

ON EXPECTED NUMBER OF LEVEL CROSSINGS OF A RANDOM HYPERBOLIC POLYNOMIAL

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ABSTRACT. Let $g_1(\omega), g_2(\omega), \dots, g_n(\omega)$ be independent and normally distributed random variables with mean zero and variance one. We show that, for large values of n , the expected number of times the random hyperbolic polynomial $y = g_1(\omega) \cosh x + g_2(\omega) \cosh 2x + \dots + g_n(\omega) \cosh nx$ crosses the line $y = L$, where L is a real number, is $\frac{1}{\pi} \log n + O(1)$ if $L = o(\sqrt{n})$ or $L/\sqrt{n} = O(1)$, but decreases steadily as $O(L)$ increases in magnitude and ultimately becomes negligible when $n^{-1} \log L/\sqrt{n} \rightarrow \infty$.

1. Introduction. Let $g_1(\omega), g_2(\omega), \dots, g_n(\omega)$ be normally distributed and independent random variables defined on a fixed probability space (Ω, A, Pr) with mean zero and variance one. Consider the family of curves given by the random hyperbolic polynomial

$$(1.1) \quad y = f_n(x) = \sum_{j=1}^n g_j(\omega) \cosh jx.$$

The behavior of these curves to an extent can be understood by knowing their oscillations about different curves in the x-y plane. Das [3] found out the expected number of oscillations of $f_n(x)$ about the x-axis and Farahmand [4] calculated its expected number of L -level crossings, i.e., oscillations about the line $y = L$ where L does not exceed $O(\sqrt{n})$. Both of the estimates are asymptotic to $\frac{1}{\pi} \log n$ with an error term $\sqrt{\log n}$. It will be interesting to see how the L -level crossings change if L exceeds $O(\sqrt{n})$. We show that the average number of L -level crossings of $f_n(x)$ decreases as L increases beyond $O(\sqrt{n})$ and attains a specific value. The average number of oscillations about $y = L$ does not change if L is

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larger than this specific value. In the sequel, we have also shown that the error term $\sqrt{\log n}$ should in fact be $O(1)$.

Let $EN_n(a, b)$ stand for the expected number of real zeros of $f_n(x) = L$ in (a, b) . We prove the following theorem:

Theorem 1.1. *If the coefficients of $f_n(x)$ in (1.1) are independent and normally distributed random variables with mean zero and variance one, then, for all sufficiently large values of n ,*

$$EN_n(-\infty, \infty) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\pi} \log n + O(1), & \text{if } L = o(\sqrt{n}) \text{ or } L = O(\sqrt{n}); \\ \frac{1}{\pi} \log\left(\frac{n}{\log h_n}\right) + O(1), & \text{if } h_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ but } \log h_n = o(n); \\ \frac{1}{\pi} \log \coth((4n)^{-1} \log h_n) + 1 + O(n^{-1} \log n), & \\ & \text{if } \log h_n = O(n); \\ 1 + o(1), & \text{if } n^{-1} \log h_n \rightarrow \infty, \end{cases}$$

where $h_n = L/\sqrt{n}$.

The paper has been organized in the following manner. In Section 2, we discuss some preliminary concepts required for the proof of the theorem. We discuss the effect of different values of L , which are mentioned in the statement of the theorem, on the expected number of real zeros of $f_n(x) - L$ in Lemmas 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3 proved in Section 3. We first discuss some preliminary analysis required for the proof.

2. Preliminary analysis. Let us consider $f_n(x)$ as a non-stationary random process. The Kac-Rice formula [2] for the expected number of L -level crossings in (a, b) of such a process is given by

$$\begin{aligned} EN_n(a, b) &= \int_a^b \frac{\sqrt{D_n}}{A_n \pi} e^{-(L^2 C_n)/(2D_n)} dx \\ (2.1) \quad &+ \int_a^b \frac{LB_n}{\sqrt{2\pi A_n^3}} e^{-(L^2)/(2A_n)} \phi\left(\frac{LB_n}{\sqrt{2A_n D_n}}\right) dx \\ &= I_1(a, b) + I_2(a, b), \end{aligned}$$

where $A_n = \sum_{j=1}^n \cosh^2 jx$, $B_n = \sum_{j=1}^n j \cosh jx \sinh jx$, $C_n = \sum_{j=1}^n j^2 \sinh^2 jx$, $D_n = A_n C_n - B_n^2$ and $\phi(x) = (2/\sqrt{\pi}) \int_0^x e^{-t^2} dt$ is the error function. Since the integrands in (2.1) are even functions of

