

# A Local Limit Theorem for sums of independent random vectors\*

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## Abstract

We prove a local limit theorem for sums of independent random vectors satisfying appropriate tightness assumptions. In particular, the local limit theorem holds in dimension 1 if the summands are uniformly bounded.

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## 1 Introduction

### 1.1 The main result

A classical Local Limit Theorem says that the distribution of the sum of i.i.d. random variables considered at a small scale is approximately invariant with respect to translations by a large<sup>1</sup> subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . Several authors addressed a generalization of this result for non-identically distributed terms (see e.g. [1, 2, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 11] and references therein). Here we show that a reasonable theory can be obtained if we impose appropriate tightness assumptions on individual summands.

Consider a sum  $S_N = \sum_{j=1}^N X_j$  where  $X_j$  are independent,  $\mathbb{R}^d$  valued random variables such that

$$\mathbb{E}(X_j) = 0, \tag{1.1}$$

$$\mathbb{E}(|X_j|^3) \leq m_3 \tag{1.2}$$

and there exists a constant  $\varepsilon_0 > 0$  such that for each  $s \in \mathbb{R}^d$

$$\mathbb{E}(\langle X_j, s \rangle^2) \geq \varepsilon_0 |s|^2. \tag{1.3}$$

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<sup>1</sup>in the sense that the quotient of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  by that subgroup is a compact group

Note that in the presence of (1.2) condition (1.3) is equivalent to existence of  $\varepsilon_1, \varepsilon_2 > 0$  such that for each proper affine subspace  $\Pi \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  we have

$$\mathbb{P}(d(X_j, \Pi) \leq \varepsilon_1) \leq 1 - \varepsilon_2. \tag{1.4}$$

Let  $V_N$  denote the covariance matrix

$$V_{N,l_1,l_2} = \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{E}(X_{j,(l_1)} X_{j,(l_2)})$$

(here and below we denote by  $X_{(l)}$  the  $l$ -th coordinate of vector  $X$ ).

We call a closed subgroup  $H \subset \mathbb{R}^d$  *sufficient* if there is a deterministic sequence  $a_N$  such that  $S_N - a_N \pmod H$  converges almost surely. The *minimal subgroup*, denoted by  $\mathcal{H}$ , is defined as the intersection of all sufficient subgroups.

**Proposition 1.1.** (a) *If  $H$  is sufficient then  $\mathbb{R}^d/H$  is compact.*

(b) *The minimal subgroup is sufficient.*

If  $\mathcal{H}$  is a proper subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  we call the sequence  $\{X_N\}$  *arithmetic*, otherwise it is called *nonarithmetic*<sup>2</sup>.

Due to Proposition 1.1 there exists a bounded sequence  $a_N$  such that  $S_N - a_N \pmod \mathcal{H}$  converges almost surely. Fix such a sequence and denote the limiting random variable by  $\mathcal{S}$ .

We refer the reader to Subsection 1.3 for examples of computation of the minimal subgroup for  $d = 1$ .

Given a random variable  $Y$  let  $\mathcal{C}_Y$  be the convolution operator

$$\mathcal{C}_Y(g)(x) = \mathbb{E}(g(x + Y)).$$

We denote by  $C(\mathbb{R}^d)$  (respectively  $C^r(\mathbb{R}^d)$ ) the space of continuous (respectively  $r$  times differentiable) functions on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ . The subscript 0 indicates that we consider only functions of compact support in the corresponding space.

**Theorem 1.2.** *For each  $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$  for each sequence  $z_N = \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{N})$  such that  $z_N - a_N \in \mathcal{H}$  we have*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N))}{u_N(z_N)} \right] = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{S}}(g)(h) d\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}(h)$$

where  $\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}$  is the Haar measure on  $\mathcal{H}$  and  $u_N(z)$  is the density of the normal random variable with zero mean and covariance  $V_N$ .

*In particular, in the non-arithmetic case for each sequence  $z_N = \mathcal{O}(\sqrt{N})$  we have*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N))}{u_N(z_N)} \right] = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) dx.$$

The Haar measure in the above theorem is defined as follows.  $\mathcal{H}$  is isomorphic to the product of  $\mathbb{Z}^{d_1} \times \mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}$ .  $\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}$  is the product of the counting measure on the first factor and the Lebesgue measure on the second factor normalized as follows. Choose a set  $D$  so that each  $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$  can be uniquely written as  $x = h + \theta$  where  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ ,  $\theta \in D$ .  $\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}$  is normalized so that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) dx = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \int_D g(h + \theta) d\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}(h) d\lambda_D(\theta) \tag{1.5}$$

where  $\lambda_D$  is the Lebesgue measure on  $D$  normalized to have total volume 1.

<sup>2</sup>Sometimes in the literature the term *arithmetic* is reserved to the case where  $\mathcal{H}$  is a discrete subgroup of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  while the case where it has both discrete and continuous parts is called *mixed* but in our presentation we will not distinguish between those two cases.

### 1.2 One dimensional case

If  $d = 1$  there are several simplifications. Namely  $V_N$  is a scalar and  $\mathcal{H}$  is either  $\mathbb{R}$  or  $h\mathbb{Z}$  for some  $h \in \mathbb{R}$ . So Theorem 1.2 can be restated as follows.

**Corollary 1.3.** *Either*

(i) *for each  $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$  for each sequence  $z_N$  such that  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z_N}{\sqrt{V_N}} = z$*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sqrt{V_N} \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) \right] = \frac{e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dx \tag{1.6}$$

or (ii) *there exists  $h > 0$  and a bounded sequence  $a_N$  such that  $S_N - a_N \pmod h$  converges almost surely to a random variable  $\mathcal{S}$  and for each  $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R})$  for each sequence  $z_N$  such that  $z_N = a_N + k_N h$  with  $k_N \in \mathbb{Z}$  and  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{z_N}{\sqrt{V_N}} = z$*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sqrt{V_N} \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) \right] = \frac{h e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} \mathcal{C}_{\mathcal{S}}(g)(jh).$$

In Section 8 we deduce the following consequence of this result.

**Corollary 1.4.** *Let  $X_j$  be independent random variables of zero mean which are uniformly bounded (that is, there is  $\mathcal{K}$  such that  $|X_j| \leq \mathcal{K}$  with probability one). Then either  $S_N$  converges almost surely to some random variable  $\mathcal{S}$  in which case*

$$\sqrt{V_N} \mathbb{E}(g(S_N)) \rightarrow \sqrt{V(\mathcal{S})} \mathbb{E}(g(\mathcal{S})) \tag{1.7}$$

or  $S_N$  satisfies the conclusions of Corollary 1.3.

