

# EQUIVALENCE OF RENEWAL SEQUENCES, AND ISOMORPHISM OF RANDOM WALKS.

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Let  $X$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -valued random variable (where  $d \in \mathbb{N}$ ). The *random walk* with *jump random variable*  $X$  is a measure preserving transformation  $T_X$  of the  $\sigma$ -finite, infinite measure space  $(\mathbb{Z}^d)^{\mathbb{Z}} \times \mathbb{Z}^d$  equipped with the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by cylinder sets, and the measure  $f^{\mathbb{Z}} \times$  counting measure (where  $f_n = \text{Prob}(X = n)$ ). It is defined by

$$T_X \left( (\dots, x_{-1}, x_0, x_1, \dots), n \right) = \left( (\dots, x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots), n + x_1 \right).$$

The random walk is conservative and ergodic in case  $d = 1, 2$ , and the jump random variable  $X$ :

has finite second moment ( $E(|X|^2) < \infty$ ), is *centred* ( $E(X) = 0$ ), and is *strictly aperiodic* in the sense that if  $\varphi(s) = E(e^{is \cdot X})$  ( $s \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ), then  $|\varphi(s)| = 1$  if and only if  $s \in 2\pi\mathbb{Z}^d$ .

Let  $Y^{(d)} = \epsilon \in \{0, \pm 1\}^d$  with probability  $\frac{1}{3^d}$ . It is shown in [1] that if  $d = 1, 2$ , and  $X$  is a  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -valued random variable with  $E(|X|^7) < \infty$ , which is centred, and strictly aperiodic, then  $T_X$  and  $T_{Y^{(d)}}$  are isomorphic as measure preserving transformations.

We prove here the

**Main Theorem** If  $d = 1, 2$ , and  $X$  is a centred, strictly aperiodic  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -valued random variable with  $E\left(|X|^2 \sqrt{\log^+ |X|}\right) < \infty$ , then  $T_X$  and  $T_{Y^{(d)}}$  are isomorphic.

The method of proof, using results in [1], involves a study of the *equivalence* of renewal sequences of *jump random variables*, that is, renewal sequences of form

$$u(n) = u_n(X) = \frac{1}{(2\pi)^d} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cdots \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \varphi(s)^n ds = \text{Prob} \left( \sum_{k=1}^n X_k = 0 \right)$$

where  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  are i.i.d.r.v.'s, each distributed as  $X$ .

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Recall from [1] that the renewal sequences  $u$ ,  $u'$  are said to be *equivalent* if there are positively recurrent, aperiodic renewal sequences  $v$ ,  $v'$  such that  $u(n)v(n) = u'(n)v'(n)$ , and that [1, theorem 3.6] conservative, ergodic random walks whose jump random variables have equivalent renewal sequences are isomorphic.

Let  $X$  be a  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -valued random variable. A necessary condition for the equivalence of the renewal sequences  $u(X)$  and  $u(Y^{(d)})$ , is that  $X$  be centred, strictly aperiodic, and with finite second moment. This is because otherwise,  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{u_n(X)}{u_n(Y^{(d)})} = 0$ .

A sufficient condition for equivalence of renewal sequences is given by [1, corollary 4.4], which says that the renewal sequences  $u = (u(n))_{n \geq 0}$  and  $u(Y^{(d)})$  are equivalent if

$$(*) \quad \sum_{n \in A} n \left| \log \left( \frac{1}{p_n} \right) - \frac{d}{2n^2} \right| < \infty$$

where  $p_n = \frac{u(n)^2}{u(n-1)u(n+1)}$  for  $n \in A = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : u(k) > 0 \forall k \geq n-1\}$ .

Thus, given a centred, strictly aperiodic,  $\mathbb{Z}^d$ -valued jump random variable  $X$ , ( $d = 1, 2$ ), in order to prove that  $T_X$  and  $T_{Y^{(d)}}$  are isomorphic, it is sufficient to establish that  $u(X)$  satisfies (\*).

The isomorphism theorem of [1] is proved in this way by means of [1, theorem 5.1] which establishes (\*) when  $E(|X|^7) < \infty$  and  $X$  is centred, strictly aperiodic.

