

Limit theorems on locally compact Abelian groups

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Abstract. We prove limit theorems for row sums of a rowwise independent infinitesimal array of random variables with values in a locally compact Abelian group. First we give a proof of Gaiser's theorem [4, Satz 1.3.6], since it does not have an easy access and it is not complete. This theorem gives sufficient conditions for convergence of the row sums, but the limit measure can not have a nondegenerate idempotent factor. Then we prove necessary and sufficient conditions for convergence of the row sums, where the limit measure can be also a nondegenerate Haar measure on a compact subgroup. Finally, we investigate special cases: the torus group, the group of p -adic integers and the p -adic solenoid.

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1 Introduction

Let G be a locally compact Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology. The main question of limit problems on G can be formulated as follows. Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be an array of rowwise independent random elements with values in G satisfying the infinitesimality condition

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} P(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) = 0$$

for all Borel neighbourhoods U of the identity e of G . One searches for conditions on the array so that the convergence in distribution

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mu \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

to a probability measure μ on G holds.

Let $\mathcal{L}(G)$ denote the set of all possible limits of row sums of rowwise independent infinitesimal triangular arrays in G . The following problems arise:

(P1) How to parametrize the set $\mathcal{L}(G)$, i.e., to give a bijection between $\mathcal{L}(G)$ and an appropriate parameter set $\mathcal{P}(G)$;

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(P2) How to associate suitable quantities q_n to the rows $\{X_{n,k} : 1 \leq k \leq K_n\}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ so that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mu \iff q_n \rightarrow q,$$

where $q \in \mathcal{P}(G)$ corresponds to the limiting distribution μ , and the convergence $q_n \rightarrow q$ is meant in an appropriate sense.

The problem (P1) has been solved by Parthasarathy (see Chapter IV, Corollary 7.1 in [8] and Remark 2.6 in Section 2). It turns out that any measure $\mu \in \mathcal{L}(G)$ is necessarily weakly infinitely divisible. Gaiser [4] gave a partial solution to the problem (P2). His theorem (see Section 3) gives only some sufficient conditions for the convergence $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mu$, which does not include the case where μ has a nondegenerate idempotent factor, i.e., a nondegenerate Haar measure on a compact subgroup of G . For a survey of results on limit theorems on a general locally compact Abelian topological group see Bingham [2].

In this paper we prove necessary and sufficient conditions for some limit theorems to hold on general locally compact Abelian groups. Our results complete the results of the paper [4]. In our theorems the limit measure can be also a nondegenerate Haar measure on a compact subgroup of G .

We also specify our results considering some classical groups such as the torus group, the group of p -adic integers and the p -adic solenoid. Here we apply Gaiser's theorem as well. For completeness, we present a proof of this theorem, since Gaiser's dissertation does not have an easy access and Gaiser's proof is not complete. Concerning limit problems on totally disconnected Abelian topological groups, like the group of p -adic integers, we mention Telöken [10].

2 Parametrization of weakly infinitely divisible measures

Let \mathbb{N} and \mathbb{Z}_+ denote the sets of positive and of nonnegative integers, respectively. The expression "a measure μ on G " means a measure μ on the σ -algebra of Borel subsets of G . The Dirac measure at a point $x \in G$ will be denoted by δ_x .

2.1 Definition. A probability measure μ on G is called *weakly infinitely divisible* if for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ there exist a probability measure μ_n on G and an element $x_n \in G$ such that $\mu = \mu_n^{*n} * \delta_{x_n}$, where μ_n^{*n} denotes the n -times convolution. The collection of all weakly infinitely divisible measures on G will be denoted by $\mathcal{I}_w(G)$.

According to Parthasarathy [8, Chapter IV, Corollary 7.1], $\mathcal{L}(G) \subset \mathcal{I}_w(G)$. Now we recall the building blocks of weakly infinitely divisible measures. The main tool for their description is the Fourier transform. The character group of G will be denoted by \widehat{G} . For

every bounded measure μ on G , let $\widehat{\mu} : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ be defined by

$$\widehat{\mu}(\chi) := \int_G \chi \, d\mu, \quad \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

This function $\widehat{\mu}$ is called the *Fourier transform* of μ . The basic properties of the Fourier transformation can be found, e.g., in Heyer [6, Theorem 1.3.8, Theorem 1.4.2], in Hewitt and Ross [5, Theorem 23.10] and in Parthasarathy [8, Chapter IV, Theorem 3.3].

If H is a compact subgroup of G then ω_H will denote the Haar measure on H (considered as a measure on G) normalized by the requirement $\omega_H(H) = 1$. The normalized Haar measures of compact subgroups of G are the only idempotents in the semigroup of probability measures on G (see, e.g., Wendel [11, Theorem 1]). For all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$,

$$\widehat{\omega}_H(\chi) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \chi(x) = 1 \text{ for all } x \in H, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad (2.1)$$

i.e., $\widehat{\omega}_H = \mathbb{1}_{H^\perp}$, where

$$H^\perp := \{\chi \in \widehat{G} : \chi(x) = 1 \text{ for all } x \in H\}$$

is the annihilator of H . Clearly $\omega_H \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$, since $\omega_H * \omega_H = \omega_H$. Sazonov and Tutubalin [9] proved that $\omega_H \in \mathcal{L}(G)$.

Obviously $\delta_x \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$ for all $x \in G$, and one can easily check that $\delta_x \in \mathcal{L}(G)$ for all $x \in G^{\text{arc}}$, where G^{arc} denotes the arc-component of the identity e .

A *quadratic form* on \widehat{G} is a nonnegative continuous function $\psi : \widehat{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ such that

$$\psi(\chi_1 \chi_2) + \psi(\chi_1 \chi_2^{-1}) = 2(\psi(\chi_1) + \psi(\chi_2)) \quad \text{for all } \chi_1, \chi_2 \in \widehat{G}.$$

The set of all quadratic forms on \widehat{G} will be denoted by $q_+(\widehat{G})$. For any quadratic form $\psi \in q_+(\widehat{G})$, there exists a unique probability measure γ_ψ on G determined by

$$\widehat{\gamma}_\psi(\chi) = e^{-\psi(\chi)/2} \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

which is a symmetric Gauss measure (see, e.g., Theorem 5.2.8 in Heyer [6]). Obviously $\gamma_\psi \in \mathcal{L}(G)$, since $\gamma_\psi = \gamma_{\psi/n}^{*n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\gamma_{\psi/n} \xrightarrow{w} \delta_e$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. (Here and in the sequel \xrightarrow{w} denotes weak convergence of bounded measures on G .)

For a bounded measure η on G , the *compound Poisson measure* $e(\eta)$ is the probability measure on G defined by

$$e(\eta) := e^{-\eta(G)} \left(\delta_e + \eta + \frac{\eta * \eta}{2!} + \frac{\eta * \eta * \eta}{3!} + \dots \right).$$

The Fourier transform of a compound Poisson measure $e(\eta)$ is

$$(e(\eta))^\wedge(\chi) = \exp \left\{ \int_G (\chi(x) - 1) \, d\eta(x) \right\}, \quad \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (2.2)$$

Clearly $e(\eta) \in \mathcal{L}(G)$, since $e(\eta) = (e(\eta/n))^{*n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $e(\eta/n) \xrightarrow{w} \delta_e$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. In order to introduce generalized Poisson measures, we recall the notions of a local inner product and a Lévy measure. A Borel neighbourhood U of e is a Borel subset of G for which there exists an open subset \tilde{U} such that $e \in \tilde{U} \subset U$. Let \mathcal{N}_e denote the collection of all Borel neighbourhoods of e .