### 1.3 Examples

Here we provide several examples of computing the minimal subgroup, the normalizing sequence  $a_N$  and the shape of local distribution  $\mathcal{S}$ .<sup>3</sup>

They provide a good illustration of versatility of Corollary 1.4, even though the computations in each individual example presented below could be done by hand. Namely, all cases where  $\mathcal{H} \neq \mathbb{R}$  follow immediately from Kolmogorov’s Three Series Theorem. The cases where  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}$  seem a little more tricky and could be most easily analyzed with the help of Lemma 3.2.

**Example 1.5.**  $X_1$  has a continuous distribution and  $X_n$  for  $n \geq 2$  are i.i.d and  $\mathbb{P}(X_n \in a + h\mathbb{Z}) = 1$  where  $h$  is the maximal number with this property. Then

$$\mathcal{H} = h\mathbb{Z}, \quad a_N = Na \pmod h, \quad \mathcal{S} = X_1.$$

**Example 1.6.**  $X_n$  are integer valued and  $|X_n| \leq M$  with probability 1. According to Corollary 1.4 there are two cases

(I)  $\sum_N (X_N - \mathbb{E}(X_N))$  converges<sup>4</sup>. Let  $b_N$  be the closest integer to  $\mathbb{E}(X_N)$ . Then either  $X_N = b_N$  or  $|X_N - \mathbb{E}(X_N)| \geq 1/2$ . Therefore the case (b1) is characterized by the condition

$$\sum_N \left( 1 - \max_k P(X_N = k) \right) < \infty.$$

<sup>3</sup>The reader should keep in mind that the choices of  $a_N$  and  $\mathcal{S}$  are not unique. Namely, we can replace  $(a_N, \mathcal{S})$  by  $(a_N + \tilde{a}_N + c, \mathcal{S} - c)$  where  $c$  is an arbitrary constant and  $\tilde{a}_N$  is a sequence converging to 0. In Examples 1.5–1.8 we give one possible choice.

<sup>4</sup>Note that we do not assume here that  $X_N$  have zero mean since  $\mathbb{E}(X_N)$  need not be an integer, so we can not reduced the general case to the zero mean case by subtracting the mean.

(II) The minimal subgroup is  $h\mathbb{Z}$  for some  $h \leq 2M$ . Note that the same argument as in (b1) shows that  $h\mathbb{Z}$  is sufficient iff

$$\sum_N \left( 1 - \max_k P(X_N \equiv k \pmod h) \right) \tag{1.8}$$

converges.

We now distinguish to further subcases:

(IIa) The series (1.8) converges only for  $h = 1$ . In this case  $\mathbb{S} = 0$  and we obtain the classical arithmetic local limit theorem

$$\sqrt{V_N} \mathbb{P}(S_N = k_N) \rightarrow \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-z^2/2} \quad \text{if} \quad \frac{k_N}{\sqrt{V_N}} \rightarrow z.$$

(IIb) The maximal  $h$  for which the series (1.8) converges is larger than 1. In this case  $\mathcal{H} = h\mathbb{Z}$  with  $h$  as above,

$$a_N = \sum_{n=1}^N k_n \pmod h, \quad \text{where } k_n = \arg \max P(X_n \equiv k \pmod h)$$

and  $\mathbb{S} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (X_n - k_n)$  (note that due to Borel-Cantelli Lemma this sum has only finitely many non-zero terms with probability 1).

The LLT in Example 1.6 is proven in [10] (except that our results are slightly more precise in case (IIb). The fact that (1.2) and (1.3) are sufficient for the LLT is noted in [12] which obtains the LLT under slightly weaker conditions than (1.2) and (1.3) (under the assumption that  $X_N$  are integer valued!).

**Example 1.7.**  $X_n = \xi_n + \varepsilon_n \eta_n$  where  $\{\xi_n\}$  and  $\{\eta_n\}$  are i.i.d random variables,  $\xi$ s and  $\eta$ s are independent,  $\xi_n$  take values  $\pm 1$  with probability  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\eta_n$  have continuous distribution with finite third moment. Then either

(I)  $\sum_n \varepsilon_n^2$  converges and

$$\mathcal{H} = 2\mathbb{Z}, \quad a_N = N \pmod 2, \quad \mathbb{S} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_n \eta_n$$

or (II)  $\sum_n \varepsilon_n^2$  diverges in which case  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}$  and we are in the non-arithmetic situation.

**Example 1.8.**

$$\mathbb{P}(X_n = -1) = \frac{1}{2} + p_n, \quad \mathbb{P}(X_n = 1 + \varepsilon_n) = \frac{1}{2} - p_n, \quad \text{where } \varepsilon_n = \frac{4p_n}{1 - 2p_n}$$

(so that  $\mathbb{E}(X_n) = 0$ ). We assume that  $p_n \rightarrow 0$ . Then either

(I)  $\sum_n \varepsilon_n^2$  converges (which is equivalent to the convergence of  $\sum_n p_n^2$ ). Then

$$\mathcal{H} = 2\mathbb{Z}, \quad a_N = \left( N + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=1}^N \varepsilon_n \right) \pmod 2, \quad \mathbb{S} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varepsilon_n \left( 1_{X_n=1+\varepsilon_n} - \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

or (II)  $\sum_n \varepsilon_n^2$  diverges in which case  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}$  and we are in the non-arithmetic situation.

### 1.4 Plan of the paper

In Section 2 we prove Proposition 1.1. In Section 3 we show that the non-arithmetic case is characterized by the condition that the characteristic function of  $S_N$  tends to 0 everywhere except for the origin. In Section 4 we show that if the characteristic function

is large at some point then it decays rapidly nearby. This estimate is used in Section 5 to prove the Local Limit Theorem for test functions whose Fourier transform is compactly supported. In Section 6 we use an approximation argument to prove the Local Limit Theorem for continuous functions of compact support. The proof relies on an auxiliary estimate saying that a probability to visit a cube of a unit size is  $\mathcal{O}(\det(V_N^{-1/2}))$ . That estimate is established in Section 7. Finally, in Section 8 we prove Corollary 1.4.

Throughout the paper  $\hat{g}$  denotes the Fourier transform of a function  $g$ ,  $\mathcal{U}_\varepsilon(A)$  denotes  $\varepsilon$ -neighborhood of a set  $A \subset \mathbb{R}^d$ .  $B_R$  is a ball of radius  $R$  centered at the origin.

## 2 Minimal subgroup

We need the following deterministic fact.

