

On Deviation Between Kernel-Type Estimators of a Distribution Density in Some Independent Samples

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In the paper, the tests are constructed for the hypotheses that $p \geq 2$ independent samples have the same distribution density (homogeneity hypothesis) or have the same well-defined distribution density (goodness-of-fit test). The limiting power of the constructed tests is found for some local “close” alternatives.

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1. Introduction

Let $X^{(i)} = (X_1^{(i)}, \dots, X_{n_i}^{(i)})$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, be independent samples of size n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p , from $p \geq 2$ general populations with distribution densities $f_1(x), \dots, f_p(x)$. It is based on sample $X^{(i)}$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, checking two hypotheses: the homogeneity hypothesis

$$H_0 : f_1(x) = \dots = f_p(x)$$

and the goodness-of-fit hypothesis

$$H'_0 : f_1(x) = \dots = f_p(x) = f_0(x),$$

where $f_0(x)$ is the completely defined density function. In the case of the hypothesis H_0 , the general density of the distribution $f_0(x)$ is unknown.

In the present paper, the tests are constructed for the hypotheses H_0 and H'_0

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against the sequence of close alternatives:

$$\begin{aligned} H_1 : f_i(x) &= f_0(x) + \alpha(n_0)\varphi_i(x), \\ \alpha(n_0) &\longrightarrow 0, \quad n_0 = \min(n_1, \dots, n_p) \longrightarrow \infty, \\ \int \varphi_i(x) dx &= 0, \quad i = 1, \dots, p. \end{aligned}$$

We consider the test for the hypotheses H_0 and H'_0 based on the statistic

$$T(n_1, n_2, \dots, n_p) = \sum_{i=1}^p N_i \int \left[\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{N} \sum_{j=1}^p N_j \widehat{f}_j(x) \right]^2 r(x) dx, \quad (1)$$

where $\widehat{f}_i(x)$ is a kernel-type Rosenblatt-Parzen estimator of the density of the function $f_i(x)$:

$$\widehat{f}_i(x) = \frac{a_i}{n_i} \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} K(a_i(x - X_j^{(i)})), \quad N_i = \frac{n_i}{a_i}, \quad N = N_1 + \dots + N_p.$$

The particular case $p = 2$ is considered in [1] and [7]. Then the statistic T takes the explicit form

$$T(n_1, n_2) = \frac{N_1 N_2}{N_1 + N_2} \int (\widehat{f}_1(x) - \widehat{f}_2(x))^2 r(x) dx.$$

2. Preliminaries

We consider the question concerning the limiting law of the distribution of statistic (1) for the hypothesis H_1 when n_i tends to infinity so that $n_i = nk_i$, where $n \rightarrow \infty$, and k_i are constants. Let $a_1 = a_2 = \dots = a_p = a_n$, where $a_n \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

To obtain the limiting law of distribution of the functional $T_n = T(n_1, \dots, n_p)$, we make assumptions as to the functions $K(x)$, $f_0(x)$, $\varphi_i(x)$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, and $r(x)$:

- (i) $K(x) \geq 0$, vanishes outside the finite interval $(-A, A)$ and, together with its derivatives, is continuous on this interval or absolutely continuous on $(-\infty, \infty)$, $x^2 K(x)$ is integrable and $K^{(1)}(x) \in L_1(-\infty, \infty)$. In both cases $\int K(x) dx = 1$.
- (ii) The density function $f_0(x)$ is bounded and positive on $(-\infty, \infty)$ or it is bounded and positive in some finite interval $[c, d]$. Besides, in the domain of positivity it has a bounded derivative.
- (iii) Functions $\varphi_j(x)$, $j = 1, \dots, p$, are bounded and have bounded derivatives of first order; also $\varphi_i^{(1)}(x) \in L_1(-\infty, \infty)$.
- (iv) The weight function $r(x)$ is piecewise-continuous, bounded and $r(x) \in L_1(-\infty, \infty)$.

