

## Absolute continuity of similar translations

Dedicated to Professor Shinzo Watanabe on his sixtieth birthday

By

Hitoshi MIZUMACHI and Hiroshi SATO

### § 1. Introduction

Let  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_k\}_k$  be an IID, let  $\mathbf{Y} = \{Y_k\}_k$  be an independent random sequence defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , and assume that  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{Y}$  are independent. Denote by  $\mu_x, \mu_y$  and  $\mu_{x+y}$  the probability measures on  $\mathbf{R}^N$  (the space of all real sequences), induced by  $\mathbf{X}, \mathbf{Y}$  and  $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y} = \{X_k + Y_k\}_k$ , respectively. Since  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{X} + \mathbf{Y}$  are independent random sequences,  $\mu_x$  and  $\mu_{x+y}$  are product measures :

$$\mu_x = \prod_k \mu_{x_k} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu_{x+y} = \prod_k \mu_{x_k + y_k},$$

where  $\mu_{x_k}$  and  $\mu_{x_k + y_k}$  are marginal distributions.

When  $\mu_{x_1}$  is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure  $dx$ , define  $f(x) = \frac{d\mu_{x_1}}{dx}(x)$ . If  $f$  is an absolutely continuous function,  $f'$  denotes the derivative of  $f$  in the distribution sense, and if  $f'$  is an absolutely continuous function,  $f''$  denotes the derivative of  $f'$  in the same sense. In these cases, define

$$I_1(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f'(x)^2}{f(x)} dx \quad \text{and} \quad I_2(\mathbf{X}) = \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f''(x)^2}{f(x)} dx \quad \text{if } f > 0 \text{ a.e..}$$

Sato and Watari [8, Theorem 1] proved the relation  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) \leq \frac{3}{2} \sqrt{I_2(\mathbf{X})}$ , so that  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$  implies  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ .

Several authors have investigated the conditions for satisfying  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$  (mutually absolutely continuous) in terms of the distribution of  $\mathbf{Y}$ , but necessary and sufficient conditions are not yet known in general (see Sato [7]). In the present paper we concentrate on the case in which  $\mathbf{Y}$  is a similar random sequence, that is,  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{a}\Theta = \{a_k\theta_k\}_k$ , where  $\Theta = \{\theta_k\}_k$  are independent copies of a random variable  $\Theta$ , and  $\mathbf{a} = \{a_k\}_k$  is a real sequence. In the following with the exception of Section 2, we fix the above notation and assume  $P(\Theta \neq 0) > 0$ . The following results are known.

**Theorem A** (Shepp [9]). Assume  $\Theta \equiv 1$  a. s.. Then we have :

- (1)  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ .
- (2) Assume  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ . Then  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ .
- (3) If  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ , then  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$  holds.

**Theorem B** (Okazaki and Sato [6], Sato and Watari [8], and Okazaki [5]). Let  $\Theta = \{\Theta_k\}_k$  be the Rademacher sequence, that is,  $P(\Theta = 1) = P(\Theta = -$

$1) = \frac{1}{2}$ . Then we have :

- (1)  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .
- (2) Assume  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ . Then  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ .
- (3) If  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ , then  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$  holds.

**Theorem C** (Kakutani [3]). Let  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_k\}_k$  be a standard Gaussian sequence and  $\Theta$  be a standard Gaussian random variable. Then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  holds if and only if  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .

In this paper we first prove, without assumption of the similarity of  $\mathbf{Y}$ , a variation of Theorem 3 of Sato and Watari [8], and then prove the following theorems for similar  $\mathbf{Y} = \mathbf{a}\Theta$ . We begin with necessary conditions for the relation  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ .

**Theorem 1.** (1)  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .

(2) If  $\liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq x]| > 0$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ .

(3) If  $\liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^p P(|\Theta| > x) > 0$  for some  $p > 0$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k |a_k|^{2p} < \infty$ .

