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A Berry-Esseen type bound for the kernel density estimator based on a weakly dependent and randomly left truncated data

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Abstract

In many applications, the available data come from a sampling scheme that causes loss of information in terms of left truncation. In some cases, in addition to left truncation, the data are weakly dependent. In this paper we are interested in deriving the asymptotic normality as well as a Berry-Esseen type bound for the kernel density estimator of left truncated and weakly dependent data.

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1 Introduction

\mathcal{P} is a population with large, deterministic and finite size N with elements $\{(Y_i, T_i); i = 1, \dots, N\}$. In sampling from this population we only observe those pairs for which $Y_i \geq T_i$. Suppose that there is at least one pair with this condition. The sample is denoted by $\{(Y_i, T_i); i = 1, \dots, n\}$. This model is called random left-truncated model (RLTM). We assume that $\{Y_i; i \geq 1\}$ is a stationary α -mixing sequence of random variables and $\{T_i; i = 1, \dots, N\}$ is an independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) sequence of random variables. The definition of a strong mixing sequence is presented in Definition 1.

Definition 1 Let $\{Y_i; i \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of random variables. The mixing coefficient of this sequence is

$$\alpha(m) = \sup_{k \geq 1} \{ |P(A \cap B) - P(A)P(B)|; A \in \mathcal{F}_1^k, B \in \mathcal{F}_{k+m}^\infty \},$$

where \mathcal{F}_l^m denotes the σ -algebra generated by $\{Y_j\}$ for $l \leq j \leq m$. This sequence is said to be strong mixing or α -mixing if the mixing coefficient converges to zero as $m \rightarrow \infty$.

Studying the various aspects of left-truncated data is of high interest due to their applicability in much research. One of these applications is in survival analysis. It is well known that in medical research on some specific diseases such as AIDS and dementia, the sampling scheme results in data samples that are left truncated. This model also arises in astronomy [1].

Strong mixing sequences of random variables are widely occurring in practice. One application is in the analysis of time series and in renewal theory. A stationary ARMA-sequence fulfils the strong mixing condition with an exponential rate of mixing coefficient. The concept of strong mixing sequences was first introduced by Rosenblatt [2] where a central limit theorem is presented for a sequence of random variables that satisfies the mixing condition.

The Berry-Esseen inequality or theorem was stated independently by Berry [3] and Esseen [4]. This theorem specifies the rate at which the scaled mean of a random sample converges to the normal distribution for all sample spaces. Parzen [5] derived a Berry-Esseen inequality for the kernel density estimator of an i.i.d. sequence of random variables. Several works were done for left-truncated observations. We can refer to [6] where the distribution of left-truncated data was estimated and asymptotic properties of the estimator were derived. More work was done by Stute [7]. Prakasa Rao [8] presented a Berry-Esseen theorem for the density estimator of a sample that forms a stationary Markov process. Liang and Uña-Álvarez [9] have derived a Berry-Esseen inequality for mixing data that are right censored. Yang and Hu [10] presented Berry-Esseen type bounds for kernel density estimator based on a φ -mixing sequence of random variables. Asghari *et al.* [11, 12] presented a Berry-Esseen type inequality for the kernel density estimator, respectively, for a left-truncated model and for length-biased data.

This paper is organized as follows. In Section 2, needed notations are introduced and some preliminaries are listed. In Section 3, the Berry-Esseen type theorem for the estimator of the density function of the data is presented. In Section 4, the theorems and corollaries of Section 3 are proved.

2 Preliminaries and notation

Suppose that Y_i 's and T_i 's for $i = 1, \dots, N$ are positive random variables with distributions F and G , respectively. Let the joint distribution function of (Y_1, T_1) be

$$\begin{aligned} H^*(y, t) &= P(Y_1 \leq y, T_1 \leq t) \\ &= \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^y G(t \wedge u) dF(u), \end{aligned}$$

in which $\alpha = P(Y_1 \geq T_1)$.

If the marginal distribution function of Y_i is denoted by F^* , we have

$$F^*(y) = \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{-\infty}^y G(u) dF(u),$$

so the marginal density function of Y is

$$f^*(y) = \frac{1}{\alpha} G(y)f(y).$$

A kernel estimator for f is given by

$$f_n(y) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{i=1}^n K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)}.$$

In many applications, the distribution function of the truncation random variable G is unknown. So $f_n(y)$ is not applicable in these cases and we need to use an estimator of G . Before starting the estimation details, for any distribution function L on $[0, \infty]$, let $a_L := \inf\{x > 0 : L(x) > 0\}$ and $b_L := \sup\{x > 0 : L(x) < 1\}$.

Woodroof [6] pointed out that F and G can be estimated only if $a_G \leq a_F$, $b_G \leq b_F$ and $\int_{a_F}^{\infty} \frac{dF}{G} < \infty$. This integrability condition can be replaced by the stronger condition $a_G < a_F$. Using this assumption, here we use the non-parametric maximum likelihood estimator for G that is presented by Lynden-Bell [13] and is denoted by G_n ,

$$G_n(y) = \prod_{i:Y_i>y} \left(1 - \frac{S(y)}{C_n(y)}\right), \quad 0 \leq y < \infty, \tag{2.1}$$

in which $S(y) = \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{Y_i=y\}}$ and $C_n(s) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{\{T_i \leq s \leq Y_i\}}$.

Using the definition of C_n that is mentioned in the estimation procedure of G and also using the empirical estimators of F^* and G^* , which are denoted by F_n^* and G_n^* , we have

$$C_n(y) = G_n^*(y) - F_n^*(y), \quad y \in [a_F, +\infty).$$

It can be seen that $C_n(s)$ is actually the empirical estimator of $C_n = G^*(y) - F^*(y) = \alpha^{-1}G(y)[1 - F(y)]$, $y \in [a_F, +\infty)$. This fact gives the following estimator of α :

$$\alpha_n = \frac{G_n(y)[1 - F_n(y)]}{C_n(y)}.$$

For details as regards α_n , see [14]. Using α_n , we present a more applicable estimator of f , which is denoted \hat{f}_n and is defined as

$$\hat{f}_n(y) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{i=1}^n K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha_n}{G_n(Y_i)}. \tag{2.2}$$

Note that in (2.2) the sum is taken over i 's for which $G_n(Y_i) \neq 0$.