3. Statements of the main results

Theorem 3.1: *Let the conditions (i)–(iv) be fulfilled. If $\alpha_n = n^{-1/2}a_n^{1/4}$ ($\alpha_n = \alpha(n_0)$), $n^{-1}a_n^{9/2} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then for the hypothesis H_1 the random variable $a_n^{1/2}(T_n - \mu)$ has the normal limiting distribution $(A(\varphi), \sigma^2)$, where*

$$A(\varphi) = \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int \left[\varphi_i(x) - \frac{1}{\bar{k}} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j \varphi_j(x) \right]^2 r(x) dx,$$

$$\sigma^2 = 2(p-1) \int f_0^2(x) r^2(x) dx \cdot R(K_0), \quad K_0 = K * K,$$

$$\mu = (p-1) \int f_0(x) r(x) dx \cdot R(K), \quad R(g) = \int g^2(x) dx,$$

$$\bar{k} = k_1 + \dots + k_p, \quad p \geq 2.$$

The conditions of Theorem 3.1 as regards a_n and α_n are fulfilled, for instance, if it is assumed that $a_n = n^\delta$, $\alpha_n = n^{-1/2+\delta/4}$ for $0 < \delta < \frac{2}{9}$.

Corollary 3.2: *Let the conditions (i), (ii) and (iv) be fulfilled for $K(x)$, $f_0(x)$ and $r(x)$, respectively. If $n^{-1}a_n^2 \rightarrow 0$, then the random variable $a_n^{1/2}(T_n - \mu)$ for the hypothesis H'_0 has a normal limiting distribution $(0, \sigma^2)$.*

Using this corollary we may construct the test for the hypothesis H'_0 ; the critical domain for testing this hypothesis is defined by the inequality

$$T_n \geq d_n(\alpha), \tag{2}$$

where

$$d_n(\alpha) = \mu + a_n^{-1/2} \sigma \lambda_\alpha,$$

λ_α is the quantile of the level $1 - \alpha$, $0 < \alpha < 1$, of the standard normal distribution $\Phi(x)$.

Remark 1: The particular case $p = 2$ of criteria (2) is considered in [1, p. 43].

Corollary 3.3: *In the conditions of Theorem 3.1 the local behavior of the power $P_{H_1}(T_n \geq d_n(\alpha))$ is as follows: for $n \rightarrow \infty$*

$$P_{H_1}(T_n \geq d_n(\alpha)) \longrightarrow 1 - \Phi\left(\lambda_\alpha - \frac{A(\varphi)}{\sigma}\right).$$

We introduce the notation

$$f_n^*(x) = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j \widehat{f}_j(x),$$

$$\bar{\mu}_n = \int f_n^*(x) r(x) dx,$$

$$\Delta_n^2 = \frac{1}{k} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \Delta_{in}^2, \quad \Delta_{in}^2 = \int \widehat{f}_i^2(x) r^2(x) dx.$$

Theorem 3.4: *Let all the conditions of Theorem 3.1 be fulfilled. Then $a_n^{1/2}(T_n - \mu_n)\sigma_n^{-1}$ for the hypothesis H_1 has a normal limiting distribution $(A(\varphi)\sigma^{-1}, 1)$, where*

$$\mu_n = (p-1)R(K)\bar{\mu}_n, \quad \sigma_n^2 = 2(p-1)R(K_0)\Delta_n^2.$$

Corollary 3.5: *Let the conditions (i), (ii), (iv) and $n^{-1}a_n^2 \rightarrow 0$ be fulfilled. Then the random variable*

$$a_n^{1/2}(T_n - \mu_n)\sigma_n^{-1}$$

for the hypothesis H_0 has a normal limiting distribution $(0, 1)$.

This result allows us to construct the asymptotic test of the hypothesis testing for $H_0 : f_1(x) = \dots = f_p(x)$ (hypothesis of homogeneity); the critical domain is established by the inequality

$$T_n \geq \tilde{d}_n(\alpha) = \mu_n + a_n^{-1/2}\sigma_n\lambda_\alpha, \quad (3)$$

where λ_α is a quantile of the level $1 - \alpha$ of the standard normal distribution $\Phi(x)$.

