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0. Introduction

Let $\xi_i, i = 1, \dots, \infty$, be a sequence of identically distributed independent random variables with distribution function $F(x)$. We shall assume throughout that $D\xi_1 = 1$. Let $a = E\xi_1$ and $c_3 = E|\xi_1 - a|^3$.

Let $g_i(t), t \geq 0, i = 1, 2$, be functions satisfying the conditions

$$\begin{aligned} g_2(t) &< g_1(t), \quad g_2(0) < 0 < g_1(0), \\ |g_i(t+h) - g_i(t)| &< Kh, \quad h > 0, \end{aligned} \quad i = 1, 2,$$

where K is some constant.

Set

$$S_{nk} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^k (\xi_i - a).$$

Let

$$W_n = \mathbf{P} \left\{ g_2 \left(\frac{k}{n} \right) < S_{nk} < g_1 \left(\frac{k}{n} \right), k = 1, \dots, n \right\},$$

$$W = \mathbf{P} \{ g_2(t) < \xi(t) - \xi(0) < g_1(t), 0 \leq t \leq 1 \},$$

where $\xi(t)$ is a Brownian motion process. The main result of the paper is the following:

Theorem. *There exists an absolute constant L such that*

$$|W_n - W| < L \frac{c_3^2(K+1)}{\sqrt{n}}.$$

But first we shall state a few words about results obtained earlier.

Yu. V. Prokhorov [2] obtained the estimate

$$W_n - W = O \left(\frac{\log^2 n}{n^{1/8}} \right)$$

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for a slightly more general situation (non-identically distributed summands having bounded absolute third moment).

A. V. Skorokhod [3] showed that

$$|W_n - W| < L \frac{\log n}{\sqrt{n}}$$

under the conditions of our theorem and the additional assumption $|\xi_i| < C < \infty$, where L is a constant depending just on $K, C, g_1(0)$ and $g_2(0)$.

The paper [4] is devoted to a review of results in the area of boundary problems.

We now introduce some notation. Let

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i, & \bar{S}_n &= \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} S_i, & F_n(x) &= \mathbf{P}(S_n < x), \\ \bar{F}_n(x) &= \mathbf{P}(\bar{S}_n < x), & \tilde{F}_n(x) &= \mathbf{P}(\max[0, \bar{S}_n] < x) \end{aligned}$$

and

$$f(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} dF(x), \quad \varphi_n(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} d\tilde{F}_n(x).$$

Set

$$\Phi(t, z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \varphi_n(t) z^n, \quad \Psi(t, z) = (1 - f(t)z)\Phi(t, z).$$

It is not hard to see that

$$(0.1) \quad \varphi_{n+1}(t) - f(t)\varphi_n(t) = \mathbf{P}(\bar{S}_{n+1} < 0) - \int_{-\infty}^{0-} e^{itx} d\bar{F}_{n+1}(x)$$

and hence,

$$(0.2) \quad \Psi(t, z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \bar{\varphi}_n(t) z^n,$$

where

$$\bar{\varphi}_n(t) = \mathbf{P}(\bar{S}_n < 0) - \int_{-\infty}^{0-} e^{itx} d\bar{F}_n(x).$$

Further,

$$1 - f(t)z = B^+(t, z)B^-(t, z),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} B^+(t, z) &= \exp \left\{ - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n} \int_{0+}^{\infty} e^{itx} dF_n(x) \right\}, \\ B^-(t, z) &= \exp \left\{ - \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n} \int_{-\infty}^{0+} e^{itx} dF_n(x) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$B^\pm(t, z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} b_n^\pm(t) z^n,$$

where $b_n^+(t)$ ($b_n^-(t)$) is the Fourier-Stieltjes transform on $(0, \infty)$ ($(-\infty, 0]$). Therefore,

$$(0.3) \quad \Psi(t, z) = B^-(t, z)g(z),$$

where

$$g(z) = 1 + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbf{P}(S_n \leq 0) z^n.$$

Because of (0.2), $\Psi(0, z) \equiv 1$. Hence,

$$(0.4) \quad g(z) = \frac{1}{B^-(0, z)}.$$

From (0.3) and (0.4), we obtain

$$(0.5) \quad \Psi(t, z) = \exp \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^n}{n} \int_{-\infty}^0 (1 - e^{itx}) dF_n(x) \right\}.$$

This incidentally leads right away to the well-known Spitzer identity [7]. Of course, it would be simpler to deduce (0.5) from that identity but we have not resisted the temptation of taking the opportunity to give a proof here of a relation equivalent to Spitzer's identity. A similar (unpublished) proof was found earlier by A. A. Borovkov.

Since

$$\Phi(t, z) = \frac{\Psi(t, z)}{1 - zf(t)},$$

it follows from (0.2) that

$$(0.6) \quad \varphi_n(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t)$$

if we define $\bar{\varphi}_0(t) \equiv 1$. Using (0.1), we obtain

$$(0.7) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} d\bar{F}_n(x) = \varphi_n(t) + \int_{-\infty}^{0^-} e^{itx} d\bar{F}_n(x) - \mathbf{P}(\bar{S}_n < 0) = f(t)\varphi_{n-1}(t).$$

From (0.6) and (0.7) it follows that

$$(0.8) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} d\bar{F}_n(x) = \sum_{k=1}^n f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t).$$

This relation will play an important role in the proof of Lemmas 5 and 6.

If $E\xi_i = 0$, we shall sometimes use the notation $\bar{F}_n(x, c)$ for

$$\mathbf{P}(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} (S_k + kc) < x).$$

Throughout the entire paper the symbol O will be used only when the corresponding constant is an absolute constant.