**Lemma 2.1.** *Let  $\tilde{H}, \tilde{\tilde{H}}$  be closed subgroups of  $\mathbb{R}^d$  such that  $\mathbb{R}^d/H$  is a compact subgroup, where  $H = \tilde{H} \cap \tilde{\tilde{H}}$ . Let  $s_N$  be a sequence such that both  $s_N \pmod{\tilde{H}}$  and  $s_N \pmod{\tilde{\tilde{H}}}$  converge. Then  $s_N \pmod{H}$  converges.*

*Proof.* Let

$$p : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d/H, \quad \tilde{p} : \mathbb{R}^d/H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d/\tilde{H}, \quad \tilde{\tilde{p}} : \mathbb{R}^d/H \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d/\tilde{\tilde{H}}$$

be natural projections,

$$\tilde{s} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} s_N \pmod{\tilde{H}}, \quad \tilde{\tilde{s}} = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} s_N \pmod{\tilde{\tilde{H}}}, \quad \tilde{S} = \tilde{p}^{-1}\tilde{s}, \quad \tilde{\tilde{S}} = \tilde{\tilde{p}}^{-1}\tilde{\tilde{s}}.$$

Note that  $\text{Card}(\tilde{S} \cap \tilde{\tilde{S}}) \leq 1$ . On the other hand for each  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$p(s_N) \in \mathcal{U}_\varepsilon(\tilde{S}) \cap \mathcal{U}_\varepsilon(\tilde{\tilde{S}})$$

provided that  $N$  is large enough. It follows that  $\tilde{S}$  and  $\tilde{\tilde{S}}$  do indeed intersect and  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} p(s_N) = \tilde{S} \cap \tilde{\tilde{S}}$ . □

*Proof of Proposition 1.1.* (a) If  $\mathbb{R}^d/H$  was not compact then we may assume after an appropriate change of variables that all vectors in  $H$  have zero last coordinate. That is,  $S_{N,(d)} - a_{N,(d)}$  converges almost surely. By (1.2) and (1.3) we can choose  $R$  so large that denoting  $\mathcal{X}_N = X_{N,(d)}1_{|X_{N,(d)}| \leq R}$  we have  $V(\mathcal{X}_N) \geq \varepsilon_0/2$ . Thus  $\sum_N V(\mathcal{X}_N)$  diverges and so  $S_{N,(d)} - a_{N,(d)}$  diverges due to Kolmogorov's Three Series Theorem.

To prove (b) let  $\tilde{H}, \tilde{\tilde{H}}$  be sufficient subgroups such that  $S_N - \tilde{a}_N \pmod{\tilde{H}}$  and  $S_N - \tilde{\tilde{a}}_N \pmod{\tilde{\tilde{H}}}$  converge. Let

$$\tilde{b}_N = \tilde{a}_N - \tilde{a}_{N-1}, \quad \tilde{\tilde{b}}_N = \tilde{\tilde{a}}_N - \tilde{\tilde{a}}_{N-1}, \quad H = \tilde{H} \cap \tilde{\tilde{H}}.$$

We claim that  $\mathbb{R}^d/H$  is compact. Indeed take  $R$  so large that

$$\mathbb{P}(|X_N| \geq R) \leq \varepsilon_2/2$$

where  $\varepsilon_2$  is the constant from (1.4). By our assumptions for each  $\delta_1, \delta_2$

$$\mathbb{P}(X_N \in \tilde{b}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{H})) \geq 1 - \delta_2, \quad \mathbb{P}(X_N \in \tilde{\tilde{b}}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{\tilde{H}})) \geq 1 - \delta_2$$

provided that  $N$  is large enough. Hence if  $2\delta_2 + \varepsilon_2/2 < 1$  then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(X_N \in \left[ (\tilde{b}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{H})) \cap (\tilde{\tilde{b}}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{\tilde{H}})) \cap B_R \right]\right) > 0.$$

Therefore the set  $(\tilde{b}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{H})) \cap (\tilde{b}_N + \mathcal{U}_{\delta_1}(\tilde{\tilde{H}})) \cap B_R$  is non empty, it contains a point  $\hat{b}_N$ . Then

$$\mathbb{P}(X_N \in \hat{b}_N + (\mathcal{U}_{2\delta_1}(\tilde{H}) \cap \mathcal{U}_{2\delta_1}(\tilde{\tilde{H}}))) \geq 1 - 2\delta_2. \tag{2.1}$$

Take  $\delta_1$  so small that

$$(\mathcal{U}_{2\delta_1}(\tilde{H}) \cap \mathcal{U}_{2\delta_1}(\tilde{\tilde{H}})) \cap B_{2R} \subset \mathcal{U}_{\varepsilon_1}(H). \tag{2.2}$$

Now note that if  $\mathbb{R}^d/H$  was not compact there would be a proper subspace  $L \supset H$  and so (2.1) and (2.2) would contradict (1.4) with  $\Pi = \hat{b}_N + L$ .

Our next claim is that  $H$  is sufficient. Indeed pick  $\bar{\omega}$  so that both  $S_N(\bar{\omega}) - \tilde{a}_N \pmod{\tilde{H}}$  and  $S_N(\bar{\omega}) - \tilde{\tilde{a}}_N \pmod{\tilde{\tilde{H}}}$  converge. Then for almost every  $\omega$  both  $S_N(\omega) - S_N(\bar{\omega}) \pmod{\tilde{H}}$  and  $S_N(\omega) - S_N(\bar{\omega}) \pmod{\tilde{\tilde{H}}}$  converge. Now Lemma 2.1 tells us that  $S_N - a_N \pmod{H}$  converges almost surely where  $a_N = S_N(\bar{\omega})$ . Hence  $H$  is sufficient.

Observe that  $H_0 = \mathbb{R}^d$  is sufficient. If it is not minimal there is a proper sufficient subgroup  $H_1 \subset H_0$ . If  $H_1$  is minimal we are done. Otherwise there is  $H'_1 \not\subset H_1$  which is sufficient and by the foregoing discussion  $H_2 = (H_1 \cap H'_1)$  is sufficient. Continuing we obtain a chain of proper subgroups

$$H_0 \supset H_1 \supset H_2 \cdots \supset H_k \supset \dots$$

such that  $H_k$  is sufficient for each  $k$ . Note that either  $\dim(H_k) < \dim(H_{k-1})$  or  $\text{Vol}(H_{k-1}/H_k)$  is an integer greater than 1. On the other hand the proof of part (a) shows that if  $R$  is large enough then  $H_k$  has a basis in  $B_R$  for each  $k$ . Thus the chain can not be continued indefinitely ending at some finite  $r$ . Then  $H_r$  is minimal and it is sufficient by construction.  $\square$

### 3 Distinguishing between the arithmetic and non-arithmetic cases

We start with an auxiliary estimate.