Corollary 3.6: *In the conditions of Theorem 3.4 the local behavior of the power $P_{H_1}(T_n \geq \tilde{d}_n(\alpha))$ is as follows*

$$P_{H_1}(T_n \geq \tilde{d}_n(\alpha)) \longrightarrow 1 - \Phi(\lambda_\alpha - A(\varphi)\sigma^{-1}).$$

Suppose $\inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} f_0(x) > 0$ and $r(x) = f_0^{-1}(x)$, $x \in [0, 1]$ ($= 0$, $x \notin [0, 1]$). In this case for the hypothesis H_1 , random variable $a_n^{1/2}(T_n - \mu_0)$ has the normal limiting distribution $(A(\varphi), \sigma_0^2)$, where

$$\mu_0 = (p-1) \int K^2(u) du, \quad \sigma_0^2 = 2(p-1) \int K_0^2(u) du.$$

Let us introduce

$$\widehat{T}_n = \widehat{T}(n_1, n_2) = \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int_0^1 \left[\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j \widehat{f}_j(x) \right]^2 r_n(x) dx,$$

$$r_n(x) = [f_n^*(x)]^{-1}.$$

Theorem 3.7: *Let the condition (i)–(iv) be fulfilled. If $\alpha_n = n^{-1/2} a_n^{1/4}$ and $n^{-1} a_n^{9/2} \ln n \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then random variable $a_n^{1/2}(\widehat{T}_n - \mu_0)$ for the hypothesis H_1 has the normal limiting distribution $(A(\varphi), \sigma_0^2)$.*

Corollary 3.8: *Let the conditions (i), (ii) and (iv) be fulfilled. If $n^{-1} a_n^3 \ln n \rightarrow 0$, then the random variable $a_n^{1/2}(\widehat{T}_n - \mu_0)$ for the hypothesis H_0 has normal distribution $(0, \sigma_0^2)$.*

This corollary allows us to construct the asymptotic test of the hypothesis testing for $H_0 : f_1(x) = \dots = f_p(x)$; the critical domain is established by the inequality

$$\widehat{T}_n \geq \widetilde{d}_n(\alpha) = \mu_0 + a_n^{-1/2} \lambda_\alpha \sigma_0, \tag{4}$$

where λ_α is a quantile of the level $1 - \alpha$ of the standard normal distribution $\Phi(x)$.

Corollary 3.9: *In conditions of Theorem 3.7 the local behaviour of the power $P_{H_1}(\widehat{T}_n \geq \widetilde{d}_n(\alpha))$ is as follows*

$$P_{H_1}(\widehat{T}_n \geq \widetilde{d}_n(\alpha)) \longrightarrow 1 - \Phi\left(\lambda_\alpha - \frac{A(\varphi)}{\sigma_0}\right). \tag{5}$$

Remark 2:

- (a) The test (2) of testing hypothesis H'_0 against alternative $H_1 : f_1(x) = f_0(x), f_j(x) = f_0(x) + \alpha_n \varphi_j(x), j = 2, \dots, p$, is asymptotically strictly unbiased, since $A(\varphi) > 0$ and equals 0 if and only if, when $\varphi_j(x) = 0, j = 2, \dots, p$.
- (b) The tests (3) and (4) of testing hypothesis H_0 against H_1 is asymptotically strictly unbiased, since $A(\varphi) > 0$ and equals 0 if and only if, when $\varphi_i(x) = \varphi_j(x), i \neq j, i, j = 1, \dots, p$.

4. Proofs of Theorems 3.1, 3.4, 3.7

Proof of Theorem 3.1: Let us represent T_n as the sum

$$T_n = T_n^{(1)} + A_{1n} + A_{2n},$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} T_n^{(1)} &= \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int \left[\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j (\widehat{f}_j(x) - E\widehat{f}_j(x)) \right]^2 r(x) dx, \\ A_{1n} &= 2 \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int [\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)] \left[E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j E\widehat{f}_j(x) \right] r(x) dx, \\ A_{2n} &= \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int \left[E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j E\widehat{f}_j(x) \right]^2 r(x) dx. \end{aligned}$$

Here and in what follows $E(\cdot)$ is a mathematical expectation with respect to the hypothesis H_1 .