The following corollary is an immediate consequence of Theorem 1 (2).

**Corollary 1.** If  $\Theta$  is integrable and  $E[\Theta] \neq 0$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ .

Then sufficient conditions are :

**Theorem 2.** (1) Assume  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$  and  $E[\Theta^2] < \infty$ . Then  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ .

(2) Assume  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $E[|\Theta|^p] < \infty$  for some  $p \geq 2$ , and  $E[\Theta] = 0$ . Then  $\sum_k |a_k|^{p \wedge 4} < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ , where  $p \wedge 4 = \min(p, 4)$ .

Combining Theorems 1 and 2, we obtain necessary and sufficient conditions for several cases, extending (1) and (2) of both Theorems A

and B, and Theorem C.

**Theorem 3.** (1) Assume  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $E[\Theta^2] < \infty$ , and  $E[\Theta] \neq 0$ . Then  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$  holds if and only if  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ .

(2) Assume  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $E[\Theta^4] < \infty$ , and  $E[\Theta] = 0$ . Then  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$  holds if and only if  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .

We now refine certain sufficient conditions. In the following Proposition 1, we weaken the assumption  $E[|\Theta|^p] < \infty$  to  $\sup_{x>0} x^p P(|\Theta| > x) < \infty$ .

**Proposition 1.** Assume  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$  and  $\sup_{x \geq 0} x^p P(|\Theta| > x) < \infty$  for some  $p > 0$ . If one of the following (1)~(4) holds, then  $\sum_k |a_k|^{p \wedge 4} < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ :

- (1)  $0 < p \leq 2$ .
- (2)  $2 < p < 4$  and  $E[\Theta] = 0$ .
- (3)  $p = 4$ ,  $E[\Theta] = 0$ , and there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that

$$\sup_{|z| < \varepsilon} (\varepsilon - |z|)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f''(x+z)^2}{f(x)} dx < \infty, \text{ where } f(x) = \frac{d\mu_{x_1}}{dx}(x).$$

- (4)  $p > 4$  and  $E[\Theta] = 0$ .

On the other hand, we have the following.

**Theorem 4.** (1) If  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ , then we have  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq x]| < \infty$ .

(2) If  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ , then we have  $E[\Theta^2] < \infty$  and  $E[\Theta] = 0$ .

If  $\Theta \geq 0$  a. s., then  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq x]| < \infty$  in Theorem 4 (1) implies  $E[\Theta] < \infty$ , so that we have the following.

**Corollary 2.** Assume  $\Theta \geq 0$  a. s.. If  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ , then we have  $E[\Theta] < \infty$ .

**Example 1.** Let  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_k\}_k$  be an IID such that  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ , and let  $\mathbf{Y} = \{Y_k\}_k$  be an independent random sequence, independent of  $\mathbf{X}$ , such that each  $Y_k$  is exponentially distributed. Then the following (1)~(4) are equivalent:

- (1)  $\mu_{\mathbf{x}+\mathbf{Y}} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{x}}$ .
- (2)  $\sum_k E[Y_k]^2 < \infty$ .
- (3)  $\sum_k E[Y_k^2] < \infty$ .

$$(4) \quad \sum_k Y_k^2 < \infty \quad \text{a. s.}$$

In fact,  $\mu_Y$  is expressed as  $\mu_Y = \mu_{a\theta}$ , where  $\theta$  is exponentially distributed,  $E[\theta] = 1$ , and  $a_k = E[Y_k]$ ,  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ . Then by Theorem 3 (1),  $\mu_{X+a\theta} \sim \mu_X$  is equivalent to  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ . They are also equivalent to  $\sum_k E[Y_k^2] < \infty$  because  $E[Y_k^2] = a_k^2 E[\theta^2] = 2a_k^2$ . Moreover, we have by Kolmogorov's three series theorem,  $\sum_k Y_k^2 < \infty$  a. s. if and only if  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $\mathbf{X} = \{X_k\}_k$  be an IID such that  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ , and let  $\mathbf{Y} = \{Y_k\}_k$  be an independent random sequence, which is independent of  $\mathbf{X}$ , such that each  $Y_k$  is a symmetric  $\alpha$ -stable random variable, where  $0 < \alpha \leq 2$ . Let

$$E[e^{itY_k}] = e^{-c_k |t|^\alpha}, \quad \text{where } c_k \geq 0, k \in \mathbf{N}.$$

