

## A FUNCTIONAL CENTRAL LIMIT THEOREM FOR MULTIVARIATE LINEAR PROCESS WITH POSITIVELY DEPENDENT RANDOM VECTORS

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**Abstract.** Let  $\{A_u, u = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  be a sequence of coefficient matrices such that  $\sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \|A_u\| < \infty$  and  $\sum_{u=0}^{\infty} A_u \neq O_{m \times m}$ , where for any  $m \times m$  ( $m \geq 1$ ), matrix  $A = (a_{ij})$ ,  $\|A\| = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m |a_{ij}|$  and  $O_{m \times m}$  denotes the  $m \times m$  zero matrix. In this paper, a functional central limit theorem is derived for a stationary  $m$ -dimensional linear process  $\mathbb{X}_t$  of the form  $\mathbb{X}_t = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} A_u \mathbb{Z}_{t-u}$ , where  $\{\mathbb{Z}_t, t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  is a stationary sequence of linearly positive quadrant dependent  $m$ -dimensional random vectors with  $E(\mathbb{Z}_t) = \mathbb{0}$  and  $E\|\mathbb{Z}_t\|^2 < \infty$ .

### 1. Introduction

Lehmann(1966) introduced a simple and natural definition of positive dependence: A sequence  $\{Y_j, j \geq 1\}$  of random variables is said to be pairwise positive quadrant dependent(pairwise PQD) if for any real  $y_i, y_j$  and  $i \neq j$ ,

$$P\{Y_i > y_i, Y_j > y_j\} \geq P\{Y_i > y_i\}P\{Y_j > y_j\}.$$

Newman's original central limit theorem for associated random variables[7] requires only that positive linear combinations of the random

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variables are PQD. Primarily motivated by this, Newman(1984) introduced the following positive dependence: A sequence  $\{Y_j, j \geq 1\}$  of random variables is said to be linearly positive quadrant dependent(LPQD) if for any disjoint subsets  $A, B$  and positive  $r_j$ 's,

$$\sum_{i \in A} r_i Y_i \text{ and } \sum_{j \in B} r_j Y_j \text{ are PQD.}$$

We extend these positive dependence to random vectors as follows : Let  $\{\mathbb{Z}_j, j \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of random vectors.  $\{\mathbb{Z}_j, j \geq 1\}$  are said to be pairwise PQD if for any real vectors  $z_i, z_j$  and  $i \neq j$ ,

$$(1) \quad P\{\mathbb{Z}_i > z_i, \mathbb{Z}_j > z_j\} \geq P\{\mathbb{Z}_i > z_i\}P\{\mathbb{Z}_j > z_j\},$$

and they are said to be LPQD if for any disjoint subsets  $A, B$  and for any positive  $r_i$ 's,

$$(2) \quad \sum_{i \in A} r_i \mathbb{Z}_i \text{ and } \sum_{i \in B} r_j \mathbb{Z}_j \text{ are PQD.}$$

Throughout we assume that  $\{A_u, u = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is a sequence of coefficient matrices such that

$$(3) \quad \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} \|A_u\| < \infty \text{ and } \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} A_u \neq O_{m \times m},$$

where, for any  $m \times m, m \geq 1$ , matrix  $A = (a_{ij}), \|A\| = \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^m |a_{ij}|$  and  $O_{m \times m}$  denotes the  $m \times m$  zero matrix.

Let  $\mathbb{X}_t, t = 0, \pm 1, \dots$ , be an  $m$ -dimensional linear process of the form

$$(4) \quad \mathbb{X}_t = \sum_{u=0}^{\infty} A_u \mathbb{Z}_{t-u},$$

defined on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$ , where  $\{\mathbb{Z}_t, t = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \dots\}$  is a sequence of stationary LPQD  $m$ -dimensional random vectors with  $E(\mathbb{Z}_t) = \mathbb{O}, E\|\mathbb{Z}_t\|^2 < \infty$  and positive definite covariance matrix  $\Gamma_{m \times m}$

and let

$$(5) \quad T = \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j \right) \Gamma \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} A_j \right)',$$

where the prime denotes transpose and  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$  is the covariance matrix of  $\mathbb{Z}_1 = (Z_1^{(1)}, \dots, Z_1^{(m)})$  and  $\mathbb{Z}_t = (Z_t^{(1)}, \dots, Z_t^{(m)})$  with

$$(6) \quad \sigma_{kj} = E(Z_1^{(k)} Z_1^{(j)}) + \sum_{t=2}^{\infty} \left( E(Z_1^{(k)} Z_t^{(j)}) + E(Z_1^{(j)} Z_t^{(k)}) \right).$$