It is not difficult to see that

$$E\widehat{f}_i(x) = a_n \int K(a_n(x-u)) f_0(u) du + \alpha_n \varphi_i(x) + \frac{\alpha_n}{a_n} \int t K(t) \int_0^1 \varphi_i^{(1)}\left(x - \frac{tz}{a_n}\right) dz dt.$$

This relation implies

$$A_{2n} = \frac{n\alpha_n^2}{a_n} A_n(\varphi) + O\left(\frac{n\alpha_n^2}{a_n^2}\right).$$

Hence, since $\frac{n\alpha_n^2}{\sqrt{a_n}} = 1$, we obtain

$$\sqrt{a_n} A_{2n} = A(\varphi) + O\left(\frac{n\alpha_n^2}{a_n^{3/2}}\right) = A(\varphi) + O\left(\frac{1}{a_n}\right), \quad (6)$$

where

$$A(\varphi) = \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int \left[\varphi_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j \varphi_j(x) \right]^2 r(x) dx.$$

Now let us show that $a_n^{1/2} A_{1n} \rightarrow 0$ in probability. For this it suffices to show that $a_n^{1/2} E|A_{1n}| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. We have

$$\begin{aligned} E|A_{1n}| &\leq (EA_{1n}^2)^{1/2} = \\ &= 2 \frac{n}{a_n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p k_i^2 E \left(\int (\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)) A_i(x) r(x) dx \right)^2 \right\}^{1/2}, \end{aligned}$$

where

$$A_i(x) = E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j E\widehat{f}_j(x).$$

Further, it is easy to calculate that

$$E \left[\int (\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)) A_i(x) r(x) dx \right]^2 \leq \frac{a_n^2}{k_i n} E \left[\int K(a_n(x - X_1^{(i)})) A_i(x) r(x) dx \right]^2.$$

Therefore

$$E|A_{1n}| \leq c_1 \sqrt{n} \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int f_i(u) du \left[\int K(a_n(x - u)) A_i(x) r(x) dx \right]^2 \right\}^{1/2}. \quad (7)$$

Since $\sup_x |A_i(x)| \leq c_2 \alpha_n$ for all $i = 1, \dots, p$ and $r(x)$ is bounded, from (7) we obtain

$$a_n^{1/2} E|A_{1n}| \leq c_3 \frac{\sqrt{n} \alpha_n}{a_n^{1/2}} = O\left(\frac{1}{a_n^{1/4}}\right).$$

Hence

$$a_n^{1/2} A_{1n} = o_p(1). \quad (8)$$

Let us now proceed to the calculation of the limiting distribution of the functional $T_n^{(1)}$:

$$T_n^{(1)} = \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int \left[\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{\bar{k}} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j (\widehat{f}_j(x) - E\widehat{f}_j(x)) \right]^2 r(x) dx, \quad (9)$$

where $\bar{k} = k_1 + \dots + k_p$.

After performing some simple transformation in (9), we obtain

$$T_n^{(1)} = \int \left[\sum_{i=1}^p \left(\sqrt{\frac{n_i}{a_n}} (\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)) \right)^2 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j \sqrt{\frac{n_j}{a_n}} (\widehat{f}_j(x) - E\widehat{f}_j(x)) \right)^2 \right] r(x) dx,$$

where $\alpha_i^2 = \frac{k_i}{k_1 + \dots + k_p}$.

Let

$$\mathbf{Z}(x) = (Z_1(x), \dots, Z_p(x))$$

be the vector with the component

$$Z_i(x) = \sqrt{\frac{n_i}{a_n}} (\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)), \quad i = 1, \dots, p.$$

Then

$$T_n^{(1)} = \int \left[|\mathbf{Z}(x)|^2 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j Z_j(x) \right)^2 \right] r(x) dx,$$

where $|a|$ is the length of the vector $a = (a_1, \dots, a_p)$.

