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ABSTRACT. Let $\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$ be a sequence of independent and identically distributed positive random variables of Pareto-type and let $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a counting process independent of the X_i 's. For any fixed $t \geq 0$, define:

$$T_{N(t)} := \frac{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \dots + X_{N(t)}^2}{(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{N(t)})^2}$$

if $N(t) \geq 1$ and $T_{N(t)} := 0$ otherwise. We derive limits in distribution for $T_{N(t)}$ under some convergence conditions on the counting process. This is even achieved when both the numerator and the denominator defining $T_{N(t)}$ exhibit an erratic behavior ($\mathbb{E}X_1 = \infty$) or when only the numerator has an erratic behavior ($\mathbb{E}X_1 < \infty$ and $\mathbb{E}X_1^2 = \infty$). Armed with these results, we obtain asymptotic properties of two popular risk measures, namely the sample coefficient of variation and the sample dispersion.

1. Introduction

Let $\{X_1, X_2, \dots\}$ be a sequence of independent and identically distributed positive random variables with distribution function F and let $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a counting process independent of the X_i 's. For any fixed $t \geq 0$, define the random variable $T_{N(t)}$ by:

$$(1.1) \quad T_{N(t)} := \frac{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \dots + X_{N(t)}^2}{(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{N(t)})^2}$$

if $N(t) \geq 1$ and $T_{N(t)} := 0$ otherwise.

The limiting behavior of arbitrary moments of the ratio $T_{N(t)}$ is derived in Ladoucette [8] under the conditions that the distribution function F of X_1 is of *Pareto-type* with index $\alpha > 0$ and that the counting process $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ is

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mixed Poisson. In this paper, we focus on *weak convergence* in deriving limits in distribution for the appropriately normalized $T_{N(t)}$. We still assume that F is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$ except in one result where we assume that the fourth moment of X_1 exists. Our results are derived under the additional condition that the counting process either *\mathcal{D} -averages in time* or *p -averages in time* according to the range of α . We therefore generalize results established by Albrecher et al. [1] where the counting process is non-random (deterministic case). The appropriate definitions along with some properties are given in Section 2.

The results of the paper rely on the theory of functions of *regular variation* (e.g., Bingham et al. [4]). Recall that a distribution function F on $(0, \infty)$ of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$ is defined by:

$$(1.2) \quad 1 - F(x) \sim x^{-\alpha} \ell(x) \quad \text{as } x \rightarrow \infty$$

for a slowly varying function ℓ , and therefore has a regularly varying tail $1 - F$ with index $-\alpha < 0$.

Let μ_β denote the moment of order $\beta > 0$ of X_1 , i.e.:

$$\mu_\beta := \mathbb{E}X_1^\beta = \beta \int_0^\infty x^{\beta-1} (1 - F(x)) dx \leq \infty.$$

Clearly, both the numerator and the denominator defining $T_{N(t)}$ exhibit an erratic behavior if $\mu_1 = \infty$, whereas this is the case only for the numerator if $\mu_1 < \infty$ and $\mu_2 = \infty$. When X_1 (or equivalently F) is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$, it turns out that μ_β is finite if $\beta < \alpha$ but infinite whenever $\beta > \alpha$. In particular, $\mu_1 < \infty$ if $\alpha > 1$ while $\mu_2 < \infty$ as soon as $\alpha > 2$. Since the asymptotic behavior of $T_{N(t)}$ is influenced by the finiteness of μ_1 and/or μ_2 , different limiting distributions will consequently show up according to the range of α . This is expressed in our main results given in Section 3. In Section 4, we use our results to study the asymptotic behavior of the *sample coefficient of variation* and the *sample dispersion* through limits in distribution.

The *coefficient of variation* of a positive random variable X is defined by:

$$\text{CoVar}(X) := \frac{\sqrt{\mathbb{V}X}}{\mathbb{E}X}$$

where $\mathbb{V}X$ denotes the variance of X . This risk measure is frequently used in practice and is very popular among actuaries. From a random sample $X_1, \dots, X_{N(t)}$ from X of random size $N(t)$ from a nonnegative integer-valued distribution, the coefficient of variation $\text{CoVar}(X)$ is naturally estimated by the sample coefficient of variation defined by:

$$(1.3) \quad \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) := \frac{S}{\bar{X}}$$

where $\bar{X} := \frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i$ is the sample mean and $S^2 := \frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} (X_i - \bar{X})^2$ is the sample variance. The properties of the sample coefficient of variation are usually studied under the tacite assumption of the finiteness of sufficiently many moments of X . However, the existence of moments of X is not always guaranteed in practical applications. It is therefore useful to investigate the limiting behavior

of $\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)$ also in these cases. It turns out that this can be achieved by using results on $T_{N(t)}$. Indeed, the quantity $T_{N(t)}$ appears as a basic ingredient in the study of the sample coefficient of variation due to:

$$(1.4) \quad \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) = \sqrt{N(t) T_{N(t)} - 1}.$$

In Subsection 4.1, we take advantage from this link to derive asymptotic properties of the sample coefficient of variation under the same assumptions on X and on the counting process as in Section 3. Note that this is done even when the first moment and/or the second moment of X do not exist.

Another risk measure of the positive random variable X that is very popular is the *dispersion* defined by:

$$D(X) := \frac{\mathbb{V}X}{\mathbb{E}X}.$$

For instance, in a (re)insurance context, the value of the dispersion is used to compare the volatility of a portfolio with respect to the Poisson case for which the dispersion equals 1. Similarly to the coefficient of variation, the dispersion $D(X)$ is typically estimated by the sample dispersion defined by:

$$(1.5) \quad \widehat{D}(X) := \frac{S^2}{\bar{X}}.$$

Defining the random variable $C_{N(t)}$ for any fixed $t \geq 0$ by:

$$(1.6) \quad C_{N(t)} := \frac{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + \cdots + X_{N(t)}^2}{X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_{N(t)}}$$

if $N(t) \geq 1$ and $C_{N(t)} := 0$ otherwise, leads to the following link with the sample dispersion:

$$(1.7) \quad \widehat{D}(X) = C_{N(t)} - \bar{X}.$$

It turns out that results from Section 3 can be used to derive asymptotic properties of the sample dispersion from those of $C_{N(t)}$. The results are given in Subsection 4.2 under the same conditions on X and on the counting process as in Section 3. As for the sample coefficient of variation, cases where the first moments of X do not exist are also considered.

2. Preliminaries

Though standard notations, we mention that $\xrightarrow{a.s.}$, \xrightarrow{p} , $\xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}}$ stand for convergence almost surely, in probability and in distribution, respectively. Equality in distribution is denoted by $\stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=}$. For two measurable functions f and g , we write $f(x) = o(g(x))$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)/g(x) = 0$ and $f(x) \sim g(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ if $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x)/g(x) = 1$. Finally, $\Gamma(\cdot)$ denotes the gamma function.