2.2 Definition. A continuous function $g : G \times \widehat{G} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a *local inner product* for G if

(i) for every compact subset C of \widehat{G} , there exists $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that

$$\chi(x) = e^{ig(x,\chi)} \quad \text{for all } x \in U, \quad \chi \in C,$$

(ii) for all $x \in G$ and $\chi, \chi_1, \chi_2 \in \widehat{G}$,

$$g(x, \chi_1 \chi_2) = g(x, \chi_1) + g(x, \chi_2), \quad g(-x, \chi) = -g(x, \chi),$$

(iii) for every compact subset C of \widehat{G} ,

$$\sup_{x \in G} \sup_{\chi \in C} |g(x, \chi)| < \infty, \quad \limsup_{x \rightarrow e} \sup_{\chi \in C} |g(x, \chi)| = 0.$$

Parthasarathy [8, Chapter IV, Lemma 5.3] proved the existence of a local inner product for an arbitrary locally compact Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology.

2.3 Definition. An extended real-valued measure η on G is said to be a *Lévy measure* if $\eta(\{e\}) = 0$, $\eta(G \setminus U) < \infty$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$, and $\int_G (1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x)) d\eta(x) < \infty$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$. The set of all Lévy measures on G will be denoted by $\mathbb{L}(G)$.

We note that for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$ there exists $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that

$$\frac{1}{4}g(x, \chi)^2 \leq 1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x) \leq \frac{1}{2}g(x, \chi)^2, \quad x \in U, \quad (2.3)$$

thus the requirement $\int_G (1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x)) d\eta(x) < \infty$ can be replaced by $\int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta(x) < \infty$ for some (and then necessarily for any) local inner product g .

For a Lévy measure $\eta \in \mathbb{L}(G)$ and for a local inner product g for G , the *generalized Poisson measure* $\pi_{\eta, g}$ is the probability measure on G defined by

$$\widehat{\pi}_{\eta, g}(\chi) = \exp \left\{ \int_G (\chi(x) - 1 - ig(x, \chi)) d\eta(x) \right\} \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}$$

(see, e.g., Chapter IV, Theorem 7.1 in Parthasarathy [8]). Obviously $\pi_{\eta, g} \in \mathcal{L}(G)$, since $\pi_{\eta, g} = \pi_{\eta/n, g}^{*n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $\pi_{\eta/n, g} \xrightarrow{w} \delta_e$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

2.4 Definition. For a bounded measure η on G and for a local inner product g for G , the *local mean* of η with respect to g is the uniquely defined element $m_g(\eta) \in G$ given by

$$\chi(m_g(\eta)) = \exp \left\{ i \int_G g(x, \chi) d\eta(x) \right\} \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

The existence and uniqueness of a local mean is guaranteed by Pontryagin's duality theorem. If η coincides with the distribution P_X of a random element X in G , we will use the notation $m_g(X)$ instead of $m_g(P_X)$. Remark that $\chi(m_g(X)) = e^{i \mathbb{E}g(X, \chi)}$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$.

Note that for a bounded measure η on G with $\eta(\{e\}) = 0$ we have $\eta \in \mathbb{L}(G)$ and $e(\eta) = \pi_{\eta, g} * \delta_{m_g(\eta)}$.

Let $\mathcal{P}(G)$ be the set of all quadruplets (H, a, ψ, η) , where H is a compact subgroup of G , $a \in G$, $\psi \in \mathfrak{q}_+(\widehat{G})$ and $\eta \in \mathbb{L}(G)$. Parthasarathy [8, Chapter IV, Corollary 7.1] proved the following parametrization for weakly infinitely divisible measures on G .

2.5 Theorem. (Parthasarathy) *Let g be a fixed local inner product for G . If $\mu \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$ then there exists a quadruplet $(H, a, \psi, \eta) \in \mathcal{P}(G)$ such that*

$$\mu = \omega_H * \delta_a * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, g}. \quad (2.4)$$

*Conversely, if $(H, a, \psi, \eta) \in \mathcal{P}(G)$ then $\omega_H * \delta_a * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, g} \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$.*

2.6 Remark. In general, this parametrization is not one-to-one (see Parthasarathy [8, p.112, Remark 3]), but the compact subgroup H is uniquely determined in (2.4) by μ (more precisely, H is the annihilator of the open subgroup $\{\chi \in \widehat{G} : \widehat{\mu}(\chi) \neq 0\}$). If $H = \{e\}$ then the quadratic form ψ in (2.4) is also uniquely determined by μ . In order to obtain one-to-one parametrization one can take equivalence classes of quadruplets related to the equivalence relation \approx defined by

$$(H, a_1, \psi_1, \eta_1) \approx (H, a_2, \psi_2, \eta_2) \iff \omega_H * \delta_{a_1} * \gamma_{\psi_1} * \pi_{\eta_1, g} = \omega_H * \delta_{a_2} * \gamma_{\psi_2} * \pi_{\eta_2, g}.$$

3 Gaiser's limit theorem

For a sequence $\{X_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ of random elements in G and for a probability measure μ on G , notation $X_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \mu$ means weak convergence $P_{X_n} \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ of the distributions P_{X_n} of X_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$ towards μ . Let $\mathcal{C}(G)$, $\mathcal{C}_0(G)$ and $\mathcal{C}_0^u(G)$ denote the spaces of real-valued bounded continuous functions on G , the set of all functions in $\mathcal{C}(G)$ vanishing in some $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$, and the set of all uniformly continuous functions in $\mathcal{C}_0(G)$, respectively. Gaiser [4, Satz 1.3.6] proved the following limit theorem.

3.1 Theorem. (Gaiser) *Let g be a fixed local inner product for G . Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent infinitesimal array of random elements in G . Suppose that there exists a quadruplet $(\{e\}, a, \psi, \eta) \in \mathcal{P}(G)$ such that*

- (i) $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow a$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,
- (ii) $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \rightarrow \psi(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta(x)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$,
- (iii) $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $f \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$.

Then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, g} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (3.1)$$

3.2 Remark. If either $a \neq e$ or $\psi \neq 0$ or $\eta \neq 0$ then the infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ and (3.1) imply $K_n \rightarrow \infty$.

3.3 Remark. Condition (i) is equivalent to

$$(i') \exp \left\{ i \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right\} \rightarrow \chi(a) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

Concerning condition (iii) we mention the following version of the well-known portman-teau theorem (for the equivalence of (a) and (c), see Meerschaert and Scheffler [7, Proposition 1.2.19] and for the rest, see Barczy and Pap [1]).

3.4 Theorem. Let $\{\eta_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ be a sequence of extended real-valued measures on G such that $\eta_n(G \setminus U) < \infty$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ and for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then the following assertions are equivalent:

- (a) $\int_G f d\eta_n \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $f \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$,
- (b) $\int_G f d\eta_n \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $f \in \mathcal{C}_0^u(G)$,
- (c) $\eta_n(G \setminus U) \rightarrow \eta_0(G \setminus U)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $\eta_0(\partial U) = 0$,
- (d) $\int_{G \setminus U} f d\eta_n \rightarrow \int_{G \setminus U} f d\eta_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $f \in \mathcal{C}(G)$, $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $\eta_0(\partial U) = 0$,
- (e) $\eta_n|_{G \setminus U} \xrightarrow{w} \eta_0|_{G \setminus U}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $\eta_0(\partial U) = 0$.

(Here and in the sequel $\eta|_B$ denotes the restriction of a measure η to a Borel subset B of G , considered as a measure on G .)

3.5 Remark. Due to Theorem 3.4, condition (iii) of Theorem 3.1 is equivalent to

(iii') $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow \eta(G \setminus U)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $\eta(\partial U) = 0$.

In order to prove Theorem 3.1, first we recall a theorem about convergence of weakly infinitely divisible measures without idempotent factors (see Gaiser [4, Satz 1.2.1]).

