

## Drift Estimation From $\tilde{\rho}$ -Mixing Sequences

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### Abstract

*we obtain the almost sure convergence for a kernel estimate of the drift coefficient in the diffusion equation for  $\tilde{\rho}$  mixing sequences over a sequence of compact sets which increases to  $\mathfrak{R}$  when  $n$  approaches infinity.*

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## 1 Introduction

Let  $X_t$  be a diffusion solution of the stochastic differential equation:

$$dX_t = \mu(X_t)dt + \sigma(X_t)dW_t \quad t \in \mathfrak{R}^+$$

( $W_t; t \in \mathfrak{R}^+$ ) is a standard Brownian motion;  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  are two Lipschitz and unknown functions of class  $C^1$  with  $\sigma$  strictly positive. We know that under Lipschitz conditions on  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$ , there exists for any given initial  $X_0$  independent of ( $W_t; t \geq 0$ ) a unique, with probability one, solution to the equation above and this solution is a measurable Markov process (Wong [11]).

This unique solution must have a stationary transition density, say  $f_{X_t|X_0}(\cdot)$  satisfying the forward equation of Kolmogorov:

$$\frac{\partial^2}{\partial x^2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2(x) f_{X_t|X_0}(x) \right) - \frac{\partial}{\partial x} \left( \mu(x) f_{X_t|X_0}(x) \right) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} f_{X_t|X_0}(x)$$

with  $f_{X_t|X_0}(\cdot)$  tending to a limiting density, say  $f(\cdot)$  as  $t$  goes to infinity.

For simplicity, we shall suppose that the initial distribution of  $X_0$  has density  $f(\cdot)$  so that  $(X_t)_{t \geq 0}$  is a stationary process and we are interested in estimation of  $\mu(x)$  for each  $x \in S$  where  $S$  is the nonempty set  $\{x \in \mathfrak{R} / f(x) > 0\}$ .

Moreover, under conditions of existence and uniqueness of the solution to the stochastic differential equation, the stationary diffusion  $X$  is ergodic (see Brown and Hewitt [7]).

This problem has been considered by several authors, among others Pham [10] gave a convergence in quadratic mean for the kernel estimate of the drift coefficient from the regression equation  $E(X_{t+p} | X_t = \cdot)$ ;  $p \geq 1$ , Arfi [1] established the almost sure convergence when the observed process is ergodic, Arfi and Lecoutre [3] established the almost sure convergence for a kernel estimate of the diffusion coefficient, and lately, Arfi [2] studied the almost sure convergence for a kernel estimate of the drift coefficient when the observed process is mixing over a sequence of compact sets which increases to  $\mathfrak{R}$ .

In this paper we give the almost sure convergence for the kernel estimate of the drift coefficient when the observed sequences are  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing over a sequence of compact sets  $C_n$  which increases to  $\mathfrak{R}$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{P})$  be a probability space. Given the  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{B}$  and  $\mathcal{R}$  in  $\mathcal{F}$ , let  $\rho(\mathcal{B}, \mathcal{R}) = \sup \{corr(X, Y), X \in L_2(\mathcal{B}), Y \in L_2(\mathcal{R})\}$  where  $corr(X, Y) = (EXY - EXEY) / \sqrt{varX varY}$ .

Bradley [5] introduced the following coefficients of dependence  $\tilde{\rho}(k) = \sup \{\rho(\mathcal{F}_S, \mathcal{F}_T)\}$ ,  $k \geq 0$  where the supremum is taken over all finite subsets  $S, T \subset N$  such that  $dist(S, T) \geq k$ .

Obviously,

$$0 \leq \tilde{\rho}(k+1) \leq \tilde{\rho}(k) \leq 1, \quad k \geq 0, \quad \text{and} \quad \tilde{\rho}(0) = 1.$$

**Definition**

A random variable sequence  $(X_t, t \geq 1)$  is said to be  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing sequence if there exists  $k \in N$  such that  $\tilde{\rho}(k) \downarrow 1$ .