Let $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a counting process. For any fixed $t \geq 0$, the probability generating function of the random variable $N(t)$ is defined by:

$$Q_t(z) := \mathbb{E}\{z^{N(t)}\} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}[N(t) = n] z^n, \quad |z| \leq 1.$$

Most of our results are obtained by assuming that the counting process satisfies the following condition:

$$\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where the limiting random variable Λ is such that $\mathbb{P}[\Lambda > 0] = 1$. The counting process is then said to \mathcal{D} -average in time to Λ . In two cases however, we will need to require the stronger condition that the above convergence holds in probability rather than in distribution, i.e.:

$$\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{p} \Lambda \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

in which case the counting process is said to p -average in time to Λ . Whether the counting process \mathcal{D} -averages in time or p -averages in time, we have $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Very popular counting processes \mathcal{D} -average in time. The deterministic case provides a first example for which Λ is degenerate at the point 1. Any mixed Poisson process obviously \mathcal{D} -averages in time to its mixing random variable. We refer to the monograph by Grandell [7] for a very thorough treatment of mixed Poisson processes and their properties. Finally, any renewal process generated by a positive distribution with finite mean μ also \mathcal{D} -averages in time with Λ degenerate at the point $1/\mu$.

The convergence in distribution being equivalent to the pointwise convergence of the corresponding Laplace transforms, a counting process that \mathcal{D} -averages in time or p -averages in time to Λ satisfies:

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-\theta N(t)/t} \right\} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-\theta \Lambda} \right\}, \quad \theta \geq 0.$$

For every $\theta \geq 0$, define $u_\theta(x) := e^{-\theta x}$ for $x \geq 0$. The family of functions $\{u_\theta\}_{\theta \geq 0}$ being equicontinuous provided θ is restricted to a finite interval, the convergence in (2.1) holds uniformly in every finite θ -interval (e.g., Corollary page 252 of Feller [6]).

As specified above, most of our results are derived under the condition that the tail of F satisfies (1.2), i.e. that $1 - F$ is regularly varying with index $-\alpha < 0$. Recall that a measurable function $f: (0, \infty) \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ is regularly varying with index $\gamma \in \mathbb{R}$ (written $f \in \text{RV}_\gamma$) if for all $x > 0$, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} f(tx)/f(t) = x^\gamma$. When $\gamma = 0$, the function f is said to be slowly varying. For a textbook treatment on the theory of functions of regular variation, we refer to Bingham et al. [4]. It is well-known that the tail condition (1.2) appears as the essential condition in the Fréchet-Pareto domain of attraction problem of extreme value theory. For a recent treatment, see Beirlant et al. [2]. When $\alpha \in (0, 2)$, the condition is also necessary and sufficient for F to belong to the additive domain of attraction of a non-normal α -stable distribution (e.g., Theorem 8.3.1 of Bingham et al. [4]). Recall that a stable random variable X is positive if and only if $X \stackrel{\mathcal{D}}{=} cU_\gamma$ for some $c > 0$ and $\gamma \in (0, 1)$, where the random variable U_γ has the following Laplace transform:

$$(2.2) \quad \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-\theta U_\gamma} \right\} = e^{-\theta^\gamma \Gamma(1-\gamma)}, \quad \theta \geq 0.$$

Any random variable U_γ having the Laplace transform (2.2) with $\gamma \in (0, 1)$ is then positive γ -stable.

Finally, we give a general result that will prove to be very useful later on.

LEMMA 2.1. *Let $\{Y_n; n \geq 1\}$ be a general sequence of random variables and $\{M(t); t \geq 0\}$ be a process of nonnegative integer-valued random variables. Assume that $\{Y_n; n \geq 1\}$ and $\{M(t); t \geq 0\}$ are independent and that $M(t) \xrightarrow{p} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. If $Y_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} Y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ then $Y_{M(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} Y$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.*

PROOF. Let y be a continuity point of the distribution function F_Y of Y . For every $\epsilon \in (0, 1)$, there exists $n_0 = n_0(\epsilon, y) \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|\mathbb{P}[Y_n \leq y] - F_Y(y)| \leq \epsilon$ for all $n > n_0$, since $Y_n \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} Y$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. By using conditioning and independence arguments, we then obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} |\mathbb{P}[Y_{M(t)} \leq y] - F_Y(y)| &= \left| \left(\sum_{n=0}^{n_0} + \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} \right) \{ \mathbb{P}[Y_n \leq y] - F_Y(y) \} \mathbb{P}[M(t) = n] \right| \\ &\leq \sum_{n=0}^{n_0} |\mathbb{P}[Y_n \leq y] - F_Y(y)| \mathbb{P}[M(t) = n] \\ &\quad + \sum_{n=n_0+1}^{\infty} |\mathbb{P}[Y_n \leq y] - F_Y(y)| \mathbb{P}[M(t) = n] \\ &\leq \mathbb{P}[M(t) \leq n_0] + \epsilon \mathbb{P}[M(t) > n_0]. \end{aligned}$$

Since $M(t) \xrightarrow{p} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows that $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\mathbb{P}[Y_{M(t)} \leq y] - F_Y(y)| \leq \epsilon$. The claim is proved upon letting $\epsilon \downarrow 0$. \square

3. Convergence in Distribution for $T_{N(t)}$

We derive asymptotic distributions for the properly normalized ratio $T_{N(t)}$ defined in (1.1) under the condition that the distribution function F of X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$ as defined in (1.2). The last result is even established by assuming that $\mu_4 < \infty$ and consequently holds in the cases $\alpha = 4$ if $\mu_4 < \infty$ and $\alpha > 4$. Throughout the section, the counting process $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ is assumed to \mathcal{D} -average in time except for two results where we need to make the stronger assumption that it p -averages in time.

THEOREM 3.1. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha \in (0, 1)$ and that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ \mathcal{D} -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Then:*

$$T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{U_\alpha^2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where the random vector $(U_{\alpha/2}, U_\alpha)'$ has the Laplace transform:

$$(3.1) \quad \mathbb{E}\{e^{-rU_{\alpha/2}-sU_\alpha}\} = \exp\left(-\int_0^\infty e^{-ru^2-su} (2ru + s) u^{-\alpha} du\right), \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

In particular, the marginal random variables $U_{\alpha/2}$ and U_α are positive stable with respective exponent $\alpha/2$ and α and have the Laplace transform (2.2) with $\gamma = \alpha/2$ and $\gamma = \alpha$ respectively.

PROOF. Let $1 - F(x) \sim x^{-\alpha}\ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Define a sequence $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $1 - F(a_t) \sim 1/t$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$. Notice that $a_t \in \text{RV}_{1/\alpha}$.

Let $r \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$ be fixed. By using conditioning and independence arguments, we obtain:

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{ \exp\left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right) \right\} = Q_t\left(e^{-\delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s)/t}\right)$$

with $\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s) := -t \log \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/a_t} dF(x) \in [0, \infty)$. We know from the proof of Theorem 2.1 of Albrecher et al. [1] that:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s) = \int_0^\infty e^{-ru^2 - su} (2ru + s) u^{-\alpha} du =: \delta_\alpha(r, s) \in [0, \infty)$$

and that:

$$\left(\frac{1}{a_n^2} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2, \frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i\right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (U_{\alpha/2}, U_\alpha)' \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where the Laplace transform of $(U_{\alpha/2}, U_\alpha)'$ is given by:

$$\mathbb{E}\{e^{-rU_{\alpha/2} - sU_\alpha}\} = e^{-\delta_\alpha(r,s)}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

It follows in particular that $U_{\alpha/2}$ and U_α each have the Laplace transform (2.2) with $\gamma = \alpha/2$ for the former and $\gamma = \alpha$ for the latter, meaning that $U_{\alpha/2}$ is positive $\alpha/2$ -stable and that U_α is positive α -stable.