**Lemma 3.1.** *Each random variable  $\mathcal{X}$  can be decomposed as  $\mathcal{X} = b + \mathcal{Y} + \mathcal{Z}$  where  $b$  is a constant,  $\mathcal{Z} \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $|\mathcal{Y}| \leq 2\pi$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}) = 0$ , and*

$$|\mathbb{E}(e^{i\mathcal{X}})| \leq 1 - \frac{\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}^2)}{14}.$$

*Proof.* Let  $\mathbb{E}(e^{i\mathcal{X}}) = \rho e^{i\bar{b}}$  where  $\rho, \bar{b} \in \mathbb{R}$ . Decompose  $\mathcal{X} - \bar{b} = \bar{\mathcal{Y}} + \mathcal{Z}$  where  $\mathcal{Z} \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$  and  $|\bar{\mathcal{Y}}| \leq \pi$ . Then

$$\rho = \mathbb{E}(e^{i(\mathcal{X}-\bar{b})}) = \Re(\mathbb{E}(e^{i(\mathcal{X}-\bar{b})})) = \mathbb{E}(\cos((\mathcal{X} - \bar{b}))) = \mathbb{E}(\cos(\bar{\mathcal{Y}})).$$

Using that<sup>5</sup>  $\cos(x) \leq 1 - \frac{x^2}{14}$  if  $|x| \leq \pi$  we get  $\rho < 1 - \frac{\mathbb{E}(\bar{\mathcal{Y}}^2)}{14} \leq 1 - \frac{V(\bar{\mathcal{Y}})}{14}$ . This proves the result with  $\mathcal{Y} = \bar{\mathcal{Y}} - \mathbb{E}(\bar{\mathcal{Y}})$  and  $b = \bar{b} + \mathbb{E}(\bar{\mathcal{Y}})$ .  $\square$

We will refer to the decomposition of Lemma 3.1 as *the useful decomposition of  $\mathcal{X}$* .

The next result will help us to distinguish between the arithmetic and non-arithmetic cases.

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<sup>5</sup>Indeed

$$\cos(x) \leq 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{24} = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{12}\right) \leq 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} \left(1 - \frac{\pi^2}{12}\right) \leq 1 - \frac{x^2}{2} \times \frac{1}{7}.$$

**Lemma 3.2.** Let  $\mathcal{X}_N$  be independent random variables with zero mean. Let  $S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N \mathcal{X}_n$ . The following are equivalent

- (a) There is a sequence  $a_N$  such that  $S_N - a_N \pmod{2\pi}$  converges;
- (b) If  $\mathcal{X}_N = \mathfrak{b}_N + \mathcal{Y}_N + \mathcal{Z}_N$  is a useful decomposition of  $\mathcal{X}_N$  then  $\sum_N V(\mathcal{Y}_N)$  converges;
- (c)<sup>6</sup>  $\lim_{N_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[S_N - S_{N_0}]} \right) \right| = 1$ .

*Proof.* If  $S_N - a_N \pmod{2\pi}$  converges then

$$\lim_{N_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} (([S_N - a_N] - [S_{N_0} - a_{N_0}]) \pmod{2\pi}) = 0$$

and hence

$$\lim_{N_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[S_N - S_{N_0}]} \right) \right| = \lim_{N_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[(S_N - a_N) - (S_{N_0} - a_{N_0})]} \right) \right| = 1.$$

Therefore (a) implies (c).

If  $\lim_{N_0 \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[S_N - S_{N_0}]} \right) \right| = 1$  then for large  $N_0$

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow -\infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[(S_N - a_N) - (S_{N_0} - a_{N_0})]} \right) \right| > 0.$$

Denote this limit by  $e^{-A}$ . Combining Lemma 3.1 with the inequality  $1 - x \leq e^{-x}$  we get

$$\sum_N V(\mathcal{Y}_N) \leq 14A. \tag{3.1}$$

Therefore (c) implies (b).

Finally (b) implies (a) by Kolmogorov’s Three Series Theorem. □

We now return to considering a sequence of independent random vectors  $X_n$  with  $S_N = \sum_{n=1}^N X_n$ . Denote

$$\phi_n(s) = \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s, X_n \rangle}), \quad \Phi_N(s) = \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s, S_N \rangle}).$$

**Corollary 3.3.** (a) If  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{R}^d$  then  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_N(s) = 0$  for  $s \neq 0$ .

(b) If<sup>7</sup>  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{Z}^{d_1} + \mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}$  then  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_N(s) = 0$  unless the last  $d - d_1$  coordinates of  $s$  are 0 and the first  $d_1$  coordinates belong to  $2\pi\mathbb{Z}^{d_1}$ .

*Proof.* By Lemma 3.2 if  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |\Phi_N(s)| > 0$  then the group

$$\{h : \langle h, s \rangle \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}\}$$

is sufficient and so  $\langle h, s \rangle \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$  for  $h \in \mathcal{H}$ . □

### 4 A local estimate

One of standard proofs of the Central Limit Theorem relies on the following bound (see e.g. [3, Section XVI.6]).

**Lemma 4.1.** (a)  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_N \left( V_N^{-1/2} u \right) - e^{-u^2/2} = 0$  uniformly on compact sets.

(b) There are positive constants  $c, \delta_0$  such that if  $|s| \leq \delta_0$  then

$$|\Phi_N(s)| \leq e^{-c\langle V_N s, s \rangle}.$$

<sup>6</sup>In other words  $\mathbb{E}(e^{i\mathcal{X}_N})$  vanishes for at most finitely many  $N$  and if  $\mathbb{E}(e^{i\mathcal{X}_N}) \neq 0$  for  $N > N_0$  then  $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i[S_N - S_{N_0}]} \right) \right| > 0$ .

<sup>7</sup>Here and below  $\mathbb{Z}^{d_1} + \mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}$  denotes the set of vectors whose first  $d_1$  coordinates are integers.

In this section we extend this result to a neighborhood of an arbitrary point (rather than 0). So fix an arbitrary  $\bar{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d$ .

**Lemma 4.2.** (a) Suppose that

$$\langle X_N, \bar{s} \rangle = b_N + \mathcal{Y}_N + \mathcal{Z}_N \tag{4.1}$$

where  $\mathcal{Z}_N \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  is bounded,  $E(\mathcal{Y}_N) = 0$  and

$$\sum_{j=1}^N V(\mathcal{Y}_j) \leq \varepsilon. \tag{4.2}$$

Let  $a_N = \sum_{j=1}^N b_j$ . Then for each  $L > 0$  there exists a constant  $C$  such that for  $|u| \leq L$  we have

$$\left| \Phi_N \left( \bar{s} + V_N^{-1/2} u \right) e^{-ia_N} - e^{-u^2/2} \right| \leq C \left[ \sqrt{\varepsilon} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{N}} \right].$$