1. Estimates Related to the Distribution of the Maximum of Sums of Identically Distributed Independent Random Variables

Let

$$\begin{aligned}\psi_n(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 e^{itx} d\bar{F}_n(x), \\ \bar{a}_n &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x d\bar{F}_n(x), & a_n^- &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x dF_n(x), \\ \bar{b}_n &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 d\bar{F}_n(x), & b_n^- &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 dF_n(x), \\ \Phi(x) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-u^2/2} du, & \Phi(x, m, \sigma) &= \Phi\left(\frac{x - m}{\sigma}\right).\end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1.

$$k\bar{a}_k = -\sqrt{\frac{k}{2\pi}} e^{-ka^2/2} + ak\Phi(-a\sqrt{k}) + O(c_3).$$

PROOF. By (0.5),

$$(1.1) \quad \Psi'_t(t, z) = - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \psi'_k(t) \frac{z^k}{k} \exp\left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k} \int_{-\infty}^0 (1 - e^{itx}) dF_k(x) \right\}.$$

Hence

$$(1.2) \quad \Psi'_t(0, z) = -i \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} a_k^- \frac{z^k}{k}.$$

Clearly,

$$(1.3) \quad a_k^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x e^{-(x-ak)^2/k} dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 x d(F_k(x) - \Phi(x, ka, k)).$$

Further,

$$(1.4) \quad F_k(x\sqrt{k} + ak) - \Phi(x) = O\left(\frac{c_3}{(1 + |x|^3)\sqrt{k}}\right)$$

(see [5], Theorem 1). Therefore,

$$(1.5) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^0 x d(F_k(x) - \Phi(x, ka, k)) &= \int_{-\infty}^0 (\Phi(x, ka, k) - F_k(x)) dx \\ &= \sqrt{k} \int_{-\infty}^{-a\sqrt{k}} (\Phi(x) - F_k(x\sqrt{k} + ak)) dx = O(c_3). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.6) \quad \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x e^{-(x-ak)^2/2k} dx = -\sqrt{\frac{k}{2\pi}} e^{-ka^2/2} + ak\Phi(-a\sqrt{k}).$$

By virtue of (0.2), $\Psi'_t(0, z)$ is the generating function for \bar{a}_n . Therefore (1.2) leads to

$$(1.7) \quad \bar{a}_k = \frac{a_k^-}{k}.$$

The assertion of the lemma easily results from (1.3) and (1.5)–(1.7).

Lemma 2. If $a = O(1)$, then

$$\bar{a}_k + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} e^{-ka^2/2} - a\Phi(-a\sqrt{k}) = r_{1k} + r_{2k},$$

where

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |r_{1k}| = O(c_3^2). \quad r_{2k} = O\left(\frac{c_3|a|}{\sqrt{k}}\right).$$

PROOF. Clearly,

$$(1.8) \quad \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} x dF_k(x) = -ikf'(t)f^{k-1}(t).$$

On the other hand,

$$(1.9) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} x d(F_k(x) - \Phi(x, ka, k)) \\ &= it \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} d_x \int_{-\infty}^x y d_y (\Phi(y, ka, k) - F_k(y)). \end{aligned}$$

Using the inversion formula and then integration by parts, we find from (1.8) and (1.9) that

$$(1.10) \quad \begin{aligned} &\frac{a_k^-}{k} - \frac{1}{k} \int_{-\infty}^0 x d\Phi(x, ka, k) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-T}^T (f'(t)f^{k-1}(t) + (t - ai)e^{iakt - kt^2/2}) \frac{dt}{t} \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (f'(t)f^{k-1}(t) + (t - ai)e^{iakt - kt^2/2}) \frac{dt}{t} + \frac{1}{\pi k} \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\operatorname{Re} f^n(t)}{t^2} dt \\ &\quad - \frac{\operatorname{Re} f^k(\delta)}{k\delta} - \frac{1}{\pi k} \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\cos kat}{t^2} e^{-kt^2/2} dt + \frac{\cos ka\delta}{k\delta} e^{-k\delta^2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Let us first consider the integral

$$J_{1k}(\delta) = \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \frac{f'(t)f^{k-1}(t) + (t - ai)e^{iakt - kt^2/2}}{t} dt.$$

First of all,

$$f'(t) = ai - t + it^2(R(t) + iI(t)),$$

where

$$R(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\cos tx - 1) dF(x),$$

$$I(t) = \frac{1}{t^2} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x(\sin tx - tx) dF(x).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} J_{1k}(\delta) &= \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} e^{iat - t^2/2} \left(\exp \left\{ i(k-1)at - \frac{(k-1)t^2}{2} \right\} - f^{k-1}(t) \right) \frac{t - ai}{t} dt \\ (1.11) \quad &+ \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (e^{iat - t^2/2} - 1) f^{k-1}(t) \frac{t - ai}{t} dt \\ &+ i \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t f^{k-1}(t) (R(t) + iI(t)) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$(1.12) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t f^k(t) (R(t) + iI(t)) dt = d_{1k} + d_{2k},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} d_{1k} &= \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t(f^k(t) - e^{ikat - kt^2/2})(R(t) + iI(t)) dt + \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} tI(t) e^{iakt - kt^2/2} dt, \\ d_{2k} &= \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} tR(t) e^{iat - kt^2/2} dt. \end{aligned}$$

As we know (see, for example, [9], Sec. 40, Theorem 2),

$$(1.13) \quad |f^k(t) e^{-ikat} - e^{-kt^2/2}| < \frac{7}{6} c_3 k |t|^3 e^{-kt^2/4}$$

for $|t| \leq 1/5c_3$. On the other hand,

$$(1.14) \quad |R(t)| + |I(t)| = O(c_3).$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} (1.15) \quad &\int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t(f^k(t) - e^{iakt - kt^2/2})(R(t) + iI(t)) dt \\ &= O\left(c_3^2 k \int_0^{\delta} t^4 e^{-kt^2/4} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{c_3^2}{k^{3/2}}\right) \end{aligned}$$

for $\delta < 1/5c_3$. Clearly,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|I(t)|}{t} dt \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |x| dF(x) \int_0^1 \frac{|\sin xt - xt|}{t^3} dt.$$

At the same time,

$$\int_0^1 \frac{|\sin xt - xt|}{t^3} dt = x^2 \int_0^x \frac{|\sin u - u|}{u^3} du < x^2 \int_0^{\infty} \frac{|\sin u - u|}{u^3} du.$$