There exists an orthogonal matrix $\mathbf{C} = \|c_{ij}\|$, $i, j = 1, \dots, p$, depending only on k_1, k_2, \dots, k_p , for which

$$c_{pi} = \alpha_i = \sqrt{\frac{k_i}{k_1 + \dots + k_p}}, \quad i = 1, \dots, p.$$

Since under orthogonal transformation the vector length does not change, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_n^{(1)} &= \int \left[|\mathbf{CZ}|^2 - \left(\sum_{j=1}^p \alpha_j Z_j(x) \right)^2 \right] r(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} Z_j(x) \right)^2 r(x) dx. \end{aligned} \quad (10)$$

Let $F_i(x)$ be a distribution function of the random variable $X_1^{(i)}$ and let $\widehat{F}_{n_i}(x)$ be an empirical distribution function of the sample $X^{(i)} = (X_1^{(i)}, \dots, X_{n_i}^{(i)})$.

Further, by Theorem 3 in [5] we can write that

$$\begin{aligned} \widehat{F}_{n_i}(x) - F_i(x) &= n_i^{-1/2} W_i^0(F_i) + \varepsilon_n^{(1)}(x), \\ \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} |\varepsilon_n^{(1)}(x)| &= O\left(\frac{\ln n}{n}\right); \end{aligned} \quad (11)$$

$W_i^0(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, are the independent Brownian bridges depending only on $X^{(i)}$.

Using (11), it is easy to establish ([4], [8]) that

$$\begin{aligned} Z_i(x) &= \sqrt{\frac{n_i}{a_n}} (\widehat{f}_i(x) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)) = \xi_i(x) + \varepsilon_n^{(2)}(x), \\ \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} |\varepsilon_n^{(2)}(x)| &= O_p\left(\frac{\ln n}{\sqrt{na_n^{-1}}}\right), \end{aligned} \quad (12)$$

where

$$\xi_i(x) = a_n^{1/2} \int K(a_n(x-u)) dW_i^0(F_i(u)), \quad i = 1, \dots, p,$$

then by virtue of (12) we can write

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} Z_j(x) &= \sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \xi_j(x) + \varepsilon_n^{(3)}(x), \\ \sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} |\varepsilon_n^{(3)}(x)| &= O_p\left(\frac{\ln n}{\sqrt{na_n^{-1}}}\right). \end{aligned} \quad (13)$$

Further, $\xi_j(x)$ can be represented as

$$\xi_j(x) = a_n^{1/2} \int \left[K(a_n(x-t)) - \int K(a_n(x-u)) dF_j(u) \right] dW_j(F_j),$$

where $W_j(t)$, $j = 1, \dots, p$ are independent standard Wiener processes on $[0, 1]$.

From this representation it follows that

$$\sup_{-\infty < x < \infty} E \xi_j^2(x) < \infty, \quad j = 1, 2, \dots, p.$$

From this we have

$$A_n = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \int \sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \xi_j(x) r(x) dx$$

is uniformly bounded in probability, i.e. $P\{|A_n| \geq M\} \rightarrow 0$ as $M \rightarrow \infty$ uniformly with respect to n .

Therefore

$$A_n \cdot O_p\left(\frac{a_n \ln n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = o_p(1), \tag{14}$$

since, by assumption, $\frac{a_n^{9/2}}{n} \rightarrow 0$.

Thus, from representations (10) and (13), and also from relation (14), we find

$$\sqrt{a_n} (T_n^{(1)} - T_n^{(2)}) = o_p(1) + O_p\left(\frac{a_n^{3/2} \ln^2 n}{n}\right), \tag{15}$$

where

$$T_n^{(2)} = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \xi_j(t) \right)^2 r(t) dt.$$

Denote

$$\eta_i(t) = a_n^{1/2} \int K(a_n(t-u)) dW_i(F_i(u)),$$

$$T_n^{(3)} = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j(t) \right)^2 r(t) dt,$$

$$\varepsilon_i(t) = a_n^{1/2} W_i(1) \int K(a_n(t-u)) f_i(u) du.$$

Then

$$a_n^{1/2} (T_n^{(2)} - T_n^{(3)}) = o_p(1). \tag{16}$$

Indeed,

$$E|T_n^{(2)} - T_n^{(3)}| \leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} E \left| \int \sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j(t) \sum_{r=1}^p c_{ir} \varepsilon_r(t) \right| r(t) dt \\ + \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} E \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \varepsilon_j(t) \right)^2 r(t) dt = B_n^{(1)} + B_n^{(2)}. \quad (17)$$