3.6 Theorem. *For each $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, let $\mu_n \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$ be such that (2.4) holds for μ_n with a quadruplet $(\{e\}, a_n, \psi_n, \eta_n)$. If there exists a local inner product g for G such that*

(i) $a_n \rightarrow a_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

(ii) $\psi_n(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_n(x) \rightarrow \psi_0(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_0(x)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$,

(iii) $\int_G f d\eta_n \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $f \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$,

then $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu_0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. It suffices to show $\widehat{\mu}_n(\chi) \rightarrow \widehat{\mu}_0(\chi)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$. Let

$$h(x, \chi) := \chi(x) - 1 - ig(x, \chi) + \frac{1}{2}g(x, \chi)^2$$

for all $x \in G$ and all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$. Then

$$\widehat{\mu}_n(\chi) = \chi(a_n) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \left(\psi_n(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_n(x) \right) + \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_n(x) \right\}$$

for all $n \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$. Taking into account assumptions (i) and (ii), it is enough to show that

$$\int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_n(x) \rightarrow \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_0(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (3.2)$$

For each $\chi \in \widehat{G}$, there exists $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $\chi(x) = e^{ig(x, \chi)}$ for all $x \in U$. Using the inequality

$$\left| e^{iy} - 1 - iy + \frac{y^2}{2} \right| \leq \frac{|y|^3}{6} \quad \text{for all } y \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (3.3)$$

we obtain $|h(x, \chi)| \leq |g(x, \chi)|^3/6$ for all $x \in U$. Consequently, for all $V \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $V \subset U$,

$$\left| \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_n(x) - \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_0(x) \right| \leq I_n^{(1)}(V) + I_n^{(2)}(V),$$

where

$$I_n^{(1)}(V) := \frac{1}{6} \int_V |g(x, \chi)|^3 d(\eta_n + \eta_0)(x),$$

$$I_n^{(2)}(V) := \left| \int_{G \setminus V} h(x, \chi) d\eta_n(x) - \int_{G \setminus V} h(x, \chi) d\eta_0(x) \right|.$$

We have

$$I_n^{(1)}(V) \leq \frac{1}{6} \sup_{x \in V} |g(x, \chi)| \int_V g(x, \chi)^2 d(\eta_n + \eta_0)(x).$$

By assumption (ii),

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \int_V g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_n(x) \leq \sup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \left(\psi_n(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_n(x) \right) < \infty.$$

Theorem 8.3 in Hewitt and Ross [5] yields existence of a metric d on G compatible with the topology of G . The function $t \mapsto \eta_0(\{x \in G : d(x, e) \geq t\})$ from $(0, \infty)$ into \mathbb{R} is non-increasing, hence the set $\{t \in (0, \infty) : \eta_0(\{x \in G : d(x, e) = t\}) > 0\}$ of its discontinuities is countable. Consequently, for arbitrary $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $t > 0$ such that $V_1 := \{x \in G : d(x, e) < t\} \in \mathcal{N}_e$, $V_1 \subset U$, $\eta_0(\partial V_1) = 0$ and

$$\sup_{y \in V_1} |g(x, \chi)| < \frac{3\varepsilon}{2 \sup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}_+} \int_V g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta_n(x)},$$

thus $I_n^{(1)}(V_1) < \varepsilon/2$. By assumption (iii) and Theorem 3.4, $I_n^{(2)}(V_1) < \varepsilon/2$ for all sufficiently large n , hence we obtain

$$\left| \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_n(x) - \int_G h(x, \chi) d\eta_0(x) \right| < \varepsilon$$

for all sufficiently large n , which implies (3.2). \square

The notion of a special local inner product is also needed.

3.7 Definition. A local inner product g for G is called *special* if it is uniformly continuous in its first variable, i.e., if for all $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $|g(x, \chi) - g(y, \chi)| < \varepsilon$ for all $x, y \in G$ with $x - y \in U$.

Gaiser [4, Satz 1.1.4] proved the existence of a special local inner product for an arbitrary locally compact Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology. The proof goes along the lines of the proof of the existence of a local inner product in Heyer [6, Theorem 5.1.10].

Proof. (*Proof of Theorem 3.1*) First we show that it is enough to prove the statement for a special local inner product, namely, if the statement is true for some local inner product g , then it is true for any local inner product \tilde{g} . Suppose that assumptions (i)–(iii) hold for \tilde{g} with a quadruplet $(\{e\}, a, \psi, \eta)$. We show that they hold for g with the quadruplet $(\{e\}, a + m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta), \psi, \eta)$, where the element $m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta) \in G$ is uniquely determined by

$$\chi(m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta)) = \exp \left\{ i \int_G (g(x, \chi) - \tilde{g}(x, \chi)) d\eta(x) \right\} \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

(Note that $g(\cdot, \chi) - \tilde{g}(\cdot, \chi) \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$ can be checked easily.) Hence we want to prove

$$(i') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow a + m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(ii') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \rightarrow \psi(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

$$(iii') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E } f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(G).$$

Clearly (iii') holds, since it is identical with assumption (iii).

By assumption (i), in order to prove (i') we have to show

$$\chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k}) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_{\tilde{g}}(X_{n,k}) \right) \rightarrow \chi(m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta)) \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k}) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_{\tilde{g}}(X_{n,k}) \right) &= \prod_{k=1}^{K_n} \frac{\chi(m_g(X_{n,k}))}{\chi(m_{\tilde{g}}(X_{n,k}))} = \prod_{k=1}^{K_n} \frac{e^{i\text{E } g(X_{n,k}, \chi)}}{e^{i\text{E } \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)}} \\ &= \exp \left\{ i \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)) \right\} \rightarrow \exp \left\{ i \int_G (g(x, \chi) - \tilde{g}(x, \chi)) d\eta(x) \right\}, \end{aligned}$$

where we applied assumption (iii) with the function $g(\cdot, \chi) - \tilde{g}(\cdot, \chi) \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$.

By assumption (ii), in order to prove (ii') we have to show

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi) \rightarrow \int_G (g(x, \chi)^2 - \tilde{g}(x, \chi)^2) d\eta(x) \quad (3.4)$$

for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$, where $g(\cdot, \chi)^2 - \tilde{g}(\cdot, \chi)^2 \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$ can be checked easily. We have

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi) = A_n - B_n,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &:= \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi)^2 - \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)^2), \\ B_n &:= \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} [(\text{E } g(X_{n,k}, \chi))^2 - (\text{E } \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi))^2]. \end{aligned}$$

Applying assumption (iii) with the function $g(\cdot, \chi)^2 - \tilde{g}(\cdot, \chi)^2 \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$, we obtain

$$A_n \rightarrow \int_G (g(x, \chi)^2 - \tilde{g}(x, \chi)^2) d\eta(x). \quad (3.5)$$

Moreover,

$$B_n = \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)) \text{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi) + \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi))$$

implies

$$|B_n| \leq \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{E}(|g(X_{n,k}, \chi)| + |\tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)|) \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E}|g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)|.$$

Using assumption (iii) with the function $|g(\cdot, \chi) - \tilde{g}(\cdot, \chi)| \in \mathcal{C}_0(G)$, we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E}|g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - \tilde{g}(X_{n,k}, \chi)| \rightarrow \int_G |g(x, \chi) - \tilde{g}(x, \chi)| d\eta(x). \quad (3.6)$$

Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{E}|g(X_{n,k}, \chi)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (3.7)$$

Indeed,

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{E}|g(X_{n,k}, \chi)| \leq \sup_{x \in U} |g(x, \chi)| + \sup_{x \in G} |g(x, \chi)| \cdot \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U)$$

for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ and for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$, and (iii) of Definition 2.2 implies $\sup_{x \in U} |g(x, \chi)| \rightarrow 0$ as $U \rightarrow \{e\}$. Clearly (3.6) and (3.7) imply $B_n \rightarrow 0$, hence, by (3.5), we obtain (3.4).

