

**Definition 1** (characteristic function).  $\varphi_\mu(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{i\langle t, x \rangle} d\mu(x)$

$$\varphi_X(t) = \varphi_{\mu_X}(t) = \mathbb{E}e^{i\langle t, x \rangle}$$

**Proposition 2.**  $\varphi_X(0) = 1$  and  $|\varphi_X(t)| \leq 1, t \in \mathbb{R}^d$

**Proposition 3.**  $\varphi_X$  uniformly continuous on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

**Proposition 4.**  $\varphi_X$  is a nonnegatively determined function on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ .

**Theorem 5** (Bochner). A function  $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$  is a characteristic function of a random  $d$ -dimensional vector iff  $\varphi(0) = 1$ ,  $\varphi$  is continuous and  $\varphi$  is nonnegatively determined, i.e.  $(\varphi(t_i - t_j))_{i,j}$  is nonnegatively determined for any  $t_i$ 's.

**Proposition 6.**  $\varphi_{AX+b}(t) = e^{i\langle b, t \rangle} \varphi_X(A^T t)$ , in particular  $\varphi_{-X}(t) = \varphi_X(-t) = \overline{\varphi_X(t)}$ .

**Proposition 7.**  $X$  real random variable, if  $\mathbb{E}|X|^k < \infty$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ , then  $\varphi_X \in C^k(\mathbb{R})$  and  $\varphi_X^{(k)}(t) = i^k \mathbb{E}X^k e^{itX}$ .

*Remark 8.* Existence of  $\varphi'_X$  does not imply  $\mathbb{E}|X| < \infty$ .

**Proposition 9.** If  $\mu, \nu$  probability measures on  $\mathbb{R}^d$  such that  $\varphi_\mu = \varphi_\nu$ , then  $\mu = \nu$ .

**Proposition 10.**  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  independent random  $d$ -dimensional variables, then  $\varphi_{X_1 + \dots + X_n}(t) = \varphi_{X_1}(t) \dots \varphi_{X_n}(t)$ .