Without loss of generality we may assume that the observed process is such that

$$\tilde{\rho}(k) \downarrow 1 \quad (\text{see Bryc and Smolenski [8]}).$$

In the study of  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing sequences we refer to Bradley [5], [6] for the central limit theorem, Bryc and Smolenski [8] for moment inequalities and almost sure convergence, Peligrad and Gut [9] for almost sure results.

## 2. The Model, the Notation, Some definitions

Let  $d$  be positive and fixed and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the Markov observation  $(X_{jd} ; 0 \leq j \leq n-1)$  permit to write:

$$X_{j+d} - X_j = \mu_d(X_j) + \sigma_d(X_j)Y_{j+d}$$

where  $\mu_d(X_j) = E(X_{j+d} - X_j | X_j)$  and  $\sigma_d^2(X_j) = V(X_{j+d} | X_j)$  are supposed to exist and define discrete versions of  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$ ,  $(Y_j)$  being a stationary Gaussian process such that :

$$E(Y_{j+d} | X_s ; s \leq j) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad E(Y_{j+d}^2 | X_s ; s \leq j) = 1.$$

A natural estimator of  $\mu_d$  is :

$$\mu_{d,n}(x) = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x-X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) (X_{j+d} - X_j)}{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x-X_{jd}}{h_n}\right)} \quad \forall x \in S$$

where  $(h_n)$  is a positive sequence of real numbers such that  $h_n \rightarrow 0$ , and  $nh_n \rightarrow \infty$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $K$  a Parzen Rosenblatt kernel type, that is a bounded function satisfying  $\int K(x)dx = 1$  and  $\lim |x|K(x) = 0$  when  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ , in addition we will assume it to be strictly positive and with bounded variation .

The almost sure convergence of  $\mu_{d,n}$  to  $\mu_d$  is established under the  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing condition and using the fact that :  $\mu(x) = \lim_{d \rightarrow 0} d^{-1}E(X_{j+d} - X_j | X_j = x)$  , we deduce an estimate  $(\mu_{d,n}/d)$  of  $\mu$  , if  $d = d(n)$  such that  $N = nd \rightarrow \infty$ , which is a necessary condition for both  $Nh_n \rightarrow \infty$  and the  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing condition .

We make the following assumptions:

- (A.1) The process  $(X_{jd})$  ,  $j \in \mathbb{N}$  is strictly stationary and  $\tilde{\rho}$ -mixing.
- (A.2) The initial random variable  $X_0$  is of second order :  $E(X_0^2) < \infty$ .
- (A.3) The kernel  $K$  is Lipschitz of order  $\gamma_1$ .

(A.4) The functions  $\mu(\cdot)$  and  $\sigma(\cdot)$  are Borel measurable on  $\mathfrak{R}$  satisfying for  $x, y \in \mathfrak{R}$  the

uniform Lipschitz condition:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mu(x) - \mu(y)| &\leq c|x - y| \\ |\sigma(x) - \sigma(y)| &\leq c|x - y| \end{aligned}$$

and the linear growth condition

$$\begin{aligned} |\mu(x)| &\leq c\sqrt{1+x^2} \\ |\sigma(x)| &\leq c\sqrt{1+x^2} \end{aligned}$$

where  $c$  is a positive constant.

$$(A.5) \quad \exists \Gamma < \infty, \quad \forall x \in \mathfrak{R} \quad f(x) \leq \Gamma$$

and

$$\exists \gamma_n > 0, \quad \forall x \in C_n \quad f(x) \geq \gamma_n.$$

where  $C_n$  is a sequence of compact sets such that  $C_n = \{x : \|x\| \leq c_n\}$  with  $c_n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$(A.6) \quad \text{The density } f \text{ is twice differentiable and its derivatives are bounded.}$$

### 3. Main Results

The main results of this paper are the following theorem and corollary.