It is easy to check that

$$B_n^{(2)} \leq c_4 a_n^{-1}.$$

Let us now estimate $B_n^{(1)}$. We have

$$B_n^{(1)} \leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \left[\sum_{j,r}^p |c_{ij} c_{ir}| E|W_r(1)| \left| \int \left[\int \Psi_r(t) K(a_n(t-u)) r(t) dt \right] dW_j(F_j) \right| \right] \\ \leq 2 \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \sum_{j=1}^p \sum_{r=1}^p |c_{ij} c_{ir}| \left\{ \int \left(\int \Psi_r(t) K(a_n(t-u)) r(t) dt \right)^2 dF_j(u) \right\}^{1/2} \leq c_5 a_n^{-1},$$

where

$$\Psi_r(t) = \int K(z) f_r(t - z a_n^{-1}) dz.$$

So, substituting the estimators of the expressions $B_n^{(1)}$ and $B_n^{(2)}$ into (17), we obtain statement (16).

Denote

$$\eta_i^0(t) = a_n^{1/2} \int K(a_n(t-x)) dW_i(F_0),$$

where $F_0(x)$ is a distribution function with density $f_0(x)$. Since $F_i(x) = F_0(x) + \alpha_n U_i(x)$, $U_i^{(1)}(x) = \varphi_i(x)$ and, by assumption, $\varphi_i(x)$ is bounded and $K^{(1)}(x) \in L_1(-\infty, \infty)$, we have

$$E(\eta_j(t) - \eta_j^0(t))^2 = O(a_n \alpha_n), \\ E(\eta_j^0(t))^2 = O(1), \quad (18)$$

uniformly with respect to $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ and $j, j = 1, \dots, p$. Indeed, we have

$$E(\eta_j(t) - \eta_j^0(t))^2 \\ = a_n E \left(\int \left(W_j(F_j(a_n(t-x))) - W_j(F_0(a_n(t-x))) \right) K^{(1)}(x) dx \right)^2$$

$$\leq a_n \int \left| F_j(a_n(t-x)) - F_0(a_n(t-x)) \right| |K^{(1)}(z)| dx \cdot \int |K^{(1)}(x)| dx \leq c_6 a_n \alpha_n,$$

and also

$$E(\eta_n^0(t))^2 = a_n \int K^2(a_n(t-x)) f_0(x) dx \leq \max_x f_0(x) \cdot \int K^2(u) du.$$

Further, using (18) and the Cauchy–Schwarz inequality we establish that

$$\sqrt{a_n} E|T_n^{(3)} - T_n^{(4)}| = O(a_n \sqrt{\alpha_n}) + O(a_n^{3/2} \alpha_n), \tag{19}$$

where

$$T_n^{(4)} = \sum_{i=1}^{p-1} \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j^0(t) \right)^2 r(t) dt.$$

Let us now study the limiting distribution of the functional $T_n^{(4)}$.

The processes $\eta_j^0(t)$, $j = 1, \dots, p$, are independent and Gaussian and therefore the new processes $\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j^0(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, p$, are also independent and Gaussian by virtue of the orthogonality of the matrix $\|c_{ij}\|$. Therefore to find the limiting distribution $T_n^{(4)}$ it remains to establish the limiting distribution of the functional

$$U_n^{(i)} = \int \left(\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j^0(t) \right)^2 r(t) dt$$

for every fixed i , $i = 1, \dots, p - 1$.

The covariant function $R_n^{(i)}(t_1, t_2)$ of the Gaussian process $\sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij} \eta_j^0(t)$ is equal to

$$R_n^{(i)}(t_1, t_2) = \sum_{j=1}^p c_{ij}^2 E \eta_j^0(t_1) \eta_j^0(t_2).$$

However,

$$\begin{aligned} E \eta_j^0(t_1) \eta_j^0(t_2) &= \int K(u) K(a_n(t_1 - t_2) + u) f_0(t_1 - a_n^{-1}u) du \\ &= f_0(t_1) K_0(a_n(t_1 - t_2)) + O(a_n^{-1}), \end{aligned} \tag{20}$$

where the estimator $O(\cdot)$ is uniform with respect to t_1, t_2 and $K_0 = K * K$.