Therefore,

$$(1.16) \quad \int_0^1 \frac{|I(t)|}{t} dt = O(c_3).$$

Using (1.16), we obtain

$$(1.17) \quad \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \left| \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} tI(t) e^{ikt - t^2/2} dt \right| = O\left(\int_0^{\delta} \frac{t|I(t)|}{1 - e^{-t^2/2}} dt \right) \\ = O\left(\int_0^{\delta} \frac{|I(t)|}{t} dt \right) = O(c_3), \quad \delta \leq 1.$$

From (1.15) and (1.17) it follows that

$$(1.18) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |d_{1k}| = O(c_3^2).$$

By virtue of (1.14) and the evenness of $R(t)$,

$$(1.19) \quad d_{2k} = O\left(\left| \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} tR(t) e^{iakt - t^2/2} dt \right| \right) \\ = O\left(c_3|a|k \int_0^{\delta} t^2 e^{-kt^2/2} dt \right) = O\left(\frac{c_3|a|}{\sqrt{k}} \right).$$

Clearly,

$$(1.20) \quad f^k(t) - e^{iakt - kt^2/2} = (f(t) - e^{iat - t^2/2}) \sum_{m=0}^{k-1} f^{k-m}(t) e^{iamt - mt^2/2}.$$

Further,

$$(1.21) \quad f(t) - e^{iat - t^2/2} = t^4 R_1(t) - it^3 I_1(t) - e^{iat - t^2/2} + 1 + iat - \frac{t^2}{2},$$

where

$$R_1(t) = \frac{1}{t^4} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\cos tx - 1 + \frac{t^2 x^2}{2} \right) dF(x),$$

$$I_1(t) = \frac{1}{t^3} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\sin tx - tx) dF(x).$$

Therefore,

$$(1.22) \quad \begin{aligned} & (f(t) - e^{iat-t^2/2}) e^{iamt-mt^2/2} f^{k-m}(t) \\ &= (t^4 R_1(t) - it^3 I_1(t)) e^{iakt-kt^2/2} + \left(1 + iat - \frac{t^2}{2} - e^{iat-t^2/2} \right) e^{iakt-kt^2/2} \\ &+ (f(t) - e^{iat-t^2/2})(f^{k-m}(t) - e^{(k-m)(iat-t^2/2)}) e^{iamt-mt^2/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$\int_0^1 |R_1(t)| dt \leq \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dF(x) \int_0^1 t^{-4} \left| \cos tx - 1 + \frac{t^2 x^2}{2} \right| dt = O(c_3).$$

Hence

$$(1.23) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} k \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t^4 |R_1(t)| e^{-kt^2/2} dt \\ &= O \left(\int_0^{\delta} R_1(t) t^4 (1 - e^{-t^2/2})^{-2} dt \right) = O(c_3), \quad \delta \leq 1. \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$(1.24) \quad I_1(t) = I_1(-t).$$

Thus

$$(1.25) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} t^3 I_1(t) e^{iakt-kt^2/2} dt = O \left(|a| c_3 k \int_0^{\delta} t^4 e^{-kt^2/2} dt \right) = O \left(\frac{|a| c_3}{k^{3/2}} \right).$$

Clearly,

$$e^{iat-t^2/2} - iat + \frac{t^2}{2} = O(|a|t^3 + t^4).$$

Therefore,

$$(1.26) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} \left(1 + iat - \frac{t^2}{2} - e^{iat-t^2/2} \right) e^{iakt-kt^2/2} dt \\ &= O \left(\int_0^{\delta} (|a|t^3 + t^4) e^{-kt^2/2} dt \right) = O \left(\frac{|a|}{k^2} + \frac{1}{k^{5/2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

Finally by virtue of (1.13),

$$(1.27) \quad \begin{aligned} & \sum_{m=0}^k \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (f(t) - e^{iat-t^2/2})(f^{k-m}(t) - e^{i(k-m)at+(m-k)t^2/2}) e^{iamt-mt^2/2} dt \\ &= O \left(c_3^2 \sum_{m=0}^k (k-m) \int_0^{\delta} t^6 e^{-kt^2/4} dt \right) = O \left(\frac{c_3^2}{k^{3/2}} \right). \end{aligned}$$

From (1.20), (1.22), (1.23) and (1.25)–(1.27) it follows that

$$(1.28) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (e^{ikat-kt^2/2} - f^k(t)) e^{iat-t^2/2} dt = c_{1k} + c_{2k},$$

and in addition,

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |c_{1k}| = O(c_3^2), \quad c_{2k} = O\left(\frac{|a|c_3}{\sqrt{k}}\right).$$

By (1.13),

$$(1.29) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} e^{iat-t^2/2} (e^{iakt-kt^2/2} - f^k(t)) \frac{dt}{t} = O\left(c_3 k \int_0^{\delta} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{c_3}{\sqrt{k}}\right).$$

For $|t| \leq 3/2c_3$,

$$\left| f(t) e^{-iat} - 1 + \frac{t^2}{2} \right| < \frac{t^2}{4}$$

and hence,

$$(1.30) \quad |f(t)| \leq e^{-t^2/4}.$$

Therefore,

$$(1.31) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (e^{iat-t^2/2} - 1) f^k(t) dt = O\left(\int_0^{\delta} \left(|a|t + \frac{t^2}{2}\right) e^{-kt^2/4} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{|a|}{k} + \frac{1}{k^{3/2}}\right).$$

In a similar way,

$$(1.32) \quad \int_{-\delta}^{\delta} (e^{iat-t^2/2} - 1) \frac{f^k(t)}{t} dt = O\left(\frac{|a|}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{1}{k}\right).$$

From (1.11), (1.12), (1.18), (1.19), (1.28), (1.29), (1.31) and (1.32) it follows that

$$(1.33) \quad J_{1k}(\delta) = l_{1k} + l_{2k}, \quad \delta < \frac{1}{5c_3},$$

where

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} |l_{1k}| = O(c_3^2), \quad l_{2k} = O\left(\frac{c_3|a|}{\sqrt{k}}\right).$$

We can now estimate the integral

$$J_{2k}(\delta) = \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\operatorname{Re} f^k(t)}{t^2} dt.$$

