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Abstract

We study the convergence of centered and normalized sums of i.i.d. random elements of the space \mathcal{D} of càdlàg functions endowed with Skorohod's J_1 topology, to stable distributions in \mathcal{D} . Our results are based on the concept of regular variation on metric spaces and on point process convergence. We provide some applications, in particular to the empirical process of the renewal-reward process.

1 Introduction and main results

The main aim of this paper is to study the relation between regular variation in the space \mathcal{D}_I and convergence to stable processes in \mathcal{D}_I . Let us first describe the framework of regular variation on metric spaces introduced by Hult and Lindskog (2005, 2006). Let I be a nonempty closed subinterval of \mathbb{R} . We denote by \mathcal{D}_I the set of real valued càdlàg functions defined on I, endowed with the J_1 topology. Let \mathcal{S}_I be the subset of \mathcal{D}_I of functions x such that

$$||x||_I = \sup_{t \in I} |x(t)| = 1$$
.

A random element X in \mathcal{D}_I is said to be regularly varying if there exists $\alpha > 0$, an increasing sequence a_n and a probability measure ν on \mathcal{S}_I , called the spectral measure, such that

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n \, \mathbb{P}\left(\|X\|_I > a_n x \; , \; \frac{X}{\|X\|_I} \in A\right) = x^{-\alpha} \nu(A) \; , \tag{1}$$

for any Borel set A of \mathcal{S}_I such that $\nu(\partial A)=0$ where ∂A is the topological boundary of A. Then $\|X\|_I$ has a regularly varying right-tail, the sequence a_n is regularly varying at infinity with index $1/\alpha$ and satisfies $\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_I>a_n)\sim 1/n$. Hult and Lindskog (2006, Theorem 10) states that (1) is equivalent to the regular variation of the finite dimensional marginal distributions of the process X together with a certain tightness criterion. This will be developed in Section 3. In particular, (1) implies that for all $t\in I$, the distribution of X(t) is also regularly varying at infinity with index α .

In the finite dimensional case, it is well-known that if $\{X_n\}$ is an i.i.d. sequence of finite dimensional vectors whose common distribution is multivariate regularly varying, then the sum $\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$, suitably centered and normalized converge to an α -stable distribution. In

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statistical applications, such sums appear to evaluate the asymptotic behavior of an empirical estimator around its mean. Therefore we will consider centered sums and we shall always assume that $1 < \alpha < 2$.

When the random variables X_i take values in \mathcal{D}_I , the picture is not so clear and there is no known if and only if result. Some non trivial obstacles have to be overcome in order to adapt the arguments working in the finite dimensional case. One major difficulty is that addition in the metric space \mathcal{D}_I is not continuous for the J_1 topology. For $x \in \mathcal{D}_I$, let the sets of discontinuity points of x be denoted by $\mathrm{Disc}(x)$. If x and y are two functions in \mathcal{D}_I , then addition may not be continuous at (x,y) if $\mathrm{Disc}(x) \cap \mathrm{Disc}(y) \neq \emptyset$.

Our main result is the following.

Theorem 1.1. Let $\{X_i\}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. random elements of \mathcal{D}_I with the same distribution as X and assume that (1) holds with $1 < \alpha < 2$. Assume moreover

- (A-i) For all $t \in I$, $\nu(\{x \in \mathcal{S}_I, t \in \operatorname{Disc}(x)\}) = 0$.
- (A-ii) For all $\eta > 0$, we have

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(X_{i} 1_{\{\|X_{i}\|_{I} \leq a_{n}\epsilon\}} - \mathbb{E}[X 1_{\{\|X_{i}\|_{I} \leq a_{n}\epsilon\}}] \right) \right\|_{I} > a_{n} \eta \right) = 0.$$
 (2)

Then $a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{X_i - \mathbb{E}[X]\}\$ converges weakly in (\mathcal{D}_I, J_1) to an α -stable process \aleph , that admits the integral representation

$$\aleph(t) = c_{\alpha} \int_{\mathcal{S}_I} w(t) \, dM(w) , \qquad (3)$$

where M is an α -stable independently scattered random measure on S_I with control measure ν and skewness intensity $\beta \equiv 1$ (totally skewed to the right) and $c_{\alpha}^{\alpha} = \Gamma(1-\alpha)\cos(\pi\alpha/2)$.

Remark 1.2. The process ℵ also admits the series representation

$$\aleph(t) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \mathbb{E}[W_1] \} . \tag{4}$$

This series converges pointwise almost surely. We will prove in Lemma 1.6 that this series is almost surely uniformly convergent.

Remark 1.3. Condition (A-i) means that if W is a random element of S_I with distribution ν then, for any $t \in I$, $\mathbb{P}(t \in \mathrm{Disc}(W)) = 0$; i.e. W has no fixed jumps. See Kallenberg (2002, p. 286). Condition (A-i) also implies that $\nu \otimes \nu$ -almost all $(x,y) \in S^2$, x and y have no common jumps. Equivalently, if W and W' are i.i.d. random elements of S_I with distribution ν , then, almost surely, W and W' have no common jump. This implies that if W_1, \ldots, W_n are i.i.d. with distribution ν , then, almost surely, addition is continuous at the point (W_1, \ldots, W_n) in $(\mathcal{D}_I, J_1)^n$. Cf. Whitt (1980, Theorem 4.1).

It will be useful to extend slightly Theorem 1.1 by considering triangular arrays of independent multivariate càdlàg processes.

To deal with ℓ -dimensional càdlàg functions, for some positive integer ℓ , we endow \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} with J_1^{ℓ} , the product J_1 -topology, sometimes referred to as the weak product topology (see Whitt (2002)). We then let $\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ be the subset of \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} of functions $x = (x_1, \ldots, x_{\ell})$ such that

$$||x||_{I,\ell} = \max_{i=1,\dots,\ell} \sup_{t\in I} |x_i(t)| = 1.$$

Note that in the multivariate setting, we have

$$\operatorname{Disc}(x) = \bigcup_{i=1,\dots,\ell} \operatorname{Disc}(x_i) .$$

We will prove the following slightly more general result.

Theorem 1.4. Let (m_n) be a nondecreasing sequence of integers tending to infinity. Let $\{X_{i,n}, 1 \leq i \leq m_n\}$ be an array of independent random elements of \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} . Assume that there exists $\alpha \in (1,2)$ and a probability measure ν on the Borel sets of $(S_{I,\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ such that ν satisfies Condition (A-i) and, for all x > 0 and Borel sets A such that $\nu(\partial A) = 0$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{P}\left(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > x , \frac{X_{i,n}}{\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}} \in A \right) = x^{-\alpha} \nu(A) ,$$
 (5)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \max_{i=1,\dots,m_n} \mathbb{P}\left(\left\| X_{i,n} \right\|_{I,\ell} > x \right) = 0 , \qquad (6)$$

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{E} \left[\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} \ 1_{\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > x} \right] = 0.$$
 (7)

Suppose moreover that, for all $\eta > 0$, we have

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left\| \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \left(X_{i,n} 1_{\{ \|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} \le \epsilon \}} - \mathbb{E}[X_{i,n} 1_{\{ \|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} \le \epsilon \}}] \right) \right\|_{I,\ell} > \eta \right) = 0.$$
 (8)

Then $\sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \{X_{i,n} - \mathbb{E}[X_{i,n}]\}$ converges weakly in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ to an ℓ -dimensional α -stable process \aleph , that admits the integral representation given by (3) with \mathcal{S}_I replaced by $\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$.

Remark 1.5. If $||X_{i,n}||_{I,\ell} = Y_i/a_n$ where $\{Y_i, i \geq 1\}$ is an i.i.d. sequence and Condition (5) holds, then the common distribution of the random variables Y_i has a regularly varying right tail with index α . It follows that (6) trivially holds and (7) holds by Karamata's Theorem.

Hence Theorem 1.1 is a special case of Theorem 1.4 which shall be proved in Section 2.6.

We conclude this section with some comments about the α -stable limit appearing in Theorem 1.1 (or Theorem 1.4). Its finite dimensional distributions are defined by the integral representation (3) and only depend on the probability measure ν . If $X/\|X\|_I$ is distributed according to ν and is independent of $\|X\|_I$, as in Section 3.2, then Assumption (1) holds straightforwardly and, provided that the negligibility condition (A-ii) holds, a byproduct of Theorem 1.1 is that the integral representation (3) admits a version in \mathcal{D}_I . The existence of càdlàg versions of α -stable processes is also a byproduct of the convergence in \mathcal{D}_I of series representations as recently investigated by Davydov and Dombry (2012) and Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011). We will come back later to this question in Section 3.2 below. For now, let us state an interesting consequence of the Itô-Nisio theorem proved in Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011).

Lemma 1.6. Let $\alpha \in (1,2)$, ν be a probability measure on \mathcal{S}_I and \aleph be a process in \mathcal{D}_I which admits the integral representation (3). Let $\{\Gamma_i, i \geq 1\}$ be the points of a unit rate homogeneous Poisson point process on $[0,\infty)$ and $\{W, W_i, i \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. random elements of \mathcal{S}_I with common distribution ν , independent of $\{\Gamma_i\}$. Then $\mathbb{E}[W]$ defined by $\mathbb{E}[W](t) = \mathbb{E}[W(t)]$ for all $t \in I$ is in \mathcal{D}_I and the series $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \mathbb{E}[W]\}$ converges uniformly almost surely in \mathcal{D}_I to a limit having the same finite dimensional distribution as \aleph .

