (a, b) = \emptyset$  then  $0 = m_0 = m_1 = \dots$  and  $\mu = 0$ .

**Proof.** Applying Corollary 1 we obtain  $x^{n_0}(1 - x^d)F(x)d\mu(x) = 0$ . Since  $F(x) \neq 0$  on  $(a, b)$  thus  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $\{-1, 0, 1\} \cap (a, b)$  if  $d$  is even, or it is concentrated on  $\{0, 1\} \cap (a, b)$  if  $d$  is odd. Moreover, if  $d$  is even then

$$\begin{aligned} m_{n+2} &= \int_{(a,b)} x^{n+2} F(x) d\mu(x) \\ &= (-1)^n (-1)^2 F(-1) \mu(\{-1\}) + 1^{n+2} F(1) \mu(\{1\}) \\ &= (-1)^n F(-1) \mu(\{-1\}) + 1^n F(1) \mu(\{1\}) = m_n \end{aligned}$$

hold for all  $n \geq 1$ . This means that  $d = 2$  or  $d = 1$ . For an arbitrary nonzero  $n$  we obtain

$$(9) \quad \begin{cases} m_{2n+1} = -F(-1)\mu(\{-1\}) + F(1)\mu(\{1\}) \\ m_{2n} = F(-1)\mu(\{-1\}) + F(1)\mu(\{1\}). \end{cases}$$

It follows from (9) that if  $-1 \notin (a, b)$  or  $1 \notin (a, b)$ , then the sequence  $\underline{m}$  is eventually constant. Hence it is eventually 1-periodic. Assuming that both  $-1$  and  $1$  belong to  $(a, b)$  we can easily evaluate

$$\mu(\{-1\}) = \frac{m_2 - m_1}{2F(-1)}$$

and

$$\mu(\{1\}) = \frac{m_2 + m_1}{2F(1)}.$$

Now it easily follows from  $m_0 = \mu(\{-1\}) + \mu(\{0\}) + \mu(\{1\})$  that

$$\mu = \nu_{\underline{m}} = \frac{m_2 - m_3}{2F(-1)} \delta_{-1} + \frac{m_0 - \frac{m_2 - m_3}{2} - \frac{m_2 + m_3}{2}}{F(0)} \delta_0 + \frac{m_2 + m_3}{2F(1)} \delta_1.$$

In the case (ii), when  $d$  is odd, for every  $n \geq 1$  we have

$$m_n = \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = F(1)\mu(\{1\}) = \text{const},$$

whenever  $1 \in (a, b)$ , or  $m_n \equiv 0$  if  $1 \notin (a, b)$ . Similarly we obtain that

$$m_0 = \int_{(a,b)} F(x) d\mu(x) = F(0)\mu(\{0\}) + F(1)\mu(\{1\})$$

if both 0 and 1 belong to  $(a, b)$ . After elementary transformations we obtain:

$$\mu = \nu_m = \frac{m_0 - m_1}{F(0)}\delta_0 + \frac{m_1}{F(1)}\delta_1.$$

The reader finds the remaining cases easy to verify. ■

**REMARK 3.** Some cases discussed in the above theorem are included only for the sake of completeness. If  $-\infty < a$  and  $b < \infty$ , then much stronger results are well known (see [B], Chapter 12 or [S], pages 400–403).

The next result is an easy application of our theorem and, which is a further generalization of Theorem 1 from [LT], as absolutely continuous distributions are continuous measures. We have:

**COROLLARY 2.** *Let  $-\infty \leq a < b \leq +\infty$  and  $F : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies the property (4). Suppose that  $m$  is eventually  $d$  periodic and a signed measure  $\mu \in M(a, b)$  satisfies*

$$(10) \quad \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = m_n \quad \text{for all } n \geq n_0.$$

*If  $\mu$  is continuous, then  $\mu = 0$ .*

In the sequel we will need the following extension of Theorem 2. Its proof is omitted as it is a modification of the previous proof.

