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Strong and Weak Convergence for Asymptotically Almost Negatively Associated Random Variables

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The strong law of large numbers for sequences of asymptotically almost negatively associated (AANA, in short) random variables is obtained, which generalizes and improves the corresponding one of Bai and Cheng (2000) for independent and identically distributed random variables to the case of AANA random variables. In addition, the Feller-type weak law of large number for sequences of AANA random variables is obtained, which generalizes the corresponding one of Feller (1946) for independent and identically distributed random variables.

1. Introduction

Many useful linear statistics based on a random sample are weighted sums of independent and identically distributed random variables. Examples include least-squares estimators, nonparametric regression function estimators, and jackknife estimates,. In this respect, studies of strong laws for these weighted sums have demonstrated significant progress in probability theory with applications in mathematical statistics.

Let $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of random variables and let $\{a_{ni}, 1 \le i \le n, n \ge 1\}$ be an array of constants. A common expression for these linear statistics is $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n a_{ni}X_i$. Some recent results on the strong law for linear statistics T_n can be found in Cuzick [1], Bai et al. [2], Bai and Cheng [3], Cai [4], Wu [5], Sung [6], Zhou et al. [7], and Wang et al. [8]. Our emphasis in this paper is focused on the result of Bai and Cheng [3]. They gave the following theorem.

Theorem A. Suppose that $1 < \alpha, \beta < \infty, 1 \le p < 2$, and $1/p = 1/\alpha + 1/\beta$. Let $\{X, X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables satisfying EX = 0, and let $\{a_{nk}, 1 \le k \le n, n \ge 1\}$ be an array of real constants such that

$$\limsup_{n \to \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} |a_{nk}|^{\alpha} \right)^{1/\alpha} < \infty.$$
 (1)

If $E|X|^{\beta} < \infty$, then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1/p} \sum_{k=1}^{n} a_{nk} X_k = 0 \quad a.s.$$
 (2)

We point out that the independence assumption is not plausible in many statistical applications. So it is of interest to extend the concept of independence to the case of dependence. One of these dependence structures is asymptotically almost negatively associated, which was introduced by Chandra and Ghosal [9] as follows.

Definition 1. A sequence $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ of random variables is called asymptotically almost negatively associated (AANA, in short) if there exists a nonnegative sequence $u(n) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ such that

$$Cov(f(X_{n}), g(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, ..., X_{n+k}))$$

$$\leq u(n) \left[Var(f(X_{n})) Var(g(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, ..., X_{n+k})) \right]^{1/2},$$
(3)

for all $n, k \ge 1$ and for all coordinatewise nondecreasing continuous functions f and g whenever the variances exist.

It is easily seen that the family of AANA sequence contains negatively associated (NA, in short) sequences (with $u(n) = 0, n \ge 1$) and some more sequences of random

variables which are not much deviated from being negatively associated. An example of an AANA sequence which is not NA was constructed by Chandra and Ghosal [9]. Hence, extending the limit properties of independent or NA random variables to the case of AANA random variables is highly desirable in the theory and application.

Since the concept of AANA sequence was introduced by Chandra and Ghosal [9], many applications have been found. See, for example, Chandra and Ghosal [9] derived the Kolmogorov type inequality and the strong law of large numbers of Marcinkiewicz-Zygmund; Chandra and Ghosal [10] obtained the almost sure convergence of weighted averages; Wang et al. [11] established the law of the iterated logarithm for product sums; Ko et al. [12] studied the Hájek-Rényi type inequality; Yuan and An [13] established some Rosenthal type inequalities for maximum partial sums of AANA sequence; Wang et al. [14] obtained some strong growth rate and the integrability of supremum for the partial sums of AANA random variables; Wang et al. [15, 16] studied complete convergence for arrays of rowwise AANA random variables and weighted sums of arrays of rowwise AANA random variables, respectively; Hu et al. [17] studied the strong convergence properties for AANA sequence; Yang et al. [18] investigated the complete convergence, complete moment convergence, and the existence of the moment of supermum of normed partial sums for the moving average process for AANA sequence, and so forth.

The main purpose of this paper is to study the strong convergence for AANA random variables, which generalizes and improves the result of Theorem A. In addition, we will give the Feller-type weak law of large number for sequences of AANA random variables, which generalizes the corresponding one of Feller [19] for independent and identically distributed random variables.