We also let  $W^m$  denote a Wiener measure on  $\mathcal{D}^m[0, 1]$ , the space of all functions  $f$  defined on  $[0, 1]$  into  $\mathbb{R}^m$ , which have left hand limits and are continuous from the right. Put  $\mathbb{S}_n = \sum_{t=1}^n \mathbb{X}_t$ , ( $n \geq 0$ ) ( $\mathbb{S}_0 = \mathbb{O}$ ), and define, for  $n \geq 1$ , the stochastic process  $\xi_n$  by

$$(7) \quad \xi_n(u) = n^{-\frac{1}{2}} T^{-\frac{1}{2}} \mathbb{S}_{[nu]} \quad 0 \leq u \leq 1.$$

For  $m = 1$ , under linearly positive quadrant dependence condition, Kim and Baek(2001) showed that the process  $\xi_n$  defined in (7) converges weakly to a Wiener measure  $W$  on  $D[0, 1]$ , the set of all functions  $f$  defined on  $[0, 1]$  into  $\mathbb{R}$ , which have left hand limits and are continuous from the right (see Theorem A below).

**Theorem A([5]).** *Let  $\{X_t, t \geq 1\}$  be a stationary linear process of the form  $X_t = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \varepsilon_{t-j}$ , where  $\{a_j\}$  is a sequence of real numbers with  $\sum_{j=0}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$  and  $\{\varepsilon_t\}$  is a strictly stationary sequence of LPQD random variables with  $E\varepsilon_t = 0$  and  $0 < E\varepsilon_t^2 < \infty$ . Let  $S_n = \sum_{t=1}^n X_t$ ,  $\tau^2 = \sigma^2 \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} a_j \right)^2$ , where*

$$(8) \quad 0 < \sigma^2 = E(\varepsilon_1^2) + 2 \sum_{t=2}^{\infty} E(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_t) < \infty.$$

*Define for  $n \geq 1$ , the stochastic process*

$$\eta_n(u) = n^{-1/2} S_{[nu]}, \quad u \in [0, 1].$$

Assume

$$(9) \quad \sum_{t=n+1}^{\infty} E(\varepsilon_1 \varepsilon_t) = O(n^{-\rho}) \text{ for some } \rho > 0,$$

$$(10) \quad E|\varepsilon_t|^s < \infty \text{ for some } s > 2.$$

Then the process  $\eta_n$  converges weakly to a Wiener measure  $W$  with variance  $\tau^2$  on the space of all functions on  $[0, 1]$ , which have left limits and are continuous from the right.

In this paper we derive the functional central limit for LPQD  $m$ -dimensional random vectors and apply this result to extend Theorem A on invariance principle to the case of  $m$ -dimensional linear process.

### 2. Preliminaries

**Lemma 2.1.** Let  $\{\varepsilon_i, i \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of stationary LPQD random variables with  $E(\varepsilon_i) = 0$ . If (9) and (10) hold, then we have, for all  $n \geq 1$

$$(11) \quad E\left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k|^r\right) \leq Cn^{r/2} \text{ for } r > 2 \text{ and some } C > 0,$$

where  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon_i$ .

**Proof.** According to Lemma 3 of Birkel(1993), we have  $E|S_n|^r = O(n^{\frac{r}{2}})$ , for  $r > 2$ . Hence, Theorem 3.7.5 of Stout(1974) yields  $E(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k|)^r = O(n^{\frac{r}{2}})$ . Thus, the desired result(11) follows.

**Lemma 2.2.** Let  $\{Z_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$  be a sequence of stationary LPQD random vectors in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with  $E(Z_i) = \mathbb{O}$  and  $E\|Z_i\|^r < \infty$  for  $r > 2$ . If

$$(12) \quad \sum_{t=n+1}^{\infty} E\|Z_1 Z_t\| = O(n^{-\rho}) \text{ for some } \rho > 0,$$

$$(13) \quad E\|Z_t\|^s < \infty \text{ for some } s > 2,$$

then there is a constant  $0 < B < \infty$  such that

$$(14) \quad E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k Z_i \right\|^r \leq B m^r n^{r/2}.$$

**Proof.** Note that

$$(15) \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k Z_i \right\| \leq \sum_{j=1}^m \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k Z_i^{(j)} \right|$$

and by Lemma 2.1,

$$(16) \quad E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k Z_i^{(j)} \right|^r \leq C n^{r/2},$$

where  $Z_i^{(j)}$  is the  $j$ -th component of  $Z_i$ . Combining (15) and (16), the desired result (14) follows.