Then  $\mu_Y$  is expressed as  $\mu_Y = \mu_{a\theta}$ , where  $E[e^{it\theta}] = e^{-|t|^\alpha}$  and  $a_k = c_k^{\frac{1}{\alpha}}$ ,  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ . In addition, we have by Blumenthal and Gettoor [1, Theorem 2.1],

$$0 < \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^\alpha P(|\theta| > x) \leq \sup_{x \geq 0} x^\alpha P(|\theta| > x) < \infty.$$

Hence by Proposition 1,  $\sum_k |a_k|^\alpha < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{X+Y} \sim \mu_X$ , and by Theorem 1 (3),  $\mu_{X+Y} \sim \mu_X$  implies  $\sum_k |a_k|^{2\alpha} < \infty$ .

## § 2. General Case

In this section we do not assume that  $\mathbf{Y}$  is similar. We first give preliminaries and then prove a variation of Theorem 3 of Sato and Watari [8]. A general characterization of  $\mu_{X+Y} \sim \mu_X$  has been given by Kitada and Sato [4, Theorem 2] as follows.

**Lemma 1** (Kitada and Sato [4]). *Assume  $\mu_{X_k+Y_k} \sim \mu_{X_k}$  for every  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ , and define*

$$Z_k(x) = \frac{d\mu_{X_k+Y_k}}{d\mu_{X_k}}(x) - 1, \quad k \in \mathbf{N}.$$

*Then  $\mu_{X+Y} \sim \mu_X$  holds if and only if the following hold :*

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_k E[Z_k(X_k) : Z_k(X_k) \geq 1] &< \infty, \\ \sum_k E[Z_k(X_k)^2 : |Z_k(X_k)| < 1] &< \infty. \end{aligned}$$

This is a necessary and sufficient condition, but  $Z_k(x)$  depends on the distribution of  $X_1$  and is not always easily estimated. Starting from Lemma 1, Hino [2, Theorem 1.8] proved certain conditions for the relation  $\mu_{X+Y} \sim \mu_X$  as follows. His conditions are described in terms only of the distribution of  $\mathbf{Y}$ , but they are necessary *or* sufficient conditions.

**Lemma 2** (Hino [2]). (1) *If  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ , then we have for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,*

$$\sum_k P(|Y_k| > \varepsilon)^2 + \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon]^2 + \sum_k E[Y_k^2 : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon]^2 < \infty.$$

(2) *Assume  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ . If there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that*

$$\sum_k P(|Y_k| > \varepsilon) + \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon]^2 + \sum_k E[Y_k^4 : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon] < \infty,$$

*then we have  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ .*

(3) *If there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$  such that*

$$\sup_{|z| < \varepsilon} (\varepsilon - |z|)^2 \int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} \frac{f''(x+z)^2}{f(x)} dx < \infty$$

*and*

$$\sum_k P(|Y_k| > \varepsilon) + \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| < \varepsilon]^2 + \sum_k E[Y_k^2 : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon]^2 < \infty,$$

*then we have  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ .*

Applying Lemma 2, we have the following theorem.