x , we note that

$$(2.2) \quad EN_n(-\infty, \infty) = 2I_1(0, \infty) + 2I_2(0, \infty).$$

Our aim will be to break up $(0, \infty)$ into suitable subintervals (a, b) such that it will be possible to calculate $I_1(a, b)$ and $I_2(a, b)$ after obtaining the dominant terms of the respective integrands. Moreover, calculation of $I_1(0, 1)$ will need special attention as it will provide the asymptotic estimate of $EN_n(0, \infty)$. The intervals where we can express A_n, B_n and C_n in terms of well-defined dominant terms are $(0, 6m^{-1} \log m)$ and $(6m^{-1} \log m, \infty)$, where $m = 2n + 1$. Using the dominant terms, we shall then obtain some useful results by means of which we can calculate the expected number of real zeros of $f_n(x) - L$ in the above mentioned two intervals in Section 3.

Consider the interval $(0, 6m^{-1} \log m)$. Let us write A_n, B_n and C_n in the following manner:

$$4A_n = mu(1 + U), 8B_n = m^2v(1 + V), 48C_n = m^3w(1 + W),$$

where $\lambda = mx, u = u(\lambda) = 1 + \lambda^{-1} \sinh \lambda, U = (-2 + \tau \sinh \lambda)(mu)^{-1}, v = v(\lambda) = du/d\lambda, V = v^{-1}(x \cosh \lambda + m^{-2}\tau' \sinh \lambda), w = w(\lambda) = 3d^2u/d\lambda^2 - 1, W = w^{-1}\{3m^{-3}\tau'' \sinh \lambda + m^{-2}(6\tau' \cosh \lambda + \cosh \lambda + 3x \sinh \lambda)\}$ and $\tau = 1/\sinh x - 1/x$.

The validity of the above expressions can be verified from the definitions of A_n, B_n and C_n mentioned earlier. Note that τ can be represented as the following power series:

$$\tau = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (2(1 - 2^{2k-1})\mathfrak{B}_{2k}/(2k!)) x^{2k-1},$$

where \mathfrak{B}_{2k} is the Bernoulli's number of degree $2k$ [5]. The series converges absolutely and uniformly in $(0,1)$. Consequently τ, τ'' and τ''' are bounded in $(0,1)$, and it follows from definitions of U, V and W that in $(0, 6m^{-1})$,

$$U = O(m^{-1}), \quad V = O(m^{-2}), \quad W = O(m^{-3}).$$

On the other hand, if x is in $(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$, we observe that $U = O(xe^{-\lambda}), V = O(x^2)$ and $W = O(x^2)$. Therefore, in $(0, 3m^{-1} \log m)$, we have

$$A_n^{-1} \sqrt{12D_n} = m\alpha_n(1 + O(x/\sinh \lambda))$$

and

$$C_n/D_n = 4(2n + 1)^{-1}\delta_n(1 + O(x/\sinh \lambda)),$$

where

$$\alpha_n = \alpha_n(\lambda) = u^{-1}(uw - 3v^2)^{1/2}, \quad \delta_n = \delta_n(\lambda) = w(uw - 3v^2)^{-1}.$$

Thus, if $(a, b) \subset (0, 3m^{-1} \log m)$,

$$(2.3) \quad I_1(a, b) = (2\sqrt{3}\pi)^{-1} \int_{ma}^{mb} \alpha_n e^{-2h_n \delta_n} \{1 + O(x/\sinh \lambda)\} d\lambda.$$

Since the integral in (2.3) is not amenable to direct integration, we need a suitable approximation of it. To this end, we need to calculate upper and lower bounds of α_n and δ_n in $(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$. In this respect, the following inequality involving α_n , obtainable after applying a little algebra, will be useful:

$$(2.4) \quad \frac{\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 3}{3 \sinh \lambda} < \frac{\alpha_n}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{\lambda} < \frac{\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 3}{3 \sinh \lambda}.$$

We also note that δ_n can be written in the following manner:

$$\delta_n = (\lambda^3/\sinh \lambda)(p_1/p_2),$$

where $p_1 = w\lambda/\sinh \lambda$ and $p_2 = \lambda^4(uw - 3v^2) \sinh^{-2} \lambda$. From the derivatives of p_1 and p_2 we notice that p_1 is a monotonically increasing function and p_2 is a monotonically decreasing function of x in $(6m^{-1}, \infty)$. Using this information, we find that, in $(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$,

$$(2.5) \quad 0.5\lambda^3/\sinh \lambda < \delta_n < (\lambda^3/\sinh \lambda).$$