**COROLLARY 3.** *Let  $-\infty \leq a < b \leq +\infty$  and  $F : (a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a function satisfying (4). If for a signed measure  $\mu \in M((a, b))$  the sequence of moments*

$$\int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) d\mu(x) = m_n$$

*is eventually periodic, then the measure  $\mu$  is concentrated on the set  $(\{x : F(x) = 0\} \cup \{-1, 0, 1\}) \cap (a, b)$ . Moreover, if  $m_n \equiv 0$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ , then  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $(\{x : F(x) = 0\} \cup \{0\}) \cap (a, b)$ .*

The functions  $F_{\lambda,\alpha}(x) = e^{-\lambda|x|^\alpha}$ , where  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 1$ , satisfy (4). We note that if  $a > -\infty$ , then for every  $\lambda > 0$  the function  $F_\lambda(x) = e^{-\lambda x}$  again satisfies (4) on  $(a, +\infty)$ . In particular, the sequence of functions  $\{x^n e^{-\lambda x}\}$  (considered in [LT]) forms a complete family. Sequences of functions  $\{x^n F_{\lambda,\alpha}(x)\}$  or  $\{x^n F_\lambda(x)\}$  may be substituted in Theorem 2 as well. We obtain an extension of Theorems 4 and 5 from [LT].

**THEOREM 3.** *Let  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  be two random variables defined on the same probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \text{Prob})$ , such that for some  $\lambda > 0$  and  $\alpha \geq 1$  the*

sequence

$$(11) \quad E(\eta^n e^{-\lambda|\eta|^\alpha} - \xi^n e^{-\lambda|\xi|^\alpha}) = m_n, \quad n \geq 0$$

becomes eventually periodic. Then

$$(12) \quad \text{Prob}(\eta \in A) = \text{Prob}(\xi \in A)$$

holds for every Borel  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R} \setminus \{-1, 0, 1\}$ . If  $m_n = 0$  for all  $n$  large enough, or if  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have continuous distributions, then  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have the same distributions.

**Proof.** We define  $\mu = \mu_\eta - \mu_\xi$  to be a signed measure, where  $\mu_\eta$  and  $\mu_\xi$  are distributions of  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  respectively. The condition (11) is equivalent to (8). Applying Theorem 2 we obtain (12). If both  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have continuous distributions, then  $\mu$  is continuous. Therefore (1) can be extended to all Borel  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ .

Now suppose that  $m_n \equiv 0$  for all  $n \geq n_0$ . It follows from Corollary 3 that  $\text{Prob}(\eta \in A) = \text{Prob}(\xi \in A)$ , for all Borel  $A$  not containing 0. But  $\text{Prob}(\eta = 0) = 1 - \text{Prob}(\eta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) = 1 - \text{Prob}(\xi \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) = \text{Prob}(\xi = 0)$ . Hence  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have the same distributions. ■

To complete this section we briefly mention completeness on  $L^p(a, b)$ , where  $p > 1$ . Assume that for some  $f \in L^p(a, b)$  the sequence

$$(13) \quad m_n = \int_{(a,b)} x^n F(x) f(x) dx$$

is eventually periodic, where  $F$  satisfies (4). By the Hölder inequality  $f(x) e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}|x|} \in L^1(a, b)$  and  $e^{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}|x|} F(x)$  satisfies (4), with the coefficient  $\varepsilon/2$  instead of  $\varepsilon$ . It follows from Corollary 1 that  $f(x) e^{-\frac{\varepsilon}{2}|x|} = 0$  a.e., hence  $f(x) = 0$  a.e..

We also notice that an arbitrary sequence  $\{w_n(x)\}_{n \geq 1}$  of polynomials such that

$$\text{lin}\{w_n : n \geq 1\} = \text{lin}\{x^n : n \geq n_0\}$$

may be used to construct 0-complete families. For instance  $\{L_n(x) e^{-|x|} : n = 0, 1, \dots\}$ , where  $L_n$  denote the Laguerre polynomials, and the Hermite functions  $\{x^n e^{-x^2} : n = 0, 1, \dots\}$  are 0-complete on  $L^p(a, b)$ . This is however well known (see [B] Chapter 12, [P] pages 214-217, or [S] pages 400-403).