Proof. The fact that $\mathbb{E}[W]$ is in \mathcal{D}_I follows from dominated convergence and $\|w\|_I = 1$ a.s. The finite dimensional distributions of $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \{\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \mathbb{E}[W_i]\}$ converge to those of \aleph as a consequence of Samorodnitsky and Taqqu (1994, Theorem 3.9). Hence, to obtain the result, it suffices to show that the series $\sum_{i=1}^\infty \{\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \mathbb{E}[W_i]\}$ converges uniformly a.s. Note that the series $\sum_{i=1}^\infty \{\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}]\}$ converges almost surely, thus, writing

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \, \mathbb{E}[W] \} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} \{ W_i - \mathbb{E}[W] \} + \mathbb{E}[W] \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \} ,$$

we can assume without loss of generality that $\mathbb{E}[W] \equiv 0$. Define $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n i^{-1/\alpha} W_i$. By Kolmogorov's three series theorem (see Kallenberg (2002, Theorem 4.18)), since $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^{-2/\alpha} < \infty$ and $\text{var}(W_i(t)) \leq 1$, for all $t \in I$, $T_n(t)$ converges a.s. to a limit, say, $T_{\infty}(t)$.

Arguing as in Davydov and Dombry (2012), we apply Samorodnitsky and Taqqu (1994, Lemma 1.5.1) to obtain that the series $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} |\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - i^{-1/\alpha}|$ is summable. This implies that the series $\Delta = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - i^{-1/\alpha}) W_i$ is uniformly convergent. Hence $S_n - T_n$ converges uniformly a.s. to Δ and $\Delta \in \mathcal{D}_I$. Thus, for all $t \in I$, $S_n(t)$ converges a.s. to $\Delta(t) + T_{\infty}(t)$. Since the finite distributions of S_n converge weakly to those of \aleph , which belongs to \mathcal{D}_I by assumption, we conclude that $\Delta + T_{\infty}$, hence T_{∞} , also have a version in \mathcal{D}_I .

We can now apply Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011, Theorem 2.1 (ii)) and obtain that, suitably centered, T_n converges uniformly a.s. Moreover, for each t, we have $\mathbb{E}[T_n(t)] = \mathbb{E}[T(t)] = 0$ and

$$\mathbb{E}[|T(t)|^2] = \mathbb{E}[|W(t)|^2] \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^{-2/\alpha} \le \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^{-2/\alpha} .$$

Hence $\{T(t), t \in I\}$ is uniformly integrable. Then Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011, Theorem 2.1 (iii)) shows that T_n converges uniformly a.s. without centering. Thus S_n also converges almost surely uniformly.

It seems natural to conjecture that the limit process in Theorem 1.1 or the sum of the series in Lemma 1.6 is regularly varying with spectral measure ν (the distribution of the process W). However, such a result is not known to hold generally. It is proved in Davis and Mikosch (2008, Section 4) under the assumption that W has almost surely continuous paths. Under an additional tightness condition, we obtain the following result.

Lemma 1.7. Let $\alpha \in (1,2)$, ν be a probability measure on S_I and W be a random element of S_I with distribution ν . Assume that $\mathbb{E}[W]$ is continuous on I and there exist $p \in (\alpha, 2]$, $\gamma > 1/2$ and a continuous increasing function F such that

$$\mathbb{E}[|\bar{W}(s,t)|^p] \le \{F(t) - F(s)\}^{\gamma} , \qquad (9a)$$

$$\mathbb{E}[|\bar{W}(s,t)\,\bar{W}(t,u)|^p] \le \{F(u) - F(s)\}^{2\gamma} \,, \tag{9b}$$

where $\overline{W}(s,t) = W(t) - W(s) - \mathbb{E}[W(t) - W(s)]$. Then the stable process \aleph defined by the integral representation (3) admits a version in \mathcal{D}_I which is a regularly varying in the sense of (1), with spectral measure ν .

Remark 1.8. Our assumptions on W are similar to that of Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011, Theorem 4.3) and Davydov and Dombry (2012, Theorem 1), with a few minor differences. For instance Conditions (9a) and (9b) are expressed on a non-centered W in these references. Here we only require $\mathbb{E}[W]$ to be continuous, which, under (9a), is equivalent to Condition (A-i). Indeed take a random element W in S_I . Then, by dominated convergence, $\mathbb{E}[W]$ is in \mathcal{D}_I . Condition (9a) implies that $W - \mathbb{E}[W]$ has no pure jump. Thus under (9a), the process W has no pure jump if and only if $\mathbb{E}[W]$ is continuous on I.

Proof. A straightforward adaptation of the arguments of the proof of Davydov and Dombry (2012, Theorem 1) to the present context shows that the stable process \aleph defined by (3) admits a version in \mathcal{D}_I . This fact is also a consequence of Proposition 3.1 below, so we omit the details of the adaptation.

Therefore, we only have to prove that the càdlàg version of \aleph , still denoted \aleph , is regularly varying in the sense of (1), with spectral measure ν . By Lemma 1.6, \aleph can be represented as the almost surely uniformly convergent series

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} W_i - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} W_i] \} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} \bar{W}_i + \mathbb{E}[W] \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \} ,$$

where $\{\Gamma_i, i \geq 1\}$ are the points of a unit rate homogeneous Poisson point process on $[0, \infty)$, $\{W_i, i \geq 1\}$ is a sequence of i.i.d. random elements of S_I with common distribution ν , independent of $\{\Gamma_i\}$, and $\bar{W}_i = W_i - \mathbb{E}[W]$. For $k \geq 1$, define $S_k = \sum_{i=k}^{\infty} \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} \bar{W}_i$. We proceed as in the proof of Corollary 2.15. Conditioning on the Poisson process and applying Burkholder's inequality, we have for any $t \in I$, since $\|W\|_I = 1$,

$$\mathbb{E}[|S_4(t)|^p] \le C_p \sum_{i=4}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-p/\alpha}] < \infty.$$
 (10)

Similarly, using the conditions (9a) and (9b), for s < t < u, we have

$$\mathbb{E}[|S_4(s,t)S_4(t,u)|^p] \le C \sum_{i=4}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-2p/\alpha}] \,\mathbb{E}[|\bar{W}(s,t)\bar{W}(t,u)|^p]$$

$$+ C \left(\sum_{i=4}^{\infty} \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-p/\alpha}]\right)^2 \mathbb{E}[|\bar{W}(s,t)|^p] \,\mathbb{E}[|\bar{W}(t,u)|^p]$$

$$\le C' \{F(u) - F(s)\}^{2\gamma} .$$

This yields, for any $\delta, \eta > 0$ and some constant C'' > 0.

$$\mathbb{P}(w''(S_4, \delta) > \eta) \le C'' \eta^{-2p} \{ \operatorname{osc}(F, \delta) \}^{2\gamma - 1} .$$

This, with (10), implies that $\mathbb{E}[\|S_4\|_I^p] < \infty$. Moreover, since $p/\alpha < 2$ we have, for i = 2, 3, $\mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-p/\alpha}] < \infty$. Using $\|W_i\|_I \le 1$ for i = 2, 3 we finally get that $\mathbb{E}[\|S_2\|_I^p] < \infty$ and Z can be

represented as

$$\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha} \bar{W}_1 + S_2 + \mathbb{E}[W] \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \{ \Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}] \} = \Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha} W_1 + T ,$$

where $T = S_2 + \mathbb{E}[W] \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \{\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_i^{-1/\alpha}]\} - \mathbb{E}[\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha}W_1]$ satisfies $\mathbb{E}[\|T\|_I^p] < \infty$. Observe that $p > \alpha$. Since $\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha}$ has a Frechet distribution with index α , it holds that $\Gamma_1^{-1/\alpha}W_1$ is regularly varying with spectral measure ν , which concludes the proof.

In the next section, we prove some intermediate results needed to prove Theorems 1.1 and 1.4. In particular, we give a condition for the convergence in \mathcal{D}_I of the sequence of expectations. This is not obvious, since the expectation fonctional is not continuous in \mathcal{D}_I . We provide a criterion for the negligibility condition (8) and for the sake of completeness, we recall the main tools of random measure theory we need. In section 3, we give some applications of Theorem 1.1.

2 Some results on convergence in \mathcal{D}_I and proof of the main results

2.1 Convergence of the expectation in \mathcal{D}_I

Since we assume that $1 < \alpha < 2$, we must consider centered sums. To this end, we have the following lemma.

Lemma 2.1. Suppose that X_n converges weakly to X in (\mathcal{D}_I, J_1) . Suppose moreover that there exists m > 0 such that $\sup_n \|X_n\|_I < m$ a.s. and X has no fixed jump, i.e. for all $t \in I$,

$$\mathbb{P}(t \in \mathrm{Disc}(X)) = 0.$$

Then the maps $\mathbb{E}[X_n]: t \to \mathbb{E}[X_n(t)]$ and $\mathbb{E}[X]: t \to \mathbb{E}[X(t)]$ are in \mathcal{D}_I , $\mathbb{E}[X]$ is continuous on I and $\mathbb{E}[X_n]$ converges to $\mathbb{E}[X]$ in (\mathcal{D}_I, J_1) .

Proof. Since we have assumed that $\sup_{n\geq 0} \|X_n\|_I \leq m$, almost surely, it also holds that $\|X\|_I \leq m$ almost surely. The fact that $\mathbb{E}[X_n]$ and $\mathbb{E}[X]$ are in \mathcal{D}_I follows by bounded convergence. Because X has no fixed jump, we also get that $\mathbb{E}[X]$ is continuous on I.