Throughout this paper, let $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of AANA random variables with the mixing coefficients $\{u(n), n \ge 1\}$. $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. For s > 1, let $t \doteq s/(s-1)$ be the dual number of s. The symbol C denotes a positive constant which may be different in various places. Let I(A)be the indicator function of the set A. $a_n = O(b_n)$ stands for $a_n \le Cb_n$.

The definition of stochastic domination will be used in the paper as follows.

Definition 2. A sequence $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ of random variables is said to be stochastically dominated by a random variable X if there exists a positive constant C such that

$$P\left(\left|X_{n}\right| > x\right) \le CP\left(\left|X\right| > x\right),\tag{4}$$

for all $x \ge 0$ and $n \ge 1$.

Our main results are as follows.

Theorem 3. Suppose that $0 < \alpha, \beta < \infty, 0 < p < 2$, and $1/p = 1/\alpha + 1/\beta$. Let $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of AANA random variables, which is stochastically dominated by a random variable X and $EX_n = 0$, if $\beta > 1$. Suppose that there exists a positive integer k such that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u^{1/(1-s)}(n) < \infty$ for some $s \in (3 \cdot 2^{k-1}, 4 \cdot 2^{k-1}]$ and $s > 1/(\min\{1/2, 1/\alpha, 1/\beta, 1/p - 1/2\})$. Let $\{a_{ni}, i \ge 1, n \ge 1\}$ be an array of real constants satisfying

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\alpha} = O(n).$$
(5)

If $E|X|^{\beta} < \infty$, then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} X_i \right| = 0 \quad a.s.$$
 (6)

Remark 4. Theorem 3 generalizes and improves Theorem A of Bai and Cheng [3] for independent and identically distributed random variables to the case of AANA random variables, since Theorem 3 removes the identically distributed condition and expands the ranges α , β , and p, respectively.

At last, we will present the Feller-type weak law of large number for sequences of AANA random variables, which generalizes the corresponding one of Feller [19] for independent and identically distributed random variables.

Theorem 5. Let $\alpha > 1/2$ and $\{X, X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of identically distributed AANA random variables with the mixing coefficients $\{u(n), n \ge 1\}$ satisfying $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u^2(n) < \infty$. If

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} nP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) = 0,\tag{7}$$

then

$$\frac{S_n}{n^{\alpha}} - n^{1-\alpha} EXI\left(|X| \le n^{\alpha}\right) \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$
(8)

2. Preparations

To prove the main results of the paper, we need the following lemmas. The first two lemmas were provided by Yuan and An [13].

Lemma 6 (cf. see [13, Lemma 2.1]). Let $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of AANA random variables with mixing coefficients $\{u(n), n \ge 1\}, f_1, f_2, \ldots$ be all nondecreasing (or all nonincreasing) continuous functions, then $\{f_n(X_n), n \ge 1\}$ is still a sequence of AANA random variables with mixing coefficients $\{u(n), n \ge 1\}$.

Lemma 7 (cf. see [13, Theorem 2.1]). Let p > 1 and $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of zero mean random variables with mixing coefficients $\{u(n), n \ge 1\}$.

If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u^2(n) < \infty$, then there exists a positive constant C_p depending only on p such that for all $n \ge 1$ and 1 ,

$$E\left(\max_{1\leq j\leq n}\left|\sum_{i=1}^{j}X_{i}\right|^{p}\right)\leq C_{p}\sum_{i=1}^{n}E\left|X_{i}\right|^{p}.$$
(9)

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If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} u^{1/(p-1)}(n) < \infty$ for some $p \in (3 \cdot 2^{k-1}, 4 \cdot 2^{k-1}]$, where integer number $k \ge 1$, then there exists a positive constant D_p depending only on p such that for all $n \ge 1$,

$$E\left(\max_{1\leq j\leq n}\left|\sum_{i=1}^{j} X_{i}\right|^{p}\right) \leq D_{p}\left\{\sum_{i=1}^{n} E\left|X_{i}\right|^{p} + \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} EX_{i}^{2}\right)^{p/2}\right\}.$$
(10)

The last one is a fundamental property for stochastic domination. The proof is standard, so the details are omitted.

Lemma 8. Let $\{X_n, n \ge 1\}$ be a sequence of random variables, which is stochastically dominated by a random variable X. Then for any $\alpha > 0$ and b > 0,

$$E|X_n|^{\alpha} I(|X_n| \le b)$$

$$\le C_1 [E|X|^{\alpha} I(|X| \le b) + b^{\alpha} P(|X| > b)], \qquad (11)$$

$$E|X_n|^{\alpha} I(|X_n| > b) \le C_2 E|X|^{\alpha} I(|X| > b),$$

where C_1 and C_2 are positive constants.