**Theorem 5.** *If  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $E[Y_k] = 0$ ,  $\sup_k E[Y_k^2] < \infty$  and  $\sum_k Y_k^4 < \infty$  a. s., then we have  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ .*

*Proof.* Since  $\sum_k Y_k^4 < \infty$  a. s., we have by Kolmogorov's three series theorem,

$$\sum_k P(|Y_k| > 1) < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_k E[Y_k^4 : |Y_k| \leq 1] < \infty.$$

Since  $E[Y_k] = 0$ , we have

$$E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1] = -E[Y_k : |Y_k| > 1],$$

and thus, by the Schwarz inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 &= \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| > 1]^2 \leq \sum_k E[Y_k^2] P(|Y_k| > 1) \\ &\leq \left( \sup_k E[Y_k^2] \right) \sum_k P(|Y_k| > 1) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2 (2), we have  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ .

**Corollary 3.**  *$I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $\sum_k E[Y_k^2] < \infty$  and  $E[Y_k] = 0$  together imply  $\mu_{x+y} \sim \mu_x$ .*

Sato and Watari [8, Theorem 3] proved that  $\mu_{x+Y} \sim \mu_x$  holds if  $I_2(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ ,  $\sum_k Y_k^4 < \infty$  a. s. and each  $Y_k$  is symmetric. We assume  $E[Y_k] = 0$  and  $\sup_k E[Y_k^2] < \infty$  instead of assuming the symmetry of  $Y_k$ . Then the case  $p=4$  of Theorem 2 (2) is a special case of Theorem 5. In fact,  $E[\Theta^4] < \infty$  and  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  together imply  $\sum_k E[a_k^4 \Theta_k^4] < \infty$ , so that we have  $\sum_k a_k^4 \Theta_k^4 < \infty$  a. s. and  $\sup_k E[a_k^2 \Theta_k^2] < \infty$ .

### § 3. Proofs

*Proof of Theorem 1.* (1) Since  $P(\Theta \neq 0) > 0$ , there exists  $K > 0$  such that

$$P(0 < |\Theta| \leq K) > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad P(|\Theta| \geq K) > 0.$$

Then by Lemma 2 (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \infty &> \sum_{a_k \neq 0} P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)^2 \geq \sum_{|a_k| > 1} P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)^2 \\ &\geq \sum_{|a_k| > 1} P(|\Theta| \geq K)^2, \end{aligned}$$

so that  $|a_k| > 1$  holds for finitely many  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ . Hence there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that

$$|a_k| > 1 \quad \text{for} \quad k \geq k_0.$$

We therefore have, by Lemma 2 (1),

$$\begin{aligned} \infty &> \sum_{k \geq k_0} E[Y_k^2 : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 \\ &= \sum_{\substack{k \geq k_0 \\ a_k \neq 0}} a_k^4 E\left[\Theta_k^2 : |\Theta_k| \leq \frac{1}{a_k}\right]^2 \geq \sum_{k \geq k_0} a_k^4 E[\Theta^2 : |\Theta| \leq K]^2, \end{aligned}$$

so that  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .

(2) Let  $m = \frac{1}{2} \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq x]| > 0$ . In the case that  $|\Theta| \leq M$  a. s. for some  $M > 0$ , we have  $m = \frac{1}{2} |E[\Theta]|$ , so that by Lemma 2 (1), we have

$$\infty > \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq M]^2 = \sum_k E[Y_k]^2 = \sum_k a_k^2 E[\Theta]^2 = 4m^2 \sum_k a_k^2.$$

In the case that  $P(|\Theta| > x) > 0$  for all  $x > 0$ , there exists  $L > 0$  such that

$$|E[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq x]| \geq m \quad \text{for} \quad x \geq L.$$

By Lemma 2 (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \infty > \sum_k P(|Y_k| > 1)^2 &= \sum_{a_k \neq 0} P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)^2 \\ &\geq \sum_{|a_k| > L} P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)^2 \geq \sum_{|a_k| > L} P(|\Theta| > L)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Then since  $P(|\Theta| > L) > 0$ ,  $|a_k| > L$  holds for finitely many  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ , so that there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that  $|a_k| > L$  for  $k \geq n_0$ . We thus have

$$\left| E\left[\Theta : |\Theta| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] \right| \geq m \text{ for } k \geq n_0 \text{ with } a_k \neq 0.$$