Clearly,

$$|J_{2k}(\delta)| < \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} dF_k(x) \left| \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\cos xt}{t^2} dt \right|.$$

For $x > 0$,

$$\int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\cos xt}{t^2} dt = x \int_{\delta x}^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt.$$

Further,

$$\int_{\delta x}^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt = \int_{\delta x}^{k(\delta x)\pi} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt + \int_{k(\delta x)\pi}^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt,$$

where

$$k(\delta x) = \left[\frac{\delta x}{\pi} \right] + 1.$$

It is not hard to see that

$$\left| \int_{k(\delta x)\pi}^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt \right| < \int_{k(\delta x)\pi}^{(k(\delta x)+1)\pi} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt < \frac{\pi}{\delta^2 x^2}.$$

But this same estimate is also the value for

$$\int_{\delta x}^{k(\delta x)} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt.$$

Moreover, the integrals

$$\int_{k(\delta x)\pi}^{\infty} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{\delta x}^{k(\delta x)\pi} \frac{\cos t}{t^2} dt$$

have opposite signs.

Therefore,

$$\left| \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\cos xt}{t^2} dt \right| < \frac{\pi}{|x|\delta^2}.$$

On the other hand,

$$\left| \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{\cos xt}{t^2} dt \right| < \int_{\delta}^{\infty} \frac{dt}{t^2} = \frac{1}{\delta}.$$

Using these two estimates we obtain

$$(1.34) \quad |J_{2k}(\delta)| < \frac{1}{\delta} \int_{|x| < k^{1/4}c_3^{1/2}} dF_k(x) + \frac{\pi}{\delta^2} \int_{|x| \geq k^{1/4}c_3^{1/2}} \frac{1}{|x|} dF_k(x).$$

Applying the well-known estimate of Esseen for the remainder in the central limit theorem (see, for example, [9], Sec. 40), we obtain

$$(1.35) \quad \begin{aligned} \int_{|x| < k^{1/4}c_3^{1/2}} dF_k(x) &= \Phi(c_3^{1/2}k^{-1/4} - a\sqrt{k}) \\ &\quad - \Phi(-c_3^{1/2}k^{-1/4} - a\sqrt{k}) + O\left(\frac{c_3}{\sqrt{k}}\right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{c_3^{1/2}}{k^{1/4}}\right) + O\left(\frac{c_3}{\sqrt{k}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

From (1.34) and (1.35) it is easy to deduce the estimate

$$(1.36) \quad J_{2k} \left(\frac{1}{5c_3} \right) = O(c_3^{3/2} k^{-1/4}).$$

Finally, by virtue of (1.31),

$$(1.37) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{k} \left| f^k \left(\frac{1}{5c_3} \right) \right| = -\log \left(1 - \left| f \left(\frac{1}{5c_3} \right) \right| \right) = O(\log c_3).$$

The assertion of the lemma follows from (1.10), (1.6), (1.33), (1.36) and (1.37).

Lemma 3. *If $a = O(1)$, then*

$$\bar{b}_k = O \left(c_3^2 \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + |a| \right) \right).$$

PROOF. First of all,

$$\Psi_t''(t, z) = \left[\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \psi_k'(t) \frac{z^k}{k} \right)^2 - \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \psi_k''(t) \frac{z^k}{k} \right] \exp \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{z^k}{k} \int_{-\infty}^0 (1 - e^{itx}) dF_k(x) \right\}.$$

Therefore,

$$(1.38) \quad \Psi_t''(0, z) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{b_k^-}{k} z^k - \left(\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_k^-}{k} z^k \right)^2.$$

Clearly,

$$b_k^- = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 e^{-(x-ka)^2/2} dx + \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 d[F_k(x) - \Phi(x, ka, k)].$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 e^{-(x-ka)^2/2k} dx &= \frac{k}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^{-\sqrt{ka}} (x + \sqrt{ka})^2 e^{-k^2/2} dx \\ &= \frac{k}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \left(\int_{-\infty}^{-\sqrt{ka}} x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx - 2\sqrt{ka} e^{-ka^2/2} \right. \\ &\quad \left. + ka^2 \sqrt{2\pi} \Phi(-\sqrt{ka}) \right), \\ \int_{-\infty}^{-\sqrt{ka}} x^2 e^{-x^2/2} dx &= \sqrt{ka} e^{-ka^2/2} + \sqrt{2\pi} \Phi(-\sqrt{ka}). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 e^{-(x-ak)^2/2k} dx = (k^2 a^2 + k) \Phi(-a\sqrt{k}) - \frac{ak^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-ka^2/2}.$$

Using the estimate (1.14), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\infty}^0 x^2 d[F_k(x) - \Phi(x, ka, k)] &= \int_{-\infty}^0 x [\Phi(x, ak, k) - F_k(x)] dx \\ &= \sqrt{k} \int_{-\infty}^{-a\sqrt{k}} (x\sqrt{k} + ak)[\Phi(x) \\ &\quad - F_k(x\sqrt{k} + ak)] dx \\ &= O(c_3(\sqrt{k} + |a|k)). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(1.39) \quad b_k^- = (k^2 a^2 + k)\Phi(-a\sqrt{k}) - \frac{ak^{3/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-ka^2/2} + O(c_3(\sqrt{k} + |a|k)).$$

By (1.7), the coefficient of z^k in the expansion of $(\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} (a_j^-/j)z^j)^2$ is $\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j \bar{a}_{k-j}$. Set

$$\bar{a}_k^0 = a\Phi(-a\sqrt{k}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi k}} e^{-ka^2/2}, \quad r_k = \bar{a}_k - \bar{a}_k^0.$$

Then

$$(1.40) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j \bar{a}_{k-j} = \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j^0 \bar{a}_{k-j}^0 + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j^0 r_{k-j} + \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j r_{k-j}.$$

Clearly,

$$(1.41) \quad \bar{a}_j^0 = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{j}} + |a|\right).$$

At the same time, by Lemma 1,

$$(1.42) \quad r_k = O\left(\frac{c_3}{k}\right).$$

Therefore,

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k/2} \bar{a}_j^0 r_{k-j} = O\left(\frac{c_3}{\sqrt{k}} + |a|c_3\right).$$