(b) There are positive constants  $M, c, \delta_0$  such that if  $|\Phi_N(\bar{s})| = e^{-A_N}$  for some  $\bar{s} \in \mathbb{R}^d$  then for  $|\Delta| \leq \delta_0$  we have

$$|\Phi_N(\bar{s} + \Delta)| \leq e^{MA_N - c(V_N \Delta, \Delta)} \tag{4.3}$$

*Proof.* We start with (b). Let  $\langle X_N, \bar{s} \rangle = b_N + \mathcal{Y}_N + \mathcal{Z}_N$  be a useful decomposition of  $\langle X_N, \bar{s} \rangle$ . Then

$$\phi_j(\bar{s} + \Delta) = e^{ib_j} \mathbb{E}(e^{i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j)})$$

where

$$\mathcal{X}_j = \langle \Delta, X_j \rangle. \tag{4.4}$$

Next,

$$e^{i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j)} = 1 + i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j) - \frac{1}{2} [\mathcal{Y}_j^2 + \mathcal{X}_j^2 + 2(\mathcal{X}_j \mathcal{Y}_j)] + \mathcal{O}(|\mathcal{X}_j + \mathcal{Y}_j|^3).$$

Note that

$$|\mathcal{X}_j + \mathcal{Y}_j|^3 \leq 8 \max(|\mathcal{X}_j|^3, |\mathcal{Y}_j|^3) = \mathcal{O}(|\Delta|^3 |X_j|^3 + |\mathcal{Y}_j|^3).$$

Thus (1.2) gives

$$\mathbb{E} \left( e^{i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j)} \right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} [\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j \mathcal{Y}_j)] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)). \tag{4.5}$$

Denoting  $\mathbf{p}_j = -\frac{1}{2} [\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j \mathcal{Y}_j)]$  and writing the remainder term as  $\mathcal{P}_j + i\mathcal{Q}_j$  where  $(\mathcal{P}_j, \mathcal{Q}_j) = \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2))$  are real we get

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j)} \right) \right| &= \sqrt{1 + 2\mathbf{p}_j + 2\mathcal{P}_j + 2\mathbf{p}_j \mathcal{P}_j + \mathbf{p}_j^2 + \mathcal{P}_j^2 + \mathcal{Q}_j^2} = 1 + \mathbf{p}_j + \mathcal{O}(\mathbf{p}_j^2 + \mathcal{P}_j + \mathcal{Q}_j^2) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} [\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j \mathcal{Y}_j)] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)), \end{aligned}$$

where the last step uses that  $\mathbf{p}_j^2 = \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2))$ .

Next, the inequality

$$\ln(1 + x) \leq x \tag{4.6}$$

gives

$$\ln \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i(\mathcal{Y}_j + \mathcal{X}_j)} \right) \right| \leq -\frac{1}{2} [\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j \mathcal{Y}_j)] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)).$$

Therefore

$$\ln |\Phi_N(\bar{s} + \Delta)| \leq - \sum_{j=1}^N \left[ \frac{1}{2} [\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2) + 2\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j\mathcal{Y}_j)] + \mathcal{O}(\Delta^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)) \right].$$

Denoting  $\mathcal{V}_N = \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2)$ ,  $\mathcal{W}_N = \sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)$  and using Cauchy-Schwartz inequality and the fact that  $|\Delta|^2 N = \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{V}_N)$ , due to (1.3), we get

$$\ln |\Phi_N(\bar{s} + \Delta)| \leq -\frac{\mathcal{V}_N}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(|\Delta|\mathcal{V}_N + \mathcal{W}_N + \sqrt{\mathcal{W}_N\mathcal{V}_N}\right).$$

Since for each  $R$

$$\sqrt{\mathcal{W}_N\mathcal{V}_N} \leq \frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\mathcal{V}_N}{R} + R\mathcal{W}_N \right]$$

we see that for small  $\Delta$  we have

$$\ln |\Phi_N(\bar{s} + \Delta)| \leq -\frac{\mathcal{V}_N}{4} + \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{W}_N). \tag{4.7}$$

Next, Lemma 3.1 tells us that

$$\mathcal{W}_N \leq 14A_N \tag{4.8}$$

so (4.3) follows from (4.7).

To prove part (a) we use (4.5) where  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  is from (4.1) and  $\mathcal{X}_N$  is given by (4.4). The fact that  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  was a part of a useful decomposition was used in part (b) only to get (4.8). Here we have a stronger bound (4.2) by the assumptions of part (a). In particular, (4.2) implies that  $\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2) \leq \varepsilon$  so all terms in (4.5) are small. Accordingly we can use the Taylor expansion of  $\ln(1+x)$  to conclude that

$$\ln \phi_j(\bar{s} + \Delta) - ib_j = -\frac{\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j^2)}{2} + \mathcal{O}(\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j\mathcal{Y}_j) + |\Delta|^3 + \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)).$$

Hence

$$\ln \Phi_N(s + \Delta) - ia_N + \frac{\mathcal{V}_N}{2} = \mathcal{O}\left(\sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_j\mathcal{Y}_j)\right) + \mathcal{O}(N\Delta^3) + \mathcal{O}\left(\sum_{j=1}^N \mathbb{E}(\mathcal{Y}_j^2)\right).$$

Using (4.2) to estimate the third term, Cauchy-Schwartz to estimate the first term and the fact that  $|\Delta|^2 N = \mathcal{O}(\mathcal{V}_N)$  to estimate the second term we get

$$\ln \Phi_N(\bar{s} + \Delta) - ia_N = -\frac{\mathcal{V}_N}{2} + \mathcal{O}\left(|\Delta|\mathcal{V}_N + \varepsilon + \sqrt{\varepsilon\mathcal{V}_N}\right)$$

as stated. □

**Corollary 4.3.** *Suppose that*

$$\langle X_N, \bar{s} \rangle = b_N + \mathcal{Y}_N + \mathcal{Z}_N$$

where  $\mathcal{Z}_N \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$ ,  $\mathcal{Y}_N$  is bounded,  $E(\mathcal{Y}_N) = 0$  and  $\sum_N \mathcal{Y}_N$  converges to  $\tilde{S}$  almost surely. Then

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Phi_N\left(\bar{s} + V_N^{-1/2}u\right) e^{-ia_N} = e^{-u^2/2} \mathbb{E}\left(e^{i\tilde{S}}\right)$$

uniformly on compact sets.