3. Proofs of the Main Results

Proof of Theorem 3. Without loss of generality, we assume that $a_{ni} \ge 0$ (otherwise, we use a_{ni}^+ and a_{ni}^- instead of a_{ni} , and note that $a_{ni} = a_{ni}^+ - a_{ni}^-$). Denote for $1 \le i \le n$ and $n \ge 1$ that

$$Y_{i} = -n^{1/\beta} I \left(X_{i} < -n^{1/\beta} \right) + X_{i} I \left(|X_{i}| \le n^{1/\beta} \right) + n^{1/\beta} I \left(X_{i} > n^{1/\beta} \right),$$

$$Z_{i} = \left(X_{i} + n^{1/\beta} \right) I \left(X_{i} < -n^{1/\beta} \right) + \left(X_{i} - n^{1/\beta} \right) I \left(X_{i} > n^{1/\beta} \right).$$
(12)

Hence, $X_i = Y_i + Z_i$, which implies that

$$n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} X_{i} \right| \le n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} Z_{i} \right|$$

$$+ n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} Y_{i} \right|$$

$$\le n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} Z_{i} \right|$$

$$+ n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} EY_{i} \right|$$

$$+ n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} (Y_{i} - EY_{i}) \right|$$

$$\doteq H + I + J.$$
(1)

To prove (6), it suffices to show that $H \rightarrow 0$ a.s., $I \rightarrow 0$ and $J \rightarrow 0$ a.s. as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Firstly, we will show that $H \rightarrow 0$ a.s.

For any $0 < \gamma \leq \alpha$, it follows from (5) and Hölder's inequality that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\gamma} \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\alpha}\right)^{\gamma/\alpha} \times \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1\right)^{1-\gamma/\alpha} \le Cn, \quad (14)$$

for any $0 < \alpha \le \gamma$, it follows from (5) again that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\gamma} \le \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\alpha}\right)^{\gamma/\alpha} \le C n^{\gamma/\alpha}.$$
(15)

Combining (14) and (15), we have

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{\gamma} \le C n^{\max(1,\gamma/\alpha)}.$$
(16)

The condition $E|X|^{\beta} < \infty$ yields that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(Z_n \neq 0\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\left|X_n\right| > n^{1/\beta}\right)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\left|X\right| > n^{1/\beta}\right) \leq CE|X|^{\beta} < \infty,$$
(17)

which implies that $P(Z_n \neq 0, \text{ i.o.}) = 0$ by Borel-Cantelli lemma. Thus, we have by (5) that

$$H \doteq n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} Z_{i} \right|$$

$$\leq n^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| a_{ni} Z_{i} \right|$$

$$\leq C n^{-1/p} \left(\max_{1 \le i \le n} \left| a_{ni} \right|^{\alpha} \right)^{1/\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| Z_{i} \right|$$

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$$\leq C n^{-1/\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left| Z_{i} \right| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ a.s., as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$
(18)

Secondly, we will prove that

$$I \doteq n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} EY_i \right| \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$
 (19)

(13)

If $0 < \beta \le 1$, then we have by Lemma 8 and (16) that

$$I \leq n^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}EY_{i}|$$

$$\leq n^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}| \left[E |X_{i}| I (|X_{i}| \leq n^{1/\beta}) + n^{1/\beta} P (|X_{i}| > n^{1/\beta}) \right]$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}| \left[E |X| I (|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}) + n^{1/\beta} P (|X| > n^{1/\beta}) \right]$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}| \left[n^{(1-\beta)/\beta} E |X|^{\beta} I (|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}) + n^{1/\beta-1} E |X|^{\beta} I (|X| > n^{1/\beta}) \right]$$

$$= Cn^{-1/\alpha-1} E |X|^{\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/\alpha-1+\max(1,1/\alpha)} \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

If $\beta > 1$, then we have by $EX_n = 0$, Lemma 8 and (16) that

$$I \leq n^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}EY_{i}|$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|$$

$$\times \left[E |X_{i}| I \left(|X_{i}| > n^{1/\beta}\right) + n^{1/\beta}P \left(|X_{i}| > n^{1/\beta}\right)\right]$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}| E |X| I \left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right)$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}| n^{1/\beta-1}E|X|^{\beta}I \left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right)$$

$$\leq Cn^{-1/\alpha-1+\max(1,1/\alpha)} \longrightarrow 0, \quad \text{as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$
(21)