### 3. A multidimensional moment problem

We begin this section with a brief introduction to conditional distributions. Most of the material we quote comes from [P] (see §45 and 46) and if necessary the reader is referred to this book for more details. Let  $X$  and  $X_1$  be Polish spaces with Borel  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_1$  respectively. Suppose

that there is given a nonnegative measure  $P$  on  $(X, \mathcal{B})$  and a Borel mapping  $\Pi : X \rightarrow X_1$ . The image of  $P$  is denoted by  $Q_{P,\Pi} = P \circ \Pi^{-1}$ . A *regular conditional distribution* of  $\Pi$  is a mapping  $x_1 \rightarrow P_{x_1}$  such that:

- for each  $x_1 \in X_1$ ,  $P_{x_1}$  is a measure on  $(X, \mathcal{B})$
- there exists a set  $I \in \mathcal{B}_1$  such that  $Q_{P,\Pi}(I) = 0$  and for each  $x_1 \in X_1 \setminus I$  we have  $P_{x_1}(X \setminus X_{x_1}) = 0$ , where  $X_{x_1} = \{x \in X : \Pi(x) = x_1\}$
- for every set  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  the mapping  $X_1 \ni x_1 \rightarrow P_{x_1}(A)$  is  $\mathcal{B}_1$  measurable and

$$(14) \quad P(A) = \int_{X_1} P_{x_1}(A) dQ_{P,\Pi}(x_1).$$

It is well known that on Polish spaces regular conditional distributions do exist (see Proposition 46.3, page 239 in [P]). The formula (14) can be easily extended to

$$(15) \quad \int_X h(x) dP(x) = \int_{X_1} \int_X h(x) dP_{x_1}(x) dQ_{P,\Pi}(x_1),$$

where  $h \in L^1(P)$ .

If  $\mu$  is a signed measure on  $(X, \mathcal{B})$  then

$$\mu = \frac{d\mu}{d|\mu|} |\mu|,$$

where  $\frac{d\mu}{d|\mu|}$  is the Radon Nikodym derivative. Without loss of generality we will assume that  $\frac{d\mu}{d|\mu|}(x) = K(x)$  for  $|\mu|$  almost all  $x \in X$ , where  $K$  is a Borel function on  $X$  such that  $|K(x)| = 1$  for all  $x \in X$ . Now we set  $\tilde{\mu} = \frac{|\mu|}{|\mu|(X)}$  and  $|\mu|_{x_1} = |\mu|(X) \tilde{\mu}_{x_1}$  and finally

$$(16) \quad \mu_{x_1}(A) = \int_A K(x) d|\mu|_{x_1}(x),$$

where  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ . Note that  $\mu_{x_1}$  is a signed Borel measure concentrated on  $X_{x_1}$ . We have

$$(17) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{X_1} \mu_{x_1}(A) dQ_{|\mu|,\Pi}(x_1) &= \int_{X_1} \int_A K(x) d|\mu|_{x_1}(x) dQ_{|\mu|,\Pi}(x_1) \\ &= \int_X K(x) \mathbf{1}_A(x) d|\mu|(x) = \mu(A). \end{aligned}$$

Again (17) can be extended to

$$(18) \quad \int_X h(x) d\mu(x) = \int_{X_1} \int_X h(x) d\mu_{x_1}(x) dQ_{|\mu|,\Pi}(x_1),$$

where  $h \in L^1(|\mu|)$ . We write

$$(19) \quad \mu = \int_{X_1} \mu_{x_1} dQ_{|\mu|, \Pi}(x_1).$$

Now let us return to the finite dimensional moment problem and consider  $\mathbb{R}^N$ , the  $N$ -dimensional (real) vector space with a fixed norm  $\|\cdot\|_N$ . Elements of  $\mathbb{R}^N$  will be denoted by  $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)$ . Let  $X$  be a subset of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . In the finite dimensional case condition (6) is naturally replaced by

$$(20) \quad |F(\underline{x})| \leq Ae^{-\varepsilon\|\underline{x}\|_N}$$

where  $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $A, \varepsilon > 0$  are some fixed constants. Now we are in a position to formulate a finite dimensional version of Theorem 2. Namely we have