By Skorokhod's representation theorem, we can assume that X_n converges to X almost surely in \mathcal{D}_I . By the definition of Skorokhod's metric (see e.g. Billingsley (1968)), there exists a sequence (λ_n) of random continuous strictly increasing functions mapping I onto itself such that $\|\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I\|_I$ and $\|X_n - X \circ \lambda_n\|_I$ converge almost surely to 0. By bounded convergence, it also holds that $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{E}[\|X_n - X \circ \lambda_n\|_I] = 0$. Write now

$$\|\mathbb{E}[X_n] - \mathbb{E}[X]\|_I \le \|\mathbb{E}[X_n - X \circ \lambda_n]\|_I + \|\mathbb{E}[X \circ \lambda_n - X]\|_I.$$

The first term on the right-hand side converges to zero so we only consider the second one. Denote the oscillation of a function x on a set A by

$$\operatorname{osc}(x; A) = \sup_{t \in A} x(t) - \inf_{t \in A} x(t) .$$

Let the open ball centered at t with radius r be denoted by B(t,r). Since X is continuous at t with probability one, it holds that $\lim_{r\to 0} \operatorname{osc}(X; B(r,t)) = 0$, almost surely. Since X is uniformly almost surely bounded, by dominated convergence, for each $t \in I$, we have

$$\lim_{r\to 0} \mathbb{E}[\operatorname{osc}(X; B(t,r))] = 0.$$

Let $\eta > 0$ arbitrary. For each $t \in I$ there exists $r(t, \eta) \in (0, \eta) > 0$ such that

$$\mathbb{E}[\operatorname{osc}(X; B(t, r(t, \eta)))] \leq \eta.$$

Since I is compact, it admits a finite covering by balls $B(t_i, \epsilon_i)$, i = 1, ..., p with $\epsilon_i = r(t_i, \eta)/2$. Fix some $\zeta \in (0, \min_{1 < i < p} \epsilon_i)$. Then, for $s \in B(t_i, \epsilon_i)$ and by choice of ζ , we have

$$|E[X \circ \lambda_n(s)] - \mathbb{E}[X(s)]| \leq \mathbb{E}[|X \circ \lambda_n(s) - X(s)|1_{\{\|\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I\|_I \leq \zeta\}}] + 2m\mathbb{P}(\|\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I\|_I > \zeta)$$

$$\leq \mathbb{E}[\operatorname{osc}(X; B(t_i, r(t_i, \eta))] + 2m\mathbb{P}(\|\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I\|_I > \zeta)$$

$$\leq \eta + 2m\mathbb{P}(\|\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I\|_I > \zeta).$$

The right-hand side does not depend on s, thus

$$||E[X \circ \lambda_n] - \mathbb{E}[X]||_I \le \eta + 2m\mathbb{P}(||\lambda_n - \mathrm{id}_I||_I > \zeta)$$
.

Since $\|\lambda_n - id_I\|_I$ converges almost surely to zero, we obtain that

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} ||E[X \circ \lambda_n] - \mathbb{E}[X]||_I \le \eta.$$

Since η is arbitrary, this concludes the proof.

Remark 2.2. Observe that, since $\mathbb{E}[X]$ is continuous, the convergence $\mathbb{E}[X_n] \to \mathbb{E}[X]$ in the J_1 topology implies the uniform convergence so it is not surprising that we did obtain uniform convergence in the proof.

Remark 2.3. Under the stronger assumption that X_n converges uniformly to X, then Lemma 2.1 trivially holds since

$$\|\mathbb{E}[X_n - X]\|_I \le \mathbb{E}[\|X_n - X\|_I]$$

and the result then follows from dominated convergence. If X is a.s. continuous the uniform convergence follows from the convergence in the J_1 topology. If X_n is a sum of independent variables converging weakly in the J_1 topology to X with no pure jumps then the convergence in the J_1 topology again implies the uniform convergence. See Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011, Corollary 2.2). However, under our assumptions, the uniform convergence does not always hold, see Example 2.5 below.

Remark 2.4. We can rephrase Lemma 2.1. Let m > 0. Consider the closed subset of \mathcal{D}_I

$$\mathcal{B}_{I}(m) = \{x \in \mathcal{D}(I), \|x\|_{I} \leq m\},\$$

i.e. the closed ball centered at zero with radius m in the uniform metric. Let \mathcal{M}_0 be the set of probability measures ξ on $\mathcal{B}_I(m)$ such that, for all $t \in I$, x is continuous at $t \notin -a.s.$, i.e.

$$\forall t \in I, \quad \xi(\{x \in \mathcal{B}_I(m), t \in \operatorname{Disc}(x)\}) = 0.$$

Then Lemma 2.1 means that the map $\xi \mapsto \int x \, \xi(\mathrm{d}x)$ defined on the set of probability measures on $\mathcal{B}_I(m)$ endowed with the topology of weak convergence takes its values in \mathcal{D}_I (endowed with the J_1 topology), and is continuous on \mathcal{M}_0 . In other words, if $\{\xi_n\}$ is a sequence of probability measures on (\mathcal{D}_I, J_1) which converges weakly to ξ , such that $\xi_n(\mathcal{B}_I(m)) = 1$ and $\xi \in \mathcal{M}_0$, then $\int x \, \xi_n(\mathrm{d}x)$ converges to $\int x \, \xi(\mathrm{d}x)$ in (\mathcal{D}_I, J_1) .

The continuity of the map $\xi \mapsto \int x \, \xi(\mathrm{d}x)$ is not true out of \mathcal{M}_0 , see Example 2.6 and Example 2.7 below.

Example 2.5. For I = [0,1], set $X_n = 1_{[U(n-1)/n,1]}$ and $X = 1_{[U,1]}$ with U uniform on [0,1]. Then the assumptions of Lemma 2.1 hold. However, X_n converges a.s. to X in the J_1 topology but not uniformly.

Let us now provide counter examples in the case where the assumption of Lemma 2.1 on the limit X is not satisfied.

Example 2.6. Let I = [0, 1], $X = 1_{[1/2, 1]}$ and $X_n = 1_{[U_n, 1]}$ where U_n is drawn uniformly on [1/2 - 1/n, 1/2]. Then $X_n \to X$ a.s. in \mathcal{D}_I but $\mathbb{E}[X_n]$ does not converge to $\mathbb{E}[X] = X$ in the J_1 -topology, though it does converge in the M_1 -topology.

Example 2.7. Set $X_n = 1_{[u_n,1]}$ for all n with probability 1/2 and $X_n = -1_{[v_n,1]}$ for all n with probability 1/2, where $u_n = 1/2 - 1/n$ and $v_n = 1/2 - 1/(2n)$. In the first case $X_n \to 1_{[1/2,1]}$ in \mathcal{D}_I with I = [0,1] and in the second case, $X_n \to -1_{[1/2,1]}$ in \mathcal{D}_I . Hence $X_n \to X$ a.s. in \mathcal{D}_I for X well chosen. On the other hand, we have $\mathbb{E}[X_n] = 1_{[u_n,v_n)}$ which converges uniformly to the null function on $[0,u] \cup [1/2,1]$ for all $u \in (0,1/2)$, but whose sup on I = [0,1] does not converge to 0; hence $\mathbb{E}[X_n]$ cannot converge in \mathcal{D}_I endowed with J_1 , nor with the other usual distances on \mathcal{D}_I such as the M_1 distance.

The assumption that $||X_n||_I$ is bounded independently of n can be replaced by a uniform integrability assumption. Using a truncation argument, the following corollary is easily proved. The extension of the univariate case to the multivariate one is obvious in the product topology so we state the result in a multivariate setting.

Corollary 2.8. Suppose that X_n converges weakly to X in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$. Suppose moreover that X has no fixed jump and $\{\|X_n\|_{I,\ell}, n \geq 1\}$ is uniformly integrable, that is,

$$\lim_{M\to\infty}\limsup_{n\to\infty}\mathbb{E}\left[\|X_n\|_{I,\ell}\,\mathbf{1}_{\{\|X_n\|_{I,\ell}>M\}}\right]=0\;.$$

Then the maps $\mathbb{E}[X_n]: t \to \mathbb{E}[X_n(t)]$ and $\mathbb{E}[X]: t \to \mathbb{E}[X(t)]$ are in \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} , $\mathbb{E}[X]$ is continuous on I and $\mathbb{E}[X_n]$ converges to $\mathbb{E}[X]$ in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$.

2.2 Weak convergence of random measures

Let \mathcal{X} be a complete separable metric space (CSMS). Let $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ denote the set of boundedly finite nonnegative Borel measures μ on \mathcal{X} , i.e. such that $\mu(A) < \infty$ for all bounded Borel sets A. A sequence (μ_n) of elements of $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is said to converge weakly to μ , noted by $\mu_n \to_{w^{\#}} \mu$, if $\lim_{n\to\infty} \mu_n(f) = \mu(f)$ for all continuous functions f with bounded support in \mathcal{X} . The weak convergence in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is metrizable in such a way that $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is a CSMS,

see Daley and Vere-Jones (2003, Theorem A2.6.III). We denote by $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X}))$ the corresponding Borel sigma-field.

Let (M_n) be a sequence of random elements of $(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X}), \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})))$. Then, by Daley and Vere-Jones (2008, Theorem 11.1.VII), M_n converges weakly to M, noted $M_n \Rightarrow M$, if and only if

$$(M_n(A_1), \dots, M_n(A_k)) \Rightarrow (M(A_1), \dots, M(A_k))$$
 in \mathbb{R}^k

for all k = 1, 2, ..., k and all bounded sets $A_1, ..., A_k$ in $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X}))$ such that $M(\partial A_i) = 0$ a.s. for all i = 1, ..., k. As stated in Daley and Vere-Jones (2008, Proposition 11.1.VIII), this is equivalent to the pointwise convergence of the Laplace functional of M_n to that of M, that is,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[e^{-M_n(f)}] = \mathbb{E}[e^{-M(f)}], \qquad (11)$$

for all bounded continuous function f with bounded support.