From (20) it follows that

$$R_n^{(i)}(t_1, t_2) = f_0(t_1) K_0(a_n(t_1 - t_2)) + O(a_n^{-1}). \tag{21}$$

A semi-invariant $\chi_n^{(i)}(s)$ of order s of the random variable $U_n^{(i)}$ is defined by the formula [3]

$$\begin{aligned} \chi_n^{(i)}(s) &= (s-1)! \cdot 2^{s-1} \int \cdots \int R_n^{(i)}(x_1, x_2) R_n^{(i)}(x_2, x_3) \cdots R_n^{(i)}(x_s, x_1) \\ &\quad \times r(x_1) r(x_2) \cdots r(x_s) dx_1 dx_2 \cdots dx_s. \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Using (21) and (22) it is not difficult to establish that

$$\begin{aligned} EU_n^{(i)} &= \chi_n^{(i)}(1) = R(K) \int f_0(x) r(x) dx + O(a_n^{-1}), \\ \text{Var } U_n^{(i)} &= \chi_n^{(i)}(2) = 2R(K_0) a_n^{-1} \int f_0^2(x) r^2(x) dx + o(a_n^{-1}), \end{aligned} \quad (23)$$

and the s -th semi-invariant $\chi_n^{(i)}(s)$ is equal, with an accuracy of terms of higher order smallness, to [3]:

$$(s-1)! 2^{s-1} (a_n^{-1})^{s-1} [K * K]^{(s)}(0) \int f_0^s(x) r^s(x) dx, \quad (24)$$

where $[K * K]^{(s)}(0)$ means an s -fold convolution of $K_0(x)$ with itself.

From relations (23) and (24) it follows [3] (see also [8]) that

$$a_n^{1/2} \left(U_n^{(i)} - R(K) \int f_0(x) r(x) dx \right)$$

has a normal limiting distribution with mathematical expectation 0 and dispersion

$$2R(K_0) \int f_0^2(u) r^2(u) du, \quad R(g) = \int g^2(x) dx,$$

and therefore $\sqrt{a_n} (T_n^{(4)} - \mu)$ has a normal limiting distribution $(0, \sigma^2)$.

Finally, taking into account (6), (8), (15), (16), (19) and the representation

$$\begin{aligned} a_n^{1/2} (T_n - \mu) &= a_n^{1/2} (T_n^{(4)} - \mu) + A(\varphi) + O(a_n^{-1/2}) + o_p(1) \\ &\quad + O_p\left(\frac{a_n^{3/2} \ln^2 n}{n}\right) + O_p(a_n \sqrt{\alpha_n}) + O(a_n^{3/2} \alpha_n), \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

we conclude that $a_n^{1/2} (T_n - \mu)$ has a normal limiting distribution $(A(\varphi), \sigma^2)$. \square

Proof of Theorem 3.4: It is obvious that

$$a_n^{1/2} (T_n - \mu_n) \sigma_n^{-1} = a_n^{1/2} (T_n - \mu) \sigma^{-1} (\sigma \sigma_n^{-1}) + a_n^{1/2} (\mu - \mu_n) \sigma_n^{-1}.$$

Therefore it suffices to show that

$$a_n^{1/2} \left(\bar{\mu}_n - \int f_0(x)r(x) dx \right) = o_p(1) \tag{26}$$

and

$$\Delta_n^2 - \int f_0^2(x)r^2(x) dx = o_p(1). \tag{27}$$

But (27) immediately follows from Theorem 2.1 of Bhattacharyya G. K., Rousas G. G. [2] (see also [8], [6]).