Define $\varphi_t(\theta) := Q_t(e^{-\theta/t}) = \mathbb{E}\{e^{-\theta N(t)/t}\}$ for $\theta \geq 0$ so that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_t(\theta) = \mathbb{E}\{e^{-\theta\Lambda}\} =: \varphi(\theta)$ by (2.1). Write the following triangular inequality:

$$|\varphi_t(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) - \varphi(\delta_\alpha(r, s))| \leq |\varphi_t(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) - \varphi(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s))| + |\varphi(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) - \varphi(\delta_\alpha(r, s))|.$$

On the one hand, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\varphi(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) - \varphi(\delta_\alpha(r, s))| = 0$ by continuity of φ . On the other hand, for t large enough, there exist reals a, b with $0 \leq a \leq \delta_\alpha(r, s) < b$ such that $\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s) \in [a, b]$. Then, $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} |\varphi_t(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) - \varphi(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s))| = 0$ if and only if $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\theta \in [a, b]} |\varphi_t(\theta) - \varphi(\theta)| = 0$. The latter is true since (2.1) holds uniformly in every finite θ -interval. As a consequence, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \varphi_t(\delta_{\alpha,t}(r, s)) = \varphi(\delta_\alpha(r, s))$, that is:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}\left\{ \exp\left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right) \right\} = \mathbb{E}\left\{ e^{-\delta_\alpha(r,s)\Lambda} \right\}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

However, since Λ is independent of $U_{\alpha/2}$ and U_α , we readily compute by using conditioning arguments:

$$(3.2) \quad \mathbb{E}\left\{ e^{-rU_{\alpha/2}\Lambda^{2/\alpha} - sU_\alpha\Lambda^{1/\alpha}} \right\} = \mathbb{E}\left\{ e^{-\delta_\alpha(r,s)\Lambda} \right\}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

Hence, we have proved the following:

$$(3.3) \quad \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2, \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}, U_\alpha \Lambda^{1/\alpha})' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $(U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}, U_{\alpha} \Lambda^{1/\alpha})'$ has the Laplace transform (3.2). The Continuous Mapping Theorem (CMT), see e.g. Corollary 1 page 31 of Billingsley [3], finally gives:

$$T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{U_{\alpha}^2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $(U_{\alpha/2}, U_{\alpha})'$ has the Laplace transform (3.1). This concludes the proof. \square

THEOREM 3.2. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha = 1$ and $\mu_1 = \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ \mathcal{D} -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Then:*

$$\left(\frac{a'_t}{a_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{1/2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $U_{1/2}$ is a positive 1/2-stable random variable with Laplace transform (2.2) for $\gamma = 1/2$ and where the sequences $(a_t)_{t>0}$ and $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ are respectively defined by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-1} \ell(a_t) = 1$ and $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a'_t{}^{-1} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$.

PROOF. Let $1 - F(x) \sim x^{-1} \ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ such that $\mu_1 = \infty$. Define a sequence $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $1 - F(a_t) \sim 1/t$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-1} \ell(a_t) = 1$, and a sequence $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a'_t{}^{-1} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du$. Note that $\tilde{\ell} \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ell(x)/\tilde{\ell}(x) = 0$ (e.g., Proposition 1.5.9a of Bingham et al. [4]).

Let $r \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$ be fixed. We readily compute:

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ \exp \left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{a'_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right) \right\} = Q_t \left(e^{-\delta_t(r,s)/t} \right)$$

with $\delta_t(r, s) := -t \log \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/a'_t} dF(x) \in [0, \infty)$. The Dominated Convergence Theorem (DCT) gives $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/a'_t} dF(x) = 1$, so that:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_t(r, s) &\underset{t \uparrow \infty}{\sim} 2r \int_0^\infty y e^{-ry^2 - sy a_t/a'_t} t (1 - F(a_t y)) dy \\ &\quad + \frac{s^2 t}{a'_t} \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} \int_0^{a'_t y} (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t)^2} dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ell(x)/\tilde{\ell}(x) = 0$, we obtain with de Bruijn conjugate arguments that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a_t/a'_t = 0$. Note however that $a_t/a'_t \in \text{RV}_0$ since $a_t \in \text{RV}_1$ and $a'_t \in \text{RV}_1$. Applying Potter's theorem (e.g., Theorem 1.5.6 of Bingham et al. [4]) and the DCT then leads to:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 2r \int_0^\infty y e^{-ry^2 - sy a_t/a'_t} t (1 - F(a_t y)) dy = 2r \int_0^\infty e^{-ry^2} dy = \sqrt{r\pi}.$$

Since $\mu_1 = \infty$, we have $\tilde{\ell}(x) \sim \int_0^x (1 - F(u)) du$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. For any $y > 0$, we then obtain as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\int_0^{a'_t y} (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t)^2} dx \sim \int_0^{a'_t y} (1 - F(x)) dx \sim \tilde{\ell}(a'_t y) \sim \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) \sim \frac{a'_t}{t}$$

so that the DCT leads to:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{s^2 t}{a_t^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-sy} \int_0^{a_t y} (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t)^2} dx dy = s.$$

It follows that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta_t(r, s) = \sqrt{r\pi} + s$. A similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.1 applied to the convergence of $Q_t(e^{-\delta_t(r,s)/t})$ then yields:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \exp \left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right) \right\} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-\sqrt{r\pi} \Lambda - s \Lambda} \right\}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

Repeating the proof of Theorem 3.1 with $s = 0$ shows that $a_t^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{1/2} \Lambda^2$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, where $U_{1/2}$ is a positive 1/2-stable random variable independent of Λ with Laplace transform (2.2) for $\gamma = 1/2$. From this independence, we get by using conditioning arguments:

$$(3.4) \quad \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-r U_{1/2} \Lambda^2 - s \Lambda} \right\} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{-\sqrt{r\pi} \Lambda - s \Lambda} \right\}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

It then follows that:

$$(3.5) \quad \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2, \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (U_{1/2} \Lambda^2, \Lambda)' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $(U_{1/2} \Lambda^2, \Lambda)'$ has the Laplace transform (3.4). The CMT finally gives:

$$\left(\frac{a_t'}{a_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{1/2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

and the proof is complete. □

THEOREM 3.3. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ (including $\alpha = 1$ if $\mu_1 < \infty$) and that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ \mathcal{D} -averages in time to the random variable Λ .*

- (a) *Then: $\left(\frac{N(t)}{a_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.*
- (b) *Then: $\left(\frac{t}{a_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{2-2/\alpha}}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$.*

In (a) and (b), $U_{\alpha/2}$ is a positive $\alpha/2$ -stable random variable independent of Λ with Laplace transform (2.2) for $\gamma = \alpha/2$. Moreover, the sequence $(a_t)_{t>0}$ is defined by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$.

PROOF. Let $1 - F(x) \sim x^{-\alpha} \ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ or $\alpha = 1$ if $\mu_1 < \infty$. Define a sequence $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $1 - F(a_t) \sim 1/t$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, i.e. $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$. Note that $a_t \in \text{RV}_{1/\alpha}$.