Therefore by Lemma 2 (1), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \infty > \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 &\geq \sum_{\substack{k \geq n_0 \\ a_k \neq 0}} a_k^2 E\left[\Theta_k : |\Theta_k| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 \\ &\geq m^2 \sum_{k \geq n_0} a_k^2. \end{aligned}$$

(3) Let  $r = \frac{1}{2} \liminf_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^p P(|\Theta| > x) > 0$ . Then there exists  $L > 0$  such that

$$x^p P(|\Theta| > x) \geq r \text{ for } x \geq L.$$

Since  $P(|\Theta| > L) > 0$ , as in the proof of (1), we know there exists  $n_0 \in \mathbf{N}$  such that

$$|a_k| > L \text{ for } k \geq n_0.$$

Hence by Lemma 2 (1), we have

$$\infty > \sum_{k \geq n_0} P(|Y_k| > 1)^2 \geq \sum_{\substack{k \geq n_0 \\ a_k \neq 0}} P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right)^2 \geq r^2 \sum_{k \geq n_0} |a_k|^{2p},$$

so that  $\sum_k |a_k|^{2p} < \infty$ .

*Proof of Theorem 2.* (1) Since  $E[\sum_k a_k^2 \Theta_k^2] = E[\Theta^2] \sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ , we have  $\sum_k a_k^2 \Theta_k^2 < \infty$  a. s., that is,  $\mu_{a\Theta}(l_2) = 1$ , and since  $\mathbf{X}$  and  $\mathbf{a}\Theta$  are independent, we therefore have  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} = \mu_{\mathbf{X}} * \mu_{\mathbf{a}\Theta}$ . It follows that

$$\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta}(A) = \int_{l_2} \mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{y}}(A) d\mu_{\mathbf{a}\Theta}(\mathbf{y})$$

for every Borel set  $A$  in  $\mathbf{R}^N$ . On the other hand, since  $I_1(\mathbf{X}) < \infty$ , we have by Theorem A,  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{y}} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$  for every  $\mathbf{y} \in l_2$ . If  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta}(A) = 0$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{y}}(A) = 0$  for some  $\mathbf{y} \in l_2$ , so that  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}}(A) = 0$ . Conversely, if  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}}(A) = 0$ , then  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{y}}(A) = 0$  for all  $\mathbf{y} \in l_2$ , so that  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta}(A) = 0$ . We therefore have  $\mu_{\mathbf{X}+\mathbf{a}\Theta} \sim \mu_{\mathbf{X}}$ .

(2) Since  $E[|\Theta|^p] < \infty$ , we have  $M = \sup_x |x|^p P(|\Theta| > x) < \infty$ . Then for every  $k \in \mathbf{N}$ ,

$$P(|Y_k| > 1) = P\left(|\Theta| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right) \leq M |a_k|^{-p},$$

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 &= a_k^2 E\left[\Theta : \left|\Theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 = a_k^2 E\left[\Theta : \left|\Theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\Theta^2] P\left(\left|\Theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right) \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\Theta^2] a_k^2 E[\Theta^2] = a_k^4 E[\Theta^2]^2 \end{aligned}$$

and  $E[Y_k^4 : |Y_k| \leq 1] \leq E[|Y_k|^{\rho \wedge 4} : |Y_k| \leq 1]$

$$\begin{aligned} &= |a_k|^{\rho \wedge 4} E\left[\left|\Theta\right|^{\rho \wedge 4} : \left|\Theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] \\ &\leq |a_k|^{\rho \wedge 4} E\left[\left|\Theta\right|^{\rho \wedge 4}\right]. \end{aligned}$$

Hence by Lemma 2 (2),  $\sum_k |a_k|^{\rho \wedge 4} < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{X+a\Theta} \sim \mu_X$ .