As a consequence, in (a, b) , we have

$$e^{-(2h_n(am)^3)/(\sinh(am))} \leq e^{-2h_n \delta_n(\lambda)} \leq e^{-(h_n(bm)^3)/(\sinh(bm))}.$$

With the help of this inequality and (2.4), we conclude that

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & e^{-2h_n(am)^3/\sinh(am)} \left[\log \frac{b}{a} + \int_{ma}^{mb} \frac{\lambda^2 - 3\lambda - 3}{3 \sinh \lambda} d\lambda \right] (1 + O(n^{-1})) \\ & \leq 2\pi I_1(a, b) \\ & \leq e^{-2h_n(bm)^3/\sinh(bm)} \left[\log \frac{b}{a} + \int_{ma}^{mb} \frac{\lambda^2 - 3\lambda + 3}{3 \sinh \lambda} d\lambda \right] (1 + O(n^{-1})). \end{aligned}$$

It is to be noted that $I_1(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$ can be calculated with the help of (2.6) if $h_n \rightarrow \infty$. But if $h_n \rightarrow 0$ or $h_n = O(1)$, we shall have to use (2.7), which can be obtained by integration by parts and using the bounds of α_n and δ_n that have been mentioned above

$$(2.7) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} \int \alpha_n e^{-2h_n \delta_n} d\lambda = \log \lambda e^{-2h_n \delta_n} + 2\xi_1 \left[h_n \delta_n \log \lambda + \int \left\{ \left(\frac{\alpha_n}{\sqrt{3}} - \frac{1}{\lambda} \right) - \frac{h_n \xi_2 \lambda^2}{\sinh \lambda} d\lambda \right\} \right],$$

where $e^{-h_n \delta(6)} \leq \xi_1 < 1$ and $0.5 \leq \xi_2 < 1$.

Let us now consider the interval $(3m^{-1} \log m, \infty)$. In this interval, for all sufficiently large n , $n^s \sinh^s x (\sinh nx)^{-1}$, where s is a finite positive number, a monotonically decreasing function of x and tends to zero for sufficiently large values of n . Therefore, the following relations are valid at $x = a$, where $a \geq 3m^{-1} \log m$:

$$\begin{aligned} 4A_n &= g_m(x)(1 + O(ame^{-am})), \\ 8B_n &= g_m(x)(m - \coth x + O(ne^{-2am})), \\ 16C_n &= g_m(x)(m^2 + 1 - 2m \coth x + 2 \cos ech^2 x + O(n^3 ae^{-am})). \end{aligned}$$

The $O()$ terms decrease in magnitude as x increases. Hence, in any interval $(a, b) \subset (3m^{-1} \log m, \infty)$, we have

$$(2.8) \quad I_1(a, b) = (2\pi)^{-1} \xi_3 \int_a^b (\sinh x)^{-1} (1 + O(n^2 p_n e^{-p_n})) dx,$$

where

$$e^{-2h_n(m \sinh a)^3 / \sinh ma} < \xi_3 < e^{-2h_n(m \sinh b)^3 / \sinh mb}.$$

We are interested in determining how $EN_n(-\infty, \infty)$ changes with a change in magnitude of L . The relationship between $EN_n(-\infty, \infty)$ and L can be fully established by considering four different ranges of values of L . In Lemma 3.1 we show that the asymptotic value of L -level crossings of $f_n(x)$ remains fixed at $\pi^{-1} \log n$ if $L = o(n^{1/2})$ or $L = O(n^{1/2})$. In Lemma 3.2 and Lemma 3.3 we show that the number of crossings starts decreasing as L increases in value, but becomes stationary beyond a value of L mentioned in Lemma 3.3.

3. Proof of the theorem.

Lemma 3.1.

$$EN_n(-\infty, \infty) = \begin{cases} \pi^{-1}[\log m + l_1 + l_2 + 2\pi l_4 + \log 2](1 + O(n^{-1})) & \text{if } h_n = O(1), \\ \pi^{-1}[\log m + 1.28665 + 2l_3 + \log 2](1 + O(n^{-1})) & \text{if } h_n = o(1), \end{cases}$$

where l_1, l_2, l_3 and l_4 are constants independent of n mentioned in (3.1), (3.3) and (3.5).