#### Theorem

Suppose that  $h_n$  is a positive sequence of real numbers such that  $h_n = o(\gamma_n)$  that satisfying  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{1-\xi} h_n}{\text{Log} n} = \infty$  for some  $\xi \in ]0, 1/2[$ ; and let  $K$  to be Lipschitz kernel with bounded variation; i.e.  $\int z^2 K(z) dz < \infty$ , then under assumptions A1 - A6, and for a compact sets  $C_n$  we have

$$\sup_{x \in C_n} |\mu_{d,n}(x) - \mu_d(x)| \longrightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Corollary** Under assumptions of Theorem 1, if we choose  $h_n$  and  $d$  such that :

$$d \rightarrow 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n^{1-\xi} d h_n}{\text{Log} n} = \infty, \quad h_n = o(d),$$

then we have:

$$\sup_{x \in C_n} \left| \frac{\mu_{d,n}(x)}{d} - \mu(x) \right| \longrightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**Remark** If we assume that the initial condition  $X_0$  is independent of  $(W_j ; j \in \mathbb{R}^+)$  with density  $f$ , then a condition such as : for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$   $|\mu(x)| + \sigma(x) \leq c(1 + x^2)^{1/2}$  where  $c$  is a strictly positive constant, implies that the process  $(X_j)$  is stationary (Wong [11]).

**Remark** As sequences  $c_n$  and  $h_n$  defined in the Theorem 1, we can choose  $c_n = O((\text{Log}n)^{1/\gamma_1})$  and  $h_n = O(n^{-\tau})$  with  $0 < \tau < 1$ . On the other part, the construction of the estimator requires a choice of  $K$  and  $h_n$ . If the choice of  $K$  does not much influence the asymptotic behavior of  $\mu_{d,n}$ , on the contrary the choice of  $h_n$  turns to be crucial for the estimator's accuracy. One can employ a cross-validation or plug-in method. In a forthcoming paper using simulations, we give comparisons of the results between two methods of estimation.

#### 4. Preliminary Results

We make use of the following decomposition:

$$\mu_{d,n}(x) - \mu_d(x) = A_n(x) + B_n(x)$$

with

$$\begin{aligned} A_n(x) &= \frac{1}{f(x)} \{[g_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x)] - W_{n,d}(x)[f_n(x) - f(x)]\} \\ B_n(x) &= \frac{1}{f(x)} \{G_n(x) - T_n(x)[f_n(x) - f(x)]\} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$\begin{aligned} g_n(x) &= \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \mu_d(X_{jd}) \\ f_n(x) &= \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \\ W_{n,d}(x) &= \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \mu_d(X_{jd})}{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right)} \\ G_n(x) &= \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d} \end{aligned}$$

$$T_n(x) = \frac{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x-X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d}}{\sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x-X_{jd}}{h_n}\right)}$$

If  $|Y_{jd+d}| < M_n$  then  $|T_n(x)| < \text{constant} \times M_n$  a.s. where  $M_n \rightarrow \infty$  is a sequence to be defined later.

And we can write:

$$\sup_{x \in C_n} |A_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{\gamma_n} \left\{ \sup_{x \in C_n} |g_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x)| + \sup_{x \in C_n} |W_{n,d}(x)| |f_n(x) - f(x)| \right\}$$

$$\sup_{x \in C_n} |B_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{\gamma_n} \left\{ \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n(x)| + \rho_2 M_n \sup_{x \in C_n} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \right\}$$

where  $\rho_2$  is an upperbound of  $\sigma_d(\cdot)$

**Lemma**

*Under hypotheses of Theorem 1, we have:*

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |g_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x)| \rightarrow 0, \text{ a.s. } \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**proof**

We have  $C_n = \{x : \|x\| \leq c_n\}$  where  $c_n \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$g_n(x) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \mu_d(X_{jd})$$

then we write

$$g_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x) = (g_n(x) - Eg_n(x)) + (Eg_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x)).$$

We put  $g_n(x) - Eg_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j$  with

$$Z_j = \frac{1}{nh_n} \left\{ K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \mu_d(X_{jd}) - E\left(K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \mu_d(X_{jd})\right) \right\}$$

by construction  $EZ_j = 0$ .

If  $\bar{K}$  and  $\rho_1$  are upperbounds of  $K$  and  $\mu_d$  respectively, we have:  $|Z_j| \leq (2\bar{K} \rho_1)/(nh_n)$  and  $E|Z_j| \leq (2\bar{K} \rho_1)/n$ .