We conclude that assumptions (i)–(iii) hold for g with the quadruplet $(\{e\}, a + m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta), \psi, \eta)$. Since we supposed that the statement is true for g , we get

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_{a+m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta)} * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, g}.$$

Hence

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}\chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) &\rightarrow \chi(a + m_{g, \tilde{g}}(\eta)) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \psi(\chi) + \int_G (\chi(x) - 1 - ig(x, \chi)) d\eta(x) \right\} \\ &= \chi(a) \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2} \psi(\chi) + \int_G (\chi(x) - 1 - i\tilde{g}(x, \chi)) d\eta(x) \right\} \end{aligned}$$

for all $\chi \in \widehat{G}$, which implies

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, \tilde{g}}.$$

Thus we may suppose that g is a special local inner product. Let $Y_{n,k} := X_{n,k} - m_g(X_{n,k})$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $k = 1, \dots, K_n$. We show that $\{Y_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is an infinitesimal array of rowwise independent random elements in G , and

$$(i'') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(Y_{n,k}) \rightarrow e \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(ii'') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E}(g(Y_{n,k}, \chi)^2) \rightarrow \psi(\chi) + \int_G g(x, \chi)^2 d\eta(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

$$(iii'') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(Y_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_G f d\eta \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(G).$$

Infinitesimality of $\{Y_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is equivalent to

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} |\mathbb{E} \chi(Y_{n,k}) - 1| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (3.8)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{E} \chi(Y_{n,k}) - 1| &= \left| \frac{\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k})}{\chi(m_g(X_{n,k}))} - 1 \right| = \left| \frac{\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k})}{e^{i\mathbb{E}g(X_{n,k}, \chi)}} - 1 \right| \\ &= |\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k}) - e^{i\mathbb{E}g(X_{n,k}, \chi)}| \leq |\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k}) - 1| + |e^{i\mathbb{E}g(X_{n,k}, \chi)} - 1|. \end{aligned}$$

Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} |\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k}) - 1| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (3.9)$$

Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies (3.7) as well, hence using the inequality $|e^{iy} - 1| \leq |y|$ for all $y \in \mathbb{R}$, we get

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} |e^{i\mathbb{E}g(X_{n,k}, \chi)} - 1| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

and we obtain (3.8).

For (i''), it is enough to show

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} g(Y_{n,k}, \chi) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

Let $\chi \in \widehat{G}$ be fixed. Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies that for all $V \in \mathcal{N}_e$ and for all sufficiently large n we have $m_g(X_{n,k}) \in V$ for $k = 1, \dots, K_n$. Consequently, using (3.7) as well, we conclude that for all sufficiently large n we have

$$g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) = \mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \quad \text{for } k = 1, \dots, K_n. \quad (3.10)$$

Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ and properties of the local inner product g imply also the existence of $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $\eta(\partial U) = 0$ and

$$g(x - m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) - g(x, \chi) = -g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) \quad \text{for } x \in U, k = 1, \dots, K_n \quad (3.11)$$

for all sufficiently large n (see Parthasarathy [8, page 91]). Consequently, for all sufficiently large n , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} g(Y_{n,k}, \chi) \right| &= \left| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} \left(g(Y_{n,k}, \chi) - g(X_{n,k}, \chi) + g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) \right) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,k}) \right| \\ &\leq \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \sup_{x \in G} |g(x - m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) - g(x, \chi)| \right) \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \\ &\quad + \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} |g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi)| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Indeed,

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \sup_{x \in G} |g(x - m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) - g(x, \chi)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (3.12)$$

since g is uniformly continuous in its first variable and for all $V \in \mathcal{N}_e$ and for all sufficiently large n we have $m_g(X_{n,k}) \in V$ for $k = 1, \dots, K_n$. Moreover, (3.7) and (3.10) imply

$$\max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} |g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad (3.13)$$

and assumption (iii) implies

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) < \infty. \quad (3.14)$$

To prove (ii''), we have to show

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \left(\mathbb{E} (g(Y_{n,k}, \chi)^2) - \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

Consider again a neighbourhood $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $\eta(\partial U) = 0$ and (3.11) holds for all sufficiently large n . We have

$$\mathbb{E} (g(Y_{n,k}, \chi)^2) - \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) = C_{n,k} + D_{n,k},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n,k} &:= \mathbb{E} \left(g(Y_{n,k}, \chi)^2 - g(X_{n,k}, \chi)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_U(X_{n,k}) + \left(\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right)^2, \\ D_{n,k} &:= \mathbb{E} \left(g(Y_{n,k}, \chi)^2 - g(X_{n,k}, \chi)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,k}). \end{aligned}$$

For all sufficiently large n we have (3.10), hence

$$\begin{aligned} C_{n,k} &= \mathbb{E} \left((g(X_{n,k}, \chi) - g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi))^2 - g(X_{n,k}, \chi)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_U(X_{n,k}) + \left(\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right)^2 \\ &= g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi)^2 \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in U) - 2g(m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) \mathbb{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \mathbb{1}_U(X_{n,k})) \\ &\quad + \left(\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right)^2 \\ &= 2\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \mathbb{E} (g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,k})) - \left(\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \right)^2 \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U). \end{aligned}$$

Consequently, again by (3.10),

$$|C_{n,k}| \leq \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \left(2|\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi)| \sup_{x \in G} |g(x, \chi)| + |\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi)|^2 \right). \quad (3.15)$$

Moreover,

$$D_{n,k} = \mathbb{E} (g(Y_{n,k}, \chi) - g(X_{n,k}, \chi)) (g(Y_{n,k}, \chi) + g(X_{n,k}, \chi)) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,k}),$$

thus

$$|D_{n,k}| \leq 2\mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \sup_{x \in G} |g(x, \chi)| \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \sup_{x \in G} |g(x - m_g(X_{n,k}), \chi) - g(x, \chi)|. \quad (3.16)$$

Now (3.15) and (3.16), using (3.12), (3.13) and (3.14), imply (ii'').

To prove (iii''), it is enough to show

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(Y_{n,k}) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow 0 \quad (3.17)$$

for all $f \in \mathcal{C}_0^u(G)$ (see Theorem 3.4). Choose $V \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $f(x) = 0$ for all $x \in V$. Then choose $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $U - U \subset V$, where $U - U := \{x - y : x, y \in U\}$. Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies that for all sufficiently large n we have $m_g(X_{n,k}) \in U$ for $k = 1, \dots, K_n$, hence $f(Y_{n,k}) - f(X_{n,k}) = (f(Y_{n,k}) - f(X_{n,k})) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,k})$. Consequently,

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(Y_{n,k}) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(X_{n,k}) \right| \leq \sup_{x \in G} |f(x - m_g(X_{n,k})) - f(x)| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U),$$

and uniform continuity of f and (3.14) imply (3.17).

Now consider the shifted compound Poisson measures

$$\nu_n := e \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}_{Y_{n,k}} \right) * \delta_{\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k})}, \quad n \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Clearly $\nu_n \in \mathcal{I}_w(G)$ such that (2.4) holds for ν_n with the quadruplet

$$\left(\{e\}, \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(X_{n,k}) + \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} m_g(Y_{n,k}), 0, \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}_{Y_{n,k}} \right).$$

By Theorem 3.6, using (i) and (i'')–(iii''), we obtain

$$\nu_n \xrightarrow{w} \delta_a * \gamma_\psi * \pi_{\eta, g}.$$

Applying a theorem about the accompanying Poisson array due to Parthasarathy [8, Chapter IV, Theorem 5.1], we conclude the statement. \square

4 Limit theorems for symmetric arrays

The following theorem is an easy consequence of Theorem 3.1.