3 Results

Before presenting the main theorems, we need to state some assumptions. Suppose that $a_G < a_F$ and $b_G \leq b_F$. Woodroof [6] stated that the uniform convergence rate of G_n to G is true for $y \in [a, b_G]$ for $a > a_G$. Thus, we have to assume that $a_G < a_F$. Let $\mathcal{C} = [a, b]$ be a compact set such that $\mathcal{C} \subset \{y; y \in [a_F, b_F]\}$. As mentioned in the Introduction, $\{Y_i; i \geq 1\}$ is a stationary α -mixing sequence of random variables with mixing coefficient $\beta(n)$, and $\{T_i; i \geq 1\}$ is an i.i.d. sequence of random variables.

Definition 2 The kernel function K , is a second order kernel function if $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} K(t) dt = 1$, $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} tK(t) dt = 0$ and $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2K(t) dt > 0$.

Assumptions

- A1 $\beta(n) = O(n^{-\lambda})$ for some $\lambda > \frac{2+\delta}{\delta}$ in which $0 < \delta \leq 1$.
- A2 For the conditional density of Y_{j+1} given $Y_1 = y_1$ (denoted by $f_j(\cdot|y_1)$), we have $f_j(y_2|y_1) \leq M$ for y_1 and y_2 in a neighborhood of $y \in \mathbb{R}$ in which M is a positive constant.

- A3 (i) K is a positive bounded kernel function such that $K(t) = 0$ for $|t| > 1$ and $\int_{-1}^1 K(t) dt = 1$.
- (ii) K is a second order kernel function.
- (iii) f is twice continuously differentiable.
- A4 Let $p = p_n$ and $q = q_n$ be positive integers such that $p + q \leq n$, there exists a constant C such that for n large enough $\frac{q}{p} \leq C$. Also $ph_n \rightarrow 0, qh_n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- A5 $\{T_i; i \geq 1\}$ is a sequence of i.i.d. random variable with common continuous distribution function G , and independent of $\{Y_i; i \geq 1\}$.
- H1 The kernel function $K(\cdot)$ is differentiable and Hölder continuous with exponent $\beta > 0$.
- H2 $\beta(n) = O(n^{-\lambda})$ for $\lambda > \frac{1+5\beta}{\beta}$ in which $\beta > \frac{1}{7}$.
- H3 The joint density of $(Y_i, Y_j), f_{ij}^*$, exists and we have $\sup_{u,v} |f_{ij}^*(u, v) - f^*(u)f^*(v)| \leq C < \infty$ for some constant C .
- H4 There exists $\lambda > 5 + \frac{1}{\beta}$ and for the bandwidth h_n we have $\frac{\log \log n}{nh_n^2} \rightarrow 0$ and $Cn^{\frac{(3-\lambda)\beta}{\beta(\lambda+1)+2\beta+1} + \eta} < h_n < C'n^{\frac{1}{1-\lambda}}$ which η is such that $\frac{1}{\beta(\lambda+1)+2\beta+1} < \eta < \frac{(\lambda-3)\beta}{\beta(\lambda+1)+2\beta+1} + \frac{1}{1-\lambda}$.

Discussion of the assumptions. A1, A2, and A4 are common in the literature. For example Zhou and Liang [15] used A2 for deconvolution estimator of multivariate density of α -mixing process. A3(i)-(ii) are commonly used in non-parametric estimation. A3(iii) is specially needed for a Taylor expansion. H1-H4 are needed to use Theorem 4.1 of [16] in Theorem 4 here.

Let $\sigma_n^2(y) := nh_n \text{Var}[f_n(y)]$, so by letting $\frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n}}K\left(\frac{Y_i-y}{h_n}\right)\frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} =: W_{ni}$, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n^2(y) &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n}}K\left(\frac{Y_i-y}{h_n}\right)\frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)}\right) \\ &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=1}^n W_{ni}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{3.1}$$

Let $k = \lfloor \frac{n}{p+q} \rfloor, k_m = (m-1)(p+q)+1$ and $l_m = (m-1)(p+q)+p+1$, in which $m = 1, 2, \dots, k$. Now we have the following decomposition:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n W_{ni} = \mathcal{J}'_n + \mathcal{J}''_n + \mathcal{J}'''_n, \tag{3.2}$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{J}'_n &= \sum_{m=1}^k j'_{nm}, & j'_{nm} &= \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} W_{ni}, \\ \mathcal{J}''_n &= \sum_{m=1}^k j''_{nm}, & j''_{nm} &= \sum_{i=l_m}^{l_m+q-1} W_{ni}, \\ \mathcal{J}'''_n &= j'''_{nk+1}, & j'''_{nk+1} &= \sum_{i=k(p+q)+1}^n W_{ni}. \end{aligned}$$

From now on, we let $\sigma^2(y) := \frac{\alpha f(y)}{G(y)} \int_{-1}^1 K^2(t) dt, u(n) := \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} (\alpha(j))^{\frac{\delta}{\delta+2}}$.

Theorem 1 *If Assumptions A1-A3(i) and A4 are satisfied and f and G are continuous in a neighborhood of y for $y \geq a_F$, then for large enough n we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(\sqrt{nh_n}[f_n(y) - Ef_n(y)] \leq x\sigma_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| = O(a_n) \quad a.s.$$

in which

$$a_n = h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta)}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + (\lambda_n''' \alpha(q))^{1/4} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'''^{1/2} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q), \tag{3.3}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda_n'' &:= \frac{kq}{n} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q) + qh_n, \\ \lambda_n''' &:= \frac{p}{n}(ph_n + 1). \end{aligned} \tag{3.4}$$

Theorem 2 *If the assumptions of Theorem 1 and A5 are satisfied, then for $y \geq a_F$ and for large enough n we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(\sqrt{nh_n}[\hat{f}_n(y) - E(f_n(y))]) \leq x\sigma_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| = O(a_n + (h_n \log \log n)^{1/4}) \quad a.s.$$

in which a_n is defined in (3.3).