Now, let us write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} |g_n(x) - Eg_n(x)| > \varepsilon) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| > \varepsilon).$$

Now we write for  $\alpha > 1$

$$\psi_{nj} = Z_j I_{(|Z_j| \leq n^\alpha)} \quad \text{and} \quad V_{nj} = Z_j I_{(|Z_j| > n^\alpha)} \quad \text{for } 0 \leq j \leq n-1.$$

Then,

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| \leq \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\psi_{nj} - E\psi_{nj}) \right| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} V_{nj} \right| + \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} E\psi_{nj} \right|$$

We need to show the following:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\psi_{nj} - E\psi_{nj}) \right| > \varepsilon n^\alpha / 3) < \infty$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} V_{nj} \right| > \varepsilon n^\alpha / 3) < \infty$$

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} E\psi_{nj} \right| / n^\alpha \longrightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

The Markov inequality and Chebyshev's inequality lead to:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (\psi_{nj} - E\psi_{nj}) \right| > \varepsilon n^\alpha / 3) \leq c_1 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} E|\psi_{nj}|^b / \gamma_n^b n^{\alpha b} \leq c_2 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \gamma_n^{-b} n^{-\alpha b} < \infty$$

if we choose  $\gamma_n = n^{-a}$  with  $\alpha > a > 0$  and where  $c_1$  and  $c_2$  are two positive constants and  $b$  such that  $b > 1/(\alpha - a)$ . The Borel-Cantelli lemma permits to conclude for (4.2).

Now, note that

$$\left( \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} V_{nj} \right| > \varepsilon n^\alpha / 3 \right) \subset \bigcup_{j=0}^{n-1} (|Z_j| > n^\alpha)$$

then,

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} V_{nj} \right| > \varepsilon n^\alpha / 3) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n P(|Z_j| > n^\alpha \gamma_n / 3) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n E|Z_j|^b / n^{\alpha b} \gamma_n^b \leq c_3 \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-\alpha b} \gamma_n^{-b} < \infty$$

with  $\gamma_n = n^{-a}$  for  $a > 0$  and such that  $b(\alpha - a) > 1$  and where  $c_3$  is a positive constant.

Lastly, we can write for  $\alpha > a$ :

$$\gamma_n^{-1} n^{-\alpha} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} E\psi_{nj} \right| \leq \gamma_n^{-1} n^{-\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} |E V_{nj}| = \gamma_n^{-1} n^{-\alpha} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} E|Z_j| I_{(|Z_j| > n^\alpha)} = n^{a-\alpha} E|Z_j| I_{(|Z_j| > n^\alpha)} \rightarrow 0.$$

Next we cover  $C_n$  by  $\delta_n$  spheres in the shape of  $\{x : \|x - x_{nk}\| \leq c_n \delta_n^{-1}\}$  for  $1 \leq k \leq \delta_n$ ,

$c_n \rightarrow \infty$  and  $\delta_n$  chosen such that  $\delta_n \rightarrow \infty$  to be defined later, and we make use of the following decomposition.

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| \leq |g_n(x) - g_n(x_{nk})| + |E[g_n(x) - g_n(x_{nk})]| + |g_n(x_{nk}) - E g_n(x_{nk})|.$$

The first and the second component in the right-hand side of the inequality above, will be considered in the same manner.

The kernel  $K$  being Lipschitz, we obtain



$$\sup_{x \in C_n} |g_n(x) - g_n(x_{nk})| \leq \frac{L_K \rho_1}{h_n^{1+\gamma_1}} \|x - x_{nk}\|^{\gamma_1} \leq \frac{L_K \rho_1}{h_n^{1+\gamma_1}} c_n^{\gamma_1} \delta_n^{-\gamma_1} = \frac{1}{\text{Log}n}$$

$\delta_n$  is chosen such that :

$$\delta_n = \frac{L_K^{1/\gamma_1} \rho_1^{1/\gamma_1} (\text{Log}n)^{1/\gamma_1} c_n}{h_n^{(1+\gamma_1)/\gamma_1}} \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then

$$\left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| \leq \sup_{1 \leq k \leq \delta_n} |g_n(x_{nk}) - E g_n(x_{nk})| + \frac{2}{\text{Log}n}$$

so that for all  $n \geq n_1(\varepsilon_n)$ ,  $\forall \varepsilon_n > 0$  we have

$$P \left( \gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| > 2\varepsilon_n \right) \leq \sum_{k=1}^{\delta_n} P \{ \gamma_n^{-1} |g_n(x_{nk}) - E g_n(x_{nk})| > \varepsilon_n \} .$$