4.1 Theorem. (CLT for symmetric array) *Let g be a fixed local inner product for G . Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent array of random elements in G such that $X_{n,k} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} -X_{n,k}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $k = 1, \dots, K_n$. Suppose that there exists a quadratic form ψ on \widehat{G} such that*

$$(i) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } g(X_{n,k}, \chi) \rightarrow \psi(\chi) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{P}(X_{n,k} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } U \in \mathcal{N}_e.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_\psi \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

The next theorem gives necessary and sufficient conditions in case of a rowwise independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) symmetric array. It turns out that in this special case conditions of Theorem 4.1 are not only sufficient but necessary as well. If G is compact then the limit measure can be the normalized Haar measure on G .

4.2 Theorem. (Limit theorem for rowwise i.i.d. symmetric array) *Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be an infinitesimal, rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in G such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $X_{n,k} \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} -X_{n,k}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $k = 1, \dots, K_n$.*

If g is a local inner product for G and ψ is a quadratic form on \widehat{G} , then the following statements are equivalent:

$$(i) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_\psi \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad K_n(1 - \text{Re } \text{E} \chi(X_{n,1})) \rightarrow \frac{\psi(\chi)}{2} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G},$$

$$(iii) \quad K_n \text{Var } g(X_{n,1}, \chi) \rightarrow \psi(\chi) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G} \quad \text{and} \quad K_n \text{P}(X_{n,1} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow 0 \\ \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } U \in \mathcal{N}_e.$$

If G is compact then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_G \quad \iff \quad K_n(1 - \text{Re } \text{E} \chi(X_{n,1})) \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G} \setminus \{\mathbb{1}_G\}.$$

For the proof of Theorem 4.2, we need the following simple observation.

4.3 Lemma. *Let $\{\alpha_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ be a sequence of real numbers such that $\alpha_n \geq -n$ for all sufficiently large n , and let $\alpha \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$. Then*

$$\left(1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^\alpha \quad \iff \quad \alpha_n \rightarrow \alpha,$$

where $e^{-\infty} := 0$ and $e^\infty := \infty$.

Proof. If $\alpha_n \rightarrow \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ then $\alpha_n/n \rightarrow 0$, hence L'Hospital's rule gives

$$\log \left[\left(1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^n \right] = \alpha_n \cdot \frac{\log(1 + \alpha_n/n)}{\alpha_n/n} \rightarrow \alpha.$$

If $\alpha_n \rightarrow -\infty$ then we choose $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\alpha_n \geq -n$ for all $n \geq n_0$, hence $1 + \alpha_n/n \geq 0$ for all $n \geq n_0$, implying $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \alpha_n/n)^n \geq 0$. For each $M \in \mathbb{R}$ there exists $n_M \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\alpha_n \leq M$ for all $n \geq n_M$. Then $(1 + \alpha_n/n)^n \leq (1 + M/n)^n$ for all $n \geq \max(n_0, n_M)$, which implies

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{\alpha_n}{n}\right)^n \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{M}{n}\right)^n = e^M.$$

Since M is arbitrary, we obtain $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \alpha_n/n)^n \leq 0$, and finally $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (1 + \alpha_n/n)^n = 0$. The case of $\alpha_n \rightarrow \infty$ can be handled similarly.

If $(1 + \alpha_n/n)^n \rightarrow e^\alpha$ and $\alpha_n \not\rightarrow \alpha$ then there exist subsequences (n') and (n'') and $\alpha', \alpha'' \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$ with $\alpha' \neq \alpha''$ such that $\alpha_{n'} \rightarrow \alpha'$ and $\alpha_{n''} \rightarrow \alpha''$. Then $(1 + \alpha_{n'}/n')^{n'} \rightarrow e^{\alpha'}$ and $(1 + \alpha_{n''}/n'')^{n''} \rightarrow e^{\alpha''}$ lead to a contradiction. \square

Proof. (*Proof of Theorem 4.2*) (i) \iff (ii). Statement (i) is equivalent to

$$\mathbb{E} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \rightarrow \widehat{\gamma}_\psi(\chi) \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (4.1)$$

We have $\widehat{\gamma}_\psi(\chi) = e^{-\psi(\chi)/2}$. Clearly $X_{n,k} \stackrel{D}{=} -X_{n,k}$ implies $\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k}) = \operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,k})$, hence

$$\mathbb{E} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) = (\operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}))^{K_n} = \left(1 + \frac{K_n (\operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}) - 1)}{K_n} \right)^{K_n}. \quad (4.2)$$

Infinitesimality of $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ implies $\mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}) \rightarrow 1$ (see (3.8)), thus $\operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}) - 1 \geq -1$ for all sufficiently large $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Hence by $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and by Lemma 4.3 we conclude that (4.1) and (ii) are equivalent.

(ii) \implies (iii). We have already proved that (ii) implies (i), hence, by Theorem 5.4.2 in Heyer [6], (ii) implies $K_n \mathbb{P}(X_{n,1} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow 0$ for all $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$. Clearly $X_{n,k} \stackrel{D}{=} -X_{n,k}$ implies $\mathbb{E} g(X_{n,k}, \chi) = 0$, thus $\operatorname{Var} g(X_{n,1}, \chi) = \mathbb{E} (g(X_{n,1}, \chi))^2$. Consequently, it is enough to show

$$K_n \left(\operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}) - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} (g(X_{n,1}, \chi))^2 \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (4.3)$$

For $\chi \in \widehat{G}$, choose $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ such that $\chi(x) = e^{ig(x,\chi)}$ and (2.3) hold for all $x \in U$. Then

$$K_n \left(\operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1}) - 1 + \frac{1}{2} \mathbb{E} (g(X_{n,1}, \chi)^2) \right) = A_n + B_n,$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} A_n &:= K_n \operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \left(e^{ig(X_{n,1}, \chi)} - 1 - ig(X_{n,1}, \chi) + \frac{1}{2} g(X_{n,1}, \chi)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_U(X_{n,1}), \\ B_n &:= K_n \operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \left(\chi(X_{n,1}) - 1 + \frac{1}{2} g(X_{n,1}, \chi)^2 \right) \mathbb{1}_{G \setminus U}(X_{n,1}). \end{aligned}$$

By formulas (3.3) and (2.3) we get

$$|A_n| \leq \frac{1}{6} K_n \mathbb{E} (|g(X_{n,1}, \chi)|^3 \mathbb{1}_U(X_{n,1})) \leq \frac{4(K_n(1 - \operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1})))^{3/2}}{3K_n^{1/2}},$$

hence $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and assumption (ii) yield $A_n \rightarrow 0$. Moreover,

$$|B_n| \leq \left(2 + \frac{1}{2} \sup_{x \in G} g(x, \chi)^2 \right) K_n \mathbb{P}(X_{n,1} \in G \setminus U) \rightarrow 0,$$

thus we obtain (4.3).

(iii) \implies (i) follows from Theorem 4.1.

Convergence $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_G$ is equivalent to

$$\mathbb{E} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \rightarrow \widehat{\omega}_G(\chi) \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (4.4)$$

Using (4.2), (2.1) and Lemma 4.3, one can easily show that (4.4) holds if and only if $K_n(1 - \operatorname{Re} \mathbb{E} \chi(X_{n,1})) \rightarrow \infty$ for all $\chi \in \widehat{G} \setminus \{\mathbb{1}_G\}$. \square

The next statement is a special case of Theorem 4.2.

4.4 Theorem. (Limit theorem for rowwise i.i.d. Rademacher array) *Let $x_n \in G$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \rightarrow e$. Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in G such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and*

$$\mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} = x_n) = \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} = -x_n) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal.