Hence, (19) follows from (20) and (21) immediately. To prove (6), it suffices to show that

$$H \doteq n^{-1/p} \max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} \left(Y_i - EY_i \right) \right| \longrightarrow 0 \text{ a.s., as } n \longrightarrow \infty.$$
(22)

By Borel-Cantelli Lemma, we only need to show that for any $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\max_{1 \le j \le n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} \left(Y_i - EY_i \right) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right) < \infty.$$
(23)

For fixed $n \ge 1$, it is easily seen that $\{a_{ni}(Y_i - EY_i), 1 \le i \le n\}$ are still AANA random variables by Lemma 6. Taking

 $s > 1/\min\{1/2, 1/\alpha, 1/\beta, 1/p - 1/2\} > 2$, we have by Markov's inequality and Lemma 7 that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\max_{1\leq j\leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} \left(Y_{i} - EY_{i}\right) \right| > \varepsilon n^{1/p} \right)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} E\left(\max_{1\leq j\leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^{j} a_{ni} \left(Y_{i} - EY_{i}\right) \right|^{s} \right)$$

$$\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E \left| a_{ni} \left(Y_{i} - EY_{i}\right) \right|^{s}$$

$$+ C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} \left(\sum_{i=1}^{n} E \left| a_{ni} \left(Y_{i} - EY_{i}\right) \right|^{2} \right)^{s/2}$$

$$= J_{1} + J_{2}.$$
(24)

For J_1 , we have by C_r inequality, Jensen's inequality, (15), and Lemma 8 that

$$\begin{split} J_{1} &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{s} E|Y_{i}|^{s} \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{s} \\ &\times \left[E|X_{i}|^{s} I\left(|X_{i}| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) + n^{s/\beta} P\left(|X_{i}| > n^{1/\beta}\right) \right] \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/p} \sum_{i=1}^{n} |a_{ni}|^{s} \\ &\times \left[E|X|^{s} I\left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) + n^{s/\beta} P\left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right) \right] \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/\beta} E|X|^{s} I\left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) + C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right) \\ &\leq C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-s/\beta} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E|X|^{s} I \\ &\times \left((i-1)^{1/\beta} < |X| \leq i^{1/\beta} \right) + CE|X|^{\beta} \\ &\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} R^{-s/\beta} + CE|X|^{\beta} \\ &\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} i^{(s-\beta)/\beta} E|X|^{\beta} I \\ &\times \left((i-1)^{1/\beta} < |X| \leq i^{1/\beta} \right) i^{-s/\beta+1} + CE|X|^{\beta} \\ &\leq CE|X|^{\beta} < \infty. \end{split}$$

(25)

Next, we will prove that $J_2 < \infty$. By C_r inequality, Jensen's inequality and Lemma 8 again, we can see that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} E |a_{ni} (Y_{i} - EY_{i})|^{2}$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ni}^{2} EY_{i}^{2}$$

$$\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ni}^{2} \left[EX_{i}^{2} I \left(|X_{i}| \leq n^{1/\beta} \right) + n^{2/\beta} P \left(|X_{i}| > n^{1/\beta} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq C \sum_{i=1}^{n} a_{ni}^{2} \left[EX^{2} I \left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta} \right) + n^{2/\beta} P \left(|X| > n^{1/\beta} \right) \right]$$

$$\leq C n^{\max(1,2/\alpha)}$$

$$\times \left[EX^{2} I \left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta} \right) + n^{2/\beta} P \left(|X| > n^{1/\beta} \right) \right].$$
(26)

It follows by Markov's inequality and the fact $E|X|^\beta < \infty$ that

$$EX^{2}I\left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) + n^{2/\beta}P\left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right)$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} n^{(2-\beta)/\beta}E|X|^{\beta}I\left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) \\ + n^{-1+2/\beta}E|X|^{\beta}\left(|X| > n^{1/\beta}\right), \quad \beta < 2 \\ EX^{2}I\left(|X| \leq n^{1/\beta}\right) + EX^{2}, \qquad \beta \geq 2, \end{cases}$$

$$\leq \begin{cases} Cn^{-1+2/\beta}E|X|^{\beta}, \quad \beta < 2, \\ CEX^{2}, \qquad \beta \geq 2. \end{cases}$$
(27)