Now, using similar decomposition as in (4.1)  $\delta_n$  times; the use of  $\delta_n n^\alpha \gamma_n^{-1}$  instead of  $\gamma_n^{-1} n^\alpha$  and hypotheses of Theorem 1 permit to conclude that

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} \left| \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} Z_j \right| \longrightarrow 0, \quad a.s., n \rightarrow \infty.$$

It remains to show that :  $\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |E g_n(x) - \mu_d(x) f(x)| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We write

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |E g_n(x) - \mu_d(x) f(x)| \leq \gamma_n^{-1} h_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} \int K(h_n^{-1}(u-x)) |\mu_d(u) - \mu_d(x)| f(u) du$$

$$+ \gamma_n^{-1} h_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |\mu_d(x)| \int K(h_n^{-1}(u-x)) |f(u) - f(x)| du = I_1 + I_2.$$

Now if we put  $z = h_n^{-1}(u-x)$ , the fact that  $\mu_d$  is Lipschitz provides

$$I_1 \leq \gamma_n^{-1} h_n \sup_{x \in C_n} \int |z| K(z) f(z h_n + x) dz$$

then a choice such as  $\gamma_n^{-1} h_n \rightarrow 0$  conclude that  $I_1 \rightarrow 0$  when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

It remains to show that  $I_2 \rightarrow 0$ .

$$I_2 = \gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |\mu_d(x)| \int K(z) |f(zh_n + x) - f(x)| dz$$

A Taylor expansion gives:

$$I_2 \leq \rho_1 \gamma_n^{-1} h_n \int |z| K(z) f'(x) dz + 0.5 \rho_1 \gamma_n^{-1} h_n^2 \int z^2 K(z) f''(x) dz \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

where  $\rho_1$  is an upper bound of  $\mu_d$ .

**Lemma**

*Under hypotheses of Theorem 1, we have:*

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad \text{when } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**proof**

This is a particular case of Lemma 3 when  $\mu_d(x) = 1$ .

Now, the kernel  $K$  being positive, we get  $\sup_{x \in C_n} |W_{n,d}(x)| < \rho_1$  where  $\rho_1$  is an upperbound of  $\mu_d$ .

And we conclude that :

$$\sup_{x \in C_n} |A_n(x)| \leq \frac{1}{\gamma_n} \sup_{x \in C_n} |g_n(x) - \mu_d(x)f(x)| + \frac{\rho_1}{\gamma_n} \sup_{x \in C_n} |f_n(x) - f(x)|.$$

**Lemma**

*Under hypotheses of Theorem 1, we have:*

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n(x)| \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s. \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

**proof**

The study of  $G_n(x)$  cannot be made directly because of the possible large values of the variables  $Y_{jd+d}$  so we use a truncation technique which consists in decomposing  $G_n(x)$  in  $G_n^+(x)$  and  $G_n^-(x)$  where

$$G_n^+(x) = \frac{1}{nh_n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d} I_{[|Y| > M_n]}$$

and  $G_n^-(x) = G_n(x) - G_n^+(x)$  with  $M_n$  a nondecreasing and unbounded sequence.

We write:

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n^+(x) - EG_n^+(x)| \leq E_n + F_n$$

with :

$$E_n = \frac{1}{n\gamma_n h_n} \sup_{x \in C_n} \sigma_d(X_{jd}) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) |Y_{jd+d}| I_{\{|Y| > M_n\}}$$

we have  $(E_n \neq 0) \subset \{\exists j_0 \in [0, 1, \dots, n-1] \text{ such that } |Y_{j_0}| > M_n\}$

$$(E_n \neq 0) \subset \bigcup_{j=0}^{n-1} \{|Y_{jd+d}| > M_n\}$$

$$P(E_n \neq 0) \leq \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} P\{|Y_{jd+d}| > M_n\} = nP\{|Y_0| > M_n\}$$

$$\sum_n P(E_n \neq 0) \leq \sum_n n \frac{E|Y_0|^\beta}{M_n^\beta} \leq M \sum_n n M_n^{-\beta}$$

with  $M$  being a positive constant and  $\beta$  such that  $\beta > (2/\xi)$ . Then it is sufficient to choose  $M_n = n^\xi$  for some  $\xi \in ]0, 1/2[$  to get  $\sum_n P(E_n \neq 0) < \infty$ .