From the Newman’s central limit theorem for LPQD random variables (Theorem 12 of [8]) we obtain the following result by means of the simple device due to Cramer Wold (see [1], [3]).

**Lemma 2.3.** Let  $\{Z_t\}$  be a sequence of stationary LPQD  $m$ -dimensional random vectors with  $E(Z_t) = \mathbb{O}$  and  $E\|Z_t\|^2 < \infty$ . If

$$(17) \quad E\|Z_1\|^2 + 2 \sum_{t=2}^{\infty} \sum_{i=1}^m (Z_1^{(i)} Z_t^{(i)}) = \sigma^2 < \infty$$

holds, then we have

$$(18) \quad n^{-1/2} \sum_{t=1}^n Z_t \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(\mathbb{O}, \Gamma),$$

where  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$  is defined in (6),  $N(\mathbb{O}, \Gamma)$  denotes an  $m$ -dimensional normal random vector and the symbol  $\xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}}$  indicates convergence in distribution.

**Lemma 2.4.** (Burton et al. 1986) Let  $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_k$  and  $Y'_1, Y'_2, \dots, Y'_k$  be two sets of  $\mathbb{R}^m$ -valued random vectors having finite moment generating functions. Suppose that, for all vectors  $a_1, a_2, \dots, a_n \geq 0$  the

joint distributions of  $(\langle a_1, Y_1 \rangle, \langle a_2, Y_2 \rangle, \dots, \langle a_k, Y_k \rangle)$  and  $(\langle a_1, Y'_1 \rangle, \dots, \langle a_k, Y'_k \rangle)$  coincide. Then  $(Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_k)$  and  $(Y'_1, Y'_2, \dots, Y'_k)$  have the same joint distribution.

**Theorem 2.5.** *Let  $\{Z_i ; i \geq 1\}$  be a stationary sequence of  $m$ -dimensional LPQD random vectors with  $E(Z_t) = \mathbb{O}$  and  $E\|Z_1\|^2 < \infty$ . Define for  $u \in [0, 1], n \geq 1$ ,*

$$(19) \quad W_n(u) = n^{-1/2} \sum_{j=1}^{[nu]} Z_j,$$

where the covariance matrix  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$  is defined in (6).

If (12), (13) and (17) hold, then  $W_n$  converges weakly to Wiener measure  $W^m$  with covariance matrix  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$ .

**Proof.** First for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  we will prove

$$(20) \quad \limsup_{n \geq 1} P\{w(W_n, \delta) > \varepsilon\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0,$$

where  $w(W_n, \delta) = \sup_{|u-v| < \delta} \|W_n(u) - W_n(v)\|$ . Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be given.

Then

$$(21) \quad \begin{aligned} & P\{w(W_n, \delta) > \varepsilon\} \\ & \leq \sum_{i=0}^{1/\delta} P\{n^{-1/2} \max_{[ni\delta] < k \leq [n(i+1)\delta]} \|S_k - S_{[ni\delta]}\| > \varepsilon/3\} \\ & = \sum_{i=0}^{[1/\delta]} P\{n^{-1/2} \max_{0 \leq k \leq [n\delta]} \|S_k\| > \varepsilon/3\}, \end{aligned}$$

where  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i$ . Using Markov inequality, Lemma 2.2 and (21), we obtain, for  $r > 2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P\{w(W_n, \delta) > \varepsilon\} \\
 & \leq (3/\varepsilon)^{-r} n^{-r/2} \sum_{i=0}^{[1/\delta]} E \left( \max_{[ni\delta] < k \leq [n(i+1)\delta]} \|S_k - S_{[ni\delta]}\| \right)^r \\
 (22) \quad & \leq c(\varepsilon) n^{-r/2} m^r \sum_{i=0}^{[1/\delta]} \left( [n(i+1)\delta] - [ni\delta] \right)^{r/2} \\
 & \leq c(\varepsilon) m^r n^{-r/2} \left( [1/\delta] + 1 \right) (n\delta + 1)^{r/2} \\
 & = c(\varepsilon) m^r \left( \delta + \frac{1}{n} \right)^{r/2} \left( [1/\delta] + 1 \right),
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \limsup_{n \geq 1} P\{w(W_n, \delta) > \varepsilon\} \\
 & \leq c(\varepsilon) m^r \delta^{r/2} \left( [1/\delta] + 1 \right) \longrightarrow 0 \text{ as } \delta \rightarrow 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