Similarly, we prove our main theorem by establishing the

**Theorem** Suppose that  $E(|X|^2 \sqrt{\log^+ |X|}) < \infty$ , and that  $X$  is centred, and strictly aperiodic,

then (\*) holds.

**Remark** We do not know of any centred, strictly aperiodic random variable  $X$  on  $\mathbb{Z}^d$  with finite second moment for which  $u(X)$  and  $u(Y^{(d)})$  are not equivalent.

## Proof of the Theorem

It follows from the local limit theorem that

$$\exists \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{\frac{d}{2}} u(n) \in \mathbb{R}_+,$$

and hence that (\*) holds if and only if

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{d+1} \left| u(n-1)u(n+1) - u(n)^2 - \frac{du(n)^2}{2n^2} \right| < \infty.$$

Set

$$D_n := n^{d+1}(u(n-1)u(n+1) - u(n)^2 - \frac{du(n)^2}{2n^2}),$$

and let  $a_n \sim a'_n$  mean that  $\sum_n |a_n - ca'_n| < \infty$  for some  $0 < c < \infty$ . In particular, if  $a_n \sim a'_n$ , then  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty$  iff  $\sum_n |a'_n| < \infty$ .

We'll show, under the assumption  $E(|X|^2 \sqrt{\log^+ |X|}) < \infty$ , that  $D_n \sim 0$ .

Using Taylor's theorem for  $\varphi$  around 0, we find that,

$$\exists \delta > 0, \epsilon \in (0, \frac{1}{2}] \text{ such that } 0 < |\varphi(x)| \leq e^{-\epsilon \Gamma(x)} \forall |x| \leq \delta \quad (\ddagger)$$

where  $\Gamma(x) := E((X \cdot x)^2)$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ).

By aperiodicity of  $X$ ,  $\sup_{|t| \geq \delta} |\varphi(t)| < 1$ , and we have that

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &:= n^{d+1}(u(n-1)u(n+1) - u(n)^2 - \frac{du(n)^2}{2n^2}) \\ &= \frac{n^{d+1}}{(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{\mathbb{T}^d \times \mathbb{T}^d} \left( \varphi(x)^{n-1} \varphi(y)^{n+1} - \varphi(x)^n \varphi(y)^n \left(1 + \frac{d}{2n^2}\right) \right) dx dy \\ &\sim \frac{n^{d+1}}{(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{N(0, \delta)^2} \left( \varphi(x)^{n-1} \varphi(y)^{n+1} - \varphi(x)^n \varphi(y)^n \left(1 + \frac{d}{2n^2}\right) \right) dx dy \\ &= \frac{n^{d+1}}{(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{N(0, \delta)^2} \varphi(x)^n \varphi(y)^n \left( \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)}{\varphi(y)} - \frac{d}{2n^2} \right) dx dy \\ &= \frac{n^{d+1}}{(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{N(0, \delta)^2} \varphi(x)^n \varphi(y)^n \left( \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)}{\varphi(y)} - (\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)) - \frac{d}{2n^2} \right) dx dy \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\iint_{N(0, \delta)^2} \varphi(x)^n \varphi(y)^n (\varphi(x) - \varphi(y)) dx dy = 0.$$

Here,  $N(0, \delta) := \{x \in \mathbb{T}^d = [-\pi, \pi]^d : |x| < \delta\}$ .

Changing variables, we have

$$\begin{aligned} D_n &\sim \frac{n}{(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{N(0, \delta\sqrt{n})^2} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \varphi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \left( \frac{[\varphi(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}) - \varphi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})](1 - \varphi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}))}{\varphi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})} - \frac{d}{2n^2} \right) ds dt \\ &= \frac{1}{n(2\pi)^{2d}} \iint_{N(0, \delta\sqrt{n})^2} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \varphi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \left( \frac{(\frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}})) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})}{\varphi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}})} - \frac{d}{2} \right) ds dt. \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma(x) := E((X \cdot x)^2) = x^* \Gamma x$  ( $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ ), and  $1 - \varphi(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi(s)$ .