*Proof.* Given  $\varepsilon > 0$  let  $\bar{N}$  be such that

$$\sum_{N=\bar{N}+1}^{\infty} V(\mathcal{Y}_N) \leq \varepsilon \text{ and } \left| \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i \sum_{j=1}^{\bar{N}} \mathcal{Y}_j} \right) - \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i \bar{S}} \right) \right| \leq \varepsilon.$$

Then  $\Phi_N \left( \bar{s} + V_N^{-1/2} u \right) e^{-ia_N} =$

$$\left[ \Phi_{\bar{N}} \left( \bar{s} + V_N^{-1/2} u \right) e^{-ia_{\bar{N}}} \right] \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i \left[ (\bar{s} + V_N^{-1/2} u)(S_N - S_{\bar{N}}) - (a_N - a_{\bar{N}}) \right]} \right) := \Phi'_{\bar{N},N}(\bar{s}, u) \Phi''_{\bar{N},N}(\bar{s}, u)$$

Note that  $\Phi'_{\bar{N},N}(\bar{s}, u)$  depends on  $N$  only through the term  $V_N^{-1/2} u$  so

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Phi'_{\bar{N},N}(\bar{s}, u) = \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i \sum_{j=1}^{\bar{N}} \mathcal{Y}_j} \right) = \mathbb{E} \left( e^{i \bar{S}} \right) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon).$$

On the other hand Lemma 4.2(a) (applied to  $\sum_{j=\bar{N}+1}^N X_j$ ) gives

$$\left| \Phi''_{\bar{N},N}(\bar{s}, u) - e^{-u^2/2} \right| = \mathcal{O} \left( \sqrt{\varepsilon} + (N - \bar{N})^{-1/2} \right).$$

Since  $\varepsilon$  can be chosen arbitrary small the result follows. □

## 5 Observables with compact Fourier transform

Here we prove that formulas of Theorem 1.2 are valid if  $\hat{g}$  is continuous and has compact support. So we suppose that  $\text{supp}(\hat{g}) \in [-K, K]^d$  for some  $K$ .

### 5.1 Non-arithmetic case

Assume first, that  $\lim_{N \rightarrow 0} \Phi_N(s) = 0$  for all  $s \neq 0$ . By Corollary 3.3 this happens, in particular, in the non arithmetic case. Note that since  $|\Phi_N|$  is monotone in  $N$  the convergence is uniform on  $[-K, K]^d \setminus (-\delta_0, \delta_0)^d$  for each  $\delta_0 > 0$ . We select  $\delta_0$  so that the conditions of Lemma 4.1(b) and 4.2(b) are satisfied. Divide  $[-K, K]^d$  into boxes  $\{I_j\}$  of side  $\delta_1$  where  $\delta_1 \leq \delta_0/2d$  so that  $I_0$  is the box centered at 0. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{[-K, K]^d} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-i\langle s, z_N \rangle} \Phi_N(s) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \sum_j \int_{I_j} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-i\langle s, z_N \rangle} \Phi_N(s) ds. \end{aligned}$$

We claim that the main contribution comes from

$$\int_{I_0} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-i\langle s, z_N \rangle} \Phi_N(s) ds = \bar{J}_{L,N} + \bar{\bar{J}}_{L,N}$$

where  $\bar{J}_L$  denotes the integral over the set

$$Q_L := \{s : V_N^{1/2} s \in [-L, L]^d\}$$

and  $\bar{\bar{J}}_{L,N}$  denotes the integral over  $I_0 - Q_L$ . Making the change of variables  $V_N^{1/2} s = u$  we get by Lemma 4.1(a)

$$\begin{aligned} \det(V_N^{1/2}) \bar{J}_{L,N} &= \int_{[-L, L]^d} \hat{g} \left( -V_N^{-1/2} u \right) e^{-i\langle V_N^{-1/2} u, z_N \rangle} \Phi_N \left( V_N^{-1/2} u \right) du \\ &= \hat{g}(0) \left[ \int_{[-L, L]^d} e^{-u^2/2 - i\langle u, \bar{z}_N \rangle} du \right] (1 + o_{N \rightarrow \infty}(1)) \\ &= \hat{g}(0) e^{-\bar{z}_N^2/2} \left[ (2\pi)^{d/2} + o_{L \rightarrow \infty}(1) + o_{N \rightarrow \infty}(1) \right] \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\bar{z}_N = V_N^{-1/2} z_N. \tag{5.1}$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 4.1(b)

$$\det(V_N^{1/2}) \bar{J}_{L,N} \leq \text{Const} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d - [-L,L]^d} e^{-cu^2} du = o_{L \rightarrow \infty}(1).$$

Since this holds for all  $L$  we can let  $L \rightarrow \infty$  to conclude that

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{\bar{z}_N^2/2} \det(V_N^{1/2}) \int_{I_0} \hat{g}(-s) \Phi_N(s) ds = (2\pi)^{d/2} \hat{g}(0) = (2\pi)^{d/2} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) dx.$$

It remains to show that the contributions of  $I_j$  with  $j \neq 0$  are smaller.

**Lemma 5.1.** *If  $\mathfrak{J}$  be a cube of size  $\delta_1$  such that  $\Phi_N(s)$  converges to 0 on  $\mathfrak{J}$ . Then*

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \det(V_N^{1/2}) \int_{\mathfrak{J}} |\Phi_N(s)| ds = 0.$$

*Proof.* Let

$$e^{-\mathfrak{A}_N} = \max_{\mathfrak{J}} |\Phi_N(s)| \text{ and } \bar{s}_N = \arg \max_{\mathfrak{J}} |\Phi_N(s)|.$$

Split  $\int_{\mathfrak{J}} |\Phi_N(s)| ds = \bar{J}_N + \bar{\bar{J}}_N$  where  $\bar{J}_N$  denotes the integral over the set

$$\Omega_N := \{c\langle V_N \Delta, \Delta \rangle < 2M\mathfrak{A}_N\} \text{ where } \Delta = s - \bar{s}_N.$$

and  $\bar{\bar{J}}_N$  denotes the integral over  $\mathfrak{J} - \Omega_N$ . Since  $\Omega_N$  is contained in a ball of radius  $\mathcal{O}(\sqrt{\mathfrak{A}_N/N})$  we have

$$\det(V_N^{1/2}) \bar{J}_N = \mathcal{O}((\mathfrak{A}_N)^{d/2} e^{-\mathfrak{A}_N}) \rightarrow 0$$

since  $\mathfrak{A}_N \rightarrow \infty$  as  $N \rightarrow \infty$ . On the other hand, by Lemma 4.2(b)

$$\begin{aligned} |\bar{\bar{J}}_N| &\leq \text{Const} \int_{c\langle V_N \Delta, \Delta \rangle \geq 2M\mathfrak{A}_N} e^{-c\langle V_N \Delta, \Delta \rangle} d\Delta \\ &\leq \frac{\text{Const}}{N^{d/2}} \int_{|u| > \varepsilon \sqrt{\mathfrak{A}_N}} e^{-cu^2} du = \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{\mathfrak{A}_N^{d-1/2}}{N^{d/2}} e^{-c\mathfrak{A}_N}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Combining the estimates for  $\bar{J}_N$  and  $\bar{\bar{J}}_N$  we obtain the lemma. □

Lemma 5.1 shows that the main contribution to  $\mathbb{E}(g(S_N))$  comes from  $I_0$  so that

$$e^{\bar{z}_N^2/2} \det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) \rightarrow \left(\frac{\sqrt{2\pi}}{2\pi}\right)^d \hat{g}(0) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} g(x) dx$$

as claimed.