On the other hand, Lemma 2 and (1.41) imply that

$$\sum_{j=k/2}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j^0 r_{k-j} = O\left(c_3^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + |a|\right)\right).$$

Thus

$$(1.43) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j^0 r_{k-j} = O\left(c_3^2\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + |a|\right)\right).$$

By (1.42),

$$(1.44) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} r_j r_{k-j} = O\left(\frac{c_3^2 \log k}{k}\right).$$

Let us now consider the sum

$$\sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j^0 \bar{a}_{k-j}^0.$$

Applying Euler's summation formula with remainder (see, for example, [10], p. 297, (66)),^{T-1} we obtain

$$(1.45) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^{k-2} \bar{a}_j^0 \bar{a}_{k-j}^0 &= \int_1^{k-1} \varphi(t) dt + \varphi(k-1) - \varphi(1) \\ &+ O\left(\sum_{j=1}^{k-2} \int_0^1 \varphi'(j+1-t) dt\right), \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\varphi(t) = \varphi_1(t)\varphi_1(k-t), \quad \varphi_1(t) = a\Phi(-a\sqrt{t}) - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi t}} e^{-ta^2/2}.$$

Clearly,

$$\varphi'_1(t) = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2\pi t^{3/2}}} e^{-ta^2/2}.$$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_1^{k-1} \varphi_1(t)\varphi'_1(k-t) dt \\ &= O\left(e^{-ka^2/2} \int_1^{k-1} t^{-1/2}(k-t)^{-3/2} dt\right) + O\left(|a| \int_1^{k-1} t^{-3/2} e^{-ta^2/2} dt\right) \\ &= O(k^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2} + |a| e^{-a^2/2}). \end{aligned}$$

This estimate is clearly valid also for

$$\int_1^{k-1} \varphi'_1(t)\varphi_1(k-t) dt.$$

Thus

$$(1.46) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{k-2} \int_0^1 \varphi'(j+1-t) dt = \int_1^{k-1} \varphi'(t) dt = O(k^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2} + |a| e^{-a^2/2}).$$

^{T-1} Reference [10] was omitted in the listed references in the Russian original.

Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned}\varphi(kt) &= a^2 \Phi(-a\sqrt{kt}) \Phi(-a\sqrt{k(1-t)}) - \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi kt}} e^{-ka^2 t/2} \Phi(-a\sqrt{k(1-t)}) \\ &\quad - \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi k(1-t)}} e^{-ka^2(1-t)/2} \Phi(-a\sqrt{kt}) + \frac{1}{2\pi k\sqrt{t(1-t)}} e^{-ka^2/2}.\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned}(1.47) \quad \int_1^{k-1} \varphi(t) dt &= k \int_{1/k}^{1-1/k} \varphi(kt) dt \\ &= k \int_0^1 \varphi(kt) dt + O(k^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2} + |a| + a^2).\end{aligned}$$

It is not hard to see that

$$(1.48) \quad k \int_0^1 \varphi(kt) dt = I_1(a\sqrt{k}),$$

where

$$\begin{aligned}I_1(x) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-x^2/2} \int_0^1 t^{-1/2} (1-t)^{-1/2} dt \\ &\quad - \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} x e^{-x^2/2} \int_0^1 \Phi(-x\sqrt{t}) e^{tx^2/2} (1-t)^{-1/2} dt \\ &\quad + x^2 \int_0^1 \Phi(-x\sqrt{t}) \Phi(-x\sqrt{1-t}) dt.\end{aligned}$$

From (1.40) and (1.43)–(1.48) it follows that

$$(1.49) \quad \sum_{j=1}^{k-1} \bar{a}_j \bar{a}_{k-j} = I_1(a\sqrt{k}) + O(c_3^2(k^{-1/2} + |a|)),$$

since $a^2 = O(|a|)$ for $a = O(1)$. Comparing (1.38), (1.39) and (1.49), we find

$$(1.50) \quad \bar{b}_k = -I_1(a\sqrt{k}) + I_2(a\sqrt{k}) + O(c_3^2(k^{-1/2} + |a|)),$$

where

$$I_2(x) = (x^2 + 1)\Phi(-x) - \frac{x}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-x^2/2}.$$

We now show that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}_k = 0$$

if $a = d/\sqrt{k}$ and $c_3^a = O(1)$, where d is a constant.

Indeed,

$$\bar{b}_k = \int_{-M}^0 x^2 d\bar{F}_k(x) + \int_{-\infty}^{-M} x^2 d\bar{F}_k(x), \quad M > 0.$$

Clearly, $\bar{F}_k(x) \leq F(x)$. Therefore

$$\int_{-\infty}^{-M} x^2 d\bar{F}_k(x) \leq \int_{-\infty}^{-M} x^2 dF(x).$$

On the other hand,

$$\int_{-M}^0 x^2 d\bar{F}_k(x) < -M \int_{-\infty}^0 x d\bar{F}_k(x) = -M\bar{a}_k.$$

From the last two estimates and Lemma 1 it follows that

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}_k = 0.$$

On the other hand,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \bar{b}_k = -I_1(d) + I_2(d).$$

Hence

$$(1.51) \quad -I_1(d) + I_2(d) = 0.$$

The assertion of the lemma follows from (1.50) and (1.51).

Lemma 4.

$$\bar{a}_n = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + |a|\right).$$

PROOF. Clearly,

$$|a_n^-| \leq \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 dF_n(x) \right)^{1/2} = \sqrt{n}(1 + a^2 n)^{1/2}.$$

The assertion of the lemma now results from (1.7) and the inequality

$$(1 + y)^{1/2} < 1 + \sqrt{y}, \quad y > 0.$$

Let

$$H(x) = \frac{3}{8\pi} \int_{-\infty}^x \left(\frac{\sin u/4}{u/4} \right)^4 du, \quad h(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{itx} dH(x).$$

Observe that $h(t) = 0$ for $|t| \geq 1$.