This proves (20) and yields the tightness of the sequence  $\{W_n, n \geq 1\}$  together with Theorem 15.5 of Billingsley(1968). It remains to show that the only possible limit point is Wiener measure  $W^m$  in  $\mathbb{R}^m$  with covariance structure  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$ . To prove it we will use the idea in the proof of Theorem 2 of [4]. Let  $Z(\cdot)$  be a limit point of  $(W_n(\cdot))$ . We have to prove

- (i)  $Z(t+h) - Z(t)$  has normal distribution  $h \cdot \Gamma$ ,
- (ii)  $Z$  has independent increments.

Let  $a \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be a non-negative vector. Then  $\langle a, (Z(t+h) - Z(t)) \rangle$  has a normal distribution with variance  $ah\Gamma a'$  by Lemma 2.3. Now we apply Lemma 2.4 with  $k = 1$  which yields (i). Let  $0 \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k \leq 1$  be given.

$$\left( W_n(t_1), W_n(t_2) - W_n(t_1), \dots, W_n(t_k) - W_n(t_{k-1}) \right),$$

converges in distribution to

$$\left( Z(t_1), Z(t_2) - Z(t_1), \dots, Z(t_k) - Z(t_{k-1}) \right).$$

Let  $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}^m$  be non-negative vectors. Then

$$\left( \langle a_1, W_n(t_1) \rangle, \langle a_2, (W_n(t_2) - W_n(t_1)) \rangle, \dots \right. \\ \left. \dots, \langle a_k, (W_n(t_k) - W_n(t_{k-1})) \rangle \right)$$

converges in distribution to

$$\left( \langle a_1, Z(t_1) \rangle, \langle a_2, (Z(t_2) - Z(t_1)) \rangle, \dots, \langle a_k, (Z(t_k) - Z(t_{k-1})) \rangle \right).$$

The coordinates of the last vector are hence LPQD and by a simple computation involving (17) also uncorrelated, which together imply independent(see[8]). Now we can again apply Lemma 2.4 to obtain the independence of the increments of the  $Z$  process.

### 3. Main result

**Lemma 3.1.** Let  $\{Z_t\}$  be a stationary LPQD sequence of  $m$ -dimensional random vectors with  $E(Z_t) = \mathbb{O}$ ,  $E\|Z_t\|^2 < \infty$ . Let  $\tilde{X}_t = (\sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j)Z_t$  and  $\tilde{S}_k = \sum_{t=1}^k \tilde{X}_t$ . If (12), (13) and (17) hold, then

$$(23) \quad n^{-1/2} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|\tilde{S}_k - S_k\| = o_p(1).$$

**Proof.** Appendix

**Theorem 3.2.** Let  $\{Z_t ; t \geq 1\}$  be a stationary LPQD sequence of  $m$ -dimensional random vectors with  $E(Z_1) = \mathbb{O}$ ,  $E\|Z_1\|^2 < \infty$  and let  $\{X_t\}$  be an  $m$ -dimensional process defined in (4). Set  $S_n = \sum_{t=1}^n X_t (S_0 = \mathbb{O})$ , and define for  $u \in [0, 1]$ ,  $n \geq 1$ , the stochastic process  $\xi_n$  by

$$(24) \quad \xi_n(u) = n^{-1/2} S_{[nu]}.$$



If (12), (13) and (17) holds, then

$$(25) \quad \xi_n \longrightarrow^w W^m,$$

where  $\longrightarrow^w$  indicates weak convergence and  $W^m$  is an  $m$ -dimensional Wiener process with covariance matrix  $T$ ,  $T = (\sum_{j=1}^\infty A_j)\Gamma(\sum_{j=1}^\infty A_j)'$  and  $\Gamma = [\sigma_{kj}]$  as in (6).