Theorem 3 *If the assumptions of Theorem 2 are satisfied, G has bounded first derivative in a neighborhood of y and f has bounded derivative of order 2 in a neighborhood of y for $y \geq a_F$, then for large enough n we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(\sqrt{nh_n}[\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)] \leq x\sigma(y)) - \Phi(x)| = O(a'_n) \quad a.s.,$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned} a'_n &:= h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta)}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + h_n(p+1) + h_n^{-\frac{\delta}{2+\delta}} u(q) + (\lambda_n''' \alpha(q))^{1/4} \\ &\quad + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'''^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} \lambda_n'''^{1/2}, \end{aligned} \tag{3.5}$$

and λ'' and λ''' are defined in (3.4).

Remark 1 In many applications, f and G are unknown and should be estimated, so $\sigma^2(y)$ is not applicable in these cases. Here we present an estimator for it that is denoted by $\hat{\sigma}_n^2(y)$ and is defined as follows:

$$\hat{\sigma}_n^2(y) = \frac{\alpha_n \hat{f}_n(y)}{G_n(y)} \int_{-1}^1 K^2(t) dt.$$

Using this estimator instead of $\sigma^2(y)$ in Theorem 3, costs a change in the rate of convergence. This change is discussed in the following corollaries.

Corollary 1 *Let Assumptions A3, A5 and H1-H4 be satisfied, then for $y \in \mathcal{C}$*

$$\sup_{y \geq a_F} |\hat{\sigma}_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)| = O(c_n) \quad a.s.,$$

in which

$$c_n := \max \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nh_n}}, h_n^2 \right) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}}. \tag{3.6}$$

Theorem 4 *Let Assumptions A1-A5 and H1-H4 be satisfied. For $y \in \mathcal{C}$ and for large enough n we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)) \leq x\hat{\sigma}_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| = O(a'_n + c_n) \quad a.s.,$$

in which a'_n is defined in (3.5) and c_n is defined in (3.6).

4 Proofs

In order to start the proofs of the main theorems, we shall state some lemmas that are used in the proving procedure of the main theorems. For the sake of simplicity let C, C' and C'' , be positive appropriate constants which may take different values at different places.

Lemma 1 ([17]) *Let X and Y be random variables such that $E|X|^r < \infty$ and $E|Y|^s < \infty$ in which r and s are constants such that $r, s > 1$ and $r^{-1} + s^{-1} < 1$. Then we have*

$$|E(XY) - E(X)E(Y)| \leq \|X\|_r \|Y\|_s \left[\sup_{A \in \sigma(X), B \in \sigma(Y)} |\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) - \mathbb{P}(A)\mathbb{P}(B)| \right]^{1-1/r-1/s}.$$

Lemma 2 *Suppose that Assumptions A1-A3(i) and A4 are satisfied. If f and G are continuous in a neighborhood of y for $y \geq a_F$ then $\sigma_n^2(y) \rightarrow \sigma^2(y)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Furthermore, if f and G have bounded first derivatives in a neighborhood of y for $y \geq a_F$, for such y 's we have*

$$|\sigma_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)| = O(b_n),$$

in which

$$b_n := h_n(p + 1) + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q) + \lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'^{1/2} \lambda_n''^{1/2},$$

Proof Using the decomposition that is defined in (3.2) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma_n^2(y) &= \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'_n + \mathcal{J}''_n + \mathcal{J}'''_n) \\ &= \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'_n) + \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}''_n) + \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'''_n) \\ &\quad + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}''_n) + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}''_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n), \tag{4.1} \\ \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'_n) &= \text{Var} \left(\sum_{m=1}^k j'_{nm} \right) \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} \text{Var}(W_{ni}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &+ 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j'_{ni}, j'_{nj}) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_{m+p-1}} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\
 &=: \text{I}' + \text{II}' + \text{III}'. \tag{4.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

As assumed in the lemma, f and G are continuous in a neighborhood of y so they are bounded in this neighborhood. Now under Assumption A3(i) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(W_{ni}) &= \frac{1}{nh_n} \left\{ E \left[K^2 \left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha^2}{G^2(Y_i)} \right] - E^2 \left[K \left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} \right] \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{nh_n} \left\{ \int K^2 \left(\frac{u - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha f(u)}{G(u)} du - \left[\int K \left(\frac{u - y}{h_n} \right) f(u) du \right]^2 \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \left\{ \int K^2(t) \frac{\alpha f(y + th_n)}{G(y + th_n)} dt - h_n \left[\int K(t) f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right\}, \tag{4.3}
 \end{aligned}$$

so it can be concluded that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{I}'| &\leq \frac{kp}{n} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 K^2(t) \frac{\alpha f(y + th_n)}{G(y + th_n)} dt + h_n \left[\int_{-1}^1 K(t) f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right\} \\
 &= O\left(\frac{kp}{n}\right). \tag{4.4}
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 1 for arbitrarily $\delta > 0$ and also the continuity of f in a neighborhood of y gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{II}'| &\leq 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \sum_{s=k_i}^{k_i+p-1} \sum_{t=k_j}^{k_j+p-1} |\text{Cov}(W_{ns}, W_{nt})| \\
 &\leq \frac{C}{nh_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \sum_{s=k_i}^{k_i+p-1} \sum_{t=k_j}^{k_j+p-1} \left\| K \left(\frac{Y_s - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_s)} \right\|_{2+\delta} \left\| K \left(\frac{Y_t - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_t)} \right\|_{2+\delta} \\
 &\quad \times (\alpha(t - s))^{1-2/(2+\delta)} \\
 &= \frac{C}{nh_n} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \sum_{s=k_i}^{k_i+p-1} \sum_{t=k_j}^{k_j+p-1} \left\| K \left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_1)} \right\|_{2+\delta}^2 (\alpha(t - s))^{\delta/(2+\delta)} \\
 &= \frac{C}{nh_n} \left\| K \left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_1)} \right\|_{2+\delta}^2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \sum_{s=k_i}^{k_i+p-1} \sum_{t=k_j}^{k_j+p-1} (\alpha(t - s))^{\delta/(2+\delta)},
 \end{aligned}$$

now using the notation $u(n) := \sum_{j=n}^\infty (\alpha(j))^{\frac{\delta}{2+\delta}}$, which is defined before, and A1 we get the following result:

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{II}'| &\leq \frac{C}{nh_n} \left\| K \left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_1)} \right\|_{2+\delta}^2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \sum_{s=k_i}^{k_i+p-1} \sum_{t=k_j}^{k_j+p-1} (\alpha(t - s))^{\delta/(2+\delta)} \\
 &\leq \frac{Ckp}{nh_n^{\delta/(2+\delta)}} \left[\int_{-1}^1 |K(t)|^{2+\delta} \frac{f(y + th_n)}{G^{1+\delta}(y + th_n)} dt \right]^{\delta/(2+\delta)} \sum_{j=q}^\infty (\alpha(j))^{\delta/(2+\delta)} \\
 &= O(h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta} u(q)). \tag{4.5}
 \end{aligned}$$

Under Assumption A2 we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{III}'| &\leq 2 \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_{m+p-1}} |\text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj})| \\
 &\leq \frac{2}{nh_n} \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_{m+p-1}} \left\{ E \left| K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) K\left(\frac{Y_j - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha^2}{G(Y_i)G(Y_j)} \right| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + E^2 \left[K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} \right] \right\} \\
 &\leq \frac{2}{nh_n} \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_{m+p-1}} \left\{ \int \int \left| K\left(\frac{u_1 - y}{h_n}\right) K\left(\frac{u_2 - y}{h_n}\right) \right| \right. \\
 &\quad \left. \times f^*(u_2|u_1) f^*(u_1) du_1 du_2 + \left(\int K\left(\frac{u - y}{h_n}\right) f(u) du \right)^2 \right\} \\
 &\leq \frac{Ch_n}{n} \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_{m+p-1}} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 |K(s)K(t)| ds dt + \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + \left[\int_{-1}^1 K(t)f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right\} \\
 &\leq C \frac{kp^2 h_n}{n} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 |K(s)K(t)| ds dt + \left[\int_{-1}^1 K(t)f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right\} \\
 &= O(ph_n). \tag{4.6}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, using (4.4), (4.5), (4.6), and (4.2), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'_n) &= O\left(\frac{kp}{n} + h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta} u(q) + ph_n\right) \\
 &= O(1), \tag{4.7}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}''_n) &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{m=1}^k j''_{nm}\right) \\
 &= \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{i=l_m}^{l_{m+q}-1} \text{Var}(W_{ni}) + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j''_{ni}, j''_{nj}) \\
 &\quad + 2 \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{l_m \leq i < j \leq l_{m+q}-1} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\
 &=: \text{I}'' + \text{II}'' + \text{III}'' . \tag{4.8}
 \end{aligned}$$

By the same argument as is used for |I'| and |II'| and |III'|, it can be concluded that

$$\begin{aligned}
 |\text{I}''| &= O\left(\frac{kq}{n}\right), \\
 |\text{II}''| &= O(h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q)), \\
 |\text{III}''| &= O(qh_n). \tag{4.9}
 \end{aligned}$$

Now, using (4.8) and (4.9), we have

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}_n'') &= O\left(\frac{kq}{n} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)}u(q) + qh_n\right) \\ &= O(\lambda_n''). \end{aligned} \tag{4.10}$$

Similarly

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}_n''') &= \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=k(p+q)+1}^n W_{ni}\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=k(p+q)+1}^n \text{Var}(W_{ni}) + 2 \sum_{k(p+q)+1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\ &=: \text{I}''' + \text{II}''', \end{aligned} \tag{4.11}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |\text{I}'''| &= O\left(\frac{1}{n}(n - k(p + q))\right), \\ |\text{II}'''| &= O\left(\frac{p^2 h_n}{n}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{4.12}$$

So we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}_n''') &= O\left(\frac{1}{n}((n - k(p + q)) + p^2 h_n)\right) \\ &= O\left(\frac{p}{n}(ph_n + 1)\right) \\ &= O(\lambda_n'''). \end{aligned} \tag{4.13}$$

Gathering all that is obtained above,

$$\begin{aligned} |\sigma_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)| &= \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(W_{ni}) - \sigma^2(y) \right. \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j'_{ni}, j'_{nj}) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_m+p-1} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j''_{ni}, j''_{nj}) + 2 \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{l_m \leq i < j \leq l_m+p-1} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\ &\quad + 2 \sum_{k(p+q)+1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}''_n) \\ &\quad \left. + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) + 2\text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}''_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) \right|, \end{aligned} \tag{4.14}$$

and by letting

$$\begin{aligned}
 A_n := & \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j'_{ni}, j'_{nj}) + \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_m + p - 1} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\
 & + \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j''_{ni}, j''_{nj}) + \sum_{m=1}^k \sum_{l_m \leq i < j \leq l_m + p - 1} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) \\
 & + \sum_{k(p+q)+1 \leq i < j \leq n} \text{Cov}(W_{ni}, W_{nj}) + \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}''_n) \\
 & + \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) + \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}''_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n),
 \end{aligned}$$

we have

$$(4.14) \leq \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(W_{ni}) - \sigma^2(y) \right| + 2|A_n|. \tag{4.15}$$

On the other hand using (4.7), (4.10), and (4.13), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}''_n) & \leq [\text{Var}(\mathcal{J}'_n) \text{Var}(\mathcal{J}''_n)]^{\frac{1}{2}} \\
 & = O(\lambda_n'^{1/2}), \\
 \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}'_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) & = O(\lambda_n''^{1/2}), \\
 \text{Cov}(\mathcal{J}''_n, \mathcal{J}'''_n) & = O(\lambda_n'^{1/2} \lambda_n''^{1/2}).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.16}$$

So for A_n we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 |A_n| & = O\left(h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta} u(q) + ph_n + qh_n + p^2 \frac{h_n}{n} + \lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'^{1/2} \lambda_n''^{1/2}\right) \\
 & = O\left(h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta} u(q) + ph_n + qh_n + \lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'^{1/2} \lambda_n''^{1/2}\right).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.17}$$