We conclude with Borel-Cantelli Lemma that  $E_n \rightarrow 0$ , *a.s.*  $n \rightarrow \infty$

and  $\sup_{0 \leq j \leq n-1} |Y_{jd+d}| \leq M_n$  *a.s.*

Then the kernel  $K$  being strictly positive, we deduce that  $|T_n(x)| \leq \rho_2 M_n$  *a.s.*

Now,

$$F_n = \frac{1}{n\gamma_n h_n} \sup_{x \in C_n} \left| E \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} K\left(\frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n}\right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d} I_{\{|Y| > M_n\}} \right|$$

$$E(F_n) \leq \frac{\bar{K} \rho_2}{\gamma_n h_n} E(|Y| I_{\{|Y| > M_n\}})$$

where  $\bar{K}$  and  $\rho_2$  are upperbounds of  $K$  and  $\sigma_d$  respectively.

Then

$$E(F_n) \leq \frac{\bar{K} \rho_2}{\gamma_n h_n} (E(Y^2))^{1/2} (P(|Y| > M_n))^{1/2} \leq \frac{c_3}{\gamma_n h_n M_n^{\beta/2}}$$

where  $c_3$  is a positive constant and  $M_n$  is the sequence defined above.

This leads to  $E(F_n) \rightarrow 0$ ,  $n \rightarrow \infty \implies F_n \rightarrow 0$ , *a.s.* when  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , with the choice  $\gamma_n = n^{-a}$  for  $a > 0$ ,  $h_n = n^{-\tau}$  for  $0 < \tau < 1$  and  $1 < \beta < 2(a + \tau)$ .

It remains to show that :

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n^-(x) - EG_n^-(x)| \longrightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad n \rightarrow 0$$

we write:

$$G_n^-(x) - EG_n^-(x) = \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} T_j$$

with

$$T_j = \frac{1}{nh_n} \left\{ K \left( \frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n} \right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d} I_{\{|Y| \leq M_n\}} - E \left[ K \left( \frac{x - X_{jd}}{h_n} \right) \sigma_d(X_{jd}) Y_{jd+d} I_{\{|Y| \leq M_n\}} \right] \right\}$$

$|T_j| \leq (c_4 M_n) / (nh_n)$  , where  $c_4$  is a positive constant.

Now let us write

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(\gamma_n^{-1} |G_n^-(x) - EG_n^-(x)| > \varepsilon) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(|G_n^-(x) - EG_n^-(x)| > \gamma_n \varepsilon)$$

same arguments as in the proof of lemma 3 permit to conclude that

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n^-(x) - EG_n^-(x)| \rightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

In the end , the fact that :

$$G_n(x) = G_n(x) - EG_n(x)$$

permit to conclude that

$$\gamma_n^{-1} \sup_{x \in C_n} |G_n(x)| \rightarrow 0, \quad a.s., \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Finally, similar works to those used in Lemma 4 with the use of  $\gamma_n^{-1} M_n$  instead of  $\gamma_n^{-1}$  permit to conclude that :

$$\gamma_n^{-1} M_n \sup_{x \in C_n} |f_n(x) - f(x)| \longrightarrow 0, \quad a.s. \quad n \longrightarrow \infty.$$

## 5. Proof of the Main Results

### 5.1 Proof of Theorem 1

Lemmas 3, 4 and 5 permit to conclude.

### 5.2 Proof of Corollary 2

It suffices to write:

$$\frac{\mu_{d,n}(x)}{d} - \mu(x) = \frac{\mu_{d,n}(x) - \mu(x)}{d} + \left[ \frac{\mu_d(x)}{d} - \mu(x) \right]$$

Then, similar techniques to those of Theorem 1 with the conditions of Corollary 2 permit to conclude.

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