A point measure in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is a measure which takes integer values on the bounded Borel sets of \mathcal{X} . A point process in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ is a random point measure in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$. In particular a Poisson point process has an intensity measure in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$. In the following, we shall denote by $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X})$ the set of point measures in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$ and by $\mathcal{M}_f(\mathcal{X})$ the set of finite measures in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X})$.

Consider now the space \mathcal{D}_I endowed with the J_1 topology. Let δ be a bounded metric generating the J_1 topology on \mathcal{D}_I and which makes it a CSMS, see Billingsley (1968, Section 14). From now on we denote by $\mathcal{X}_I = (\mathcal{D}_I, \delta \wedge 1)$ this CSMS, all the Borel sets of which are bounded, since we chose δ bounded. We further let $\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)$ be the subset of point measures m such that, for all distinct x and y in \mathcal{D}_I such that $\mathrm{Disc}(x) \cap \mathrm{Disc}(y) \neq \emptyset$, $m(\{x,y\}) < 2$. In other words, m is simple (the measure of all singletons is at most 1) and the elements of the (finite) support of m have disjoint sets of discontinuity points.

Lemma 2.9. Let $\phi : \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I) \to \mathcal{D}_I$ be defined by

$$\phi(m) = \int w \ m(\mathrm{d}w) \ .$$

Let $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I)$ be endowed with the $w^{\#}$ topology and \mathcal{D}_I with the J_1 topology. Then ϕ is continuous on $\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)$.

This result follows from Whitt (1980, Theorem 4.1), which establishes the continuity of the summation on the subset of all $(x,y) \in \mathcal{D}_I \times \mathcal{D}_I$ (endowed with the product J_1 topology) such that $\operatorname{Disc}(x) \cap \operatorname{Disc}(y) = \emptyset$. However it requires some adaptation to the setting of finite point measures endowed with the $w^{\#}$ topology. We provide a detailed proof for sake of completeness.

Proof. Let (μ_n) be a sequence in $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I)$ and $\mu \in \mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)$ such that $\mu_n \to_{w^\#} \mu$. We write $\mu = \sum_{k=1}^p \delta_{y_k}$, where δ_x denotes the unit point mass measure at x and $p = \mu(\mathcal{D}_I)$. Since μ is simple, we may find r > 0 such that, $\mu(B(y_k, r)) = 1$ for all $k = 1, \ldots, p$, where $B(x, r) = \{y \in \mathcal{D}_I : \delta(x, y) < r\}$. Let g_k be the mapping defined on $m \in \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I)$ with values in \mathcal{D}_I defined by

$$g_k(m) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } m(B(y_k, r/2)) \neq 1, \\ x & \text{otherwise }, \end{cases}$$

where, in the second case, x is unique point in the intersection of $B(y_k, r/2)$ with the support of m.

Now, for any $r' \in (0,r)$ and all k = 1, ..., p, since $\partial B(y_k, r') \subset B(y_k, r) \setminus \{y_k\}$, we have $\mu(\partial B(y_k, r)) = 0$ and thus

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mu_n(B(y_k, r')) = \mu(B(y_k, r')) = 1.$$
 (12)

On the other hand, since \mathcal{D}_I is endowed with a bounded metric, we have

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\mu_n(\mathcal{D}_I)=\mu(\mathcal{D}_I)=p.$$

It follows that, for n large enough,

$$\phi(\mu_n) = \sum_{k=1}^p g_k(\mu_n) .$$

By Whitt (1980, Theorem 4.1), to conclude, it only remains to show that each term of this sum converges to its expected limit, that is, for all k = 1, ..., p, $g_k(\mu_n) \to y_k$ in \mathcal{X}_I as $n \to \infty$. Using (12), we deduce that, for all $r' \in (0, r/2)$,

$$\limsup_{n\to\infty} \delta(g_k(\mu_n), y_k) \le r' ,$$

which shows the continuity of g_k at μ and achieves the proof.

To deal with multivariate functions, we endow \mathcal{X}_I^{ℓ} with the metric

$$\delta_{\ell}((x_1,\ldots,x_{\ell}),(x'_1,\ldots,x'_{\ell})) = \sum_{i=1}^{\ell} \delta(x_i,x'_i),$$

so that the corresponding topology is the product topology. We immediately get the following result.

Corollary 2.10. Let $\Phi: \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I^{\ell}) \to \mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}$ be defined by

$$\Phi(m) = \int w \ m(\mathrm{d}w) \ .$$

Let $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I^{\ell})$ be endowed with the $w^{\#}$ topology and \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} with the J_1^{ℓ} topology. Then Φ is continuous on $\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I^{\ell})$.

Proof. Let us write $\Phi = (\Phi_1, \dots, \Phi_\ell)$ with each $\Phi_i : \mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I^\ell) \to \mathcal{D}_I$. Since J_1^ℓ is the product topology, it amounts to show that each component Φ_i is continuous on $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I^\ell)$. We shall do it for i = 1. Observe that the mapping $m \mapsto m_1$ defined from $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I^\ell)$ to $\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I)$, by $m_1(A) = m(A \times \mathcal{D}_I^{\ell-1})$ for all Borel set A in \mathcal{X}_I is continuous for the $\to_{w^\#}$ topology. Moreover we have $\Phi_1(m) = \phi(m_1)$ and $m \in \mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I^\ell)$ implies $m_1 \in \mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)$. Hence, by Lemma 2.9, Φ_1 is continuous on $\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I^\ell)$, which concludes the proof.

We now consider the space $(0, \infty] \times S_{I,\ell}$, which, endowed with the metric

$$d((r,x),(r',x')) = |1/r - 1/r'| + \delta_{\ell}(x,x'),$$

is also a CSMS. For convenience, we shall denote the corresponding metric space by

$$\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell} = ((0,\infty] \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}, d)$$
.

In this case the necessary and sufficient condition (11) must be checked for all bounded continuous function f defined on $\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}$ and vanishing on $(0,\eta) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ for some $\eta > 0$.

The following consequence of Corollary 2.10 will be useful.

Corollary 2.11. Let $\mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$ and $\epsilon > 0$ be such that

(D-i) for all
$$t \in I$$
, $\mu(\{(y,x) \in \mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}, t \in \operatorname{Disc}(x)\}) = 0$,

(D-ii)
$$\mu(\lbrace \epsilon, \infty \rbrace \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0.$$

Let M be a Poisson point process on $\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}$ with control measure μ . Let $\{M_n\}$ be a sequence of point processes in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$ which converges weakly to M in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$. Then, the weak convergence

$$\int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ M_n(\mathrm{d}y,\mathrm{d}w) \Rightarrow \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ M(\mathrm{d}y,\mathrm{d}w) \tag{13}$$

holds in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ and the limit has no pure jump.

Proof. Let us define the mapping $\psi: \mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell} \to \mathcal{X}_I^{\ell}$ by

$$\psi(y, w) = \begin{cases} yw & \text{if } y < \infty, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let further $\Psi: \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}) \to \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X}_I^{\ell})$ be the mapping defined by

$$[\Psi(m)](A) = m \left(\psi^{-1}(A) \cap ((\epsilon, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) \right) ,$$

for all Borel subsets A in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{X}_I^{\ell})$. Since

$$\partial(A \cap ((\epsilon, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell})) \subset \partial A \cap (\{\epsilon, \infty\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}))$$
,

we have that $m \mapsto m(\cdot \cap ((\epsilon, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}))$ is continuous from $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$ to $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$ on the set

$$\Gamma_1 = \{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}) \, : \, \mu(\{\epsilon,\infty\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) \} = 0 \; .$$

Using the continuity of ψ on $(0, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$, it is easy to show that $m \mapsto m \circ \psi^{-1}$ is continuous on

$$\Gamma_2 = \{ \mu \in \mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}) : \exists M > 0, \, \mu([M,\infty] \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0 \}$$
.

Hence Ψ is continuous on $\Gamma = \Gamma_1 \cap \Gamma_2$. With Corollary 2.10, we conclude that

$$m \mapsto \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ m(\mathrm{d}y,\mathrm{d}w) = \int w \ \Psi(m)(\mathrm{d}w)$$

is continuous as a mapping from $\Psi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I))$ endowed with the $\to_{w^{\#}}$ topology to $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ on the set $\Psi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)) \cap \Gamma$. Thus the weak convergence (13) follows from the continuous mapping theorem, and by observing that the sequence (M_n) belongs to $\Psi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}(\mathcal{X}_I))$ for all n and that, by Conditions (D-i) and (D-ii), M belongs to $\Psi^{-1}(\mathcal{N}^*(\mathcal{X}_I)) \cap \Gamma$ a.s. (see Remark 1.3).

The fact that the limit has no pure jump also follows from Condition (D-i).

2.3 Convergence in \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} based on point process convergence

The truncation approach is usual in the context of regular variation to exhibit α -stable approximations of the empirical mean of an infinite variance sequence of random variables.

The proof relies on separating small jumps and big jumps and rely on point process convergence. In the following result, we have gathered the main steps of this approach. To our knowledge, such a result is not available in this degree of generality.