(a) Since $\mu_1 < \infty$ and $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we get $\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ by Lemma 2.1. Repeating the proof of Theorem 3.1 with $s = 0$ shows that $a_t^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, where $U_{\alpha/2}$ is a positive $\alpha/2$ -stable random

variable independent of Λ with Laplace transform (2.2) for $\gamma = \alpha/2$. Slutsky's theorem (e.g., Corollary page 97 of Chung [5]) and the CMT then yield:

$$\left(\frac{N(t)}{at}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2\right) \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

(b) Let $r \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$ be fixed. We readily compute:

$$\mathbb{E}\left\{\exp\left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)\right\} = Q_t(e^{-\delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s)/t})$$

with $\delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s) := -t \log \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/t} dF(x) \in [0, \infty)$. By virtue of the DCT, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/t} dF(x) = 1$. It then follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s) &\underset{t \uparrow \infty}{\sim} 2r \int_0^\infty y e^{-ry^2 - sya_t/t} t (1 - F(a_t y)) dy \\ &\quad + s \int_0^\infty (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/t} dx. \end{aligned}$$

If $\alpha = 1$, we have $\ell(x) = o(1)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ since $\mu_1 < \infty$ so that $a_t/t \sim \ell(a_t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. If $\alpha \in (1, 2)$, we have $a_t/t \sim a_t^{1-\alpha} \ell(a_t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ since $1 - \alpha \in (-1, 0)$. In both cases, we obtain that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} a_t/t = 0$. Applying Potter's theorem and the DCT then leads to:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} 2r \int_0^\infty y e^{-ry^2 - sya_t/t} t (1 - F(a_t y)) dy = 2r \int_0^\infty y^{1-\alpha} e^{-ry^2} dy = r^{\alpha/2} \Gamma(1 - \alpha/2).$$

Since $\mu_1 < \infty$, an application of the DCT gives:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} s \int_0^\infty (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t)^2 - sx/t} dx = s\mu_1.$$

It follows that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s) = r^{\alpha/2} \Gamma(1 - \alpha/2) + s\mu_1$. A similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.1 applied to the convergence of $Q_t(e^{-\delta_{\alpha,t}(r,s)/t})$ then yields:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}\left\{\exp\left(-r \frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)\right\} = \mathbb{E}\left\{e^{-r^{\alpha/2} \Gamma(1 - \alpha/2) \Lambda - s\mu_1 \Lambda}\right\}, \quad \begin{matrix} r \geq 0, \\ s \geq 0. \end{matrix}$$

We know from (a) that $a_t^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, where $U_{\alpha/2}$ is a positive $\alpha/2$ -stable random variable independent of Λ with Laplace transform (2.2) for $\gamma = \alpha/2$. From this independence, we get by using conditioning arguments:

$$(3.6) \quad \mathbb{E}\left\{e^{-r U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha} - s\mu_1 \Lambda}\right\} = \mathbb{E}\left\{e^{-r^{\alpha/2} \Gamma(1 - \alpha/2) \Lambda - s\mu_1 \Lambda}\right\}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0.$$

It then follows that:

$$(3.7) \quad \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2, \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}, \mu_1 \Lambda)' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $(U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}, \mu_1 \Lambda)'$ has the Laplace transform (3.6). The proof is finished since the CMT gives:

$$\left(\frac{t}{a_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2\right) \left(\frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i\right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{2-2/\alpha}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Note that $(t/a_t)^2 \in \text{RV}_{2-2/\alpha}$. \square

THEOREM 3.4. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha = 2$ and $\mu_2 = \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ \mathcal{D} -averages in time to the random variable Λ .*

$$(a) \text{ Then: } \left(\frac{N(t)}{a_t'}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1^2} \Lambda \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$(b) \text{ Then: } \left(\frac{t}{a_t'}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1^2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

In (a) and (b), the sequence $(a_t')_{t>0}$ is defined by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t'^{-2} \tilde{\ell}(a_t') = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$.

PROOF. Let $1 - F(x) \sim x^{-2} \ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ such that $\mu_2 = \infty$. Define a sequence $(a_t')_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t'^{-2} \tilde{\ell}(a_t') = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. Note that $a_t' \in \text{RV}_{1/2}$ and then $(t/a_t')^2 \in \text{RV}_1$.

(b) Let $r \geq 0$ and $s \geq 0$ be fixed. We readily compute:

$$\mathbb{E} \left\{ \exp \left(-r \frac{1}{a_t'^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right) \right\} = Q_t \left(e^{-\delta_t(r,s)/t} \right)$$

with $\delta_t(r,s) := -t \log \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t')^2 - sx/t} dF(x) \in [0, \infty)$. By virtue of the DCT, we have $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^\infty e^{-r(x/a_t')^2 - sx/t} dF(x) = 1$. It then follows that:

$$\begin{aligned} \delta_t(r,s) &\underset{t \uparrow \infty}{\sim} \frac{2r^2 t}{a_t'^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-ry} \int_0^{a_t' \sqrt{y}} x (1 - F(x)) e^{-sx/t} dx dy \\ &\quad + s \int_0^\infty (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t')^2 - sx/t} dx. \end{aligned}$$

Since $\mu_2 = \infty$, we have $\tilde{\ell}(x) \sim \int_0^x u (1 - F(u)) du$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. For any $y > 0$, we then obtain as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\int_0^{a_t' \sqrt{y}} x (1 - F(x)) e^{-sx/t} dx \sim \int_0^{a_t' \sqrt{y}} x (1 - F(x)) dx \sim \tilde{\ell}(a_t' \sqrt{y}) \sim \tilde{\ell}(a_t') \sim \frac{a_t'^2}{t}$$

so that the DCT leads to:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2r^2 t}{a_t'^2} \int_0^\infty e^{-ry} \int_0^{a_t' \sqrt{y}} x (1 - F(x)) e^{-sx/t} dx dy = 2r.$$

Since $\mu_1 < \infty$, we have by virtue of the DCT:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} s \int_0^\infty (1 - F(x)) e^{-r(x/a_t')^2 - sx/t} dx = s \mu_1.$$

It follows that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \delta_t(r, s) = 2r + s\mu_1$. A similar argument as in the proof of Theorem 3.1 applied to the convergence of $Q_t(e^{-\delta_t(r,s)/t})$ then yields:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \exp \left(-r \frac{1}{a_t'} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - s \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right) \right\} = \mathbb{E} \{ e^{-2r\Lambda - s\mu_1\Lambda} \}, \quad r \geq 0, s \geq 0$$

or equivalently:

$$(3.8) \quad \left(\frac{1}{a_t'^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2, \frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (2\Lambda, \mu_1\Lambda)' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

The CMT finally gives:

$$\left(\frac{t}{a_t'} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t'^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1^2} \frac{1}{\Lambda} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

(a) Since $\mu_1 < \infty$ and $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we get $\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ by Lemma 2.1. Moreover, it follows from (3.8) that $(a_t')^{-2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} 2\Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Slutsky's theorem and the CMT then lead to:

$$\left(\frac{N(t)}{a_t'} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} = \left(\frac{1}{a_t'^2} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 \right) \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)^{-2} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1^2} \Lambda \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

and this ends the proof. □

When X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 2$, we have $\mu_2 < \infty$ so that $N(t)T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_2/\mu_1^2$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ by the law of large numbers and Lemma 2.1 since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. In the sequel, we then derive second-order weak convergence results.