Proof. Let us assume that $h_n = O(1)$. The intervals that need to be considered to calculate $I_1(0, \infty)$ in this case are $(0, 6m^{-1})$, $(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$ and $(3m^{-1} \log m, \infty)$.

Consider the interval $(0, 6m^{-1})$ first. It can be seen from the definitions of u, v and w that they are finite in $(0, 6m^{-1})$ and, since u does not vanish, α_n is bounded. If we take the derivative of $w(uw - 3v^2)^{-1}$ with respect to λ , we find that δ_n is a monotonically decreasing function of λ . Therefore, by (2.3), we have

$$(3.1) \quad I_1(0, 6/m) = l_1,$$

where l_1 is a constant and is given by

$$\exp(-9h_n/2) \int_0^6 \alpha_n d\lambda < 2\pi\sqrt{3}l_1 < \exp(-2h_n\delta_n(6)) \int_0^6 \alpha_n d\lambda.$$

Consider the interval $(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m)$ now. It follows from (2.3) and (2.7) that

$$(3.2) \quad I_1(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m) = (2\pi)^{-1}[\log \log m + l_2](1 + O(1/n)),$$

where l_2 is a constant and can be calculated using numeric integration and (2.5) as

$$l_2 = \log 3 - (\log 6)e^{-2h_n\delta_n(6)} - 2\xi_1 [h_n\{(\log 6)\delta_n(6) + 0.247876\xi_2\} - l_3],$$

where $0.0528801 < l_3 < .0429651$.

We can find $I_1(3m^{-1} \log m, \infty)$ using (2.8) as

$$(3.3) \quad I_1(3m^{-1} \log m, \infty) = (2\pi)^{-1}(\log(m/\log m) - \log 1.5) + O(n^{-1} \log n)^2.$$

We now turn our attention to the calculation of $I_2(0, \infty)$. Let $L/\sqrt{2A_n}$ in the integrand of $I_2(a, b)$ be substituted by s . It follows immediately that

$$(3.4) \quad I_2(3m^{-1} \log m, \infty) < \int_0^{O(m^{-7} \log m)} e^{-s^2} ds = O(m^{-7} \log m).$$

In order to calculate $I_2(0, 3m^{-1} \log m)$, we need to estimate a lower bound and an upper bound of it. To obtain the lower bound, we first notice from the definition of u, v and w that $3v^2 < uw$ in $(0, 6m^{-1} \log m)$. Since δ_n is a monotonically decreasing function of λ , we also find that $v_2^2/\{u_1(u_1w_3 - 3v_2^2)\} < \delta_n/3 < 3/8$. As a consequence,

$$\frac{L^2 B_n^2}{2A_n D_n} = \frac{6h_n v_2^2}{u_1(u_1w_3 - 3v_2^2)} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{x}{\sinh \lambda}\right)\right) < \frac{9h_n}{4} \left(1 + O\left(\frac{x}{\sinh \lambda}\right)\right).$$

Using the above inequality, we conclude that

$$I_2(0, 3m^{-1} \log m) < \pi^{-1/2} \phi(3\sqrt{h_n}/2) \int_0^{h_n/\sqrt{2}} \exp(-s^2) ds.$$

It is also easy to verify that $u_1w_3 < 6v_2^2$. Therefore, for large values of n , $B_n^2/D_n > 1$, and consequently,

$$\pi^{-1/2} \int_0^{h_n/\sqrt{2}} \exp(-s^2) \phi(s) ds + O(n^{-1}) < I_2(0, 3m^{-1} \log m).$$

It follows from the last two inequalities that

$$(3.5) \quad I_2(0, 3m^{-1} \log m) = l_4 + O(n^{-1}),$$

where l_4 is a constant given by

$$\phi(h_n^2/2)/4 < l_4 < \phi(3\sqrt{h_n}/2)\phi(h_n/\sqrt{2})/2.$$

The proof of Lemma 3.1 for $h_n = O(1)$ is thus obtained from (3.1)–(3.5) and (2.2).