Lemma 5.

$$\bar{F}_n(x + l) - \bar{F}_n(x) = O\left((c_3 l + c_3^2) \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right), \quad l > 0.$$

PROOF. Using (0.8), we easily show that

$$(1.52) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta_n(x, l) &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} [\bar{F}_n(x + l - y) - \bar{F}_n(x - y)] dH\left(\frac{y}{5c_3}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}}{it} h(5c_3 t) f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) dt. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.53) \quad \bar{\varphi}_n(t) = -it\bar{a}_n + O(\bar{b}_n t^2), \quad n \geq 1.$$

By means of (1.53) and (1.30), equation (1.52) can be rewritten in the following form:

$$(1.54) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta_n(x, l) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \bar{a}_{n-k} \int_{|t| \geq 1/5c_3} (e^{-it(x+l)} - e^{-itx}) f^k(t) dt \\ &\quad + \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} \frac{e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x-l)}}{it} f^n(t) dt \\ &\quad + O\left(l \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \bar{b}_{n-k} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

By virtue of (1.13),

$$(1.55) \quad \begin{aligned} &\int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} (e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}) f^k(t) h(5c_3 t) dt \\ &= \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} (e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}) e^{iakt - kt^2/2} h(5c_3 t) dt \\ &\quad + O\left(kl c_3 \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^4 e^{-kt^2/4} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.56) \quad \int_0^\infty t^m e^{-kt^2/4} dt = O(k^{-(m+1)/2}).$$

Further,

$$(1.57) \quad \begin{aligned} I_k &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^\infty (e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}) e^{-kt^2/2 + iakt} h(5c_3 t) dt \\ &= O\left(l \int_0^\infty t e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{l}{k}\right). \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$(1.58) \quad I_k = O\left(\int_0^\infty e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}\right).$$

Using the expansions

$$h(5c_3 t) = 1 + O(c_3^2 t^2)$$

and

$$e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)} = itl + O(t^2 l^2),$$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} I_k &= -l \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t (\sin akt) e^{-kt^2/2} dt + O\left(c_3^2 l \int_0^{\infty} t^3 e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right) \\ &\quad + O\left(l^2 \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t (\sin akt) e^{-kt^2/2} dt = \sqrt{2\pi} ak^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2}.$$

Therefore, taking (1.56) into account, we obtain

$$(1.59) \quad I_k = O(|a|lk^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2} + c_3^2 lk^{-2} + l^2 k^{-3/2}).$$

From (1.57)–(1.59) it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |I_k| &= O\left(|a|l \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2}\right) \\ &\quad + O\left(\sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} + l^2 \sum_{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor}^{n/2} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} + l \sum_{n/2}^n \frac{1}{k} + c_3^2 l \sum_{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor}^{n/2} \frac{1}{k^2}\right) \end{aligned}$$

since there is no loss of generality in assuming that $l < \sqrt{n/2}$. Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} k^{-1/2} e^{-ka^2/2} &< \sqrt{n} \int_0^1 u^{-1/2} e^{-na^2 u/2} du = \frac{1}{|a|} \int_0^{na^2} \frac{e^{-u/2}}{\sqrt{u}} du \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{2}}{|a|} \int_0^{|a|\sqrt{n/2}} e^{-u^2} du. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor}^{n/2} \frac{1}{k^2} &= O(l^{-2}), & \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} &= O(l), \\ \sum_{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor}^{n/2} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} &= O\left(\frac{1}{l}\right), & \sum_{n/2}^n \frac{1}{k} &= O(1). \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$(1.60) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |I_k| = O(c_3^2 l^{-1} + l) = O(l)$$

since there is no loss of generality in assuming that $l \geq c_3$. Further,

$$\begin{aligned} I_k &= l \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} it e^{-kt^2/2 + iakt} h(5c_3 t) dt + O\left(l^2 \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right) \\ &= O\left((|a|kl + l^2) \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-kt^2/2} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{|a|l}{k^{1/2}}\right) + O\left(\frac{l^2}{k^{3/2}}\right), \end{aligned}$$

since

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t e^{-kt^2/2} h(5c_3 t) dt = 0.$$

This estimate together with (1.57) and (1.58) implies that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{|I_k|}{\sqrt{n-k}} &= O\left(|a|l \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k(n-k)}}\right) + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=1}^{\lfloor l^2 \rfloor} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \right. \\ (1.61) \quad &\quad \left. + \frac{l^2}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=\lfloor l^2 \rfloor}^{n/2} \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} + l \sum_{n/2}^{n-1} \frac{1}{k(n-k)^{1/2}}\right) \\ &= O\left(|a|l + \frac{l}{n^{1/2}}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 4 to (1.55) and (1.56), we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} (1.62) \quad &\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \bar{a}_{n-k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}) f^k(t) h(5c_3 t) dt \\ &= O\left(\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} |I_k| \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}}\right)\right. \\ &\quad \left. + lc_3 \sum_{k=1}^{n/2} k \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^4 e^{-kt^2/4} dt \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + |a|\right)\right) \\ &\quad + lc_3 \sum_{k=n/2}^n \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}} + |a|\right) k^{-3/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Observe that

$$\sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} k^{-3/2} = O(n^{-1/2})$$

and

$$\sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} k^{-3/2} (n-k)^{-1/2} = O(n^{-1}).$$

In addition, there is no loss of generality in assuming that $c_3^2 < \sqrt{n}$. Therefore,

$$(1.63) \quad \sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} k^{-3/2} = O\left(\frac{1}{c_3^2}\right), \quad \sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} k^{-3/2} (n-k)^{-1/2} = O\left(\frac{1}{c_3^2 \sqrt{n}}\right).$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n k \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^4 e^{-kt^2/4} dt &= O\left(\int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} \frac{t^4}{(1 - e^{-t^2/2})^2} dt\right) \\ &= O\left(\int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} dt\right) = O(1/c_3). \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$(1.64) \quad \begin{aligned} lc_3 \left[\left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \sum_{k=1}^{n/2} k \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^4 e^{-kt^2/4} dt + \sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}} + |a| \right) \frac{1}{k^{3/2}} \right] \\ = O \left(l \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + |a| \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Without loss of generality we may assume that $|a| \leq 1$. Applying Lemma 3, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \bar{b}_{n-k} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt &= O \left(c_3^2 (|a| + n^{-1/2}) \sum_{k=0}^{n/2} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt \right) \\ &\quad + O \left(c_3^2 \left(|a| \sum_{k=n/2}^n k^{-3/2} + \sum_{k=n/2}^n k^{-3/2} (n-k)^{-1/2} \right) \right). \end{aligned}$$