THEOREM 3.5. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha \in (2, 4)$ (including $\alpha = 2$ if $\mu_2 < \infty$) and that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Then:*

$$\frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \left(N(t)T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $W_{\alpha/2}$ is an $\alpha/2$ -stable random variable independent of Λ and where $\ell_1^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_1(x) := \ell^{-2/\alpha}(\sqrt{x}) \in \text{RV}_0$.

PROOF. Let $1 - F(x) \sim x^{-\alpha}\ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\alpha \in (2, 4)$ or $\alpha = 2$ if $\mu_2 < \infty$. Since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we combine Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.5 of Albrecher et al. [1] to obtain:

$$(3.9) \quad \frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} \left(N(t)T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} W_{\alpha/2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $W_{\alpha/2}$ is a stable random variable with exponent $\alpha/2$ and $\ell_1^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_1(x) := \ell^{-2/\alpha}(\sqrt{x}) \in \text{RV}_0$.

Let us prove the independence of $W_{\alpha/2}$ and Λ . We condition on $N(t)$, use the independence of $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ and $\{X_i; i \geq 1\}$ and finally apply (3.9) to get:

$$\begin{aligned} Y_t &:= \mathbb{P}\left[\frac{N(t)}{t} \leq x, \frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} (\mu_1^2 N(t) T_{N(t)} - \mu_2) \leq y \mid N(t)\right] \\ &= 1_{\{N(t)/t \leq x\}} \mathbb{P}\left[\frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} (\mu_1^2 N(t) T_{N(t)} - \mu_2) \leq y\right] \\ &\xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} 1_{\{\Lambda \leq x\}} \mathbb{P}[W_{\alpha/2} \leq y] \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

at any continuity points x of the distribution function of Λ and y of that of $W_{\alpha/2}$. The sequence of random variables $\{Y_t; t > 0\}$ being uniformly integrable, we apply Theorem 5.4 of Billingsley [3] to obtain:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left[\frac{N(t)}{t} \leq x, \frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} (\mu_1^2 N(t) T_{N(t)} - \mu_2) \leq y\right] = \mathbb{P}[\Lambda \leq x] \mathbb{P}[W_{\alpha/2} \leq y].$$

Now, since $\ell_1^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{p} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ with $\mathbb{P}[\Lambda > 0] = 1$, we have $\frac{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \xrightarrow{p} 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ by the uniform convergence theorem for slowly varying functions (e.g., Theorem 1.2.1 of Bingham et al. [4]), the CMT and the subsequence principle. Recalling (3.9), Slutsky's theorem and the CMT therefore yield as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\begin{aligned} &\frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \left(\frac{t}{N(t)} \right)^{1-2/\alpha} \frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}} \end{aligned}$$

thanks to the independence of $W_{\alpha/2}$ and Λ . The proof is complete. \square

THEOREM 3.6. *Assume that X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha = 4$ and $\mu_4 = \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Then:*

$$\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{N(0,1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0,1)$ is a standard normal random variable independent of Λ and where $\ell_2^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_2(x) := \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\tilde{\ell}(\sqrt{x})}} \in \text{RV}_0$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$.

PROOF. Let $1-F(x) \sim x^{-4}\ell(x)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ for some $\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ such that $\mu_4 = \infty$. The proof is akin to that of Theorem 3.5. Since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we combine Lemma 2.1 and Theorem 2.6 of Albrecher et al. [1] to obtain:

$$(3.10) \quad \frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} N(0,1) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0,1)$ is a standard normal random variable and $\ell_2^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_2(x) := \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\tilde{\ell}(\sqrt{x})}} \in \text{RV}_0$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$.

The random variables $N(0, 1)$ and Λ are independent. This is proved as for the independence of $W_{\alpha/2}$ and Λ in the proof of Theorem 3.5. Since $\ell_2^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ and $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{p} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ with $\mathbb{P}[\Lambda > 0] = 1$, we also have $\frac{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \xrightarrow{p} 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Recalling (3.10), Slutsky's theorem and the CMT therefore yield as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \sqrt{\frac{t}{N(t)}} \frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1^2} \frac{N(0, 1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \end{aligned}$$

and the proof is finished. \square

The following theorem covers the remaining α -cases since the result applies in particular when X_1 is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha = 4$ if $\mu_4 < \infty$ or $\alpha > 4$.

THEOREM 3.7. *Assume that X_1 satisfies $\mu_4 < \infty$ and that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ \mathcal{D} -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Then:*

$$\sqrt{t} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{N(0, \sigma_*^2)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0, \sigma_*^2)$ is a normal random variable independent of Λ with mean 0 and variance σ_*^2 defined by:

$$(3.11) \quad \sigma_*^2 := \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_1^4} - \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right)^2 + 4 \left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right)^3 - \frac{4\mu_2\mu_3}{\mu_1^5}.$$

PROOF. Let the distribution function F of X_1 be such that $\mu_4 < \infty$. From the bivariate Lindeberg-Lévy central limit theorem (e.g., Theorem 1.9.1B of Serfling [9]), one deduces that:

$$(3.12) \quad \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{Y}_n - \boldsymbol{\mu} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma}) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where $\mathbf{Y}_n := (X_i, X_i^2)'$, $\boldsymbol{\mu} := (\mu_1, \mu_2)'$ and $N(\mathbf{0}, \boldsymbol{\Sigma})$ is a normal random vector with mean $\mathbf{0} := (0, 0)'$ and covariance matrix $\boldsymbol{\Sigma}$ defined by:

$$\boldsymbol{\Sigma} := \begin{pmatrix} \mu_2 - \mu_1^2 & \mu_3 - \mu_1\mu_2 \\ \mu_3 - \mu_1\mu_2 & \mu_4 - \mu_2^2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Following the notation in Serfling [9], we write (3.12) as $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{Y}_n$ is $\text{AN}(\boldsymbol{\mu}, n^{-1}\boldsymbol{\Sigma})$. By virtue of the multivariate delta method, the asymptotic normality carries over to the random variable $g\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{Y}_n\right) = g\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2\right)$ for any function $g: (0, \infty) \times (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ that is continuously differentiable in a neighborhood of $\boldsymbol{\mu}$, so that $g\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbf{Y}_n\right)$ is $\text{AN}\left(g(\boldsymbol{\mu}), n^{-1}\mathbf{J}\boldsymbol{\Sigma}\mathbf{J}'\right)$ with $\mathbf{J} := \left(\frac{\partial g}{\partial x}(\boldsymbol{\mu}), \frac{\partial g}{\partial y}(\boldsymbol{\mu})\right)$. With the choice $g(x, y) = y/x^2$, we find that nT_n is $\text{AN}\left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2}, \frac{\sigma_*^2}{n}\right)$ with σ_*^2 given by (3.11).