**THEOREM 4.** *Let  $X$  be a Borel subset of  $(\mathbb{R}^N, \|\cdot\|_N)$  and  $\mu$  be a finite Borel signed measure on  $X$ . Let  $F$  be a Borel function on  $X$  satisfying (20). Given natural numbers  $n_1, \dots, n_N$  we define*

$$(21) \quad m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} = \int_X x_1^{n_1} x_2^{n_2} \cdots x_N^{n_N} F(x_1, \dots, x_N) d\mu(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N).$$

(i) *If there exists  $L_N$  such that for every  $1 \leq j \leq N$*

$$m_{n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N} = 0$$

*for all  $n \geq L_N$  and all  $n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ , then  $\mu$  is concentrated on  $\{\underline{x} : F(\underline{x}) = 0\} \cup \{(0, \dots, 0)\}$ . In particular, if  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , then  $\mu = t\delta_0$  for some scalar  $t$ .*

- (ii) *If  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} = 0$  for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ , and  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , then  $\mu$  is the zero measure.*
- (iii) *If for every  $1 \leq j \leq N$  and all fixed  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N \geq 0$  the sequence*

$$(22) \quad n \rightarrow m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, n, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N}$$

*is eventually periodic, and  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , then  $\mu$  is a discrete measure concentrated on the finite set  $\{-1, 0, 1\}^N \cap X$ .*

**Proof.** We proceed with the induction for  $N$ . If  $N = 1$  then (i), (ii), (iii) hold by Theorem 2. Now let us assume that they hold for all  $N - 1$  finite dimensional vector spaces  $\mathfrak{X}$  (we notice that in our considerations the geometry of the norm on  $\mathfrak{X}$  does not play any role as long as  $\mathfrak{X}$  remains finite dimensional). Let us denote the projection on the  $k^{\text{th}}$  coordinate by  $\pi_k$ . If  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} \equiv 0$  for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq L_N$  then

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} x_1^{n_1} F_{n_2, \dots, n_N}(x_1) dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(x_1) = 0,$$

where

$$F_{n_2, \dots, n_N}(x_1) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{N-1}} \dots \int_{\mathbb{R}^{N-1}} x_2^{n_2} \cdots x_N^{n_N} F(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) d\mu_{x_1}(x_2, \dots, x_N),$$

and  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}$ ,  $\mu_{x_1}$  come from the desintegration of  $\mu$  associated with the projection  $\mathbb{R}^N \ni (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) \rightarrow \pi_1(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) = x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ . The norm  $\|\cdot\|_N$  is equivalent to  $\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)\|_{N,1} = \sum_{j=1}^N |x_j|$ . In particular there exists a constant  $\gamma > 0$  such that

$$\begin{aligned} |F((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N))| &\leq Ae^{-\varepsilon\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)\|_N} \\ &\leq Ae^{-\varepsilon\gamma\|(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)\|_{N,1}} \\ &= Ae^{-\varepsilon\gamma\|(x_2, \dots, x_N)\|_{N-1,1}} \cdot e^{-\varepsilon\gamma|x_1|}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $|\mu_{x_1}| \leq \|\mu\|$  it follows that

$$A' = \sup_{x_1 \in \mathbb{R}} A \int_{\mathbb{R}^{N-1}} \dots \int_{\mathbb{R}^{N-1}} |x_2^{n_2} \cdots x_N^{n_N}| e^{-\varepsilon\gamma\|(x_2, \dots, x_N)\|_{N-1,1}} d\mu_{x_1}(x_2, \dots, x_N) < +\infty.$$