Let us prove (26). We have

$$\begin{aligned} & a_n^{1/2} E \left| \int f_n^*(x)r(x) dx - \int f_0(x)r(x) dx \right| \\ & \leq a_n^{1/2} E \left| \int (f_n^*(x) - E f_n^*(x))r(x) dx \right| + a_n^{1/2} \int |E f_n^*(x) - f_0(x)|r(x) dx \\ & = A_{1n} + A_{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

It is not difficult to check that

$$A_{2n} \leq c_7(a_n^{-1/2} + \sqrt{a_n} \alpha_n).$$

Further, we have

$$\begin{aligned} A_{1n} & \leq a_n^{1/2} E^{1/2} \left(\int (f_n^*(x) - E f_n^*(x))r(x) dx \right)^2 \\ & \leq c_8 a_n^{1/2} \max_{1 \leq j \leq p} \left\{ \frac{1}{n} \int f_j(u) du \left(\int K(t)r \left(u - \frac{t}{a_n} \right) dt \right)^2 \right\}^{1/2} \leq c_9 \left(\frac{a_n}{n} \right)^{1/2}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$A_{1n} + A_{2n} \leq c_{10} \left(a_n^{-1/2} + \sqrt{a_n} \alpha_n + \left(\frac{a_n}{n} \right)^{1/2} \right) \longrightarrow 0. \quad \square$$

Proof of Theorem 3.7: For proving it is enough to state that $\sqrt{a_n} (T_n - \widehat{T}_n) \rightarrow 0$ in probability. We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{a_n} |T_n - \widehat{T}_n| & \leq L_n^{(1)} \cdot L_n^{(2)}, \\ L_n^{(1)} & = \sqrt{a_n} \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f_n^*(x) - f_0(x)| \left(\inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} (f_0(x)f_n^*(x)) \right)^{-1}, \\ L_n^{(2)} & = \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int_0^1 \left[\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j \widehat{f}_j(x) \right]^2 dx. \end{aligned}$$

Considering, that $E\widehat{f}_j(x) - f_0(x) = O(a_n^{-1}) + O(\alpha_n)$ uniformly in x , we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{a_n} \sup_x |f_n^*(x) - f_0(x)| \\ \leq \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \sqrt{a_n} \sup_x |\widehat{f}_i(a) - E\widehat{f}_i(x)| + O(a_n^{-1/2}) + O(\sqrt{a_n} \alpha_n). \end{aligned}$$

Further, from inequality (2) in [9] (see also [8, p. 43]) it follows that

$$\sqrt{a_n} \sup_x |\widehat{f}_j(x) - E\widehat{f}_j(x)| \leq V_0 a_n^{3/2} \sup_x |\widehat{F}_j(x) - F_j(x)| = O\left(\frac{a_n^3 \ln n}{n}\right)^{1/2}$$

with probability 1, where $V_0 = \bigvee_{-\infty}^{\infty} (K)$. From this and by condition $\frac{a_n^{9/2}}{n} \ln n \rightarrow 0$ it follows that

$$\sqrt{a_n} \sup_x |f_n^*(x) - f_0(x)| \rightarrow 0 \quad (28)$$

with probability 1.

Further, since

$$\inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} f_0(x) f_n^*(x) \geq \Delta_0 \inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} f_n^*(x), \quad \Delta_0 = \inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} f_0(x) > 0$$

and

$$\inf_{0 \leq x \leq 1} f_n^*(x) \geq \Delta_0 - \sup_{0 \leq x \leq 1} |f_n^*(x) - f_0(x)|,$$

then from the last and from (28) it follows that $L_n^{(1)} \rightarrow 0$ with probability 1. Further, we have

$$EL_n^{(2)} = \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int_0^1 \text{Var} \widehat{f}_i(x) dx + \frac{n}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^p k_i \int_0^1 \left[E\widehat{f}_i(x) - \frac{1}{k} \sum_{j=1}^p k_j E\widehat{f}_j(x) \right]^2 dx. \quad (29)$$

It is easy to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 \text{Var} \widehat{f}_i(x) dx &= O\left(\frac{a_n}{n}\right), \\ E\widehat{f}_n(x) &= a_n \int K(a_n(x-u)) f_0(u) du + O(\alpha_n). \end{aligned}$$

Because from (29) we establish that

$$EL_n^{(2)} \leq c_{12} + c_{13} \frac{n}{a_n} \alpha_n^2 = c_{12} + c_{13} a_n^{-1/2}$$

(by condition $\frac{n\alpha_n^2}{\sqrt{a_n}} = 1$). This means that $L_n^{(2)}$ is bounded by probability. Therefore, $\sqrt{a_n}(T_n - \widehat{T}_n) \rightarrow 0$ in probability. \square

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