If ψ is a quadratic form on \widehat{G} then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_\psi \iff K_n(1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x_n)) \rightarrow \frac{\psi(\chi)}{2} \text{ for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

If G is compact then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_G \iff K_n(1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x_n)) \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } \chi \in \widehat{G} \setminus \{\mathbb{1}_G\}.$$

Note that in Theorem 4.4 the expression $1 - \operatorname{Re} \chi(x_n)$ can be replaced in both places by $\frac{1}{2}g(x_n, \chi)^2$, where g is an arbitrary local inner product for G (see the proof of (4.3) and the inequalities in (2.3)).

5 Limit theorem for Bernoulli arrays

In the following limit theorem the limit measure can be the normalized Haar measure on an arbitrary compact subgroup of G generated by a single element.

5.1 Theorem. (Limit theorem for rowwise i.i.d. Bernoulli array) *Let $x \in G$ such that $x \neq e$. Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in G such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$,*

$$P(X_{n,k} = x) = p_n, \quad P(X_{n,k} = e) = 1 - p_n,$$

and $p_n \rightarrow 0$. Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal.

If λ is a nonnegative real number then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda\delta_x) \iff K_n p_n \rightarrow \lambda.$$

If the smallest closed subgroup H of G containing x is compact then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_H \iff K_n p_n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof. First we suppose $K_n p_n \rightarrow \lambda$ and show convergence $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda\delta_x)$. We need to prove

$$E \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \rightarrow (e(\lambda\delta_x))^{\wedge}(\chi) \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}. \quad (5.1)$$

We have $(e(\lambda\delta_x))^{\wedge}(\chi) = e^{\lambda(\chi(x)-1)}$ and

$$E \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) = (p_n \chi(x) + 1 - p_n)^{K_n} = \left(1 + \frac{K_n p_n (\chi(x) - 1)}{K_n} \right)^{K_n}. \quad (5.2)$$

If $\{z_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is a sequence of complex numbers such that $z_n \rightarrow z \in \mathbb{C}$ then $(1 + \frac{z_n}{n})^n \rightarrow e^z$. Consequently, $K_n p_n \rightarrow \lambda$ and $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ imply (5.1).

Next we suppose $K_n p_n \rightarrow \infty$ and show that $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_H$. We need to prove

$$E \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \rightarrow \widehat{\omega}_H(\chi) \quad \text{for all } \chi \in \widehat{G}.$$

According to Hewitt and Ross [5, Remarks 23.24], $\{x\}^\perp = H^\perp$, and thus by (2.1) we are left to check

$$E \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \chi \in \{x\}^\perp, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases} \quad (5.3)$$

If $\chi \in \{x\}^\perp$ then $\chi(x) = 1$, hence

$$\mathbb{E} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) = (p_n \chi(x) + 1 - p_n)^{K_n} = 1,$$

and we obtain (5.3). To handle the case $\chi \notin \{x\}^\perp$, consider the equality

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \mathbb{E} \chi \left(\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \right) \right| &= |p_n \chi(x) + 1 - p_n|^{K_n} = \left((1 + p_n(\operatorname{Re} \chi(x) - 1))^2 + p_n^2 (\operatorname{Im} \chi(x))^2 \right)^{K_n/2} \\ &= \left(1 + \frac{K_n p_n \left(2(\operatorname{Re} \chi(x) - 1) + p_n |1 - \chi(x)|^2 \right)}{K_n} \right)^{K_n/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly $\chi \notin \{x\}^\perp$ implies $\chi(x) \neq 1$, and by $|\chi(x)| = 1$ we get $\operatorname{Re} \chi(x) - 1 < 0$. Hence, by Lemma 4.3, we conclude that $K_n p_n \rightarrow \infty$, $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $p_n \rightarrow 0$ imply (5.3).

Now we suppose $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda \delta_x)$ and derive $K_n p_n \rightarrow \lambda$. If $K_n p_n \not\rightarrow \lambda$ then either there exists a subsequence (n') such that $K_{n'} p_{n'} \rightarrow \infty$, or there exist subsequences (n'') and (n''') and two distinct nonnegative real numbers λ'' and λ''' such that $K_{n''} p_{n''} \rightarrow \lambda''$ and $K_{n'''} p_{n'''} \rightarrow \lambda'''$. In the first case we would obtain $\sum_{k=1}^{K_{n'}} X_{n',k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_H$, which contradicts to $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda \delta_x)$. In the second case we would obtain $\sum_{k=1}^{K_{n''}} X_{n'',k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda'' \delta_x)$ and $\sum_{k=1}^{K_{n'''}} X_{n''',k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda''' \delta_x)$ which again contradicts to $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda \delta_x)$.

Finally we suppose $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_H$ and prove $K_n p_n \rightarrow \infty$. If $K_n p_n \not\rightarrow \infty$ then there exists a subsequence (n') and a nonnegative real number λ' such that $K_{n'} p_{n'} \rightarrow \lambda'$. Then we would obtain $\sum_{k=1}^{K_{n'}} X_{n',k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} e(\lambda' \delta_x)$, which contradicts to $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_H$. \square

6 Limit theorems on the torus

The set $\mathbb{T} := \{e^{ix} : -\pi \leq x < \pi\}$ equipped with the usual multiplication of complex numbers is a compact Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology. This is called the 1-dimensional torus group. Its character group is $\widehat{\mathbb{T}} = \{\chi_\ell : \ell \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, where

$$\chi_\ell(y) := y^\ell, \quad y \in \mathbb{T}, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

Hence $\widehat{\mathbb{T}}$ can be identified with the additive group of integers \mathbb{Z} . The compact subgroups of \mathbb{T} are

$$H_r := \{e^{2\pi i j/r} : j = 0, 1, \dots, r-1\}, \quad r \in \mathbb{N},$$

and \mathbb{T} itself.

The set of all quadratic forms on $\widehat{\mathbb{T}} \cong \mathbb{Z}$ is $q_+(\widehat{\mathbb{T}}) = \{\psi_b : b \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$, where

$$\psi_b(\chi_\ell) := b\ell^2, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}_+.$$

Let us define the functions $\arg : \mathbb{T} \rightarrow [-\pi, \pi[$ and $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$\arg(e^{ix}) := x, \quad -\pi \leq x < \pi,$$

$$h(x) := \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < -\pi \text{ or } x \geq \pi, \\ -x - \pi & \text{if } -\pi \leq x < -\pi/2, \\ x & \text{if } -\pi/2 \leq x < \pi/2, \\ -x + \pi & \text{if } \pi/2 \leq x < \pi. \end{cases}$$

An extended real-valued measure η on \mathbb{T} is a Lévy measure if and only if $\eta(\{e\}) = 0$ and $\int_{\mathbb{T}} (\arg y)^2 d\eta(y) < \infty$. The function $g_{\mathbb{T}} : \mathbb{T} \times \widehat{\mathbb{T}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, defined as

$$g_{\mathbb{T}}(y, \chi_{\ell}) := \ell h(\arg y), \quad y \in \mathbb{T}, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z},$$

is a local inner product for \mathbb{T} .

Theorem 3.1 has the following consequence on the torus.

6.1 Theorem. (Gauss–Poisson limit theorem) *Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent array of random elements in \mathbb{T} . Suppose that there exists a quadruplet $(\{e\}, a, \psi_b, \eta) \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{T})$ such that*

$$(i) \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{P}(|\arg(X_{n,k})| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } \varepsilon > 0,$$

$$(ii) \quad \exp \left\{ i \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) \right\} \rightarrow a \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) \rightarrow b + \int_{\mathbb{T}} (h(\arg y))^2 d\eta(y) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iv) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{T}} f d\eta \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(\mathbb{T}).$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_{\psi_b} * \pi_{\eta, g_{\mathbb{T}}} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

If the limit measure has no generalized Poisson factor $\pi_{\eta, g_{\mathbb{T}}}$ then the truncation function h can be omitted.