**Proof.** Let  $\widetilde{X}_t = \sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j Z_t$  and  $\widetilde{S}_k = \sum_{t=1}^k \widetilde{X}_t$ . Let  $\widetilde{\xi}_n$  be the same as  $\xi_n$  defined in (24) with  $\widetilde{S}_{[nu]}$  in place of  $S_{[nu]}$ , (i.e.,  $\widetilde{X}_t$  in place of  $X_t$ )

$$(26) \quad \widetilde{\xi}_n(u) = \left( \sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j \right) n^{-1/2} \left( \sum_{t=1}^{[nu]} Z_t \right).$$

It is clear that  $\widetilde{X}_t$  s are LPQD. From (3), (12), (13) and (17), we have

$$(27) \quad \begin{aligned} & E\|\widetilde{X}_1\|^2 + 2 \sum_{t=2}^\infty \sum_{j=1}^m E(\widetilde{X}_1^{(j)} \widetilde{X}_t^{(j)}) \\ &= \left\| \sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j \right\|^2 \{E\|Z_1\|^2 + 2 \sum_{t=2}^\infty \sum_{j=1}^m E(Z_1^{(j)} Z_t^{(j)})\} < \infty, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{t=n+1}^\infty E\|\widetilde{X}_1 \widetilde{X}_t\| &= \left\| \sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j \right\|^2 \sum_{t=n+1}^\infty E\|Z_1 Z_t\|^2 = O(n^{-\rho}) \\ &\text{for some } \rho > 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$(28) \quad E\|\widetilde{X}_t\|^s = \left\| \sum_{j=0}^\infty A_j \right\|^s E\|Z_t\|^s < \infty \text{ for some } s > 2.$$

Thus it follows from (27), (28) and (29) that  $\{\widetilde{X}_t\}$  satisfies the conditions of Theorem 2.5. This implies

$$(29) \quad \widetilde{\xi}_n \longrightarrow^w W^m.$$

By Lemma 3.1,

$$(30) \quad \widetilde{\xi}_n(u) - \xi(u) \longrightarrow^P 0 \text{ for all } 0 \leq u \leq 1.$$

By (30), (31) and Theorem 4.1 of Billingsley(1968), we obtain  $\xi_n \xrightarrow{w} W^m$ .

So Theorem 3.2 is proved.

### 4. Appendix

**Proof of Lemma 3.1.** We prove Lemma 3.1 by using the ideas in the proof of Lemma 1 of [5]. First observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_k &= \sum_{t=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=0}^{k-t} A_j \right) \mathbb{Z}_t + \sum_{t=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=k-t+1}^{\infty} A_j \right) \mathbb{Z}_t \\ &= \sum_{t=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=0}^{t-1} A_j \mathbb{Z}_{t-j} \right) + \sum_{t=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=k-t+1}^{\infty} A_j \right) \mathbb{Z}_t \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \tilde{S}_k - S_k &= - \sum_{t=1}^k \left\{ \sum_{j=t}^{\infty} A_j \mathbb{Z}_{t-j} \right\} + \sum_{t=1}^k \left( \sum_{j=k-t+1}^{\infty} A_j \right) \mathbb{Z}_t \\ &= I_1 + I_2 \text{ (say)}. \end{aligned}$$

To prove

$$(A.1) \quad n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|I_1\| = o_p(1),$$

we observe that for  $r > 2$

$$\begin{aligned} &n^{-\frac{r}{2}} E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{t=1}^k \sum_{j=t}^{\infty} A_j \mathbb{Z}_{t-j} \right\|^r \\ &= n^{-\frac{r}{2}} E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \sum_{t=1}^{j \wedge k} A_j \mathbb{Z}_{t-j} \right\|^r \\ &\leq n^{-\frac{r}{2}} \left( \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|A_j\| \left\{ E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{t=1}^{j \wedge k} \mathbb{Z}_{t-j} \right\|^r \right\}^{\frac{1}{r}} \right)^r \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq B m^r \left[ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \|A_j\| \left( \frac{j \wedge k}{n} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]^r \text{ for some } B > 0,$$

where we have used Lemma 1 in Kim and Baek(2001) and Lemma 2.2. The first inequality above is obtained by Minkowski's inequality and by the dominated convergence theorem the last term above tends to zero as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  from which (A.1) follows. Thus (A.1) is proved by the Markov inequality. Next, we show that

$$(A.2) \quad n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|I_2\| = o_p(1).$$