On the other hand from (4.3), it can easily be concluded that $\sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(W_{ni}) \rightarrow \sigma^2(y)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Now under Assumptions A1 and A4 $|A_n| \rightarrow 0$, so $\sigma_n^2(y) \rightarrow \sigma^2(y)$. If f and G have bounded first derivatives in a neighborhood of y , we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \left| \sum_{i=1}^n \text{Var}(W_{ni}) - \sigma^2(y) \right| \\
 & = \left| \frac{1}{h_n} \left\{ E \left[K^2 \left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha^2}{G^2(Y_1)} \right] - E^2 \left[K \left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_1)} \right] \right\} - \sigma^2(y) \right| \\
 & = \left| \frac{1}{h_n} \left\{ \int K^2 \left(\frac{u - y}{h_n} \right) \frac{\alpha f(u)}{G(u)} du - \left[\int K \left(\frac{u - y}{h_n} \right) f(u) du \right]^2 \right\} - \sigma^2(y) \right| \\
 & = \left| \int_{-1}^1 K^2(t) \frac{G(y)[f(y + th_n) - f(y)] + f(y)[G(y + th_n) - G(y)]}{G(y + h_n t)G(y)} dt \right. \\
 & \quad \left. - h_n \left[\int_{-1}^1 K(t) f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right| \\
 & = O(h_n).
 \end{aligned} \tag{4.18}$$

From (4.14) we get the following result:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &|\sigma_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)| \\
 &= O(h_n + h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta}u(q) + ph_n + qh_n + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2}\lambda_n^{1/2}) \\
 &= O(h_n + h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta}u(q) + ph_n + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2}\lambda_n^{1/2}) \\
 &= O(h_n(p + 1) + h_n^{-\delta/2+\delta}u(q) + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2} + \lambda_n^{1/2}\lambda_n^{1/2}),
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.19}$$

and the proof is completed. □

Before starting the next lemma, we note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\frac{\sqrt{nh_n}[f_n(y) - Ef_n(y)]}{\sigma_n(y)} \\
 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_n(y)\sqrt{nh_n}} \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} - E\left[K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} \right] \right\} \\
 &=: \sum_{i=1}^n Z_{ni}.
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.20}$$

If we let $\sum_{i=1}^n Z_{ni} =: S_n$, it can be observed that

$$S_n = S'_n + S''_n + S'''_n,
 \tag{4.21}$$

in which

$$\begin{aligned}
 S'_n &= \sum_{m=1}^k Y'_{nm}, & Y'_{nm} &= \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_{m+p}-1} Z_{ni}, \\
 S''_n &= \sum_{m=1}^k Y''_{nm}, & Y''_{nm} &= \sum_{i=l_m}^{l_{m+q}-1} Z_{ni}, \\
 S'''_n &= \sum_{m=1}^k Y'''_{nm}, & Y'''_{nm} &= \sum_{i=k(p+q)+1}^n Z_{ni}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Lemma 3 *Suppose that Assumptions A1-A3(i) and A4 are satisfied and f and G are continuous in a neighborhood of y for $y \geq a_F$. Then for such y 's we have*

$$\begin{aligned}
 &P(|S''_n| > \lambda_n^{1/3}) = O(\lambda_n^{1/3}), \\
 &P(|S'''_n| > \lambda_n^{1/3}) = O(\lambda_n^{1/3}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Proof With the aid of Lemma 2 we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(S''_n)^2 &= \frac{1}{\sigma_n^2(y)} E[\mathcal{J}''_n - E(\mathcal{J}''_n)]^2 \\
 &= O(\lambda_n'').
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.22}$$

The same argument shows that $E(S_n''')^2 = O(\lambda_n''')$, so we have

$$\begin{aligned} P(|S_n''| > \lambda_n''^{\frac{1}{3}}) &\leq \frac{E(S_n'')^2}{\lambda_n''^{\frac{2}{3}}} \\ &= O(\lambda_n''^{\frac{1}{3}}) \end{aligned} \tag{4.23}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P(|S_n'''| > \lambda_n'''^{\frac{1}{3}}) &\leq \frac{E(S_n''')^2}{\lambda_n'''^{\frac{2}{3}}} \\ &= O(\lambda_n'''^{\frac{1}{3}}). \end{aligned} \tag{4.24}$$

So the proof is completed. □

In the following let $H_n := \sum_{m=1}^k X_{nm}$ in which X_{nm} , $m = 1, \dots, k$, are independent random variables with the same distribution as Y'_{nm} , $m = 1, \dots, k$. φ and φ' are, respectively, the characteristic functions of S'_n and H_n . Also let $s_n'^2 := \sum_{m=1}^k \text{Var}(X_{nm})$ and $s_n^2 := \sum_{m=1}^k \text{Var}(Y'_{nm})$.

Lemma 4 *Under the assumptions of Lemma 3, for $y \geq a_F$ we have the following:*

$$|s_n^2 - 1| = O(\lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q)).$$

Proof It can easily be seen that $s_n^2 = E(S'_n)^2 - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(Y'_{ni}, Y'_{nj})$, $E(S_n^2) = 1$ and

$$\begin{aligned} |E(S_n')^2 - 1| &= |E(S'_n)^2 - E(S_n^2)| \\ &= |E(S'_n)^2 - E(S'_n + S_n'' + S_n''')^2| \\ &= |E(S_n'' + S_n''')^2 - 2E(S'_n(S_n'' + S_n'''))|. \end{aligned} \tag{4.25}$$

Using (4.25) and Lemma 2, we can write

$$\begin{aligned} |s_n^2 - 1| &= \left| E(S'_n)^2 - 2 \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(Y'_{ni}, Y'_{nj}) - 1 \right| \\ &\leq |E(S'_n)^2 - 1| + 2 \left| \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(Y'_{ni}, Y'_{nj}) \right| \\ &= |E(S_n'' + S_n''')^2 - 2E(S'_n(S_n'' + S_n'''))| + 2 \left| \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(Y'_{ni}, Y'_{nj}) \right| \\ &= O(\lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2}) + 2 \left| \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j'_{ni}, j'_{nj}) \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{4.26}$$

On the other hand, from Lemma 2 we know that $\sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq k} \text{Cov}(j'_{ni}, j'_{nj}) = O(h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q))$, so substituting this in (4.26), gives the result,

$$|s_n^2 - 1| = O(\lambda_n'^{1/2} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q)). \tag{4.26}$$