Theorem 2.12. Let $\{N_n, n \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of finite point processes on \mathcal{X} and N be a Poisson point process on $\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}$ with mean measure μ . Define, for all $n \geq 1$ and $\epsilon > 0$,

$$Z_{\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon, \infty)} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathrm{d}w) \ ,$$

$$S_n = \int_{(\epsilon, \infty)} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ N_n(\mathrm{d}y, \mathrm{d}w) \ ,$$

$$S_n^{<\epsilon} = \int_{(0,\epsilon]} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} yw \ N_n(\mathrm{d}y, \mathrm{d}w) \ ,$$

which are well defined in \mathcal{D}_{I}^{ℓ} since N and N_n have finite supports in $(\epsilon, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ and $(0, \infty) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$, respectively. Assume that the following assertions hold.

(B-i)
$$N_n \Rightarrow N$$
 in $(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}), \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})))$.

(B-ii) For all
$$t \in I$$
, $\mu(\{(y,x) \in \mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}, t \in \operatorname{Disc}(x))\}) = 0$ and $\mu(\{\infty\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0$.

(B-iii)
$$\int_{(0,1]} y^2 \, \mu(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) < \infty.$$

(B-iv) For each $\epsilon > 0$ such that $\mu(\{\epsilon\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0$,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{E}\left[\int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \ N_n(\mathrm{d}y,\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell})\right] = \mathbb{E}\left[\int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \ N(\mathrm{d}y,\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell})\right] = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \ \mu(\mathrm{d}y,\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) \ .$$

(B-v) The following negligibility condition holds: for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left\| S_n^{<\epsilon} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{<\epsilon}] \right\|_{I,\ell} > \eta \right) = 0 , \qquad (14)$$

Then the following assertions hold.

- (C1) For each $\epsilon > 0$, $Z_{\epsilon} \in \mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}$, $\mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}] \in \mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}$ and $Z_{\epsilon} \mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}]$ converges weakly in $(\mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}, J_{1}^{\ell})$ to a process \bar{Z} as $\epsilon \to 0$.
- (C2) $S_n \mathbb{E}[S_n]$ converges weakly in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ to \bar{Z} .

Proof. For $\epsilon > 0$, we define

$$S_n^{>\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} \int_{S_{L\ell}} yw N_n(\mathrm{d}y,\mathrm{d}w), \quad \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} = S_n^{>\epsilon} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{>\epsilon}], \ \bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon} = S_n^{<\epsilon} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{<\epsilon}],$$

which are random elements of \mathcal{D}_{I}^{ℓ} . By Corollary 2.11 and Conditions (B-i) and (B-ii), we have that $S_{n}^{>\epsilon}$ converges weakly in $(\mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}, J_{1}^{\ell})$ to Z_{ϵ} , provided that $\mu(\{\epsilon\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0$, and Z_{ϵ} has no pure jump.

Define $Y_{n,\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \, N_n(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell})$. By Condition (B-i) and the assumption that $\mu(\{\epsilon,\infty\} \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = 0$, we have that $Y_{n,\epsilon}$ converges weakly to $Y_{\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \, N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell})$. Condition (B-iv) is then equivalent to the uniform integrability of the sequence $Y_{n,\epsilon}$. Since $\|S_n^{>\epsilon}\|_{I,\ell} \leq Y_{n,\epsilon}$, we get that $\{\|S_n^{>\epsilon}\|_{I,\ell}, n \geq 1\}$ is uniformly integrable. Applying Corollary 2.8, we get that $\mathbb{E}[S_n^{>\epsilon}]$ converges to $\mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}]$ in $(\mathcal{D}_I^{\ell}, J_1^{\ell})$ and that $\mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}]$ is continuous on I. Thus addition is continuous at $(Z_{\epsilon}, \mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}])$. See Whitt (2002, p. 84). We obtain that, for all $\epsilon > 0$, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} \Rightarrow Z_{\epsilon} - \mathbb{E}[Z_{\epsilon}] \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}_I .$$
 (15)

Define $\bar{S}_n = S_n - \mathbb{E}[S_n]$. Then

$$\bar{S}_n = \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} + \bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon} \,, \tag{16}$$

and by (14), we have, for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(\left\| \bar{S}_n - \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} \right\|_{I,\ell} > \eta) = 0.$$
 (17)

By Billingsley (1968, Theorem 4.2), Assertion (C1) and (17) imply Assertion (C2). Hence, to conclude the proof, it remains to prove Assertion (C1), that is, \bar{Z}_{ϵ} converges weakly in $(\mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}, J_{1}^{\ell})$ to a process \bar{Z} . For all $t \in I$ and $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon'$, we have

$$Z_{\epsilon}(t) - Z_{\epsilon'}(t) = \int_{(\epsilon, \epsilon']} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}} y \, w(t) \, N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathrm{d}w) \,,$$

where N is a Poisson process with intensity measure μ . Thus, denoting by |a| the Euclidean norm of vector a and by Tr(A) the trace of matrix A, we have

$$\mathbb{E}[|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}(t) - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon'}(t)|^{2}] = \operatorname{Tr}\left(\operatorname{Cov}(Z_{\epsilon}(t) - Z_{\epsilon'}(t))\right)$$

$$= \int_{(\epsilon, \epsilon']} \int_{\mathcal{S}_{I, \ell}} y^{2} |w(t)|^{2} \mu(\mathrm{d}y, \mathrm{d}w)$$

$$\leq \ell \int_{(\epsilon, \epsilon']} y^{2} \mu(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I, \ell}) .$$

We deduce from (B-iii) that $\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}(t) - \bar{Z}_{1}(t)$ converges in L^{2} as ϵ tends to 0. Thus there exists a process \bar{Z} such that \bar{Z}_{ϵ} converges to \bar{Z} pointwise in probability, hence in the sense of finite dimensional distributions. To obtain the convergence in $(\mathcal{D}_{I}^{\ell}, J_{1}^{\ell})$, since we use the product

topology in \mathcal{D}_I^{ℓ} , it only remains to show the tightness of each component. Thus, hereafter we assume that $\ell = 1$. Denote, for $x \in \mathcal{D}_I$, $\delta > 0$ and a subinterval $J \subset I$,

$$w''(x,\delta) = \sup\{|x(t) - x(s)| \land |x(u) - x(t)| \; ; \; s \le t \le u \in I \; , \; |u - s| \le \delta\}$$
 (18)

$$osc(x; J) = \sup\{x(t) - x(s); s, t \in J\}.$$
(19)

By Billingsley (1968, Theorem 15.3), it is sufficient to prove that, for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{A \to \infty} \sup_{0 < \epsilon \le 1} \mathbb{P}(\|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}\|_{I} > A) = 0, \qquad (20)$$

$$\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \limsup_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(w''(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}, \delta) > \eta) = 0 , \qquad (21)$$

$$\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \limsup_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(\operatorname{osc}(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}; [a, a + \delta)) > \eta) = 0 , \qquad (22)$$

$$\lim_{\delta \downarrow 0} \limsup_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \mathbb{P}(\operatorname{osc}(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}; [b - \delta, b)) > \eta) = 0 , \qquad (23)$$

where I = [a, b]. We start by proving (20). For any $\epsilon_0 \in (0, 1]$ and $\epsilon \in [\epsilon_0, 1]$, we have $\|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}\|_{I} \leq \int_{(\epsilon_0, \infty)} y N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_I)$, whence

$$\sup_{\epsilon_0 \le \epsilon \le 1} \mathbb{P}(\|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}\|_I > A) \le A^{-1} \mathbb{E}\left[\int_{(\epsilon_0, \infty)} y N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_I)\right] ,$$

which is finite by Condition (B-iv).

This yields that $\lim_{A\to\infty} \sup_{\epsilon_0\leq\epsilon\leq 1} \mathbb{P}(\|W_{\epsilon}\|_I > A) = 0$ and to conclude the proof of (20), we only need to show that, for any $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon_0 \downarrow 0} \sup_{0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0} \mathbb{P}\left(\left\| \bar{Z}_{\epsilon} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0} \right\|_I > \eta \right) = 0.$$
 (24)

The arguments leading to (15) can be used to show that, for all $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$,

$$\bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon_0} - \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} \Rightarrow \bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon} \quad \text{in } \mathcal{D}_I \ .$$
 (25)

(although the latter is not a consequence of (15) because Z_{ϵ_0} and Z_{ϵ} have common jumps). By definition (see (16)), we have $\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon_0} - \bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon} = \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon} - \bar{S}_n^{>\epsilon_0}$. By (25) and the continuous mapping theorem, we get that $\|\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon_0} - \bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon}\|_I \Rightarrow \|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon}\|_I$. Thus, by the Portmanteau Theorem, for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\begin{split} \mathbb{P}(\left\|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon}\right\|_I \geq \eta) &= \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(\left\|\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon_0} - \bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon}\right\|_I \geq \eta) \\ &\leq \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(\left\|\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon_0}\right\|_I \geq \eta/2) + \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(\left\|\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon}\right\|_I \geq \eta/2) \;. \end{split}$$

We conclude by applying Condition (B-v) which precisely states that both terms in the right-hand side tend to zero as ϵ_0 tends to 0, for any $\eta > 0$. This yields (24) and (20) follows.