Finally we obtain condition (20), i.e.

$$|F_{n_2, \dots, n_N}(x_1)| \leq A'e^{-\varepsilon\gamma|x_1|}$$

holds for all  $x_1 \in \mathbb{R}$ . By Corollary 2 the measure  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}$  is concentrated on  $\{x_1 : F_{n_2, \dots, n_N}(x_1) = 0\} \cup \{0\}$ . Since neither  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}$  nor  $\mu_{x_1}$  depend on  $n_2, \dots, n_N$ , thus  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}$  is concentrated on  $D_1 \cup \{0\}$ , where

$$D_1 = \bigcap_{n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0} \{x_1 : F_{n_2, \dots, n_N}(x_1) = 0\}.$$

By the induction assumption, if  $x_1 \in D_1$ , then  $\mu_{x_1} = 0$ . On the other hand, if  $x_1 \notin D_1$ , then we get

$$\mu_{x_1} = t_{x_1} \underbrace{\delta_{(x_1, 0, \dots, 0)}}_{N-1}.$$

From this we infer that the measure  $\mu = \int \mu_{x_1} dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(x_1)$  is concentrated on the linear subspace  $\mathbb{R} \times \underbrace{\{0\} \times \dots \times \{0\}}_{N-1}$ . Repeating the above arguments

to other projections  $\pi_k$ , where  $2 \leq k \leq N$ , there exists a scalar  $t$  such that  $\mu = t\delta_{(0, \dots, 0)}$ .

If (ii) holds, then  $t = m_{(0, \dots, 0)} = 0$ . Therefore,  $\mu$  is the zero measure. It follows from the induction that (i) and (ii) hold for an arbitrary  $N$ .

(iii) As before, we begin the second step of the induction with the projection  $\pi_1$ . By Corollary 2 the measure  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}$  is concentrated on the set  $D_1 \cup \{-1, 0, 1\}$ . If  $x_1 \notin D_1$ , then it follows from the induction assumption

that  $\mu_{x_1}$  is concentrated on  $\{-1, 0, 1\}^{N-1}$ . If  $x_1 \in D_1$ , then simply  $\mu_{x_1} = 0$ . Therefore, for an arbitrary Borel set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}^N$  we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(A) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \mu_{x_1}(A) dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(x_1) \\ &= \int_{D_1 \setminus \{-1, 0, 1\}} \mu_{x_1}(A) dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(x_1) + \int_{\{-1, 0, 1\}} \mu_{x_1}(A) dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(x_1) \\ &= \sum_{s \in \{-1, 0, 1\}} \mu_s(A \cap (\{s\} \times \mathbb{R}^{N-1})) Q_{|\mu|, \pi_1}(\{s\}).\end{aligned}$$

From the above it is easy to infer that  $\mu$  is concentrated on

$$\{-1, 0, 1\} \times \mathbb{R}^{N-1}.$$

Applying the same arguments to other coordinates we obtain that  $\mu$  is concentrated on the set  $S_N = \{-1, 0, 1\}^N$ . ■

If in the above theorem our conditions on  $m_{n_1, \dots, n_N}$  are relaxed further, then we obtain the following proposition which applies to continuous measures. Namely, we have:

**PROPOSITION 1.** *Let  $X$  be a Borel subset of  $(\mathbb{R}^N, \|\cdot\|_N)$  and  $\mu$  be a signed and finite Borel measure on  $X$ . Assume that a Borel function  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$ , for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , and that (20) holds. If there exist  $L$  and  $j \in \{1, \dots, n\}$  so that whenever  $n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N \geq L$  then the sequence*

$$n \rightarrow m_{n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N}$$

*is eventually periodic, then  $\mu$  is concentrated on the set*

$$Z = \{-1, 0, 1\}^N \cup \bigcup_{l=1}^N \{\underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^N : x_l = 0\}.$$