Using (‡), and  $1 - \varphi(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}) = O(\frac{|t|^2}{n})$ , we have, by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem, that

$$D_n \sim \frac{1}{n} \iint_{N(0, \delta\sqrt{n})^2} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \varphi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n \left( \left[ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right] \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{d}{2} \right) ds dt.$$

Write

$$a_n(s) = \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} (1 - \phi(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}})) = n(\varphi(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}) - 1) + \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}.$$

Using again the Taylor expansion of  $\varphi$  around 0, we obtain  $K \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that

$$|a_n(s)| \leq KE((s \cdot X)^2 (\frac{|X||s|}{\sqrt{n}} \wedge 1)) \leq K\Gamma(s) \forall s \in \mathbb{R}^d, n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

To continue, we need to use the moment assumption on  $X$ .

**Lemma 1** If  $E\left(|X|^2(\log^+ |X|)^{\frac{1}{k}}\right) < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|a_n(s)|^k}{n} \leq M_k |s|^{2k} (1 + |s|)^k$$

where  $M_k \in \mathbb{R}_+$ , and hence,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} |s|^\ell \left( \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|a_n(s)|^k}{n} \right) e^{-\epsilon\Gamma(s)} ds < \infty \quad \forall \ell \geq 0$$

**proof**

$$\begin{aligned} |a_n(s)| &\leq KE((s \cdot X)^2 (\frac{|X||s|}{\sqrt{n}} \wedge 1)) \\ &\leq \frac{K|s|^2(1 + |s|)}{\sqrt{n}} E(|X|^2(|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})), \\ \therefore \frac{|a_n(s)|^k}{n} &\leq \frac{K^k |s|^{2k} (1 + |s|)^k}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} \left( E(|X|^2(|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})) \right)^k \end{aligned}$$

and it is sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} (E(|X|^2(|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})))^k < \infty.$$

Now,

$$E(|X|^2(|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})) = E(|X|^3 1_{\{|X| \leq \sqrt{n}\}}) + \sqrt{n} E(|X|^2 1_{\{|X| \geq \sqrt{n}\}}).$$

Therefore, by Jensen's inequality,

$$\left( E(|X|^2(|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})) \right)^k \leq 2^{k-1} \left( E(|X|^3 1_{\{|X| \leq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k + 2^{k-1} n^{\frac{k}{2}} \left( E(|X|^2 1_{\{|X| \geq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k,$$

and it is now sufficient to show that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} \left( E(|X|^3 1_{\{|X| \leq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k < \infty, \quad \& \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left( E(|X|^2 1_{\{|X| \geq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k < \infty.$$

Letting  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  be independent copies of  $X$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} \left( E(|X|^3 1_{\{|X| \leq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k &= E \left( |X_1|^3 \dots |X_k|^3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} 1_{\{|X_1| \leq \sqrt{n}\}} \dots 1_{\{|X_k| \leq \sqrt{n}\}} \right) \\ &= E \left( |X_1|^3 \dots |X_k|^3 \sum_{n \geq |X_1|^2 \vee \dots \vee |X_k|^2} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} \right) \\ &\leq 2E \left( \frac{|X_1|^3 \dots |X_k|^3}{(|X_1| \vee \dots \vee |X_k|)^k} \right) \\ &\leq 2 \left( E(|X|^2) \right)^k < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \left( E(|X|^2 1_{\{|X| \geq \sqrt{n}\}}) \right)^k &= E \left( |X_1|^2 \dots |X_k|^2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} 1_{\{|X_1| \geq \sqrt{n}\}} \dots 1_{\{|X_k| \geq \sqrt{n}\}} \right) \\ &= E \left( |X_1|^2 \dots |X_k|^2 \sum_{n=1}^{|X_1|^2 \wedge \dots \wedge |X_k|^2} \frac{1}{n} \right) \\ &\leq E \left( |X_1|^2 \dots |X_k|^2 \log^+ (|X_1|^2 \wedge \dots \wedge |X_k|^2) \right) \\ &\leq \left( E(|X|^2 (\log^+ |X|^2)^{\frac{1}{k}}) \right)^k < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{1+\frac{k}{2}}} (E(|X|^2 (|X| \wedge \sqrt{n})))^k < \infty. \quad \diamond$$

**Lemma 2** If  $E(|X|^2 \sqrt{\log^+ |X|}) < \infty$ , then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} \int_{N(0, \delta \sqrt{n})} |s|^\ell \left| \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}} (1 + a_n(s)) \right| ds < \infty \quad \forall \ell \geq 0.$$

**proof**

Using Taylor's theorem yet again, we have that  $\exists M \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that

$$\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}} = \frac{a_n(s)}{n} + \Theta_n(s) \quad \forall s \in \mathbb{R}$$

where  $|\Theta_n(s)| \leq \frac{M|s|^4}{n^2}$ .