In order to calculate $EN_n(-\infty, \infty)$ for the case $h_n = o(1)$, we need only to let $h_n \rightarrow 0$ in (2.2) and (3.1)–(3.5). We can find the approximate value of $\int_0^6 \alpha_n d\lambda$ to be 2.22854 by applying Simpson’s 1/3 rule. Thus, we find that the claim in Lemma 3.1 is true for the case $h_n = o(1)$. \square

Lemma 3.2. *If $h_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but $\log h_n = o(n)$, then for large values of n ,*

$$EN_n(-\infty, \infty) = \pi^{-1}\{\log(m/\log h_n) + \log 2\} + 1 + o(1).$$

Proof. We first calculate $I_1(0, \infty)$. Let us recall that α_n is bounded and δ_n is a decreasing function in $(0, 6m^{-1})$. Therefore, by (2.3) and for all values of h_n satisfying the condition of Lemma 3.2, we have

$$(3.6) \quad I_1(0, 6/m) = O(\exp(-2h_n\delta_n(6))).$$

To calculate $(6m^{-1}, \infty)$, it is necessary to distinguish between two cases, i.e., whether $h_n > O(m^3)$ or $h_n \leq O(m^3)$. In the former case, we find by (2.6) that

$$I_1(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m) = O(\log \log m e^{-2h_n(m^{-1} \log m)^3}),$$

and by (2.8), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(3m^{-1} \log m, m^{-1} \log h_n) &= O(\log \log h_n e^{-(\log h_n)^3}), \\ I_1(m^{-1} \log h_n, m^{-1}(\log h_n + 5 \log \log h_n)) &= O(\log \log h_n / \log h_n), \\ I_1(m^{-1}(\log h_n + 5 \log \log h_n), \infty) &= (2\pi)^{-1}\{\log(m/\log h_n) + \log 2\} \\ &\quad + O\{\log n / (\log h_n)^2\}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $h_n > O(m^3)$, we conclude that

$$(3.7) \quad I_1(0, \infty) = (2\pi)^{-1}\{\log(m/\log h_n) + \log 2\} + O(\log n / (\log h_n)^2).$$

Let us now consider the case when $h_n \leq O(m^3)$. We observe from (2.6) that, in this case,

$$I_1(6m^{-1}, m^{-1} \log h_n) = O(\log \log h_n e^{-(\log h_n)^3}).$$

To calculate $I_1(a, b)$ in other subintervals, we have to consider two cases again, i.e., $h_n(\log m)^3(\log \log m)^2 \leq O(m^3)$ and $h_n(\log m)^3(\log \log m)^2 > O(m^3)$. Let us consider the former case first. We then obtain from (2.6) that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(m^{-1} \log h_n, m^{-1}(\log h_n + 3 \log \log h_n + 2 \log \log \log h_n)) \\ = O(\log \log h_n / \log h_n), \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 (m^{-1}(\log h_n + 3 \log \log h_n + 2 \log \log \log h_n), 3m^{-1} \log m) \\
 = (2\pi)^{-1} \log(3 \log m / \log h_n) + O(1/(\log \log h_n)).
 \end{aligned}$$

By (2.8), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 (3m^{-1} \log m, \infty) \\
 = (2\pi)^{-1} \{ \log(m / \log m) - \log 1.5 \} + O(\log \log m / \log m).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $h_n \leq O(m^3)$ and $h_n(\log m)^3(\log \log m)^2 \leq O(m^3)$, we obtain that

$$(3.8) \quad I_1 (0, \infty) = (2\pi)^{-1} \{ \log(m / \log h_n) + \log 2 \} + O(\log \log m / \log m).$$

Let us now consider the case when $h_n < O(m^3) < h_n(\log m)^3(\log \log m)^2$. It can be seen from (2.6) that, in this case,

$$\begin{aligned}
 I_1 (m^{-1} \log h_n, 3m^{-1}(\log m - \log \log \log m)) &= O((\log m)^{-1}) \\
 I_1 (3m^{-1}(\log m - \log \log \log m), 3m^{-1} \log m) &= O(\log \log m / \log m).
 \end{aligned}$$

Also, by (2.8), we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &I_1 (3m^{-1} \log m, m^{-1}(\log h_n + 3 \log \log m + 2 \log \log \log m)) \\
 &< I_1 (3m^{-1} \log m, m^{-1}(\log m + 3 \log \log m + 2 \log \log \log m)) \\
 &= O(\log \log m / \log m), \\
 &I_1 (m^{-1}(\log h_n + 3 \log \log m + 2 \log \log \log m), \infty) \\
 &= (2\pi)^{-1} \{ \log(m / \log h_n) + \log 2 \} \\
 &\quad + o(\log \log m / \log m).
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, if $h_n \leq O(m^3)$ and $h_n(\log m)^3(\log \log m)^2 > O(m^3)$, we observe that (3.8) is also satisfied.