*In particular, if  $\mu \in M_{ac}(X)$ , then  $\mu = 0$ .*

**Proof.** Consider the function  $\tilde{F}(\underline{x}) = x_1^L \cdots x_N^L \cdot F((x_1, \dots, x_N))$  instead of  $F$ . Similarly as in the proof of Theorem 4 we obtain that the measure  $Q_{|\mu|, \pi_j}$  is concentrated on the set  $\{-1, 0, 1\}$ . If  $x_j \notin \{-1, 0, 1\}$ , then  $\mu_{x_j}$  is concentrated on the set

$$\left\{ \underline{x} \in X : \int_X x_1^{n_1} \cdots x_{j-1}^{n_{j-1}} \cdot x_{j+1}^{n_{j+1}} \cdots x_N^{n_N} \cdot \tilde{F}(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}) = 0 \text{ for all } n_j \geq 0 \right\}.$$

Since  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  on  $X$  it follows that

$$\text{supp}(\mu_{x_j}) \subseteq \{\underline{x} \in X : x_l = 0 \text{ for some } l \in \{1, \dots, j-1, j+1, \dots, N\}\}.$$

We have obtained that  $Z$  has Lebesgue measure 0. In particular, if  $\mu$  is absolutely continuous then  $\mu = 0$ . ■

Let  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$  and  $\mu$  be as in Theorem 4. Similarly as in Theorem 2, the system of moments  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N}$ , where  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ , completely describes  $\mu$ . In order to restore  $\mu$  we only need to know some of its moments. These are  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N}$ , where  $0 \leq n_j \leq 2$ . It remains to solve the system of equations:

$$\sum_{(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N) \in S_N} \prod_{j=1}^N s_j^{n_j} F((s_1, \dots, s_N)) \mu(\{(s_1, s_2, \dots, s_N)\}) = m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N}$$

(according to the standard convention we assume that  $(-1)^0 = 1$ ). We have:

**COROLLARY 4.** *Let  $X$  be a Borel subset of  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . Then for every function  $F$  satisfying (20) and such that  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  on  $X$  the family of functions*

$$(23) \quad \{x_1^{n_1} \cdot x_2^{n_2} \cdots x_N^{n_N} F((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N)) : 0 \leq n_j, 1 \leq j \leq N\}$$

*is strictly m-complete on  $Mac(X)$ , where  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N}$  is eventually constant or periodic.*

It is worth emphasizing that if we consider only strictly positive  $F$  and nonnegative measures  $\mu$ , then the moment problem becomes trivial and a smaller class than (23) is complete. This may be checked directly (i.e. without the use of Theorem 4) that if for every  $1 \leq j \leq N$  the sequence

$$n \rightarrow \int \dots \int x_j^n F(x_1, \dots, x_N) d\mu((x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N))$$

is eventually periodic, then since even moments  $m_{2n}^{(j)}$  are separated from 0 and  $\infty$ , we obtain  $\mu(\{\underline{x} \in X : x_j \notin \{-1, 0, 1\}\}) = 0$ .

#### 4. Infinite dimensional moment problem

Now let  $\mathfrak{X}$  be a vector subspace of  $\mathbb{R}^\infty$ . As before, elements of  $\mathfrak{X}$  are denoted by  $\underline{x} = (x_1, x_2, \dots)$ . Given a strictly positive sequence  $\lambda_j > 0$ , we introduce on  $\mathfrak{X}$  the functional  $\|\underline{x}\|_\lambda = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} |x_j| \lambda_j$ . It will be always assumed that  $\|\cdot\|_\lambda$  is finite on  $\mathfrak{X}$ ; hence  $(X, \|\cdot\|_\lambda)$  becomes a separable Banach space. The elements of its dual  $\mathfrak{X}^* (= \ell^\infty)$  are denoted by  $\underline{x}^* = (x_j^*)_{j=1}^{\infty}$ . Clearly the dual action has the form  $\langle \underline{x}, \underline{x}^* \rangle = \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} x_j x_j^* \lambda_j$ . The norm on  $\mathfrak{X}^*$  is denoted by  $\|\cdot\|^*$ . The projection onto the first  $N$  coordinates is denoted by  $\Pi_N$  (i.e.  $\mathfrak{X} \ni \underline{x} \rightarrow \Pi((x_1, x_2, \dots)) = (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N) \in \mathbb{R}^N$ ) while the projection on the  $k^{\text{th}}$  coordinate is denoted by  $\pi_k$ .