Define now the modulus of continuity of a function $x \in \mathcal{D}_I$ by

$$\operatorname{osc}(x, \delta) = \sup\{|x(t) - x(s)|, \ s, t \in I, \ |t - s| \le \delta\}.$$

We shall rely on the fact that, for any $x, y \in \mathcal{D}_I$,

$$w''(x+y,\delta) \le w''(x,\delta) + w(y,\delta) .$$

Note that this inequality is no longer true if $w(y, \delta)$ is replaced by $w''(y, \delta)$. We get that, for any $0 < \epsilon < \epsilon_0$ and $\delta > 0$,

$$w''(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}, \delta) \leq w''(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}, \delta) + w(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}, \delta) \leq w''(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}, \delta) + 2 \|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}\|_{I}.$$
(26)

Since \bar{Z}_{ϵ_0} is in \mathcal{D}_I , we have, for any fixed $\epsilon_0 > 0$,

$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \mathbb{P}\left(w''(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}, \delta) > \eta\right) = 0.$$

Hence, with (24), we conclude that (21) holds. Similarly, since, for each subinterval T, we have

$$\operatorname{osc}(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon}; T) \leq \operatorname{osc}(\bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}; T) + 2 \|\bar{Z}_{\epsilon} - \bar{Z}_{\epsilon_0}\|_{L}$$

so we obtain (22) and (23). This concludes the proof.

2.4 Regular variation in \mathcal{D} and point process convergence

Let now $\{X_{i,n}, 1 \leq i \leq m_n\}$ be an array of independent random elements in \mathcal{D}_I and define the point process of exceedances N_n on $(0, \infty] \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ by

$$N_n = \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \delta_{\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, \frac{X_{i,n}}{\|X_{i,n}\|_{I}}}, \qquad (27)$$

with the convention that $\delta_{0,0/0}$ is the null mass. If the processes $X_{n,i}$, $1 \le i \le m_n$ are i.i.d. for each n, then it is shown in de Haan and Lin (2001, Theorem 2.4) that Condition (1) implies the convergence of the sequence of point processes N_n to a Poisson point process on \mathcal{D}_I . We slightly extend here this result to triangular arrays of vector valued processes.

Let N be a Poisson point process on $\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell} = (0,\infty] \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ (see Section 2.2) with mean measure μ_{α} defined by $\mu_{\alpha}(\mathrm{d}y\mathrm{d}w) = \alpha y^{-\alpha-1}\mathrm{d}y\nu(\mathrm{d}w)$.

Proposition 2.13. Conditions (5) and (6) in Theorem 1.4 implies the weak convergence of N_n to N in $(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell}), \mathcal{B}(\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})))$.

Proof. As explained in Section 2.2, we only need to check the convergence

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[e^{-N_n(f)}] = \mathbb{E}e^{-N(f)}$$
(28)

for all bounded continuous functions f on $(0, \infty] \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ and vanishing on $(0, \epsilon) \times \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}$ for some $\epsilon > 0$. Consider such a function f. We have

$$\log \mathbb{E}[e^{-N_n(f)}] = \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \log \left(1 + \mathbb{E}\left[g(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, X_{i,n}/\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}) \right] \right) ,$$

where we denoted $g:(y,w)\mapsto e^{-f(y,w)}-1$, which is continuous and bounded with the same support as f. Moreover g is lower bounded by some constant A>-1. It follows that there exists a positive constant C such that

$$\left| \log \left(1 + \mathbb{E} \left[g(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, X_{i,n} / \|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}) \right] \right) - \mathbb{E} \left[g(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, X_{i,n} / \|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}) \right] \right| \\ \leq C \, \mathbb{P}^2(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > \epsilon) \, .$$

Define $\delta_n = \max_{i=1,\dots,n} \mathbb{P}(\|X_{i,n}\|_{L^{\ell}} > \epsilon)$. Then

$$\left| \log \mathbb{E}[e^{-N_n(f)}] - \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{E}\left[g(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, X_{i,n}/\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}) \right] \right| \le C\delta_n \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{P}(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > \epsilon) .$$

Since $\delta_n = o(1)$ by (6) and $\sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{P}(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > \epsilon) = O(1)$ by (5), we obtain

$$\log \mathbb{E}[e^{-N_n(f)}] = \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{E}\left[g(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell}, X_{i,n}/\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell})\right] + o(1) .$$

We conclude by applying (5) again.

2.5 A criterion for negligibility

Condition (B-v) is a negligibility condition in the sup-norm. It can be checked separately on each component of $S_n^{<\epsilon} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{<\epsilon}]$. We give here a sufficient condition based on a tightness criterion.

Lemma 2.14. Let $\{U_{\epsilon,n}, \epsilon > 0, n \geq 1\}$ be a collection of random elements in \mathcal{D}_I such that, for all $t \in I$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{var}(U_{\epsilon,n}(t)) = 0 , \qquad (29)$$

and, for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\delta \to 0} \sup_{0 < \epsilon \le 1} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(w''(U_{\epsilon,n}, \delta) > \eta) = 0 , \qquad (30)$$

where w'' is defined in (18). Then $\{U_{\epsilon,n}, \epsilon > 0, n \geq 1\}$ satisfies the negligibility condition (B-v), that is, for all $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left\| U_{\epsilon,n} \right\|_{I} > \eta \right) = 0 \ . \tag{31}$$

Proof. By (29) and the Bienaimé-Chebichev inequality, we get that, for all $\eta > 0$ and $t \in I$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(|U_{\epsilon,n}(t)| > \eta) = 0.$$

It follows that, for any $p \ge 1$, $t_1 < \cdots < t_p$ and $\eta > 0$,

$$\lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(\max_{k=1,\dots,p} |U_{\epsilon,n}(t_k)| > \eta) = 0.$$
 (32)

Note now that for any $\delta > 0$, we may find $p \geq 1$ and $t_1 < t_1 < \cdots < t_p$, such that for all $x \in \mathcal{D}$

$$||x||_I \le w''(x,\delta) + \max_{k=1,\dots,p} |x(t_k)|$$
 (33)

Fix some $\zeta > 0$. By Condition (30), we can choose $\delta > 0$ such that $\limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P}(w''(U_{\epsilon,n}, \delta) > 0)$ η) $\leq \zeta$ for all $\epsilon \in (0,1]$. Choose then p and $t_1 < t_1 < \cdots < t_p$ such that (33) holds. Thus, by (32), we obtain

$$\begin{split} \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} \left(\left\| U_{\epsilon,n} \right\|_I > \eta \right) \\ & \leq \sup_{0 < \epsilon \leq 1} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} (w''(U_{\epsilon,n}, \delta) > \eta) + \lim_{\epsilon \to 0} \limsup_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{P} (\max_{k = 1, \dots, p} |U_{\epsilon,n}(t_k)| > \eta/2) \leq \zeta \;, \end{split}$$

which concludes the proof since ζ is arbitrary.

In order to obtain (30), we can use the tightness criteria of Billingsley (1968, Chapter 15). We then get the following corollary.

Corollary 2.15. Let $X, X_i, i \geq 1$, be i.i.d. random elements in \mathcal{D}_I such that $\|X\|_I$ is regularly varying with index $\alpha \in (1,2)$. Let $\{a_n\}$ be an increasing sequence such that $\lim_{n\to\infty} n\mathbb{P}(\|X\|_I > 1)$ a_n = 1. Assume that there exist $p \in (\alpha, 2]$, $\gamma > 1/2$ and a continuous increasing function F on I and a sequence of increasing functions F_n that converges pointwise (hence uniformly) to F such that

$$\sup_{0 < \epsilon \le 1} n a_n^{-p} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p] \le \{F_n(t) - F_n(s)\}^{\gamma} , \qquad (34a)$$

$$\sup_{0 < \epsilon \le 1} n a_n^{-p} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p] \le \{F_n(t) - F_n(s)\}^{\gamma} , \qquad (34a)$$

$$\sup_{0 < \epsilon \le 1} n^2 a_n^{-2p} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p |\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(t,u)|^p] \le \{F_n(u) - F_n(s)\}^{2\gamma} , \qquad (34b)$$

where

$$\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t) = \{X(t) - X(s)\} \mathbf{1}_{\parallel X \parallel_I \leq a_n \epsilon} - \mathbb{E}\left[\{X(t) - X(s)\} \mathbf{1}_{\parallel X \parallel_I \leq a_n \epsilon}\right] \ .$$

Then the negligibility condition (31) holds with

$$U_{\epsilon,n} = a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ X_i 1_{\|X_i\|_I \le a_n \epsilon} - \mathbb{E} \left[X_i 1_{\|X_i\|_I \le a_n \epsilon} \right] \right\} .$$

Proof. We apply Lemma 2.14. By the regular variation of $||X||_I$, it holds that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \operatorname{var}(U_{\epsilon,n}(t)) \le \limsup_{n \to \infty} n a_n^{-2} \mathbb{E}[\|X\|_I^2 1_{\{\|X\|_I \le a_n \epsilon\}}] = O(\epsilon^{2-\alpha}) ,$$

which yields (29).

By Burkholder's inequality, (Hall and Heyde, 1980, Theorem 2.10), and conditions (34a) and (34b), we have, for some constant C > 0, for any $\epsilon \in (0,1]$,

$$\mathbb{E}[|U_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p |U_{\epsilon,n}(t,u)|^p] \le C n a_n^{-2p} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p |\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(t,u)|^p]$$

$$+ C n^2 a_n^{-2p} \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)|^p] \mathbb{E}[|\bar{X}_{\epsilon,n}(t,u)|^p]$$

$$\le 2 C \{F_n(u) - F_n(s)\}^{2\gamma} .$$

By Markov's inequality, this yields

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|U_{\epsilon,n}(s,t)\right| > \lambda, \left|U_{\epsilon,n}(t,u)\right| > \lambda\right) \le C \lambda^{-2p} \left\{F_n(u) - F_n(s)\right\}^{2\gamma}.$$

Arguing as in the proof of Billingsley (1968, Theorem 15.6) (see also the proof of the Theorem of Genest et al. (1996, p. 335)), we obtain, for $\delta > 0$ and $\eta > 0$

$$\mathbb{P}(w''(\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon}, \delta) > \eta) \le C' \eta^{-2p} \sum_{i=1}^K \{F_n(t_i) - F_n(t_{i-1})\}^{2\gamma},$$

where C' is a constant which depends neither on $\epsilon \in (0,1]$ nor on $\delta > 0$, $K > 1/(2\delta)$ and $t_1 < \cdots < t_K$ are such that $|t_i - t_{i-1}| \le \delta$ and $I \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^n [t_{i-1}, t_i]$. Thus

$$\sup_{0<\epsilon\leq 1} \limsup_{n\to\infty} \mathbb{P}(w''(\bar{S}_n^{<\epsilon},\delta) > \eta) \leq C'' \eta^{-2p} \{\operatorname{osc}(F,\delta)\}^{2\gamma-1},$$

where C'' does not depend on δ . Since F is continuous and $\gamma > 1/2$, this yields (30).