Observe that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt = O \left(\int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} dt \right) = O(1/c_3).$$

Taking this estimate as well as estimate (1.63) into account, we obtain

$$(1.65) \quad l \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \bar{b}_{n-k} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} t^2 e^{-kt^2/4} dt = O(c_3 l (|a| + n^{-1/2})).$$

Finally, by (1.30),

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+l)}}{it} f^n(t) h(5c_3 t) dt = O \left(l \int_0^{\infty} e^{-nt^2/4} dt \right) = O(l/\sqrt{n}).$$

The last estimate and (1.54), (1.62), (1.64) and (1.65) imply that

$$\Delta_n(x, l) = O(c_3 l (|a| + n^{-1/2})).$$

On the other hand,

$$\Delta_n(x, l) \geq (\bar{F}_n(x + l - c_3) - \bar{F}_n(x + c_3)) \int_{-c_3}^{c_3} dH \left(\frac{y}{5c_3} \right).$$

Therefore,

$$\bar{F}_n(x + l) - \bar{F}_n(x) = O(\Delta_n(x, l + 2c_3)) = O \left((c_3 l + c_3^2) \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right).$$

The lemma is proved.

Lemma 6.

$$\bar{F}_{n-m}(x) - \bar{F}_n(x) = O \left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right) + O \left(c_3^2 |a| + \frac{c_3^2}{\sqrt{n}} \right).$$

PROOF. Without loss of generality we may assume that $m < n/4$ and $|a| \leq 1$. Taking (0.8) into account, it is not hard to see that

$$(1.66) \quad \begin{aligned} \Delta_{nm}(x) &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (\bar{F}_n(x - y) - \bar{F}_m(x - y)) dH\left(\frac{y}{5c_3}\right) \\ &= - \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-itx} h(5c_3 t)}{it} \left\{ \sum_{k=1}^n f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) - \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-m-k}(t) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.67) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) - \sum_{k=1}^{n-m} f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k-m}(t) &= \sum_{k=1}^{n/2-m} f^k(t) (\bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) - \bar{\varphi}_{n-m-k}(t)) \\ &+ \sum_{k=n/2+1}^n (f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) + \sum_{k=n/2-m+1}^{n/2} f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t). \end{aligned}$$

Further,

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\varphi}_{k+j}(t) - \bar{\varphi}_j(t) &= \bar{F}_{k+j}(0) - \bar{F}_j(0) + \int_{-\infty}^{0^-} e^{itx} d(\bar{F}_j(x) - \bar{F}_{k+j}(x)) \\ &= it \int_{-\infty}^{0^-} (\bar{F}_{k+j}(x) - \bar{F}_j(x)) e^{itx} dx. \end{aligned}$$

But

$$\bar{F}_{k+j}(x) \leq \bar{F}_j(x).$$

Hence,

$$(1.68) \quad |\bar{\varphi}_{k+j}(t) - \bar{\varphi}_j(t)| < |t| \int_{-\infty}^{0^-} (\bar{F}_j(x) - \bar{F}_{k+j}(x)) dx = |t|(\bar{a}_{k+j} - \bar{a}_j).$$

By (1.13),

$$(1.69) \quad \begin{aligned} f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t) &= e^{k(iat-t^2/2)} - e^{(k-m)(iat-t^2/2)} + O(c_3 k |t|^3 e^{-kt^2/4}) \\ &+ O(c_3 (k-m) |t|^3 e^{-(k-m)t^2/4}). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.70) \quad \begin{aligned} e^{k(iat-t^2/2)} - e^{(k-m)(iat-t^2/2)} &= e^{(k-m)(iat-t^2/2)} (e^{-mt^2/2} - 1) \\ &+ e^{i(k-m)at-kt^2/2} (e^{iamt} - 1). \end{aligned}$$

Applying (1.30) and Lemma 4 we obtain

$$(1.71) \quad \begin{aligned} I_{km} &\equiv \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)}{ti} e^{-itx} \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) h(5c_3 t) dt \\ &= \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} \frac{f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)}{it} e^{-itx} \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) dt \\ &+ O\left(c_3^2 \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}}\right) \int_0^{\infty} t^2 e^{-(k-m)t^2/4} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

By (1.30), (1.53) and Lemma 3,

$$(1.72) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} \frac{f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)}{ti} e^{-itx} \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) dt \\ &= -\bar{a}_{n-k} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} (f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)) e^{-itx} dt \\ &+ O\left(c_3^2 \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}}\right) \int_0^\infty t e^{-(k-m)t^2/4} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

From (1.69) and (1.70) it follows that

$$(1.73) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} (f^k(t) - f^{k-m}(t)) e^{-itx} dt = \\ & \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} e^{i(k-m)at - kt^2/2} (e^{iamt} - 1) e^{-itx} dt \\ &+ O\left(c_3(k-m) \int_0^\infty t^3 e^{(m-k)t^2/4} dt + m \int_0^\infty t^2 e^{-(k-m)t^2/2} dt\right). \end{aligned}$$

It is not hard to see that

$$(1.74) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} e^{i(k-m)at - kt^2/2} (e^{iamt} - 1) e^{-itx} dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^\infty (e^{k(iat - t^2/2)} - e^{(k-m)iat - kt^2/2}) e^{-itx} dt + O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} e^{-k/25c_3^2}\right). \end{aligned}$$

Clearly,

$$(1.75) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_{-\infty}^\infty (e^{k(iat - t^2/2)} - e^{(k-m)iat - kt^2/2}) e^{-itx} dt \\ &= \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{k}} (e^{-(x-ka)^2/2k} - e^{-(x-(k-m)a)^2/2k}). \end{aligned}$$

Further, setting $x - ka = A$ and $x - (k - m)a = B$ for brevity, we obtain

$$(1.76) \quad e^{-A^2/2k} - e^{-B^2/2k} = \int_{Ak^{-1/2}}^{Bk^{-1/2}} y e^{-y^2/2} dy = O(m|a|k^{-1/2}).$$

On the other hand,

$$(1.77) \quad \left| \int_{Bk^{-1/2}}^{Ak^{-1/2}} y e^{-y^2/2} dy \right| < \int_{Bk^{-1/2}}^{Ak^{-1/2}} |y| e^{-y^2/2} dy < 2 \int_{Bn^{-1/2}}^{An^{-1/2}} |y| e^{-y^2/2} dy,$$

$$n \geq k \geq n/2,$$

since $e^{-ny^2/2k} < e^{-y^2/2}$.