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} &= \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{n-1-k} e^{-\frac{k\Gamma(s)}{2n}} \left(\frac{a_n(s)}{n} + \Theta_n(s)\right) \\ &= \frac{a_n(s)}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^{n-1-k} e^{-\frac{k\Gamma(s)}{2n}} + \tilde{\Theta}_n(s), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$|\tilde{\Theta}_n(s)| \leq n|\Theta_n(s)|e^{-\epsilon(1-\frac{1}{n})\Gamma(s)} \leq \frac{M|s|^4}{n}e^{-\frac{\epsilon}{2}\Gamma(s)} \quad \forall |s| \leq \delta\sqrt{n}.$$

Proceeding further,

$$\left(\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}}(1 + e^{\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}}a_n(s))\right) = \frac{a_n(s)}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} e^{-\frac{(n-1-k)\Gamma(s)}{2n}} \left(\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^k - e^{-\frac{k\Gamma(s)}{2n}}\right) + \tilde{\Theta}_n(s).$$

Now

$$\left(\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^k - e^{-\frac{k\Gamma(s)}{2n}}\right) = \sum_{\nu=0}^{k-1} \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^\nu e^{-\frac{(k-\nu-1)\Gamma(s)}{2n}} \left(\frac{a_n(s)}{n} + \Theta_n(s)\right),$$

and hence

$$\left|\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^k - e^{-\frac{k\Gamma(s)}{2n}}\right| \leq ke^{-\frac{\epsilon(k-1)\Gamma(s)}{n}} \left(\frac{|a_n(s)|}{n} + |\Theta_n(s)|\right).$$

Substituting back in the above, we obtain for  $|s| \leq \delta\sqrt{n}$ ,  $n \geq 4$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left|\varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}}(1 + e^{\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}}a_n(s))\right| \\ & \leq \frac{|a_n(s)|}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} e^{-\frac{(n-1-k)\Gamma(s)}{2n}} \left(ke^{-\frac{(k-1)\epsilon\Gamma(s)}{n}} \left(\frac{|a_n(s)|}{n} + |\Theta_n(s)|\right)\right) + |\tilde{\Theta}_n(s)| \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{\epsilon\Gamma(s)}{2}} \left(|a_n(s)|^2 + n|a_n(s)||\Theta_n(s)|\right) + |\tilde{\Theta}_n(s)| \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{\epsilon\Gamma(s)}{2}} \left(|a_n(s)|^2 + KME(|X|^2) \frac{|s|^6}{n} + \frac{M|s|^4}{n}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Lastly, by Taylor's theorem,  $\exists \bar{M} \in \mathbb{R}_+$  such that

$$0 < e^{\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n}} - 1 \leq \frac{\bar{M}}{n} \quad \forall n \geq 1, |s| < \delta\sqrt{n},$$

whence for  $|s| < \delta\sqrt{n}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^n - e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}}(1 + a_n(s)) \right| \\ & \leq e^{-\frac{\epsilon\Gamma(s)}{2}} \left( |a_n(s)|^2 + KME(|X|^2) \frac{|s|^6}{n} + \frac{M|s|^4}{n} + \overline{MK} \frac{\Gamma(s)}{n} \right), \end{aligned}$$

and lemma 2 is established by lemma 1.  $\diamond$

As a corollary of lemma 2, we get that

$$D_n \sim n^{-1} \iint_{N^2} e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)+\Gamma(t)}{2}} (1+a_n(s))(1+a_n(t)) \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{d}{2} \right) dsdt$$

where  $N = N(0, \delta\sqrt{n})$ . This is because

$$\left| \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{d}{2} \right| \leq f(s, t) \quad \forall n \geq 1, |s|, |t| < \delta\sqrt{n},$$

where  $f$  is a polynomial in  $|s|$  and  $|t|$ .