### 5.2 Arithmetic case

Next, we consider the arithmetic case. Let  $\mathcal{H}$  be the minimal subgroup. After a linear change of variables we can assume that<sup>8</sup>  $\mathcal{H} = \mathbb{Z}^{d_1} + \mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}$ . Let  $X_N = b_N + Y_N + Z_N$  be the decomposition of  $X_N$  such that  $X_{N,(l)} = b_{N,(l)} + Y_{N,(l)} + Z_{N,(l)}$  is a useful decomposition

<sup>8</sup>Here  $\mathbb{Z}^{d_1}$  is the set of vectors whose first  $d_1$  coordinates are integers and the last  $d - d_1$  coordinates are zero and  $\mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}$  is the set of vectors whose first  $d_1$  coordinates are zero.

for  $l \leq d_1$  and  $b_{N,(l)} = Y_{N,(l)} = 0$  for  $l > d_1$ . Let  $\tilde{S}_N = (S_N - a_N) \pmod{\mathcal{H}}$ . Due to Lemma 3.2 we may (and will) assume that  $a_N$  is chosen so that

$$\tilde{S}_N = \sum_{j=1}^N Y_j \pmod{\mathcal{H}}.$$

Lemma 5.1 shows that the main contribution to

$$\det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N))$$

comes from small cubes  $I(s_m)$  centered at points  $s_m$  where

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} |\Phi_N(s_m)| > 0.$$

By Corollary 3.3 these points have form  $s_m = 2\pi m$  with  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}$ . The contribution of  $m = 0$  is  $\frac{e^{-\bar{z}_N^2/2}}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} \hat{g}(0)$  as before.

For  $m \neq 0$  note that  $e^{i\langle s_m, z_N - a_N \rangle} = 1$ . Let  $\Delta = s - s_m$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{I(s_m)} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-i\langle s, z_N \rangle} \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s, S_N \rangle}) ds \\ &= \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{I(s_m)} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-i\langle \Delta, (z_N - a_N) \rangle} \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s, (S_N - a_N) \rangle}) ds. \end{aligned}$$

Denoting

$$Q_{m,L,N} = \{s : V_N^{1/2} \Delta \in [-L, L]^d\}$$

we decompose the last integral as  $\bar{J}_{m,L,N} + \bar{J}'_{m,L,N}$  where  $\bar{J}_{m,L,N}$  is the integral over  $Q_{m,L,N}$  and  $\bar{J}'_{m,L,N}$  is the integral over  $I(s_m) - Q_{m,L,N}$ . By Corollary 4.3

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\det(V_N^{1/2}) \bar{J}_{j,L,N}}{(2\pi)^d} &= \frac{\hat{g}(-s_m) \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s_m, S \rangle}) + o_{N \rightarrow \infty}(1)}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{[-L,L]^d} e^{-u^2/2 - i\langle \bar{z}_N, u \rangle} du \\ &= e^{-\bar{z}_N^2/2} \frac{\hat{g}(-s_m) \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s_m, S \rangle})}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} + o_{N \rightarrow \infty, L \rightarrow \infty}(1) \end{aligned}$$

where  $\bar{z}_N$  is defined by (5.1). On the other hand by Lemma 4.2(b)

$$\det(V_N^{1/2}) |\bar{J}'_{m,L,N}| \leq \text{Const} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d - [-L,L]^d} e^{-cu^2} du = o_{L \rightarrow \infty}(1).$$

Since this holds for all  $L$  we can let  $L \rightarrow \infty$  to conclude that

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{\bar{z}_N^2/2} \frac{\det(V_N^{1/2})}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{U(s_j)} \hat{g}(-s) e^{-is z_N} \mathbb{E}(e^{is S_N}) ds & \tag{5.2} \\ &= \frac{\hat{g}(-s_m) \mathbb{E}(e^{i\langle s_m, S \rangle})}{(2\pi)^{d/2}} = \widehat{\mathcal{C}_S g}(-s_m). \end{aligned}$$

Note that the argument above relies on Corollary 4.3, so it only works under the assumption that  $|\Phi_N(s_m)| \not\rightarrow 0$ . However if  $\Phi_N(s_m) \rightarrow 0$  then the limit in (5.2) is zero due to Lemma 5.1. Hence

$$\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} e^{\bar{z}_N^2/2} \det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}} \frac{\widehat{\mathcal{C}_S g}(2\pi m)}{(2\pi)^{d/2}}.$$

Define the following function on  $\mathbb{R}^{d_1}$

$$\mathcal{G}(x') = \int_{\mathbb{R}^{d-d_1}} (\mathcal{C}_S g)(x', x'') dx'' \tag{5.3}$$

Then

$$\sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}} \widehat{\mathcal{C}_S g}(2\pi m) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}} \hat{\mathcal{G}}(2\pi m) = \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}} \mathcal{G}(m) = \int_{\mathcal{H}} \mathcal{C}_S(g)(h) d\lambda_{\mathcal{H}}.$$

Here the first equality holds since we have identified  $m \in \mathbb{Z}^{d_1}$  with  $(m, 0) \in \mathbb{R}^d$ , the second equality follows by the Poisson Summation Formula and the third equality follows by (5.3) and (1.5). This proves Theorem 1.2 for the functions with compactly supported Fourier transform.

### 6 Proof of the Local Limit Theorem

Here we finish the proof of Theorem 1.2.

We need the following *a priori* estimate proven in Section 7.

**Lemma 6.1.** *There is a constant  $D$  such that for any cube  $Q$  of unit size*

$$\mathbb{P}(S_N \in Q) \leq \frac{D}{N^{d/2}}.$$

To fix the notation we consider a non-arithmetic case, the argument in the arithmetic case is similar.

We note that it is sufficient to prove Theorem 1.2 for  $g \in C_0^{d+1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Indeed if  $g \in C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and  $\text{supp}(g) \in [-K, K]^d$  then for each  $\varepsilon > 0$  we can find  $\tilde{g} \in C_0^{d+1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  with  $\text{supp}(\tilde{g}) \in [-(K+1), (K+1)]^d$  and  $\|g - \tilde{g}\|_{L^\infty} \leq \varepsilon$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} & \det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) \\ &= \det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(\tilde{g}(S_N - z_N)) + \det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \mathbb{P}(S_N \in z_N + [-(K+1), (K+1)]^d). \end{aligned} \tag{6.1}$$

The second term is  $\mathcal{O}(\varepsilon)$  by Lemma 6.1. So if Theorem 1.2 is valid for  $C_0^{d+1}$  functions then

$$\det(V_N^{1/2}) \mathbb{E}(g(S_N) - z_N) = e^{-\bar{z}_N^2/2} \int_{[-(K+1), (K+1)]^d} \tilde{g}(x) dx + o_{N \rightarrow \infty}(1) + \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon).$$

Since

$$\left| \int_{[-(K+1), (K+1)]^d} \tilde{g}(x) dx - \int_{[-(K+1), (K+1)]^d} g(x) dx \right| \leq \varepsilon(2(K+1))^d$$

the theorem holds for all continuous functions.