Since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, it consequently follows by Lemma 2.1 that:

$$\sqrt{N(t)} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \sigma_*^2) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0, \sigma_*^2)$ is a normal random variable with mean 0 and variance σ_*^2 . The CMT together with the independence of $N(0, \sigma_*^2)$ and Λ (which is proved using the same arguments as for the independence of $W_{\alpha/2}$ and Λ in the proof of Theorem 3.5) finally gives as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\sqrt{t} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) = \sqrt{\frac{t}{N(t)}} \sqrt{N(t)} \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{N(0, \sigma_*^2)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}.$$

This completes the proof. □

4. Applications to Risk Measures

Assume that X is a positive random variable with distribution function F and let $X_1, \dots, X_{N(t)}$ be a random sample from F of random size $N(t)$ from a nonnegative integer-valued distribution. Thanks to the limiting results derived in Section 3 and the relations (1.4) and (1.7), we investigate the asymptotic behavior of two popular risk measures through their distributions. Subsection 4.1 deals with the sample coefficient of variation $\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)$ defined in (1.3) and Subsection 4.2 concerns the sample dispersion $\widehat{\text{D}}(X)$ defined in (1.5). The results are obtained under the same assumptions on X and on the counting process $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ as in Section 3.

4.1. Sample Coefficient of Variation. We determine limits in distribution for the appropriately normalized random variable $\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)$ by using the distributional results derived in Section 3 for $T_{N(t)}$ and thanks to (1.4). Consequently, different cases will arise according to the range of α and the (non)finiteness of the first few moments. We assume that X is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$ as defined in (1.2) in Cases 1-6 and that X satisfies $\mu_4 < \infty$ in Case 7. Moreover, the counting process is supposed to \mathcal{D} -average in time to the random variable Λ except in Cases 5-6 where it p -averages in time to Λ .

Case 1: $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows from Theorem 3.1, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT that as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)}{\sqrt{N(t)}} = \sqrt{T_{N(t)} - \frac{1}{N(t)}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{\sqrt{U_{\alpha/2}}}{U_{\alpha}}$$

where the distribution of the random vector $(U_{\alpha/2}, U_{\alpha})'$ is determined by (3.1).

Case 2: $\alpha = 1, \mu_1 = \infty$. Define $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-1} \ell(a_t) = 1$ and $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a'_t{}^{-1} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. Since $\frac{a'_t}{a_t} \sim \frac{(1/\tilde{\ell})^{\#}(t)}{(1/\ell)^{\#}(t)}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, where $(1/\tilde{\ell})^{\#} \in \text{RV}_0$ and $(1/\ell)^{\#} \in \text{RV}_0$ are the de Bruijn conjugates of $1/\tilde{\ell} \in \text{RV}_0$ and $1/\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ respectively, it follows that $a'_t/a_t \in \text{RV}_0$ and then that

$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{a'_t}{a_t}\right)^2 = 0$. Moreover, $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Hence, Theorem 3.2 together with Slutsky's theorem and the CMT gives as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{a'_t}{a_t} \frac{\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)}{\sqrt{N(t)}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{a'_t}{a_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} - \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{a'_t}{a_t}\right)^2 \frac{t}{N(t)}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \sqrt{U_{1/2}}$$

where the distribution of the random variable $U_{1/2}$ is determined by (2.2) with $\gamma = 1/2$.

Case 3: $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ or $\alpha = 1, \mu_1 < \infty$. Define $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$. Since $\frac{t}{a_t^2} \sim \frac{a_t^{\alpha-2}}{\ell(a_t)} \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows from Theorem 3.3(a), Slutsky's theorem and the CMT that as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{a_t} \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{N(t)}{a_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t^2} \frac{N(t)}{t}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \sqrt{U_{\alpha/2}} \Lambda^{1/\alpha}$$

where the random variable $U_{\alpha/2}$ is independent of Λ and has a distribution determined by (2.2) with $\gamma = \alpha/2$.

Repeating the same arguments as above but using Theorem 3.3(b) instead of Theorem 3.3(a), we also get as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{t}{a_t} \frac{\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)}{\sqrt{N(t)}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{t}{a_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t^2} \frac{t}{N(t)}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{\sqrt{U_{\alpha/2}}}{\Lambda^{1-1/\alpha}}.$$

Case 4: $\alpha = 2, \mu_2 = \infty$. Define $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t'^{-2} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. From $\mu_2 = \infty$, it follows that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\ell}(x) = \infty$ so that $t/a_t'^2 \sim 1/\tilde{\ell}(a'_t) \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Moreover, $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Theorem 3.4(a), Slutsky's theorem and the CMT then yield as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{a'_t} \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) = \sqrt{\left(\frac{N(t)}{a'_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t'^2} \frac{N(t)}{t}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\mu_1} \sqrt{\Lambda}.$$

By using Theorem 3.4(b) and the arguments above, we also get as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{t}{a'_t} \frac{\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)}{\sqrt{N(t)}} = \sqrt{\left(\frac{t}{a'_t}\right)^2 T_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t'^2} \frac{t}{N(t)}} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\mu_1} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}.$$

Case 5: $\alpha \in (2, 4)$ or $\alpha = 2, \mu_2 < \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Let $\ell_1^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ be the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_1(x) := \ell^{-2/\alpha}(\sqrt{x}) \in \text{RV}_0$. Note that $\ell_1^\#(x) = o(1)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ if $\alpha = 2$ and $\mu_2 < \infty$ since $\ell(x) = o(1)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Since $N(t) T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_2/\mu_1^2$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, the CMT gives:

$$\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \xrightarrow{p} \text{CoVar}(X) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now, define a sequence $(b_t)_{t>0}$ by $b_t := \frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})}$. Let $\sigma^2 := \mathbb{V}X < \infty$ and consider:

$$b_t \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) = \underbrace{\frac{\mu_1}{2\sigma} b_t \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right)}_{=: A_t} - \underbrace{\frac{\mu_1 b_t \left(N(t) T_{N(t)} - \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1^2} \right)^2}{2\sigma \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) + \text{CoVar}(X) \right)^2}}_{=: B_t}.$$

From Theorem 3.5 and using Slutsky's theorem and the CMT, we easily deduce that $A_t \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{2\mu_1\sigma} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}}$ and $B_t \xrightarrow{p} 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, leading by virtue of another application of Slutsky's theorem to:

$$\frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{2\mu_1\sigma} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $W_{\alpha/2}$ is an $\alpha/2$ -stable random variable independent of Λ .

Case 6: $\alpha = 4, \mu_4 = \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Since $N(t) T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_2/\mu_1^2$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we deduce by an application of the CMT that:

$$\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \xrightarrow{p} \text{CoVar}(X) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now, let $\ell_2(x) := \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\tilde{\ell}(\sqrt{x})}} \in \text{RV}_0$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. Define a sequence $(c_t)_{t>0}$ by $c_t := \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})}$ where $\ell_2^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of ℓ_2 . Consider the following equality:

$$c_t \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) =: A_t - B_t$$

where the random variables A_t and B_t are defined as in Case 5 but with b_t replaced by c_t . Theorem 3.6, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT give $A_t \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{2\mu_1\sigma} \frac{N(0,1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}$ and $B_t \xrightarrow{p} 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, leading by another application of Slutsky's theorem to:

$$\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{2\mu_1\sigma} \frac{N(0,1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0,1)$ is a standard normal random variable independent of Λ .