If we denote $\delta = \max\{-1 + 2/p, 2/\beta, 2/\alpha, 1\}$, then we can get by (26) and (27) that

$$\sum_{i=1}^{n} E \left| a_{ni} \left(Y_i - E Y_i \right) \right|^2 \le C n^{\delta}.$$
(28)

It is easily seen that

$$\left(-\frac{1}{p} + \frac{\delta}{2}\right)s = \max\left\{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{\alpha}, -\frac{1}{\beta}, -\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{2}\right\}s$$

$$= -\min\left\{\frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{\alpha}, \frac{1}{\beta}, \frac{1}{p} - \frac{1}{2}\right\}s < -1.$$
(29)

Hence, we have by (28) and (29) that

$$J_2 \le C \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{(-1/p+\delta/2)s} < \infty,$$
 (30)

which together with $J_1 < \infty$ yields (23). This completes the proof of the theorem.

Proof of Theorem 5. Denote for $1 \le i \le n$ and $n \ge 1$ that

$$Y_{ni} = -n^{\alpha} I \left(X_i < -n^{\alpha} \right) + X_i I$$

$$\times \left(\left| X_i \right| \le n^{\alpha} \right) + n^{\alpha} I \left(X_i > n^{\alpha} \right)$$
(31)

and $T_n = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_{ni}$. By the assumption (7), we have for any $\varepsilon > 0$ that

$$P\left(\left|\frac{S_{n}}{n^{\alpha}} - \frac{T_{n}}{n^{\alpha}}\right| > \varepsilon\right) \leq P\left(S_{n} \neq T_{n}\right)$$

$$\leq P\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{n} \left(X_{i} \neq Y_{ni}\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^{n} P\left(\left|X_{i}\right| > n^{\alpha}\right)$$

$$= nP\left(\left|X\right| > n^{\alpha}\right) \longrightarrow 0, \quad n \longrightarrow \infty,$$
(32)

which implies that

$$\frac{S_n}{n^{\alpha}} - \frac{T_n}{n^{\alpha}} \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$
(33)

Hence, in order to prove (8), we only need to show that

$$\frac{T_n}{n^{\alpha}} - \frac{ET_n}{n^{\alpha}} \xrightarrow{P} 0.$$
(34)

By (7) again and Toeplitz's lemma, we can get that

$$\frac{\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2\alpha-2} \cdot kP\left(|X| > k^{\alpha}\right)}{\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2\alpha-2}} \longrightarrow 0, \quad n \longrightarrow \infty.$$
(35)

Note that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2\alpha-2} \ll n^{2\alpha-1}, \quad \text{for } \alpha > \frac{1}{2}.$$
 (36)

Combing (35) and (36), we have

$$n^{-2\alpha+1}\sum_{k=1}^{n}k^{2\alpha-1}P\left(|X|>k^{\alpha}\right)\longrightarrow 0, \quad n\longrightarrow\infty.$$
(37)

By Lemma 7 (taking p = 2), (7), and (37), we can get that

$$\begin{split} P\left(|T_{n} - ET_{n}| > \varepsilon n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &\leq Cn^{-2\alpha} E|T_{n} - ET_{n}|^{2} \\ &\leq Cn^{-2\alpha} \sum_{i=1}^{n} EY_{ni}^{2} \\ &\leq Cn^{-2\alpha+1} \left[EX^{2}I\left(|X| \leq n^{\alpha}\right) + n^{2\alpha}P\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \right] \\ &= Cn^{-2\alpha+1} EX^{2}I \\ &\times \left(|X| \leq n^{\alpha}\right) + CnP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &= Cn^{-2\alpha+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} EX^{2}I \\ &\times \left((k-1)^{\alpha} |X| \leq k^{\alpha}\right) + CnP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &\leq Cn^{-2\alpha+1} \sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2\alpha} \\ &\times \left[P\left(|X| > (k-1)^{\alpha}\right) - P\left(|X| > k^{\alpha}\right)\right] \\ &+ CnP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &= Cn^{-2\alpha+1} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left((k+1)^{2\alpha} - k^{2\alpha} \right) P\left(|X| > k^{\alpha} \right) \\ &+ P\left(|X| > 0\right) - n^{2\alpha}P\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &+ CnP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \\ &\leq Cn^{-2\alpha+1} \left[\sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2\alpha-1}P\left(|X| > k^{\alpha}\right) + 1 \right] \\ &+ CnP\left(|X| > n^{\alpha}\right) \longrightarrow 0, \quad n \longrightarrow \infty. \end{split}$$

This completes the proof of the theorem.

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