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Generalized Multivariate Stable Distributions

It is (very) well known that if X, X_1, \dots, X_n are iid random variables with a multivariate centered Normal distribution, then the distributional equation

$$X \stackrel{d}{=} \mathbf{A}X_1 + \dots + \mathbf{A}X_n, \quad \text{where } \mathbf{A} = \text{diag}(n^{1/2}, \dots, n^{1/2}) \quad (1)$$

holds, in fact, this property uniquely characterizes the centered multivariate Normal distributions. If the exponent $-1/2$ is replaced by $-1/\alpha$, $\alpha \in (0, 2]$, the multivariate stable distributions with index α satisfy (1).

In my talk, I will address the following problem: What happens, if the deterministic matrices \mathbf{A} are replaced by random matrices $T = (T_1, \dots, T_n)$ with nonnegative entries (and independent of X_1, \dots, X_n)? Are there still distributions besides δ_0 that satisfy (1)? If so, what are their properties, is there even an analogue of the stability index α ?