Case 7: $\mu_4 < \infty$. The proof of Theorem 3.7 can be repeated using the transformation $g(x, y) = \sqrt{y/x^2 - 1}$ and this leads to:

$$(4.1) \quad \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{N\left(0, \frac{\sigma_*^2 \mu_1^2}{4\sigma^2}\right)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0, \sigma_*^2 \mu_1^2 / (4\sigma^2))$ is a normal random variable independent of Λ with mean 0 and variance $\sigma_*^2 \mu_1^2 / (4\sigma^2)$, with σ_*^2 defined in (3.11) and $\sigma^2 := \mathbb{V}X < \infty$.

Assume that $\mathbb{E}\{\Lambda^{-1}\} < \infty$. When $t(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X))^2$ is uniformly integrable, the first two moments of the limiting distribution in (4.1) permit to

determine the limiting behavior of $\text{CoVar}(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X))$. Indeed, on the one hand:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{t} \left(\mathbb{E} \left\{ \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \right\} - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) \right\} = 0$$

which leads to:

$$(4.2) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E} \left\{ \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \right\} = \text{CoVar}(X).$$

On the other hand, we also get:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \mathbb{V} \left\{ \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \right\} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{V} \left\{ \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) - \text{CoVar}(X) \right) \right\} = \frac{\sigma_*^2 \mu_1^2 \mathbb{E} \{ \Lambda^{-1} \}}{4\sigma^2}$$

so that:

$$\mathbb{V} \left\{ \widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \right\} \sim \frac{\sigma_*^2 \mu_1^2 \mathbb{E} \{ \Lambda^{-1} \}}{4\sigma^2} \frac{1}{t} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently, under the above uniform integrability condition, the coefficient of variation of the sample coefficient of variation asymptotically behaves as:

$$\text{CoVar} \left(\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X) \right) \sim \frac{\sigma_* \mu_1^2 \sqrt{\mathbb{E} \{ \Lambda^{-1} \}}}{2\sigma^2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

In addition, it results from (4.1) and (4.2) that $\widehat{\text{CoVar}}(X)$ is a consistent and asymptotically unbiased estimator for $\text{CoVar}(X)$.

4.2. Sample Dispersion. Adapting the results of Section 3 to the random variable $C_{N(t)}$ defined in (1.6) permits us to derive limiting distributions for the appropriately normalized sample dispersion $\widehat{D}(X)$ from (1.7). Different cases are considered as for the sample coefficient of variation. We assume that X is of Pareto-type with index $\alpha > 0$ as defined in (1.2) in Cases 1-6 and that X satisfies $\mu_4 < \infty$ in Case 7. Moreover, the counting process is supposed to \mathcal{D} -average in time to the random variable Λ except in Cases 5-6 where it p -averages in time to Λ .

Case 1: $\alpha \in (0, 1)$. Define $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$. It follows from the CMT and (3.3) that as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{1}{a_t} C_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{U_\alpha} \Lambda^{1/\alpha}$$

where the random vector $(U_{\alpha/2}, U_\alpha)'$ is independent of Λ and has a distribution determined by (3.1). Since $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ and $a_t^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_\alpha \Lambda^{1/\alpha}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT then yield as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{1}{a_t} \widehat{D}(X) = \frac{1}{a_t} C_{N(t)} - \frac{1}{N(t)} \frac{1}{a_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{U_\alpha} \Lambda^{1/\alpha}.$$

Case 2: $\alpha = 1$, $\mu_1 = \infty$. Define $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-1} \ell(a_t) = 1$ and $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a'_t{}^{-1} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. It follows from (3.5) and the CMT that as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{a'_t}{a_t^2} C_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{1/2} \Lambda$$

where the random variable $U_{1/2}$ is independent of Λ and has a distribution determined by (2.2) with $\gamma = 1/2$.

Since $\frac{a'_t}{a_t} \sim \frac{(1/\tilde{\ell})^\#(t)}{(1/\ell)^\#(t)}$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, where $(1/\tilde{\ell})^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ and $(1/\ell)^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ are the de Bruijn conjugates of $1/\tilde{\ell} \in \text{RV}_0$ and $1/\ell \in \text{RV}_0$ respectively, it follows that $a'_t/a_t \in \text{RV}_0$ and then that $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{-1} (a'_t/a_t)^2 = 0$. Moreover, using the same independence and conditioning arguments as in the proof of Theorem 3.5, we obtain that at any continuity points x and y of the distribution function of Λ :

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P} \left[\frac{N(t)}{t} \leq x, \frac{1}{a'_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \leq y \right] = \mathbb{P}[\Lambda \leq x] \mathbb{P}[\Lambda \leq y]$$

i.e., since $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ and $(a'_t)^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, that:

$$\left(\frac{N(t)}{t}, \frac{1}{a'_t} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i \right)' \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} (\Lambda, \Lambda^*)' \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where Λ^* is an independent copy of Λ . Using the CMT, we then deduce:

$$\frac{t}{N(t)} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i}{a'_t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{\Lambda^*}{\Lambda} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Hence, Slutsky's theorem gives as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{a'_t}{a_t^2} \widehat{\text{D}}(X) = \frac{a'_t}{a_t^2} C_{N(t)} - \frac{1}{t} \left(\frac{a'_t}{a_t} \right)^2 \frac{t}{N(t)} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i}{a'_t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} U_{1/2} \Lambda.$$

Case 3: $\alpha \in (1, 2)$ or $\alpha = 1$, $\mu_1 < \infty$. Define $(a_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t^{-\alpha} \ell(a_t) = 1$. Since $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we get from Theorem 3.3(a) and Slutsky's theorem that:

$$\frac{N(t)}{a_t^2} C_{N(t)} = \bar{X} \left(\frac{N(t)}{a_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where the random variable $U_{\alpha/2}$ is independent of Λ and has a distribution determined by (2.2) with $\gamma = \alpha/2$. Since $\frac{t}{a_t^2} \sim \frac{a_t^{\alpha-2}}{\ell(a_t)} \rightarrow 0$ and $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem gives as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{N(t)}{a_t^2} \widehat{\text{D}}(X) = \frac{N(t)}{a_t^2} C_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t^2} \frac{N(t)}{t} \bar{X} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} U_{\alpha/2} \Lambda^{2/\alpha}.$$

By using (3.7) and the arguments above, we also get as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{t}{a_t^2} \widehat{\text{D}}(X) = \frac{t}{a_t^2} C_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t^2} \bar{X} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{U_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}}.$$

Case 4: $\alpha = 2, \mu_2 = \infty$. Define $(a'_t)_{t>0}$ by $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t a_t'^{-2} \tilde{\ell}(a'_t) = 1$ with $\tilde{\ell}(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. Since $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, it follows from Theorem 3.4(a) and Slutsky's theorem that as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{N(t)}{a_t'^2} C_{N(t)} = \bar{X} \left(\frac{N(t)}{a'_t} \right)^2 T_{N(t)} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1} \Lambda.$$

From $\mu_2 = \infty$, we get $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\ell}(x) = \infty$ so that $\frac{t}{a_t'^2} \sim \frac{1}{\tilde{\ell}(a'_t)} \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. Since $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \Lambda$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem then yields as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{N(t)}{a_t'^2} \widehat{D(X)} = \frac{N(t)}{a_t'^2} C_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t'^2} \frac{N(t)}{t} \bar{X} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1} \Lambda.$$