*Proof of Theorem 3.* (1) By Corollary 1,  $\mu_{X+a\Theta} \sim \mu_X$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ , and by Theorem 2 (1),  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{X+a\Theta} \sim \mu_X$ .  
 (2) By Theorem 1 (1) and Theorem 2 (2), we have  $\mu_{X+a\Theta} \sim \mu_X$  if and only if  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$ .

*Proof of Proposition 1.* Let  $M = \sup_{x \geq 0} x^p P(|\Theta| > x) < \infty$ . Then we have for  $0 < p < 4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P(|Y_k| > 1) &= P\left(\left|\Theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right) \leq M |a_k|^{-p} \\ \text{and } E[Y_k^4 : |Y_k| \leq 1] &= a_k^4 E\left[\Theta^4 : \left|\Theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] = -a_k^4 \int_0^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^4 dP(|\Theta| > x) \\ &\leq 4a_k^4 \int_0^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^3 P(|\Theta| > x) dx \leq 4M a_k^4 \int_0^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^{3-p} dx \\ &= \frac{4M}{4-p} |a_k|^{-p}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore in (1) and (2), it is sufficient by Lemma 2 (2) to prove that  $\sum_k |a_k|^{-p} < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 < \infty$ .

Assume  $\sum_k |a_k|^{\rho \wedge 4} < \infty$ . Then there exists  $k_0 \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$|a_k| \leq 1 \text{ for } k \geq k_0.$$

We thus have for  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]| &\leq |a_k| E\left[\left|\Theta\right| : \left|\Theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] \\ &\leq |a_k| + |a_k| E\left[\left|\Theta\right| : 1 < \left|\Theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] \\ &\leq |a_k| + |a_k| \int_1^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} P(|\Theta| > x) dx \\ &\leq |a_k| + M |a_k| \int_1^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^{-p} dx. \end{aligned}$$



(1) If  $0 < p < 1$ , then for  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]| &\leq |a_k| + M |a_k| \int_1^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^{-p} dx \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{M}{1-p}\right) |a_k| + \frac{M}{1-p} |a_k|^p. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\sum_k |a_k|^p < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 < \infty$ .

If  $p = 1$ , then for  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]| &\leq |a_k| + M |a_k| \int_1^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} \frac{1}{x} dx \\ &= |a_k| (1 + M |\log |a_k||). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\sum_k |a_k| < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 < \infty$ .

If  $1 < p \leq 2$ , then for  $k \geq k_0$ ,

$$|E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]| \leq |a_k| + M |a_k| \int_1^{\frac{1}{|a_k|}} x^{-p} dx \leq \frac{M+1}{p-1} |a_k|.$$

Therefore  $\sum_k |a_k|^p < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 < \infty$ .

(2) Since

$$E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] = -E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right] \quad \text{and} \quad E[\theta^2] < \infty,$$

the following holds :

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 &= a_k^2 E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 = a_k^2 E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\theta^2] P\left(\left|\theta\right| > \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right) \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\theta^2] a_k^2 E[\theta^2] = a_k^4 E[\theta^2]^2, \end{aligned}$$

so that  $\sum_k |a_k|^p < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 < \infty$ .

(3) We have

$$P(|Y_k| > \varepsilon) = P\left(\left|\theta\right| > \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right) \leq \frac{M}{\varepsilon^4} a_k^4,$$

and since

$$E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right] = -E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| > \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right] \quad \text{and} \quad E[\theta^2] < \infty,$$

it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon]^2 &= a_k^2 E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right]^2 = a_k^2 E\left[\theta : \left|\theta\right| > \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right]^2 \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\theta^2] P\left(\left|\theta\right| > \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right) \\ &\leq a_k^2 E[\theta^2] \frac{a_k^4}{\varepsilon^4} E[\theta^2] = a_k^4 \frac{E[\theta^2]^2}{\varepsilon^2}, \end{aligned}$$

and  $E[Y_k^2 : |Y_k| \leq \varepsilon] = a_k^4 E\left[\theta^2 : \left|\theta\right| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{|a_k|}\right]^2 \leq a_k^4 E[\theta^2]^2$ .