If  $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is Borel, then condition (20) is replaced by

$$(24) \quad |F(\underline{x})| \leq A e^{-\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \lambda_j |x_j|},$$

where  $X \subseteq \mathfrak{X}$  is Borel and  $A, \varepsilon > 0$  are some constants. The subspaces  $\mathfrak{X}_N = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots, x_N, 0, 0, \dots) : x_j \in \mathbb{R}\}$  are isomorphic to  $\mathbb{R}^N$ . Similarly as in the finite dimensional case, functions defined by the integrals

$$F_{n_{N+1}, \dots, n_{N+K}}(x_1, \dots, x_N) = \int_{\mathfrak{X}} x_1^{n_{N+1}} \cdots x_{N+K}^{n_{N+K}} F(\underline{x}) d\mu_{x_1, \dots, x_N}(\underline{x}),$$

satisfy condition (20) on  $\mathfrak{X}_N = \mathbb{R}^N$ . Constants  $A$  and  $\varepsilon$  must be however adjusted. The moments are again defined as

$$m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} = \int_{\mathfrak{X}} x_1^{n_1} \cdots x_N^{n_N} F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}),$$

where  $\mu$  is a finite signed Borel measure on  $X$ .

**LEMMA 2.** *Let  $\mu$  be a signed measure on  $X \subseteq \mathfrak{X}$ . Suppose that  $F : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  satisfies (24). If  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} = 0$  for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N$ , then  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq \{\underline{x} : F(\underline{x}) = 0\}$ .*

**Proof.** We define the characteristic function

$$\Psi(\underline{x}^*) = \int_{\mathfrak{X}} e^{i \langle \underline{x}, \underline{x}^* \rangle} F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}).$$

Applying the Lebesgue dominated convergence theorem we obtain

$$\int_{\mathfrak{X}} \langle \underline{x}, \underline{x}^* \rangle^n F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}) = 0$$

where  $n \geq 0$  and  $\|\underline{x}^*\|^* < 1$ . This implies that  $\Psi(\underline{x}^*) = 0$  for all such  $\underline{x}^*$ . In particular, if we consider the measure (on Borel sets  $B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ )

$$\nu_{\underline{x}^*}(B) = \int_{\underline{x}^{*-1}(B)} F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}),$$

then  $\int s^n d\nu_{\underline{x}^*}(s) = 0$  for all  $n \geq 0$ , where  $\|\underline{x}^*\|^* < 1$ . It is easy to verify that  $\int e^{\frac{1}{2}|s|} d|\nu_{\underline{x}^*}|(s) < \infty$ . Hence by Lemma 1  $\nu_{\underline{x}^*}$  is the zero measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . This gives

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{iLs} d\nu_{\underline{x}^*}(s) = 0$$

for all  $L > 0$ . We get

$$0 = \int_{\mathfrak{X}} e^{iL \langle \underline{x}, \underline{x}^* \rangle} F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}) = \int_{\mathfrak{X}} e^{i \langle \underline{x}, L\underline{x}^* \rangle} F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x}) = \Psi(L\underline{x}^*)$$

for all  $\|\underline{x}^*\|^* < 1$  and  $L > 0$ . In particular, the characteristic function of  $F(\underline{x}) d\mu(\underline{x})$  is zero. Hence  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq \{\underline{x} : F(\underline{x}) = 0\}$ . ■

Using Lemma 2 the following result can be proved similarly as Theorem 4. Therefore its proof is limited to a short sketch.