By using (3.8) and the arguments above, we also get as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$\frac{t}{a_t'^2} \widehat{D(X)} = \frac{t}{a_t'^2} C_{N(t)} - \frac{t}{a_t'^2} \bar{X} \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{2}{\mu_1}.$$

Case 5: $\alpha \in (2, 4)$ or $\alpha = 2, \mu_2 < \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Define a sequence $(b_t)_{t>0}$ by $b_t := \frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})}$ where $\ell_1^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_1(x) := \ell^{-2/\alpha}(\sqrt{x}) \in \text{RV}_0$. Note that if $\alpha = 2$ and $\mu_2 < \infty$, we have $\ell_1^\#(x) = o(1)$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$. Consider the decomposition:

$$b_t \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) = \underbrace{\frac{b_t}{\bar{X}} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - \mu_2 \right)}_{=: A_t} - \underbrace{\frac{b_t}{\sqrt{t}} \sqrt{t} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i - \mu_1 \right) \left(1 + \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1} \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \right)}_{=: B_t}.$$

By using (3.9), it is readily proved that:

$$\frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - \mu_2 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} W_{\alpha/2} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $W_{\alpha/2}$ is an $\alpha/2$ -stable random variable independent of Λ . Since $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$, $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{p} \Lambda$ and $\frac{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \xrightarrow{p} 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT therefore give as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$A_t = \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \left(\frac{t}{N(t)} \right)^{1-2/\alpha} \frac{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \frac{N(t)^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(N(t)^{2/\alpha})} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - \mu_2 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}}.$$

Using that $N(t) \xrightarrow{a.s.} \infty$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, we combine the central limit theorem and Lemma 2.1 to obtain:

$$\sqrt{N(t)} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i - \mu_1 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, \sigma^2) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where the random variable $N(0, \sigma^2)$ is normally distributed with mean 0 and variance $\sigma^2 := \mathbb{V}X < \infty$. The CMT together with the independence of $N(0, \sigma^2)$ and Λ

(which is easily proved using the same kind of arguments as for the independence of $W_{\alpha/2}$ and Λ in the proof of Theorem 3.5) then yields as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$(4.3) \quad \sqrt{t} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i - \mu_1 \right) = \sqrt{\frac{t}{N(t)}} \sqrt{N(t)} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i - \mu_1 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{N(0, \sigma^2)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}.$$

Since $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} b_t/\sqrt{t} = 0$ and $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT then imply that $B_t \xrightarrow{p} 0$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$. By virtue of another application of Slutsky's theorem, we finally obtain:

$$\frac{t^{1-2/\alpha}}{\ell_1^\#(t^{2/\alpha})} \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{W_{\alpha/2}}{\Lambda^{1-2/\alpha}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

The latter relation shows in particular that:

$$\widehat{D(X)} \xrightarrow{p} D(X) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Case 6: $\alpha = 4, \mu_4 = \infty$. Assume that $\{N(t); t \geq 0\}$ p -averages in time to the random variable Λ . Define a sequence $(c_t)_{t>0}$ by $c_t := \frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})}$ where $\ell_2^\# \in \text{RV}_0$ is the de Bruijn conjugate of $\ell_2(x) := \frac{1}{2\sqrt{\ell(\sqrt{x})}} \in \text{RV}_0$ with $\ell(x) := \int_0^x \frac{\ell(u)}{u} du \in \text{RV}_0$. Consider the following equality:

$$c_t \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) =: A_t - B_t$$

where the random variables A_t and B_t are defined as in Case 5 but with b_t replaced by c_t . By using (3.10), we get:

$$\frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - \mu_2 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} N(0, 1) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

for a standard normal random variable $N(0, 1)$ independent of Λ . Since $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$, $\frac{N(t)}{t} \xrightarrow{p} \Lambda$ and $\frac{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \xrightarrow{p} 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, Slutsky's theorem and the CMT then give as $t \rightarrow \infty$:

$$A_t = \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \sqrt{\frac{t}{N(t)}} \frac{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \frac{\sqrt{N(t)}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{N(t)})} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i^2 - \mu_2 \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{N(0, 1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}}.$$

Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{\ell}(x) = \infty$, we have $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ell_2(x) = 0$ so that $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \ell_2^\#(x) = \infty$. Since $\bar{X} \xrightarrow{p} \mu_1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and by using (4.3), we therefore have by virtue of Slutsky's theorem and the CMT that:

$$B_t = \frac{1}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \sqrt{t} \left(\frac{1}{N(t)} \sum_{i=1}^{N(t)} X_i - \mu_1 \right) \left(1 + \frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1} \frac{1}{\bar{X}} \right) \xrightarrow{p} 0 \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Another application of Slutsky's theorem finally gives:

$$\frac{\sqrt{t}}{\ell_2^\#(\sqrt{t})} \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{1}{\mu_1} \frac{N(0, 1)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

It follows in particular from the latter relation that:

$$\widehat{D(X)} \xrightarrow{p} D(X) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Case 7: $\mu_4 < \infty$. Using $g(x, y) = \frac{y}{x} - x$ in the proof of Theorem 3.7 yields:

$$(4.4) \quad \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{D}} \frac{N(0, \sigma_{**}^2)}{\sqrt{\Lambda}} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $N(0, \sigma_{**}^2)$ is a normal random variable independent of Λ with mean 0 and variance σ_{**}^2 defined by:

$$\sigma_{**}^2 := \mu_2 - \mu_1^2 + \frac{\mu_2^3}{\mu_1^4} - 2\frac{\mu_3}{\mu_1} - 2\frac{\mu_2\mu_3}{\mu_1^3} + 2\left(\frac{\mu_2}{\mu_1}\right)^2 + \frac{\mu_4}{\mu_1^2}.$$

Assume that $\mathbb{E}\{\Lambda^{-1}\} < \infty$. When $t(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X))^2$ is uniformly integrable, the first two moments of the limiting distribution in (4.4) permit to determine the limiting behavior of $D(\widehat{D(X)})$. Indeed, on the one hand:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{t} \left(\mathbb{E}\left\{ \widehat{D(X)} \right\} - D(X) \right) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}\left\{ \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) \right\} = 0$$

leading to:

$$(4.5) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}\left\{ \widehat{D(X)} \right\} = D(X).$$

Note that (4.4) together with (4.5) implies that $\widehat{D(X)}$ is a consistent and asymptotically unbiased estimator for $D(X)$. On the other hand, we also get:

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t \mathbb{V}\left\{ \widehat{D(X)} \right\} = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{V}\left\{ \sqrt{t} \left(\widehat{D(X)} - D(X) \right) \right\} = \sigma_{**}^2 \mathbb{E}\{\Lambda^{-1}\}$$

so that:

$$\mathbb{V}\left\{ \widehat{D(X)} \right\} \sim \sigma_{**}^2 \mathbb{E}\{\Lambda^{-1}\} \frac{1}{t} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty.$$

Consequently, under the above uniform integrability condition, the dispersion of the sample dispersion asymptotically behaves as:

$$D\left(\widehat{D(X)}\right) \sim \frac{\sigma_{**}^2 \mu_1 \mathbb{E}\{\Lambda^{-1}\}}{\sigma^2} \frac{1}{t} \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow \infty$$

where $\sigma^2 := \mathbb{V}X < \infty$.

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