Hence by Lemma 2 (3),  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \sim \mu_x$ .

(4) If  $p > 4$ , then we have  $E[\theta^4] < \infty$ . This case is proved in Theorem 2 (2).

*Proof of Theorem 4.* (1) Assume  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\theta : |\theta| \leq x]| = \infty$ . Then for  $T(x) = E\left[\theta : |\theta| \leq \frac{1}{x}\right]^2$ , we have  $\limsup_{x \rightarrow 0} T(x) = \infty$ , so that there exists, by Shepp [9, Lemma 4], a sequence  $\mathbf{a} = \{a_k\}_k$  such that

$$\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_k E[Y_k : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 = \sum_{a_k \neq 0} a_k^2 E\left[\theta : |\theta| \leq \frac{1}{|a_k|}\right]^2 = \infty.$$

Therefore by Lemma 2 (1), we have  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \not\sim \mu_x$ .

(2) We first prove  $E[\theta^2] < \infty$ . If  $E[\theta^2] = \infty$ , it follows that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow +0} E\left[\theta : |\theta| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right]^2 = \infty$ . Hence by Shepp [9, Lemma 4], there exists a sequence  $\mathbf{a} = \{a_k\}_k$  such that

$$\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_k E[Y_k^2 : |Y_k| \leq 1]^2 = \sum_{a_k \neq 0} a_k^4 E\left[\theta_k^2 : |\theta_k| \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{a_k^2}}\right]^2 = \infty.$$

Therefore by Lemma 2 (1), we have  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \not\sim \mu_x$ .

Next we prove  $E[\theta] = 0$ . If  $E[\theta] \neq 0$ , then  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} |E[\theta : |\theta| \leq x]| = |E[\theta]| > 0$ . Hence by Theorem 1 (2),  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \sim \mu_x$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ . Then  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \sim \mu_x$ , and  $\mu_{x+a\theta} \sim \mu_x$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ , so that  $\sum_k a_k^4 < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k a_k^2 < \infty$ . This is a contradiction.

It is therefore shown that  $E[\theta^2] < \infty$  and  $E[\theta] = 0$ .

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS,  
KUMAMOTO UNIVERSITY COLLEGE OF MEDICAL SCIENCE  
GRADUATE SCHOOL OF MATHEMATICS,  
KYUSHU UNIVERSITY

### References

- [1] R. M. Blumenthal and R. K. Gettoor, Some theorems on stable processes, *Trans. Amer. Math. Soc.*, **95** (1960), 263–273.
- [2] M. Hino, On equivalence of product measures by random translation, *J. Math. Kyoto Univ.*, **34**–4 (1994), 755–765.
- [3] S. Kakutani, On equivalence of infinite product measures, *Ann. Math.*, **49** (1948), 214–224.
- [4] K. Kitada and H. Sato, On the absolute continuity of infinite product measure and its convolution, *Probab. Th. Rel. Fields*, **81** (1989), 609–627.
- [5] Y. Okazaki, On equivalence of product measure by symmetric random  $l_1$ -translation, *J. Funct. Anal.*, **115** (1993), 100–103.
- [6] Y. Okazaki and H. Sato, Distinguishing a random sequence from a random translate of itself, *Ann. Probab.*, **22** (1994), 1092–1096.
- [7] H. Sato, Infinite products and infinite sum, in *Stochastic analysis on infinite dimensional spaces*, 289–296, Longman Scientific & Technical, 1994.
- [8] H. Sato and C. Watari, Some integral inequalities and absolutely continuity of a symmetric random translation, *J. Funct. Anal.*, **114**–1 (1993), 257–266.
- [9] L. A. Shepp, Distinguishing a sequence of random variables from a translate of itself, *Ann. Math. Stat.*, **36** (1965), 1107–1112.