2.6 Proof of Theorem 1.4

We apply Theorem 2.12 to the point processes N_n and N defined in Section 2.4 and the measure μ_{α} in lieu of μ . By Proposition 2.13, we have that N_n converges weakly to N in $\mathcal{M}(\mathcal{Y}_{I,\ell})$, i.e. Condition (B-i) holds. Condition (A-i) and the definition of μ_{α} imply (B-ii). Condition (8) corresponds to Condition (B-v). Condition (B-iii) is a consequence of the definition of μ_{α} :

$$\int_{(0,1]} y^2 \,\mu_{\alpha}(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) = \int_0^1 \alpha y^{2-\alpha-1} \mathrm{d}t = \frac{\alpha}{2-\alpha} \,.$$

Define

$$Y_{n,\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \ N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}), \ Y_{\epsilon} = \int_{(\epsilon,\infty)} y \ N(\mathrm{d}y, \mathcal{S}_{I,\ell}) \ .$$

It remains to prove (B-iv), that is,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \mathbb{E}[Y_{n,\epsilon}] = \mathbb{E}[Y_{\epsilon}] = \alpha \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} y^{-\alpha} \, \mathrm{d}y \,. \tag{35}$$

Let σ_n be the measure on $(0, \infty]$ defined by

$$\sigma_n((x,\infty]) = \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{P}(\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > x) .$$

Condition (5) implies that σ_n converges vaguely on $(0, \infty]$ to the measure with density $\alpha x^{-\alpha-1}$ with respect to Lebesgue's measure. Thus, (35) is equivalent to

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} y \, \sigma_n(\mathrm{d}y) = \alpha \int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} y^{-\alpha} \, \mathrm{d}y \,. \tag{36}$$

For any $x > \epsilon$, we write

$$\int_{\epsilon}^{\infty} y \, \sigma_n(\mathrm{d}y) = \int_{\epsilon}^{x} y \, \sigma_n(\mathrm{d}y) + \int_{x}^{\infty} y \, \sigma_n(\mathrm{d}y)$$
$$= \int_{\epsilon}^{x} y \, \sigma_n(\mathrm{d}y) + \sum_{i=1}^{m_n} \mathbb{E}\left[X_{i,n} 1_{\|X_{i,n}\|_{I,\ell} > x}\right].$$

Applying the vague convergence of σ_n and Condition (7) yields (36). Thus (B-iv) holds. Finally, the representation (3) follows from Samorodnitsky and Tagqu (1994, Theorem 3.12.2).

3 Applications

The usual way to prove the weak convergence of a sum of independent regularly varying functions in \mathcal{D}_I is to establish the convergence of finite-dimensional distributions (which follows from the finite-dimensional regular variation) and a tightness criterion. We consider here another approach, based on functional regular variation. It has been proved in Lemma 2.4 that functional regular variation implies the convergence of the point process of (functional) exceedences. Thus, in order to apply Theorem 1.1 or Theorem 1.4, an asymptotic negligibility condition (such as (2) or (8), respectively) must be proved. Since the functional regular variation condition takes care of the "big jumps", the negligibility condition concerns only the "small jumps", i.e. we must only prove the tightness of sum of truncated terms. This can be conveniently done by computing moments of any order $p > \alpha$, even though they are infinite for the original series. We provide in this section some examples where this new approach can be fully carried out.

3.1 Invariance principle

We start by proving that the classical invariance principal is a particular case of Theorem 2.12. Let $\{z_i\}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables in the domain of attraction of an α -stable law, with $\alpha \in (1,2)$. Let a_n be the 1/n-th quantile of the distribution of $|z_1|$ and define the partial sum process S_n by

$$S_n(t) = a_n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^{[nt]} (z_k - \mathbb{E}[z_1]) .$$

For $u \in [0,1]$, denote by w_u the indicator function of the interval [u,1] i.e. $w_u(t) = 1_{[u,1]}(t)$ and define $X_{k,n} = a_n^{-1} z_k w_{k/n}$. Then we can write $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n (X_{k,n} - \mathbb{E}[X_{k,n}])$. We will apply Theorem 1.4 to prove the convergence of S_n to a stable process in $\mathcal{D}(I)$ with I = [0,1]. By Remark 1.5, we only need to prove that (5) holds with a measure ν that satisfies Condition(A-i) and the negligibility condition (8). Let ν be the probability measure defined on S_I by $\nu(\cdot) = \int_0^1 \delta_{w_u}(\cdot) du$, μ_α be defined on $(0, \infty] \times S_I$ by $\mu_\alpha((r, \infty) \times \cdot) = r^{-\alpha} \nu(\cdot)$ and μ_n be the measure in the left-hand side of (5). Since $||X_{k,n}||_I = z_k/a_n$, and the random variables z_k are i.i.d. and $w_{k/n}$ are deterministic, we have, for all r > 0 and Borel subsets A of S_I ,

$$\mu_n((r,\infty] \times A) = (n\mathbb{P}(z_1 > a_n r)) \times \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{\{w_{\frac{k}{n}} \in A\}}\right).$$

By the regular variation of z_1 , the first term of this product converges to $r^{-\alpha}$. The second term of this product can be written as $P_n \circ \phi^{-1}(A)$, where $P_n = n^{-1} \sum_{k=1}^n \delta_{k/n}$ is seen as a probability measure on the Borel sets of [0,1] and $\phi:[0,1] \to \mathcal{D}_I$ is defined by $\phi(u) = w_u$. Since ϕ is continuous (with \mathcal{D}_I endowed by J_1) and P_n converges weakly to the Lebesgue measure on [0,1], denoted by Leb, by the continuous mapping theorem, we have that $P_n \circ \phi^{-1}$ converges weakly to Leb $\circ \phi^{-1} = \nu$. This proves that (5) holds.

To prove Condition (8), note that

$$\|S_n^{<\epsilon}\|_I = a_n^{-1} \max_{1 \le k \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k \left(z_k 1_{\{|z_k| \le a_n \epsilon\}} - \mathbb{E}\left[z_k 1_{\{|z_k| \le a_n \epsilon\}} \right] \right) \right|,$$

where $S_n^{<\epsilon}$ denotes the sum appearing in the left-hand side of (8). By Doob's inequality (Hall and Heyde, 1980, Theorem 2.2), we obtain

$$\mathbb{E}[\|S_n^{<\epsilon}\|_{\infty}^2] \le 2 \operatorname{var}\left(a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n z_k 1_{\{|z_k| \le a_n \epsilon\}}\right) \le n a_n^{-2} \mathbb{E}[z_1^2 1_{\{|z_k| \le a_n \epsilon\}}] = O(\epsilon^{2-\alpha}),$$

by regular variation of z_1 . This bound and Markov's inequality yield (8).

3.2 Stable processes

Applying Corollary 2.15, we obtain a criterion for the convergence of partial sums of a sequence of i.i.d. processes that admit the representation RW, where R is a Pareto random variable and $W \in \mathcal{S}_I$. This type of process is sometimes referred to as (generalized) Pareto processes. See Ferreira and de Haan (2012).

Proposition 3.1. Let $\{R, R_i\}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. real valued random variables in the domain of attraction of an α -stable law, with $1 < \alpha < 2$. Let $\{W, W_i, i \geq 1\}$ be an i.i.d. sequence in S_I with distribution ν satisfying the assumptions of Lemma 1.7, and independent of the sequence $\{R_i\}$. Then, defining a_n as an increasing sequence such that by $\mathbb{P}(R > a_n) \sim 1/n$, $a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{R_i W_i - \mathbb{E}[R]\mathbb{E}[W]\}$ converges weakly in \mathcal{D}_I to a stable process Z which admits the representation (3).

Remark 3.2. By Lemma 1.6, the stable process Z also admits the series representation (4), which is almost surely convergent in \mathcal{D}_I and by Lemma 1.7 it is regularly varying in the sense of (1), with spectral measure ν . As mentioned in the proof of Lemma 1.7, the proof we give here of the existence of a version of Z in \mathcal{D}_I is different from the proof of Davydov and Dombry (2012) or Basse-O'Connor and Rosiński (2011).