□

Lemma 5 ([18]) *Let $\{X_j, j \geq 1\}$ be a stationary sequence with mixing coefficient $\alpha(k)$ and suppose that $E(X_n) = 0, r > 2$, and there exist $\tau > 0$ and $\lambda > \frac{r(r+\tau)}{2\tau}$ such that $\alpha(n) = O(n^{-\lambda})$ and also $E|X_i|^{r+\tau} < \infty$. In this case, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a constant C , for which we have*

$$E \left| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right|^r \leq C \left[n^\epsilon \sum_{i=1}^n E|X_i|^r + \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|X_i\|_{r+\tau}^2 \right)^{r/2} \right].$$

Lemma 6 *Under the assumptions of Lemma 3 for $y \geq a_F$ we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| P \left(\frac{H_n}{s_n} \leq x \right) - \Phi(x) \right| = O \left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n} \right)^{1+\delta'} \right).$$

Proof Using [19], Theorem 5.7, for $r > 2$ we can write

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| P \left(\frac{H_n}{s_n} \leq x \right) - \Phi(x) \right| \leq \frac{C \sum_{m=1}^k E|X_{nm}|^r}{s_n^r}. \tag{4.27}$$

On the other hand, using Lemma 5 there exists $\tau > 0$ such that for any $\epsilon > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{m=1}^k E|X_{nm}|^r &= \sum_{m=1}^k E|Y_{nm}|^r \\ &= \sum_{m=1}^k E \left| \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} Z_{ni} \right|^r \\ &\leq \sum_{m=1}^k C \left[p^\epsilon \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} E|Z_{ni}|^r + \left(\sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} \|Z_{ni}\|_{r+\tau}^2 \right)^{\frac{r}{2}} \right]. \end{aligned} \tag{4.28}$$

Let $\epsilon = \delta', r = 2 + 2\delta'$ for $0 < 2\delta' < \delta$ and $\tau = \delta - 2\delta'$ and $\lambda > \frac{(1+\delta')(2+\delta)}{\delta-2\delta'}$, so we have

$$\begin{aligned} (4.28) &= C \sum_{m=1}^k \left\{ \frac{p^{1+\delta'}}{(nh_n)^{1+\delta'}} \int \left[K \left(\frac{u-y}{h_n} \right) \right]^{2(1+\delta')} \frac{f(u)}{G^{1+2\delta'}(u)} du \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{p^{1+\delta'}}{(nh_n)^{1+\delta'}} \left[\int \left[K \left(\frac{u-y}{h_n} \right) \right]^{2+\delta} \frac{f(u)}{G^{1+\delta'}(u)} du \right]^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{(2+\delta)}} \right\} \\ &= C \sum_{m=1}^k \left\{ \frac{p^{1+\delta'}}{n^{1+\delta'} h_n^{\delta'}} \int_{-1}^1 [K(t)]^{2+\delta'} \frac{f(y+h_nt)}{G^{1+\delta'}(y+h_nt)} dt \right. \\ &\quad \left. + \frac{p^{1+\delta'}}{n^{1+\delta'} h_n^{\frac{\delta(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}}} \left[\int_{-1}^1 [K(t)]^{2+\delta} \frac{f(y+h_nt)}{G^{1+\delta}(y+h_nt)} dt \right]^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{(2+\delta)}} \right\} \\ &\leq Ck \left[p^{1+\delta'} (nh_n)^{-(1+\delta')} h_n + p^{1+\delta'} (nh_n)^{-(1+\delta')} h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \right] \\ &= O \left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n} \right)^{1+\delta'} \right). \end{aligned} \tag{4.29}$$

From Lemma 4, $s_n^2 \rightarrow 1$, so the proof is completed. □

Lemma 7 ([20]) *Let $\{X_j, j \geq 1\}$ be a stationary sequence with mixing coefficient $\alpha(k)$. Suppose that p and q are positive integers. Let $T_l = \sum_{j=(l-1)(p+q)+1}^{(l-1)(p+q)+p} X_j$ in which $1 \leq l \leq k$. If $s, r > 0$ such that $s^{-1} + r^{-1} = 1$, there exists a constant $C > 0$ such that*

$$\left| E \exp\left(it \sum_{l=1}^k T_l\right) - \prod_{l=1}^k E \exp(it T_l) \right| \leq C |t| \alpha^{1/s}(q) \sum_{l=1}^k \|T_l\|_r.$$

Lemma 8 *Under the assumptions of Lemma 3 for $y \geq a_F$ we have*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(S'_n \leq x) - P(H_n \leq x)| = O\left((\lambda_n''' \alpha(q))^{1/4} + h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta'}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'}\right).$$

Proof By letting $b = 1$ in [19], Theorem 5.3, p.147, for any $T > 0$ we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(S'_n \leq x) - P(H_n \leq x)| &\leq \int_{-T}^T \left| \frac{\varphi(t) - \varphi'(t)}{t} \right| dt \\ &\quad + T \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \int_{|u| \leq \frac{C}{T}} |P(H_n \leq u + x) - P(H_n \leq x)| du \\ &=: L_{n1} + L_{n2}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.30}$$

Now by letting $s = r = 2$ in Lemma 7, there exists a constant $C > 0$ for which we have

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi(t) - \varphi'(t)| &= \left| E \exp\left(it \sum_{m=1}^k Y_{nm}\right) - \prod_{m=1}^k E \exp(it Y_{nm}) \right| \\ &\leq C |t| (\alpha(q))^{\frac{1}{2}} \sum_{m=1}^k \|Y_{nm}\|_2 \\ &= Ck |t| (\alpha(q))^{\frac{1}{2}} E^{\frac{1}{2}} \left| \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} Z_{ni} \right|^2, \end{aligned} \tag{4.31}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Z_{n1})^2 &= \frac{\alpha^2}{nh_n \sigma_n^2(y)} E \left\{ K\left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{1}{G(Y_1)} - E \left[K\left(\frac{Y_1 - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{1}{G(Y_1)} \right] \right\}^2 \\ &\leq \frac{1}{n \sigma_n^2(y)} \left\{ \int_{-1}^1 K^2(t) \frac{f(y + th_n)}{G(y + th_n)} dt + h_n \left[\int_{-1}^1 K(t) f(y + th_n) dt \right]^2 \right\} \\ &= O(n^{-1}), \end{aligned} \tag{4.32}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(Z_{n1} Z_{n2}) &\leq \frac{1}{nh_n \sigma_n^2(y)} \int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \left| K\left(\frac{y_1 - u}{h_n}\right) K\left(\frac{y_2 - u}{h_n}\right) \right| f^*(y_2 | y_1) f^*(y_1) dy_1 dy_2 \\ &= O\left(\frac{h_n}{n}\right). \end{aligned} \tag{4.33}$$