So let  $g \in C_0^{d+1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ . Then for each  $\varepsilon$  there is  $\bar{g}$  such that  $\bar{g}$  has compact support and  $|g(x) - \bar{g}(x)| \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{1+|x|^{d+1}}$ . Denoting by  $Q_m$  the unit cube centered at  $m$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} & \det(V_N^{1/2}) |\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - z_N)) - \mathbb{E}(\bar{g}(S_N - z_N))| \\ & \leq \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{\varepsilon \det(V_N^{1/2})}{1 + |m|^{d+1}} \mathbb{P}(S_N - z_N \in Q_m) = \mathcal{O} \left( \sum_{m \in \mathbb{Z}^d} \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + |m|^{d+1}} \right) = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon) \end{aligned}$$

where the penultimate step uses Lemma 6.1. Also

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |g(x) - \bar{g}(x)| dx \leq \varepsilon \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \frac{dx}{1 + |x|^{d+1}} = \mathcal{O}(\varepsilon).$$

Since

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}(\bar{g}(S_N - z_N))}{u(z_N)} \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \bar{g}(x) dx$$

due to the results of Section 5, Theorem 1.2 holds on  $C_0^{d+1}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and, hence, on  $C_0(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .

### 7 Concentration inequality

The proof of Lemma 6.1 in arbitrary dimension is the same as the proof for  $d = 1$  given in [9, Section III.1] but we reproduce the proof here for completeness.

*Proof of Lemma 6.1.* It is enough to prove the claim for cubes of any fixed size  $\rho$  since the unit cube can be covered by a finite number of cubes of size  $\rho$ . Let

$$g(x) = \prod_{l=1}^d \left( \frac{1 - \cos(\hat{\delta}x_{(l)})}{\hat{\delta}^2 x_{(l)}^2} \right)$$

where  $\hat{\delta} = \delta_0/d$  and  $\delta_0$  is the constant of Lemma 4.1(b). Then

$$\hat{g}(s) = (\pi\hat{\delta})^d \prod_{l=1}^d \left( \left( 1 - \frac{|s_{(l)}|}{\hat{\delta}} \right) 1_{|s_{(l)}| \leq \hat{\delta}} \right).$$

Hence for each  $a$

$$\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - a)) = \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \hat{g}(-s) e^{i\langle s, a \rangle} \Phi_N(s) ds \leq \int_{\max_l |s_{(l)}| < \delta_0} \hat{g}(s) |\Phi_N(s)| ds$$

since  $\hat{g}$  is real and supported inside the cube of size  $2\delta_0$ . Thus (1.3) and Lemma 4.1(b) imply that there is a constant  $\hat{D}$  such that

$$\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - a)) \leq \frac{\hat{D}}{N^{d/2}}$$

On the other hand  $g(0) = \frac{1}{2^d}$  so there is a constant  $\rho$  such that  $g(x) > \frac{1}{4^d}$  on the cube of size  $\rho$  centered at 0. Hence if  $\mathcal{Q}$  is a cube of size  $\rho$  centered at  $a$  then

$$\mathbb{E}(g(S_N - a)) \geq \frac{\mathbb{P}(S_N \in \mathcal{Q})}{4^d}.$$

Combining the last two displays we obtain the result. □

### 8 Bounded random variables

*Proof of Corollary 1.4.* If  $\sum_j V(X_j)$  converges then  $S_N$  converges almost surely by Kolmogorov's Three Series Theorem and so (1.7) holds.

Therefore we assume that  $\sum_j V(X_j)$  diverges. Fix a large  $A$  and let  $k_n$  be a sequence such that denoting  $\mathcal{X}_n = \sum_{j=k_{n-1}+1}^{k_n} X_j$  we have

$$\frac{1}{A} \leq V(\mathcal{X}_n) \leq A.$$

Since

$$\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_n^4) = (\mathbb{E}(\mathcal{X}_n^2))^2 + \sum_{j=k_{n-1}+1}^{k_n} V(X_j^2) \leq A^2 + \sum_{j=k_{n-1}+1}^{k_n} \mathbb{E}(X_j^4) \leq A^2 + \mathcal{K}^2 A$$

$\{\mathcal{X}_n\}$  satisfies (1.1), (1.2) and (1.3). Accordingly  $\sum_{j=1}^{k_n} X_j$  satisfy the conclusions of Corollary 1.3. Note that this holds for any sequence  $k_N$  such that

$$\frac{1}{A} \leq \sum_{j=k_{n-1}+1}^{k_n} \mathbb{E}(X_j^2) \leq A \quad (8.1)$$

for some  $A$  and all  $n$ . We claim that, in fact, the conclusions of Corollary 1.3 are satisfied for our original sum  $S_N$ . Indeed, take an arbitrary sequence satisfying (8.1). Suppose, to fix our notation, that  $S_{k_n}$  satisfies a non-arithmetic Local Limit Theorem, the arithmetic case is similar. We claim that (1.6) holds. Otherwise there exist sequences  $\{N_l\}$   $\{z_l\}$  such that  $z_l/\sqrt{V_{N_l}} \rightarrow z$  and a continuous function  $g$  of compact support such that  $\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sqrt{V_{N_l}} \mathbb{E}(g(S_{N_l} - z_l)) \right]$  does not converge to  $\frac{e^{-z^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dx$ . By taking a subsequence we can assume that

$$\sum_{j=N_{l-1}+1}^{N_l} \mathbb{E}(X_j^2) \geq 100A.$$

Let  $n_l$  be such that  $k_{n_l} \leq N_l < k_{n_l+1}$ . Replacing  $k_{n_l}$  by  $N_l$  we obtain a new sequence  $\tilde{k}_n$  satisfying (8.1) with  $A$  replaced by  $2A$ . Also, let  $\tilde{z}_n = z_l$  if  $\tilde{k}_n = N_l$  for some  $l$  and  $\tilde{z}_n = z\sqrt{V_{\tilde{k}_n}}$  otherwise. Then

$$\lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \sqrt{V_{\tilde{k}_n}} \mathbb{E}(g(S_{\tilde{k}_n} - \tilde{z}_n)) \right]$$

fails to exist giving a contradiction with the assumption that (1.6) fails.

Hence (1.6) holds as claimed.  $\square$

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