We now calculate $I_2(0, \infty)$. By taking $s = L/\sqrt{2A_n}$, we find that

$$I_2 (0, \log h_n/n) < \pi^{-1/2} \left\{ \phi(h_n/\sqrt{2}) - \phi(\sqrt{2 \log h_n}) \right\} = O\left(\frac{e^{-2 \log h_n}}{\sqrt{\log h_n}}\right),$$

$$I_2 \left(\frac{3 \log h_n}{2n}, \infty\right) < \pi^{-1/2} \phi\left(\sqrt{\frac{3 \log h_n}{h_n}}\right) = O(\sqrt{h_n^{-1} \log h_n}).$$

Let $\varphi(a, b, c)$ represent the integral $\int_a^b \pi^{-1/2} e^{-s^2} \phi(cs) ds$. Note that $B_n/\sqrt{D_n} = \lambda(1 + O(1/\log h_n))$ if $x > m^{-1} \log h_n$. So

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi\left(\sqrt{\frac{3 \log h_n}{h_n}}, \sqrt{2 \log h_n}, 2 \log h_n\right) &< I_2(\log h_n/n, 3 \log h_n/(2n)) \\ &< \varphi\left(\sqrt{\frac{3 \log h_n}{h_n}}, \sqrt{2 \log h_n}, 3 \log h_n\right). \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varphi(0, \infty, c) = \pi^{-1/2} \arctan c$, by the last inequality, we obtain

$$I_2(\log h_n/n, 3 \log h_n/(2n)) = 1/2 + O(h_n^{-1} \log h_n)^{1/2}.$$

It now follows that

$$(3.9) \quad I_2(0, \infty) = 1/2 + o(1).$$

Validity of Lemma 3.2 now follows from (3.7)–(3.9). □

Lastly, we settle the case $\log h_n \geq O(n)$ in the following lemma.

Lemma 3.3. *Let $m^{-1} \log h_n = q_n + o(1)$, Then,*

$$\begin{aligned} EN_n(-\infty, \infty) &= \begin{cases} \pi^{-1} \log \coth(q_n/2) + 1 + O(n^{-1} \log n) \\ \quad \text{if } q_n \text{ is a constant,} \\ 1 + o(1) \quad \text{if } q_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. It is easy to see that (3.6) is true. Using (2.6) and (2.8), we find that

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(6m^{-1}, 3m^{-1} \log m) &= O(\log \log n \exp(-h_n(n^{-1} \log n)^3)), \\ I_1(3m^{-1} \log m, q_n) &= O(e^{-2(m \sinh q_n)^3} \log n). \end{aligned}$$

By (2.8), we obtain the following estimates if q_n is a finite constant:

$$\begin{aligned} I_1(q_n, q_n + (4 \log n + 3q_n)/m) &= O(n^{-1} \log n), \\ I_1(q_n + (4 \log n + 3q_n)/m, \infty) &= (2\pi)^{-1} \log \coth(q_n/2) \\ &\quad + O(n^{-1} \log n). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand, if $q_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, we find that

$$I_1(q_n, \infty) = O(e^{-2(m \sinh q_n)^3}).$$

From the above discussion and (3.6), we find that

$$(3.10) \quad I_1(0, \infty) = \begin{cases} (2\pi)^{-1} \log \coth(q_n/2) + O(n^{-1} \log n) & \text{if } q_n \text{ is a finite constant;} \\ O(e^{-2q_n}) & \text{if } q_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{cases}$$

$I_2(0, \infty)$ can be calculated in a manner similar to that in Lemma 3.2. We observe that $Y_n/\sqrt{D_n} = m \sinh x(1 + o(1))$ if $x > \log h_n/2n$. Then

$$I_2(0, \log h_n/n) < O(e^{-2nh_n^{1/n}}/(\sqrt{n}h_n^{1/n})),$$

$$I_2(3 \log h_n/(2n), \infty) < O(\sqrt{n}h_n^{(3-n)/(2n)}).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi(\sqrt{2nh_n^{(3-2n)/(2n)}}, \sqrt{2nh_n^{1/n}}, nh_n^{1/n}) &< I_2(\log h_n/n, 3 \log h_n/(2n)) \\ &< \varphi(\sqrt{2nh_n^{(3-2n)/(2n)}}, \sqrt{2nh_n^{1/n}}, nh_n^{3/(2n)}). \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$(3.11) \quad I_2(0, \infty) = 1/2 + o(1).$$

We obtain the proof of Lemma 3.3 from (3.10) and (3.11). □

The proof of the theorem follows from Lemmas 3.1, 3.2 and 3.3.

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