Now using (4.32) and (4.33) we have

$$\begin{aligned} E \left| \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} Z_{ni} \right|^2 &= \sum_{i=k_m}^{k_m+p-1} E(Z_{ni})^2 + 2 \sum_{k_m \leq i < j \leq k_m+p-1} E Z_{ni} Z_{nj} \\ &= O\left(\frac{p}{n} (1 + ph_n)\right), \end{aligned} \tag{4.34}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
 L_{n1} &= O\left(T\left(\frac{p\alpha(q)}{n}(1+ph_n)\right)^{1/2}\right) \\
 &= O(T(\lambda_n'''\alpha(q))^{1/2}).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.35}$$

On the other hand applying Lemma 6 gives

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(H_n \leq u+x) - \mathbb{P}(H_n \leq x)| \\
 &\leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{H_n}{s_n} \leq \frac{u+x}{s_n}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{u+x}{s_n}\right) \right| \\
 &\quad + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{H_n}{s_n} \leq \frac{x}{s_n}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{x}{s_n}\right) \right| + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi\left(\frac{u+x}{s_n}\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{x}{s_n}\right) \right| \\
 &= O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'}\right) + O\left(\frac{|u|}{s_n}\right),
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.36}$$

so

$$L_{n2} = O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + \frac{1}{T}\right).
 \tag{4.37}$$

By choosing $T = (\alpha(q)\lambda_n''')^{-1/4}$ we get the following result:

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(S'_n \leq x) - \mathbb{P}(H_n \leq x)| \\
 &= O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + (\lambda_n'''\alpha(q))^{1/4}\right) \\
 &= O(b_n),
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.38}$$

and the lemma is proved. □

Lemma 9 ([21]) *Let X and Y be random variables. For any a > 0 we have*

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(X + Y \leq t) - \Phi(t)| \leq \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(X \leq t) - \Phi(t)| + \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi}} + \mathbb{P}(|Y| > a).$$

Proof of Theorem 1 Using (4.21) and Lemma 9, for any $a_1 > 0$ and $a_2 > 0$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}[\sqrt{nh_n}(f_n(y) - Ef_n(y)) \leq x\sigma_n(y)] - \Phi(x)| \\
 &= \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(S'_n + S''_n + S'''_n \leq x) - \Phi(x)| \\
 &\leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(S'_n \leq x) - \Phi(x)| + \frac{a_1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} + \frac{a_2}{\sqrt{2\pi}} + \mathbb{P}(|S''_n| > a_1) + \mathbb{P}(|S'''_n| > a_1).
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{4.39}$$

By choosing $a_1 = \lambda_n''^{1/3}$ and $a_2 = \lambda_n'''^{1/3}$ and using Lemma 3, we have

$$(4.39) = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |\mathbb{P}(S'_n \leq x) - \Phi(x)| + O(\lambda_n''^{1/3} + \lambda_n'''^{1/3}).
 \tag{4.40}$$

On the other hand using Lemmas 8, 4, and 6 we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(S'_n \leq x) - \Phi(x)| \\
 & \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(S'_n \leq x) - P(H_n \leq x)| + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(H_n \leq x) - \Phi(x)| \\
 & \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(S'_n \leq x) - P(H_n \leq x)| + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| P(H_n \leq x) - \Phi\left(\frac{x}{s_n}\right) \right| \\
 & \quad + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi\left(\frac{x}{s_n}\right) - \Phi(x) \right| \\
 & = O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + (\lambda_n''' \alpha(q))^{1/4}\right) + O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'}\right) \\
 & \quad + O(|s_n^2 - 1|) \\
 & = O\left(h_n^{\frac{2(1+\delta')}{2+\delta}} \left(\frac{p}{nh_n}\right)^{1+\delta'} + (\lambda_n''' \alpha(q))^{1/4} + \lambda_n''^{1/2} + \lambda_n'''^{1/2} + h_n^{-\delta/(2+\delta)} u(q)\right). \tag{4.41}
 \end{aligned}$$

So the proof is completed. □

Proof of Theorem 2 According to Lemma 9 for any $a > 0$ we can write

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P((nh_n)^{1/2} [\hat{f}_n(y) - E(f_n(y))] \leq x\sigma_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| \\
 & \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P((nh_n)^{1/2} [f_n(y) - E(f_n(y))] \leq x\sigma_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| \\
 & \quad + \frac{a}{\sqrt{2\pi}} + P\left(\frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |\hat{f}_n(y) - f_n(y)|}{\sigma_n(y)} > a\right), \tag{4.42}
 \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned}
 & P\left(\frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |\hat{f}_n(y) - f_n(y)|}{\sigma_n(y)} > a\right) \leq \frac{1}{a} E \frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |\hat{f}_n(y) - f_n(y)|}{\sigma_n(y)}, \tag{4.43} \\
 & E \frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |\hat{f}_n(y) - f_n(y)|}{\sigma_n(y)} \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n} \sigma_n(y)} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left| K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha_n}{G_n(Y_i)} - K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \frac{\alpha}{G(Y_i)} \right| \\
 & = \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n} \sigma_n(y)} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \left| \frac{\alpha_n G(Y_i) - \alpha G_n(Y_i)}{G_n(Y_i) G(Y_i)} \right| \right] \\
 & \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{nh_n} \sigma_n(y)} \sum_{i=1}^n E \left[K\left(\frac{Y_i - y}{h_n}\right) \left| \frac{G(Y_i) |\alpha_n - \alpha| + \alpha |G_n(Y_i) - G(Y_i)|}{G_n(Y_i) G(Y_i)} \right| \right]. \tag{4.44}
 \end{aligned}$$