6.2 Theorem. (CLT) *Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent array of random elements in \mathbb{T} . Suppose that there exist an element $a \in \mathbb{T}$ and a nonnegative real number b such that*

$$(i) \quad \exp \left\{ i \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} \arg(X_{n,k}) \right\} \rightarrow a \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} \arg(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow b \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{P}(|\arg(X_{n,k})| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon > 0.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_{\psi_b} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Proof. In view of Theorem 6.1 and Remark 3.5, it is enough to check

$$(i') \quad \exp \left\{ i \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) \right\} \rightarrow a \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(ii') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) \rightarrow b \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iii') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{P}(|\arg(X_{n,k})| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } \varepsilon > 0.$$

Clearly (iii') and assumption (iii) are identical. In order to prove (i') it is sufficient to show

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} \arg(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow 0,$$

since $|e^{iy_1} - e^{iy_2}| = |e^{i(y_1-y_2)} - 1| \leq |y_1 - y_2|$ for all $y_1, y_2 \in \mathbb{R}$. We have $|h(y) - y| \leq \pi \mathbb{1}_{[-\pi, -\pi/2] \cup [\pi/2, \pi]}(y)$ for all $y \in [-\pi, \pi]$, hence

$$\left| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} \arg(X_{n,k}) \right| \leq \pi \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{P}(|\arg(X_{n,k})| \geq \pi/2) \rightarrow 0$$

by condition (iii). In order to check (ii') it is enough to prove

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} \arg(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow 0.$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} h(\arg(X_{n,k})) - \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} \arg(X_{n,k}) \right| \\ & \leq \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{E} \left| (h(\arg(X_{n,k})))^2 - (\arg(X_{n,k}))^2 \right| + \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \left| (\text{E} h(\arg(X_{n,k})))^2 - (\text{E} \arg(X_{n,k}))^2 \right| \\ & \leq 2\pi^2 \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{P}(|\arg(X_{n,k})| \geq \pi/2) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. □

Theorem 4.4 has the following consequence on the torus.

6.3 Theorem. (Limit theorem for rowwise i.i.d. Rademacher array) *Let $x_n \in \mathbb{T}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \rightarrow e$. Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in \mathbb{T} such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and*

$$\mathrm{P}(X_{n,k} = x_n) = \mathrm{P}(X_{n,k} = -x_n) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal.

If b is a nonnegative real number then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_{\psi_b} \iff K_n(\arg x_n)^2 \rightarrow b.$$

Moreover,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_{\mathbb{T}} \iff K_n(\arg x_n)^2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

7 Limit theorems on the group of p -adic integers

Let p be a prime. The group of p -adic integers is

$$\Delta_p := \{(x_0, x_1, \dots) : x_j \in \{0, 1, \dots, p-1\} \text{ for all } j \in \mathbb{Z}_+\},$$

where the sum $z := x + y \in \Delta_p$ for $x, y \in \Delta_p$ is uniquely determined by the relationships

$$\sum_{j=0}^d z_j p^j \equiv \sum_{j=0}^d (x_j + y_j) p^j \pmod{p^{d+1}} \quad \text{for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+.$$

For each $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, let $\Lambda_r := \{x \in \Delta_p : x_j = 0 \text{ for all } j \leq r-1\}$. The family of sets $\{x + \Lambda_r : x \in \Delta_p, r \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ is an open subbasis for a topology on Δ_p under which Δ_p is a compact, totally disconnected Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology. Its character group is $\widehat{\Delta}_p = \{\chi_{d,\ell} : d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \ell = 0, 1, \dots, p^{d+1} - 1\}$, where

$$\chi_{d,\ell}(x) := e^{2\pi i \ell (x_0 + px_1 + \dots + p^d x_d) / p^{d+1}}, \quad x \in \Delta_p, \quad d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \quad \ell = 0, 1, \dots, p^{d+1} - 1.$$

The compact subgroups of Δ_p are Λ_r , $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ (see Hewitt and Ross [5, Example 10.16 (a)]).

An extended real-valued measure η on Δ_p is a Lévy measure if and only if $\eta(\{e\}) = 0$ and $\eta(\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r) < \infty$ for all $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

Since the group Δ_p is totally disconnected, the only quadratic form on $\widehat{\Delta}_p$ is $\psi = 0$, and the function $g_{\Delta_p} : \Delta_p \times \widehat{\Delta}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g_{\Delta_p} = 0$ is a local inner product for Δ_p .

Theorem 3.1 has the following consequence on the group Δ_p of p -adic integers.

7.1 Theorem. (Poisson limit theorem) Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a row-wise independent array of random elements in Δ_p . Suppose that there exists a Lévy measure $\eta \in \mathbb{L}(\Delta_p)$ such that

$$(i) \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{P}\left(\left((X_{n,k})_0, \dots, (X_{n,k})_d\right) \neq 0\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$(ii) \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}\left(\left((X_{n,k})_0 = \ell_0, \dots, (X_{n,k})_d = \ell_d\right)\right) \rightarrow \eta(\{x \in \Delta_p : x_0 = \ell_0, \dots, x_d = \ell_d\}) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \ell_0, \dots, \ell_d \in \{0, \dots, p-1\} \text{ with } (\ell_0, \dots, \ell_d) \neq 0.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \pi_{\eta, g_{\Delta_p}} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For the proof of Theorem 7.1, we use the following lemma.

7.2 Lemma. Let $\{\eta_n : n \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ be extended real-valued measures on Δ_p such that $\eta_n(\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r) < \infty$ for all $n, r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$. Then the following statements are equivalent:

$$(a) \eta_n(x + \Lambda_r) \rightarrow \eta_0(x + \Lambda_r) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } r \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r,$$

$$(b) \int_{\Delta_p} f d\eta_n \rightarrow \int_{\Delta_p} f d\eta_0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Delta_p).$$

Proof. By Theorem 3.4, (b) is equivalent to

$$(b') \eta_n|_{\Delta_p \setminus U} \xrightarrow{w} \eta_0|_{\Delta_p \setminus U} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } U \in \mathcal{N}_e \text{ with } \eta_0(\partial U) = 0.$$

Obviously, if $\eta_n|_{\Delta_p \setminus U} \xrightarrow{w} \eta_0|_{\Delta_p \setminus U}$ holds for some $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $\eta_0(\partial U) = 0$ then $\eta_n|_{\Delta_p \setminus V} \xrightarrow{w} \eta_0|_{\Delta_p \setminus V}$ holds for all $V \in \mathcal{N}_e$ with $V \supset U$ and $\eta_0(\partial V) = 0$. Since $\{\Lambda_r : r \in \mathbb{N}\}$ is an open neighbourhood basis of e and $\partial \Lambda_r = \emptyset$ for all $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$, (b') is equivalent to

$$(b'') \eta_n|_{\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r} \xrightarrow{w} \eta_0|_{\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } r \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For distinct elements $x, y \in \Delta_p$, let $\varrho(x, y)$ be the number 2^{-m} , where m is the least nonnegative integer for which $x_m \neq y_m$. For all $x \in \Delta_p$, let $\varrho(x, x) := 0$. Then ϱ is an invariant metric on Δ_p compatible with the topology of Δ_p (see Theorem 10.5 in Hewitt and Ross [5]). Let $d(x, y) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} 2^{-k} \mathbb{1}_{\{x_k \neq y_k\}}$ for all $x, y \in \Delta_p$. Then d is a metric on Δ_p equivalent to ϱ , since $\varrho(x, y) \leq d(x, y) \leq 2\varrho(x, y)$ for all $x, y \in \Delta_p$. Hence the original topology of Δ_p and the topology on Δ_p induced by the metric d coincide. Then weak convergence of bounded measures on the locally compact group Δ_p can be considered as weak convergence of bounded measures on the metric space Δ_p equipped with the metric d .