Using the existence of  $0 < r_k < 1$ , ( $k \geq 1$  fixed), such that

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d \setminus N(0, \delta\sqrt{n})} |s|^k e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} = O(r_k^n) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

we obtain that  $D_n \sim$

$$n^{-1} \iint e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)+\Gamma(t)}{2}} (1+a_n(s))(1+a_n(t)) \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{d}{2} \right) dsdt$$

where here, and henceforth, we suppress the domain of integration where this is maximal.

Our next task is to simplify our expression  $D'_n \sim D_n$  on the basis of the identity

$$\iint e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)+\Gamma(t)}{2}} \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{d}{2} \right) dsdt = 0. \quad (\dagger)$$

**Lemma 3** If  $E(|X|^2 \sqrt{\log^+ |X|}) < \infty$ , then

$$D_n \sim \frac{1}{n} \int e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} a_n(s) \left( \Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2) \right) ds. \quad (2)$$

**proof**

It will be convenient to use the following notation:

$$f_n(s, t) \approx g_n(s, t) \text{ if } \frac{1}{n} \iint e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)+\Gamma(t)}{2}} f_n(s, t) dsdt \sim \frac{1}{n} \iint e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)+\Gamma(t)}{2}} g_n(s, t) dsdt.$$

We'll use the following consequence of lemma 1,

$$a_n(s)^2 \approx a_n(s)a_n(t) \approx 0. \quad (i)$$

Also, by symmetry,

$$f_n(s, t) \approx g_n(s, t) := f_n(t, s) \quad (ii)$$

We'll also use the following formulae

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \Phi(\Gamma(s))e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} ds = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det \Gamma}} \int_{\mathbb{R}^d} \Phi(|s|^2)e^{-\frac{|s|^2}{2}} ds. \quad (iii)$$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-\frac{|s|^2}{2}} |s|^{2k} ds = (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} r_{2k} \text{ where } r_0 = 1, r_2 = d, r_4 = d(d+2), \text{ \& } r_6 = d(d+2)(d+4). \quad (iv)$$

$$\begin{aligned} & (1 + a_n(s))(1 + a_n(t)) \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \phi\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - \frac{d}{2} \right) \\ &= (1 + a_n(s))(1 + a_n(t)) \left( \left[ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} - (a_n(t) - a_n(s)) \right] \left[ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - a_n(t) \right] - \frac{d}{2} \right) \xrightarrow{\dagger} \approx \\ & \left( \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} - [a_n(t) - a_n(s)] \right\} \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - a_n(t) \right\} - \left\{ \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \right\} \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} \right) \\ &+ [a_n(s) + a_n(t)] \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{d}{2} \right) \xrightarrow{(i)} \approx \\ &- a_n(t) \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \right) - [a_n(t) - a_n(s)] \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} + [a_n(s) + a_n(t)] \left( \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} \right) \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{d}{2} \right) \\ &= a_n(s) \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)^2}{4} - \frac{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(t)}{4} + \frac{\Gamma(t)}{2} - \frac{d}{2} \right) + a_n(t) \left( \frac{\Gamma(t)^2}{4} - \frac{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(t)}{4} + \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2} - \Gamma(t) - \frac{d}{2} \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{(ii)} \approx a_n(s) \left( \frac{\Gamma(s)^2}{4} + \frac{\Gamma(t)^2}{4} - \frac{\Gamma(s)\Gamma(t)}{2} - \Gamma(s) + \Gamma(t) - d \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{(iii)} \approx a_n(s) \left( \frac{\Gamma(s)^2}{4} r_0 + \frac{r_4}{4} - \frac{r_2\Gamma(s)}{2} - \Gamma(s)r_0 + r_2 - dr_0 \right) \\ &\xrightarrow{(iv)} = a_n(s) \left( \frac{\Gamma(s)^2}{4} + \frac{d(d+2)}{4} - \frac{d\Gamma(s)}{2} - \Gamma(s) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} a_n(s) (\Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2)). \quad \diamond \end{aligned}$$