Write

$$I_2 = I_{21} + I_{22}, \text{ where}$$

$$I_{21} = A_1 Z_k + A_2(Z_k + Z_{k-1}) + \dots + A_k(Z_k + \dots + Z_1)$$

and

$$I_{22} = (A_{k+1} + A_{k+2} + \dots) (Z_k + \dots + Z_1).$$

Let  $p_n$  be a sequence of positive integers such that

$$(A.3) \quad p_n \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } p_n/n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|I_{22}\| &\leq \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \|A_i\| \right) n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq p_n} \|Z_1 + \dots + Z_k\| \\ &+ \left( \sum_{i > p_n} \|A_i\| \right) n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|Z_1 + \dots + Z_k\| \\ &= III + IV \text{ (say)}. \end{aligned}$$

Note that for  $r > 2$  and constants  $B_1, B_2$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \|A_i\| \right)^r n^{-\frac{r}{2}} E \max_{1 \leq k \leq p_n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_k\|^r \\ \leq \left( \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \|A_i\| \right)^r B_1 m^r (p_n/n)^{\frac{r}{2}}, \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \left( \sum_{i>p_n} \|A_i\| \right)^r n^{-\frac{r}{2}} E \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_k\|^r \\ \leq \left( \sum_{i>p_n} \|A_i\| \right)^r B_2 m^r \end{aligned}$$

by Lemma 2.2. Thus, by (3) and (A.3)

$$\begin{aligned} III + IV &= O_p\left(\frac{p_n}{n}\right) + O_p\left(\sum_{i>p_n} \|A_i\|\right) \\ &= o_p(1). \end{aligned}$$

It remains to prove that

$$Y_n := n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|I_{21}\| = o_p(1).$$

To this end, define for each  $l \geq 1$

$$I_{21,l} = B_1 \mathbb{Z}_k + B_2(\mathbb{Z}_k + \mathbb{Z}_{k-1}) + \cdots + B_k(\mathbb{Z}_k + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_1),$$

where

$$B_k = \begin{cases} A_k, & k \leq l, \\ O_{m \times m}, & k > l. \end{cases}$$

Let  $Y_{n,l} = n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|I_{21,l}\|$ . Clearly, for each  $l \geq 1$ ,

$$(A.4) \quad Y_{n,l} = o_p(1).$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned}
 & |Y_{n,l} - Y_n| \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k (A_i - B_i) (\mathbb{Z}_k + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{k-i+1}) \right\| \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \max_{l \leq k \leq n} \left( \sum_{i=l+1}^k \|A_i\| \cdot \|\mathbb{Z}_k + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{k-i+1}\| \right) \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right) \max_{l \leq k \leq n} \max_{l \leq i \leq k} \left( \|\mathbb{Z}_k + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{k-i+1}\| \right) \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right) \max_{l \leq k \leq n} \max_{l \leq i \leq k} \left( \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_k\| + \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{k-i}\| \right) \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right) \left( \max_{l \leq k \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_k\| \right. \\
 & \qquad \qquad \qquad \left. + \max_{l \leq k \leq n} \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_{k-i}\| \right) \\
 & \leq n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right) \left( \max_{l \leq j \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_j\| + \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_k\| \right) \\
 & \leq 2 n^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right) \max_{l \leq j \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_j\|.
 \end{aligned}$$

From this result, (3) and Lemma 2.2, we have, for any  $\delta > 0$  and  $r > 2$ ,

(A.5)

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|Y_{n,l} - Y_n| > \delta) \\
 & \leq \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} 2^r \delta^{-r} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right)^r \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} n^{-\frac{r}{2}} E \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \|\mathbb{Z}_1 + \cdots + \mathbb{Z}_j\|^r \\
 & \leq C \delta^{-r} 2^r m^r \lim_{l \rightarrow \infty} \left( \sum_{i>l} \|A_i\| \right)^r = 0.
 \end{aligned}$$

In view of (A.4) and (A.5), it follows from Theorem 4.2 of Billingsley (1968, p.25) (or Proposition 6.3.3 of Brockwell and Davis(1992, p.205)) that  $Y_n = o_p(1)$ . This completes the proof of Lemma 3.1.

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