Proof of Proposition 3.1. We apply Theorem 1.1 to $X_i = R_i W_i$. The regular variation condition (1) holds trivially since $\|X\|_I = R$ is independent of $X/\|X\|_I = W$. Condition (9b) implies that W has no fixed jump, i.e. Condition (A-i) holds. Thus we only need to prove that the negligibility condition (A-ii) holds. Write $S_n^{<\epsilon} = a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \{R_i 1_{\{R_i \le a_n \epsilon\}} W_i - \mathbb{E}[R1_{\{R \le a_n \epsilon\}}] \mathbb{E}[W]\}$ and $r_{n,i} = a_n^{-1} R_i 1_{\{R_i \le a_n \epsilon\}}$. Then,

$$S_n^{<\epsilon} = \sum_{i=1}^n r_{n,i} \{ W_i - \mathbb{E}[W] \} + \mathbb{E}[W] \sum_{i=1}^n \{ r_{n,i} - \mathbb{E}[r_{n,i}] \} . \tag{37}$$

Since $\|\mathbb{E}[W]\|_I \leq 1$, the second term's infinite norm on I can be bounded using the Bienaymé-Tchebychev inequality and the regular variation of R which implies, for any $p > \alpha$, as $n \to \infty$,

$$\mathbb{E}[|r_{n,i}|^p] \sim \frac{\alpha}{p-\alpha} \epsilon^{p-\alpha} n^{-1} . \tag{38}$$

Hence we only need to deal with the first term in the right-hand side of (37), which is hereafter denoted by $\tilde{S}_n^{<\epsilon}$. Since R is independent of W, Conditions (34a) and (34b) are straightforward consequences of (9a) and (9b). Thus Condition (A-ii) holds by Corollary 2.15. The last statement follows from Lemma 1.7

3.3 Renewal reward process

Consider a renewal process N with i.i.d. interarrivals $\{Y_i, i \geq 1\}$ with common distribution function F, in the domain of attraction of a stable law with index $\alpha \in (1,2)$. Let a_n be a norming sequence defined by $a_n = F^{\leftarrow}(1-1/n)$. Then, for all x > 0,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} n\bar{F}(a_n x) = x^{-\alpha} .$$

Consider a sequence of rewards $\{W_i, i \geq 1\}$ with distribution function G and define the renewal reward process R by

$$R(t) = W_{N(t)}$$
.

let ϕ be a measurable function and define $A_T(\phi)$ by

$$A_T(\phi) = \int_0^T \phi(R(s)) \, \mathrm{d}s \; .$$

We are concerned with the functional weak convergence of A_T . We moreover assume that the sequence $\{(Y, W), (Y_i, W_i), i \geq 1\}$ is i.i.d. and that Y and W are asymptotically independent in the sense of Maulik et al. (2002), i.e.

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n \mathbb{P}\left(\left(\frac{Y}{a_n}, W\right) \in \cdot\right) \stackrel{v}{\to} \mu_{\alpha} \otimes G^*$$
(39)

on $]0,\infty]\times\mathbb{R}$, where G^* is a probability measure on \mathbb{R} . This assumptions is obviously satisfied when Y and W are independent, with $G^*=G$ in that case.

When Y and W are independent and $\mathbb{E}[|\phi(W)|^{\alpha}] < \infty$, it has been proved by Taqqu and Levy (1986) that $a_T^{-1}\{A_T(\phi) - \mathbb{E}[A_T(\phi)]\}$ converges weakly to a stable law.

Define $\lambda = (\mathbb{E}[Y])^{-1}$ and

$$F_0(w) = \lambda \mathbb{E}[Y1_{\{W \le w\}}] .$$

Then F_0 is the steady state marginal distribution of the renewal reward process and $\lim_{t\to\infty} \mathbb{P}(R(t) \le w) = F_0(w)$. For $w \in \mathbb{R}$, consider the functions $1_{\{\cdot \le w\}}$, which yields the usual one-dimensional empirical process:

$$E_T(w) = a_T^{-1} \int_0^T \{1_{\{R(s) \le w\}} - F_0(w)\} ds$$
.

Theorem 3.3. Assume that (39) holds with G^* continuous. The sequence of processes E_T converges weakly in $\mathcal{D}(\mathbb{R})$ endowed with the J_1 topology as T tends to infinity to the process E^* defined by

$$E^*(w) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{1_{\{x \le w\}} - F_0(w)\} M(\mathrm{d}x) ,$$

where M is a totally skewed to the right stable random measure with control measure G^* , i.e.

$$\log \mathbb{E}\left[e^{it\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\phi(w)M(dw)}\right] = -|t|^{\alpha}\lambda c_{\alpha}\mathbb{E}[|\phi(W^*)|^{\alpha}]\{1 + i\operatorname{sign}(t)\beta(\phi)\tan(\pi\alpha/2)\}, \qquad (40)$$

where W^* is a random variable with distribution G^* , $c^{\alpha}_{\alpha} = \Gamma(1-\alpha)\cos(\pi\alpha/2)$ and $\beta(\phi) = \mathbb{E}[\phi^{\alpha}_{+}(W^*)]/\mathbb{E}[|\phi(W^*)|^{\alpha}].$

Remark 3.4. Equivalently, E^* can be expressed as $E^* = Z \circ G^* - F_0 \cdot Z(1)$, where Z is a totally skewed to the right Lévy α -stable process with characteristic function $\mathbb{E}\left[e^{itZ(1)}\right] = \exp\{-|t|^{\alpha}\lambda c_{\alpha}\{1+i\operatorname{sign}(t)\tan(\pi\alpha/2)\}$. If moreover Y and W are independent, then the marginal distribution of R(0) is G, $G^* = G$ and the limiting distribution can be expressed as $Z \circ G - GZ(1)$ and thus the law of $\sup_{w \in \mathbb{R}} E^*(w)$ is independent of G.

Proof. Write

$$E_{T}(w) = a_{T}^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{N(T)} Y_{i} 1_{\{W_{i} \leq w\}} + a_{T}^{-1} \{T - S_{N(T)}\} 1_{\{W_{N}(T) \leq w\}} - a_{T}^{-1} \lambda T \mathbb{E}[Y 1_{\{W \leq w\}}]$$

$$= a_{T}^{-1} \sum_{i=0}^{N(T)} \{Y_{i} 1_{\{W_{i} \leq w\}} - \mathbb{E}[Y 1_{\{W \leq w\}}\} - a_{T}^{-1} \{S_{N(T)} - \lambda^{-1} N(T)\} F_{0}(w)$$

$$- a_{T}^{-1} \{S_{N(T)} - T\} \{1_{\{W_{N(T)} \leq w\}}\} - \lambda \mathbb{E}[Y 1_{\{W \leq w\}}]\}.$$

$$(41b)$$

The term in (41b) is $o_P(1)$, uniformly with respect to $w \in \mathbb{R}$. Define $U_i = G^*(W_i)$ and $U = G^*(W)$. Define the sequence of bivariate processes S_n on I = [0, 1] by

$$S_n(t) = a_n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(Y_i[1_{\{U_i \le t\}}, 1]' - \mathbb{E}[Y[1_{\{U_i \le t\}}, 1]'] \right) ,$$

where x' denotes the transpose of a vector $x \in \mathbb{R}^2$. Then the term in (41a) can be expressed as the scalar product $[1, -F_0(w)]S_{N(T)}(G^*(w))$. Using that N(T)/T converges almost surely to λ , we can relate the asymptotic behavior of $S_{N(T)}$ to that of S_n . The latter is obtained by applying Theorem 1.4. We prove that the assumptions hold in two steps.

(a) Let ϕ be the mapping $(y, w) \mapsto y \left[1_{[G^*(w), 1]}, 1_{[0, 1]}\right]'$. This mapping is continuous from $(0, \infty) \times \mathbb{R}$ to \mathcal{D}_I^2 . It follows that (39) implies (5) with ν defined by

$$\nu(\cdot) = \mathbb{P}((1_{[U^*,1]}, 1_{[0,1]})' \in \cdot)$$

where U^* is uniformly distributed on [0,1]. Conditions (6) and (7) then follow by Remark 1.5.

(b) We must next prove the asymptotic negligibility condition (8). It suffices to prove it for the first marginal $X = Y1_{[U,1]}$. For $\epsilon > 0$ and $n \geq 1$, define $G_{n,\epsilon}(t) = na_n^{-2}\epsilon^{\alpha}\mathbb{E}[Y^21_{\{Y\leq a_n\epsilon\}}1_{\{U\leq t\}}]$. It follows that (34a) and (34b) hold with $p=2, \gamma=1$ and $F_n=\sup_{0<\epsilon\leq 1}G_{n,\epsilon}=G_{n,1}$. Moreover, by Assumption (39) and Karamata's Theorem, we have $\lim_{n\to\infty}G_{n,1}(t)=t$. Thus we can apply Corollary 2.15 to obtain (8).

By Theorem 1.4, the previous steps imply that S_n converges weakly in (\mathcal{D}, J_1) to a bivariate stable process which can be expressed as [Z, Z(1)], where Z is a totally skewed to the right α -stable Lévy process.

For completeness, we state the following result.

Proposition 3.5. Under Assumption (39), $a_T^{-1}\{A_T(\phi) - \mathbb{E}[A_T(\phi)]\}$ converges weakly to a stable law which can be expressed as $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \{\phi(w) - \lambda \mathbb{E}[Y\phi(W)]\} M(dw)$, where M is a totally skewed to the right stable random measure with control measure G^* , i.e.

$$\log \mathbb{E}\left[e^{it\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}\phi(w)M(dw)}\right] = -|t|^{\alpha}\lambda c_{\alpha}\mathbb{E}[|\phi(W^*)|^{\alpha}]\{1 + i\operatorname{sign}(t)\beta(\phi)\tan(\phi\alpha/2)\}, \qquad (42)$$

where W^* is a random variable with distribution G^* , $\beta(\phi) = \mathbb{E}[\phi_+^{\alpha}(W^*)]/\mathbb{E}[|\phi(W^*)|^{\alpha}].$

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