Let

$$d_{km} = \int_{Bn^{-1/2}}^{An^{-1/2}} |y| e^{-y^2/2} dy.$$

It is easy to see that

$$(1.78) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n/2}^n d_{km} &= \sum_{k=n/2}^n \sum_{j=k-m+1}^k d_{j1} = \sum_{k=n/2}^n \sum_{j=1-m}^0 d_{(k+j)1} \\ &< m \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} d_{i1} = m \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |y| e^{-y^2/2} dy = 2m. \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 4 and (1.75)–(1.78) imply that

$$(1.79) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} \bar{a}_{n-k} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (e^{k(iat-t^2/2)} - e^{(k-m)iat-kt^2/2}) e^{-itx} dt \\ = O\left(|a| \sum_{k=n/2}^{n-1} \left(\frac{d_{km}}{\sqrt{k}} + \frac{m}{k\sqrt{n-k}}\right)\right) = O\left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{n}}|a|\right). \end{aligned}$$

Applying estimates (1.71)–(1.74), (1.56), (1.79) and Lemma 4, we obtain

$$(1.80) \quad \begin{aligned} \sum_{k=n/2+1}^{n-1} |I_{km}| &= O\left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{n}}|a| + \sum_{k=n/2+1}^{n-1} \left[\left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n-k}}\right) \right. \right. \\ &\quad \times ((m+c_3^2)(k-m)^{-3/2} + k^{-1/2} e^{-k/25c_3^2}) \\ &\quad \left. \left. + (k-m)^{-1}(c_3^2|a| + c_3 + c_3^2(n-k)^{-1/2}) \right] \right) \\ &= O\left(c_3^2 + \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right), \end{aligned}$$

since

$$e^{-k/25c_3^2} = O\left(\frac{c_3^2}{k}\right),$$

and in addition, there is no less of generality in assuming $c_3^2 < \sqrt{n}$.

Observe that by (1.30),

$$f^n(t) - f^{n-m}(t) = O(m e^{-(n-m)t^2/4}(|at| + t^2)), \quad t \leq \frac{3}{2c_3}.$$

Therefore,

$$(1.81) \quad I_{nm} = O\left(m \int_0^{\infty} (|a|t + t^2) e^{-(n-m)t^2/4} dt\right) = O\left(\frac{m}{n} \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right).$$

It is not hard to show that

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n-m}} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} = O\left(\frac{m}{n^{3/2}}\right),$$

$$\Phi(-a\sqrt{n-m}) - \Phi(-a\sqrt{n}) = O\left(\frac{|a|m}{\sqrt{n}} e^{-a^2(n-m)/2}\right).$$

These estimates and Lemma 1 imply that

$$(1.82) \quad \bar{a}_n - \bar{a}_{n-m} = O\left(\frac{m}{n^{3/2}} + \frac{a^2 m}{\sqrt{n}} e^{-a^2(n-m)/2} + \frac{c_3}{n}\right).$$

Applying (1.30), (1.68), (1.71) and the estimate $x e^{-x^2} = O(1)$, we obtain

$$J_{km} \equiv \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} |t^{-1} f^k(t)(\bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t) - \bar{\varphi}_{n-m-k}(t))| dt$$

$$= O\left(\left(\frac{m}{(n-k-m)^{3/2}} + \frac{m|a| + c_3}{n-k-m}\right) k^{-1/2}\right).$$

Therefore,

$$(1.83) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{n/2-m} J_{km} = O\left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) + \frac{c_3}{\sqrt{n}}\right).$$

From (1.30) and Lemma 4 it follows that

$$(1.84) \quad \sum_{k=n/2-m}^{n/2} \int_{|t| \leq 1/5c_3} |t^{-1} f^k(t) \bar{\varphi}_{n-k}(t)| dt$$

$$= O\left(\sum_{k=n/2-m}^{n/2} k^{-1/2} |\bar{a}_{n-k}|\right) = O\left(\frac{m}{\sqrt{n}} \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right).$$

From (1.66), (1.67), (1.80), (1.81), (1.83) and (1.84) we deduce

$$\Delta_{nm}(x) = O\left(\left(c_3^2 + \frac{m}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right).$$

On the other hand,

$$\Delta_{nm}(x) \geq (\bar{F}_n(x - c_3) - \bar{F}_{n-m}(x + c_3)) \int_{|x| < c_3} dH\left(\frac{x}{5c_3}\right).$$

By virtue of Lemma 5,

$$\bar{F}_n(x + 2c_3) - \bar{F}_n(x) = O\left(c_3^2 \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right).$$

The assertion of the lemma follows from the last three estimates.

Lemma 7.

$$\bar{F}_n(0) = O\left(\left(c_3^2 \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right)\right).$$

PROOF. Clearly,

$$\bar{F}_n(-1) \leq - \int_{-\infty}^{-1} x d\bar{F}_n(x) \leq -\bar{a}_n.$$

By Lemma 4,

$$\bar{a}_n = O\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} + |a|\right).$$

On the other hand, by Lemma 5,

$$\bar{F}_n(0) - \bar{F}_n(-1) = O\left(c_3^2 \left(|a| + \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right).$$

These three estimates easily lead to the assertion of the lemma.

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