From Lemma 5.2 of [16] we have

$$|\alpha_n - \alpha| = O\left(\sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}}\right) \text{ a.s.,} \tag{4.45}$$

and from [22] we have

$$\sup_{y \geq a_F} |G_n(y) - G(y)| = O\left(\sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}}\right) \text{ a.s.} \tag{4.46}$$

So we can write

$$\begin{aligned} (4.44) &\leq C\sqrt{nh_n} \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}}\right) \int_{-1}^1 |K(t)| f(y + th_n) dt \\ &= O(\sqrt{h_n \log \log n}). \end{aligned}$$

Now by choosing $a = (h_n \log \log n)^{1/4}$ and using Theorem 1 we get the result

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P((nh_n)^{1/2}[\hat{f}_n(y) - E(f_n(y))] \leq x\sigma_n(y)) - \Phi(x)| \\ = O(a_n + (h_n \log \log n)^{1/4}). \end{aligned} \tag{4.47}$$

□

Proof of Theorem 3 By the triangular inequality and using Lemma 1 for

$$a = \frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |Ef_n(y) - f(y)|}{\sigma(y)},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(\sqrt{nh_n}[\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)] \leq x\sigma(y)) - \Phi(x)| \\ \leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| P\left(\sqrt{nh_n} \left[\frac{\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)}{\sigma_n(y)}\right] \leq \frac{\sigma(y)}{\sigma_n(y)} x\right) - \Phi\left(\frac{\sigma(y)}{\sigma_n(y)} x\right) \right| \\ + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi\left(\frac{\sigma(y)}{\sigma_n(y)} x\right) - \Phi(x) \right| + \frac{\sqrt{nh_n} |Ef_n(y) - f(y)|}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sigma(y)}. \end{aligned} \tag{4.48}$$

Here we used the fact that the event $\frac{\sqrt{nh_n}}{\sigma(y)} |Ef_n(y) - f(y)| > a$ does not happen for the selected a .

From the inequality $\sup_y |\Phi(\eta y) - \Phi(y)| \leq \frac{1}{e\sqrt{2\pi}} (|\eta - 1| + |\eta^{-1} - 1|)$, it can be concluded that

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi\left(\frac{\sigma(y)}{\sigma_n(y)} x\right) - \Phi(x) \right| = O(|\sigma_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)|). \tag{4.49}$$

Under Assumptions A3(ii) and A3(iii), use of the Taylor expansion yields

$$|Ef_n(y) - f(y)| = O(h_n^2). \tag{4.50}$$

So from (4.48), (4.49), (4.50), Theorem 2, and Lemma 2, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |P(\sqrt{nh_n}[\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)] \leq x\sigma(y)) - \Phi(x)| &= O(a_n + b_n + h_n^2) \\ &= O(a'_n). \end{aligned} \tag{4.51}$$

□

Proof of Corollary 1 Using the triangular inequality it can be seen that

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} |\hat{\sigma}_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)| \\ &= \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} \left| \frac{\alpha_n \hat{f}_n(y)}{G_n(y)} - \frac{\alpha f(y)}{G(y)} \right| \int_{-1}^1 K(t) dt \\ &\leq \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} \frac{G(y) |\alpha_n \hat{f}_n(y) - \alpha f(y)| + \alpha f(y) |G_n(y) - G(y)|}{G_n(y) G(y)} \int_{-1}^1 K(t) dt. \end{aligned} \tag{4.51}$$

Under Assumptions A3, A5, H1-H4, Theorem 4.1 of [16] we obtain

$$\sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} |\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)| = O \left\{ \max \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nh_n}}, h_n^2 \right) \right\} \text{ a.s.} \tag{4.52}$$

From (4.45) and (4.52) we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} |\alpha_n \hat{f}_n(y) - \alpha f(y)| &= \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} |\alpha_n \hat{f}_n(y) - \alpha_n f(y) + \alpha_n f(y) - \alpha f(y)| \\ &\leq \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} \alpha_n |\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y)| + \sup_{y \in \mathcal{C}} |f(y)| |\alpha_n - \alpha| \\ &= O \left\{ \max \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nh_n}}, h_n^2 \right) \right\} + O \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}} \right) \text{ a.s.} \end{aligned} \tag{4.53}$$

Using (4.53) and (4.52) in (4.51) proves the corollary. □

Proof of Theorem 4 Using the triangular inequality we can write

$$\begin{aligned} & \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\frac{\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - f(y))}{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)} \leq x \right) - \Phi(x) \right| \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\frac{\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - E f_n(y))}{\sigma(y)} \leq \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) - \Phi \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) \right| \\ &\quad + \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) - \Phi(x) \right|. \end{aligned} \tag{4.54}$$

By Assumptions A1-A3(i), A4 and A5, Theorem 3 results in the following:

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \mathbb{P} \left(\frac{\sqrt{nh_n}(\hat{f}_n(y) - E f_n(y))}{\sigma(y)} \leq \frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) - \Phi \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) \right| = O(a'_n), \tag{4.55}$$

in which a'_n is defined in Theorem 3.

Under Assumptions A3, A5, H1-H4, Corollary 1 results in the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \Phi \left(\frac{\hat{\sigma}_n(y)}{\sigma(y)} x \right) - \Phi(x) \right| &= O(|\hat{\sigma}_n^2(y) - \sigma^2(y)|) \\ &= O \left\{ \max \left(\sqrt{\frac{\log n}{nh_n}}, h_n^2 \right) + \sqrt{\frac{\log \log n}{n}} \right\} \text{ a.s.} \end{aligned} \tag{4.56}$$

Substituting (4.55) and (4.56) in (4.54) proves the theorem. □

5 Conclusions

In this paper we obtained Berry-Esseen type bounds for the kernel density estimator based on left-truncated and strongly mixing data. Here it is concluded that in RLTM, which is also dealing with weak dependency, we can get asymptotic normality but comparing the results with [11] we see that the rates get much more complicated and also slower.

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