**THEOREM 5.** *Let  $X$  be a Borel subset of  $\mathfrak{X}$ ,  $F$  satisfies (24) on  $X$ , and  $\mu \in M(X)$ . Then*

- (i) *If  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} \equiv 0$  for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ , and  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , then  $\mu = 0$ .*
- (ii) *If for every  $j$  there exists  $J_j$  such that for all  $n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ , and  $k \geq J_j$  we have*

$$m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, k, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N} = 0,$$

*where  $F(\underline{x}) \neq 0$  for all  $\underline{x} \in X$ , then  $\mu = t\delta_{\underline{0}}$  for some scalar  $t$ .*

- (iii) *If for every fixed  $n_1, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N \geq 0$  the sequence*

$$k \rightarrow m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, k, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N}$$

*is eventually periodic, then  $\mu$  is concentrated on the set*

$$S = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \{-1, 0, 1\}.$$

*The measure  $\mu$  is determined by low level moments  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N}$ , where  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \in \{0, 1, 2\}$ . If in addition, for some projection  $\Pi_N$ , the corresponding measure  $Q_{|\mu|, \Pi_N}$  is continuous, then  $\mu = 0$ .*

**P r o o f.** (i) follows directly from Lemma 2. In order to obtain (ii) we apply Theorem 4 (i) and get

$$\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq \bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \{\underline{x} : x_1 = 0 \dots x_N = 0\} = \{\underline{0}\}.$$

The proof of (iii) is essentially the same as Theorem 4 (iii). We simply consider all projections  $\pi_j$  and the corresponding desintegrations  $\mu = \int \mu_{x_j} dQ_{|\mu|, \pi_j}(x_j)$ . It follows that  $\mu_{x_j} = 0$  for all  $x_j \notin \{-1, 0, 1\}$ . As a result  $\text{supp}(\mu) \subseteq S$ . Now, if we assume that for some natural  $N$  the measure  $Q_{|\mu|, \Pi_N}$  is continuous, then  $\mu = \int \mu_{x_1, \dots, x_N} dQ_{|\mu|, \Pi_N}((x_1, \dots, x_N)) = 0$ . ■

The next result follows directly from Theorem 5.

**PROPOSITION 2.** *Let  $\eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2, \dots)$  and  $\xi = (\xi_1, \xi_2, \dots)$  be random vectors on  $\mathfrak{X} \subseteq \mathbb{R}^{\infty}$ . If there exists a strictly positive vector  $\underline{\lambda} = (\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots)$  such that for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0$  we have*

$$E\eta_1^{n_1} \dots \eta_N^{n_N} e^{-\sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j |\eta_j|} = E\xi_1^{n_1} \dots \xi_N^{n_N} e^{-\sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j |\xi_j|} < \infty,$$

*then  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have the same distributions.*

**P r o o f.** Let  $\mu = \mu_{\eta} - \mu_{\xi}$ , where  $\mu_{\eta}$  and  $\mu_{\xi}$  denote the distributions of  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  respectively. We get  $m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N} = 0$  for all  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_N \geq 0$ . We easily

check that the function

$$\mathfrak{X} \ni \underline{x} \rightarrow F(\underline{x}) = e^{-\sum_{j \geq 1} \lambda_j |x_j|}$$

is strictly positive and satisfies (24). Now it remains to apply Theorem 5. ■

The last result of the paper is another generalization of Theorems 4 and 5 from [LT]. It is a direct combination of Theorem 5 (iii) and Proposition 2. Namely we have:

**COROLLARY 5.** *If in the above Proposition 2, for some  $N$  we have .*

$$Q_{|\mu_\eta - \mu_\xi|, \Pi_N} \in M_{ac}(\mathbb{R}^N),$$

*then  $\eta$  and  $\xi$  have the same distributions if and only if the sequence*

$$k \rightarrow m_{n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, k, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N}$$

*is eventually periodic, when  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_{j-1}, n_{j+1}, \dots, n_N$  are large enough.*

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