**Remark** It now follows from lemmas 1 and 3 that (\*) holds if, in addition,  $E(|X|^2 \log^+ |X|) < \infty$ .



To continue, we calculate

$$\frac{1}{n} \int e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} a_n(s) \left( \Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2) \right) ds$$

more precisely using the formulae

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}^d} e^{-\frac{|s|^2}{2}} |s|^{2k} e^{i\gamma \cdot s} ds = (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} q_{2k}(\gamma) e^{-\frac{|\gamma|^2}{2}} \quad (v)$$

$$\text{where } q_0 = 1, \quad q_2(\gamma) = d - |\gamma|^2, \quad q_4(\gamma) = |\gamma|^4 - 2(d+2)|\gamma|^2 + d(d+2). \quad (vi)$$

**Lemma 4**

$$\frac{1}{n} \int e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} a_n(s) \left( \Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2) \right) ds = \frac{(2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}}}{\sqrt{|\det \Gamma|}} E \left( e^{-\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^2}{2n}} \frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2} \right) \quad (3)$$

**proof**

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{n} \int e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} a_n(s) \left( \Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2) \right) ds \\ &= \int e^{-\frac{\Gamma(s)}{2}} \left( \Gamma(s)^2 - 2(d+2)\Gamma(s) + d(d+2) \right) \left( \varphi\left(\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - 1 + \frac{\Gamma(s)}{2n} \right) ds \\ &\stackrel{(iii)}{\rightarrow} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{|\det \Gamma|}} \int e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2}} (|x|^4 - 2(d+2)|x|^2 + d(d+2)) \left( \varphi\left(\frac{A^{-1}x}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - 1 + \frac{|x|^2}{2n} \right) dx \end{aligned}$$

where  $\Gamma = A^*A$ .

Next,

$$\begin{aligned} & \int e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2}} (|x|^4 - 2(d+2)|x|^2 + d(d+2)) \varphi\left(\frac{A^{-1}x}{\sqrt{n}}\right) dx \\ &= E \left( \int e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2}} e^{i\frac{A^{-1}x \cdot X}{\sqrt{n}}} (|x|^4 - 2(d+2)|x|^2 + d(d+2)) dx \right) \\ &\stackrel{(v)}{\rightarrow} = (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} E \left( e^{-\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^2}{2n}} \left( q_4\left(\frac{A^{-1*}X}{\sqrt{n}}\right) - 2(d+2)q_2\left(\frac{A^{-1*}X}{\sqrt{n}}\right) + d(d+2)q_0\left(\frac{A^{-1*}X}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right) \right) \\ &\stackrel{(vi)}{\rightarrow} = (2\pi)^{\frac{d}{2}} E \left( e^{-\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^2}{2n}} \frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2} \right). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
& \int e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2}} (|x|^4 - 2(d+2)|x|^2 + d(d+2)) \left(-1 + \frac{|x|^2}{2n}\right) dx \\
&= \int e^{-\frac{|x|^2}{2}} \left[ \frac{|x|^6}{2n} - \left(1 + \frac{d+2}{n}\right)|x|^4 + \left(2(d+2) + \frac{d(d+2)}{2n}\right)|x|^2 - d(d+2) \right] dx \\
&\stackrel{(iv)}{\rightarrow} = 0. \quad \diamond
\end{aligned}$$

We have, by (2), and (3) that

$$D_n \sim E\left(e^{-\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^2}{2n}} \frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2}\right).$$

To conclude the proof of the theorem,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E\left(\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2} e^{-\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^2}{2n}}\right) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E\left(\frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2} \int_{\frac{|A^{-1*}X|}{\sqrt{n}}}^{\infty} s e^{-\frac{s^2}{2}} ds\right) \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} s e^{-\frac{s^2}{2}} E\left(\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{|A^{-1*}X|^4}{n^2} 1_{\{|A^{-1*}X| \leq s\sqrt{n}\}}\right) ds \\
&\leq 2 \int_0^{\infty} s e^{-\frac{s^2}{2}} E\left(|A^{-1*}X|^2 (s^2 \wedge |A^{-1*}X|^2)\right) ds \\
&\leq 2E(|A^{-1*}X|^2) \int_0^{\infty} s^3 e^{-\frac{s^2}{2}} ds \\
&< \infty. \quad \heartsuit
\end{aligned}$$

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