We show that the set $M := \{\mathbb{1}_{x+\Lambda_c} : c \in \mathbb{N}, x \in \Delta_p\}$ is convergence determining for the weak convergence of probability measures on Δ_p . For this one can check that Proposition 4.6 in Ethier and Kurtz [3] is applicable with the following choices: $S := \Delta_p$ equipped with the metric d , S_k is the set $\{0, 1, \dots, p-1\}$ for all $k \in \mathbb{N}$, d_k is the discrete metric on S_k , $k \in \mathbb{N}$, and

$$M_k := \{f_{c_k} : c_k \in S_k\}, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}, \quad \text{where} \quad f_{c_k}(x) := \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x = c_k, \\ 0 & \text{if } x \neq c_k, \end{cases} \quad x \in S_k, \quad k \in \mathbb{N}.$$

For checking we note that for each $c \in \mathbb{N}$ and $x \in \Delta_p$, the function $\mathbb{1}_{x+\Lambda_c}$ is bounded and continuous, since the set $x + \Lambda_c$ is open and closed. Moreover, for each $k \in \mathbb{N}$, S_k with the metric d_k is a complete separable metric space.

It is easy to check that M is also a convergence determining set for the weak convergence of bounded measures on Δ_p . Consequently, (b'') is equivalent to

$$(b''') \quad \int_{\Delta_p} \mathbb{1}_{x+\Lambda_c} d\eta_n|_{\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r} \rightarrow \int_{\Delta_p} \mathbb{1}_{x+\Lambda_c} d\eta_0|_{\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } x \in \Delta_p, \quad c, r \in \mathbb{N}.$$

Clearly, this is equivalent to

$$(b''''') \quad \eta_n((x + \Lambda_c) \cap (\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r)) \rightarrow \eta_0((x + \Lambda_c) \cap (\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r)) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } x \in \Delta_p \quad \text{and} \\ \text{for all } c, r \in \mathbb{N}.$$

We have

$$(x + \Lambda_c) \cap (\Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r) = \begin{cases} \Lambda_c \setminus \Lambda_r & \text{if } r \geq c \text{ and } x \in \Lambda_c, \\ \emptyset & \text{if } r < c \text{ and } x \in \Lambda_r, \\ x + \Lambda_c & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

If $r \geq c$ then $\Lambda_c \setminus \Lambda_r$ can be written as a union of $p^{r-c} - 1$ disjoint sets of the form $y + \Lambda_r$ with $y \in \Lambda_c \setminus \Lambda_r$. Consequently, (b''''') and (a) are equivalent. \square

Proof. (*Proof of Theorem 7.1*) The local mean of any random element with values in Δ_p is e (with respect to the local inner product $g_{\Delta_p} = 0$). Moreover, for each $U \in \mathcal{N}_e$, there exists $r \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ such that $\Lambda_r \subset U$. Hence, in view of Theorem 3.1, it is enough to check that

$$(i') \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} \in \Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_r) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } r \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$(ii') \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_{\Delta_p} f d\eta \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(\Delta_p).$$

Clearly $\{x \in \Delta_p : (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_d) \neq 0\} = \Delta_p \setminus \Lambda_{d+1}$, hence (i') and (i) are identical. Applying Lemma 7.2 for $\eta_n := \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}_{X_{n,k}}$ and $\eta_0 := \eta$, we conclude that (ii') and (ii) are equivalent. \square

7.3 Remark. Theorem 4.4 has the following consequence on Δ_p . If $x_n \in \Delta_p$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x_n \rightarrow e$, and $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is a rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in Δ_p such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and $P(X_{n,k} = x_n) = P(X_{n,k} = -x_n) = \frac{1}{2}$, then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and $\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_e$.

8 Limit theorems on the p -adic solenoid

Let p be a prime. The p -adic solenoid is a subgroup of \mathbb{T}^∞ , namely,

$$S_p = \{(y_0, y_1, \dots) \in \mathbb{T}^\infty : y_j = y_{j+1}^p \text{ for all } j \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}.$$

This is a compact Abelian T_0 -topological group having a countable basis of its topology. Its character group is $\widehat{S}_p = \{\chi_{d,\ell} : d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \ell \in \mathbb{Z}\}$, where

$$\chi_{d,\ell}(y) := y_d^\ell, \quad y \in S_p, \quad d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

The set of all quadratic forms on \widehat{S}_p is $q_+(\widehat{S}_p) = \{\psi_b : b \in \mathbb{R}_+\}$, where

$$\psi_b(\chi_{d,\ell}) := \frac{b\ell^2}{p^{2d}}, \quad d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z}, \quad b \in \mathbb{R}_+.$$

An extended real-valued measure η on S_p is a Lévy measure if and only if $\eta(\{e\}) = 0$ and $\int_{S_p} (\arg y_0)^2 d\eta(y) < \infty$. The function $g_{S_p} : S_p \times \widehat{S}_p \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$g_{S_p}(y, \chi_{d,\ell}) := \frac{\ell h(\arg y_0)}{p^d}, \quad y \in S_p, \quad d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \quad \ell \in \mathbb{Z},$$

is a local inner product for S_p .

Theorem 3.1 has the following consequence on the p -adic solenoid S_p .

8.1 Theorem. (Gauss–Poisson limit theorem) Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent array of random elements in S_p . Suppose that there exists a quadruplet $(\{e\}, a, \psi_b, \eta) \in \mathcal{P}(S_p)$ such that

$$(i) \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq K_n} P(\exists j \leq d : |\arg((X_{n,k})_j)| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \varepsilon > 0,$$

$$(ii) \quad \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{p^d} \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} E h(\arg((X_{n,k})_0)) \right\} \rightarrow a_d \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var } h(\arg((X_{n,k})_0)) \rightarrow b + \int_{S_p} h(\arg(y_0))^2 d\eta(y) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iv) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} E f(X_{n,k}) \rightarrow \int_{S_p} f d\eta \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ for all } f \in \mathcal{C}_0(S_p).$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_{\psi_b} * \pi_{\eta, g_{S_p}} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

If the limit measure has no generalized Poisson factor $\pi_{\eta, g_{S_p}}$ then the truncation function h can be omitted. The proof can be carried out as in case of Theorem 6.2.

8.2 Theorem. (CLT) Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise independent array of random elements in S_p . Suppose that there exist an element $a \in S_p$ and a nonnegative real number b such that

$$(i) \quad \exp \left\{ \frac{i}{p^d} \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{E} \arg((X_{n,k})_0) \right\} \rightarrow a_d \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+,$$

$$(ii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \text{Var} \arg((X_{n,k})_0) \rightarrow b \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

$$(iii) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{K_n} \mathbb{P}(\exists j \leq d : |\arg((X_{n,k})_j)| > \varepsilon) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \text{for all } d \in \mathbb{Z}_+, \varepsilon > 0.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal and

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \delta_a * \gamma_{\psi_b}.$$

Theorem 4.4 has the following consequence on S_p .

8.3 Theorem. (Limit theorem for rowwise i.i.d. Rademacher array) Let $x^{(n)} \in S_p$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $x^{(n)} \rightarrow e$. Let $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ be a rowwise i.i.d. array of random elements in S_p such that $K_n \rightarrow \infty$ and

$$\mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} = x^{(n)}) = \mathbb{P}(X_{n,k} = -x^{(n)}) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then the array $\{X_{n,k} : n \in \mathbb{N}, k = 1, \dots, K_n\}$ is infinitesimal.

If b is a nonnegative real number then

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \gamma_{\psi_b} \quad \iff \quad K_n (\arg(x_0^{(n)}))^2 \rightarrow b.$$

Moreover,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{K_n} X_{n,k} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \omega_{S_p} \quad \iff \quad K_n (\arg(x_0^{(n)}))^2 \rightarrow \infty.$$

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