

# LIMITING SPECTRAL DISTRIBUTION OF $k$ -CIRCULANT MATRIX WITH DEPENDENT ENTRIES

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ABSTRACT. Formula for the eigenvalues of circulant matrices with general shift by  $k$  places is available in the literature. Under suitable restrictions on  $\{k = k(n)\}$ , the limiting spectral distribution (LSD) of suitably scaled eigenvalues is known when the input sequence of the matrix are i.i.d. with finite variance. We derive the LSD of the  $k$ -circulant matrix when the input sequence is a stationary, two sided moving average process of infinite order.

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## 1. INTRODUCTION

If  $\lambda_1, \lambda_2, \dots, \lambda_n$  are the eigenvalues of an  $n \times n$  matrix  $A_n$ , then the *empirical spectral distribution function (ESDF)* of  $A_n$  is defined as

$$F_{A_n}(x, y) = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n I\{Re\lambda_i \leq x, Im\lambda_i \leq y\}.$$

Let  $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of square matrices with the corresponding ESDF  $\{F_{A_n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ . The Limiting Spectral Distribution (or measure) (LSD) of the sequence is defined as the weak limit of the sequence  $\{F_{A_n}\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ , if it exists. If  $\{A_n\}$  are random, the limit is in some probabilistic sense, such as “almost surely” or “in probability”. Suppose elements of  $\{A_n\}$  are defined on some probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , that is  $\{A_n\}$  are random. Let  $F$  be a distribution function. We say the ESD of  $A_n$  converges in probability to  $F$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  and at all continuity points  $(x, y)$  of  $F$ ,

$$\mathbb{P}(|F_{A_n}(x, y) - F(x, y)| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For detailed information on LSD of large dimensional random matrices see [Bai(1999)] and [Bose and Sen (2008)].

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In this article we focus on the LSD of  $k$ -circulant matrices. Suppose  $\{x_i, i = 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$  is a sequence of numbers (called the *input sequence*). For positive integers  $k$  and  $n$ , define the  $n \times n$  square matrix

$$A_{k,n} = \begin{bmatrix} x_0 & x_1 & x_2 & \dots & x_{n-2} & x_{n-1} \\ x_{n-k} & x_{n-k+1} & x_1 & \dots & x_{n-k-2} & x_{n-k-1} \\ x_{n-2k} & x_{n-2k+1} & x_0 & \dots & x_{n-2k-2} & x_{n-2k-1} \\ & & & \vdots & & \\ & & & & & \end{bmatrix}_{n \times n}.$$

We emphasize that all subscripts appearing in the entries above are calculated modulo  $n$ . The first row of  $A_{k,n}$  is  $(x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{n-1})$  and for  $1 \leq j < n - 1$ , its  $(j + 1)$ -th row is obtained by giving its  $j$ -th row a right circular shift by  $k$  positions (equivalently,  $k \bmod n$  positions).

Establishing the LSD for general  $k$ -circulant matrices appears to be a difficult problem. For certain combinations of  $n$  and  $k$ , a large proportion of eigenvalues are zero and the limit distribution is point mass at zero. For instance, [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)] show that if  $\{x_i\}$  are i.i.d  $N(0, 1)$ ,  $k = n^{o(1)}$  ( $\geq 2$ ) and  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$  then the LSD of  $F_{n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}}$  is degenerate at zero, in probability. Nondegenerate LSD in a few special cases are also derived in [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)]. In particular, suppose  $\{x_i\}$  are i.i.d. with mean zero and variance one and  $E|x_1|^{2+\delta} < \infty$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Let  $\{E_i\}$  be i.i.d.  $Exp(1)$ ,  $U_1$  be uniformly distributed over  $(2g)$ -th roots of unity,  $U_2$  be uniformly distributed over the unit circle where  $\{U_i\}, \{E_i\}$  are mutually independent. Then

(i) for  $k^g = -1 + sn$ ,  $g \geq 1$ ,  $s = o(n^{1/3})$ ,  $F_{n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}}$  converges weakly in probability to  $U_1(\prod_{i=1}^g E_i)^{1/2g}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

(ii) for  $k^g = 1 + sn$ ,  $g \geq 1$  and

$$s = \begin{cases} o(n) & \text{if } g \text{ is even} \\ o(n^{\frac{g+1}{g-1}}) & \text{if } g \text{ is odd,} \end{cases}$$

$F_{n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}}$  converges weakly in probability to  $U_2(\prod_{i=1}^g E_i)^{1/2g}$ .

Now let  $\{x_n; n \geq 0\}$  be a two sided moving average process,

$$x_n = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} a_i \epsilon_{n-i}$$

where  $\{a_n; n \in \mathbb{Z}\} \in l_1$ , that is  $\sum_n |a_n| < \infty$ , are nonrandom and  $\{\epsilon_i; i \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  are i.i.d. random variables with mean zero and variance one and consider the matrix  $A_{k,n}$  with these  $\{x_k\}$ . If  $\mathbb{E}(|\epsilon_i|^{2+\delta}) < \infty$  for some  $\delta > 0$  then the following results are known (see [Bose and Saha (2008)(a)] and [Bose and Saha (2008)(b)]).

- (i) If  $k = n - 1$ , the LSD of the  $k$ -circulant (which is also known as the reverse circulant), when scaled by  $n^{-1/2}$  is

$$H(x) = \begin{cases} 1 - \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\pi f(\omega)}} d\omega & \text{if } x > 0 \\ \int_0^\pi \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2\pi f(\omega)}} d\omega & \text{if } x \leq 0. \end{cases}$$

- (ii) If  $k = 1$  or equivalently  $k = n + 1$ , the LSD of the  $k$ -circulant (which is also known simply as the circulant), when scaled by  $n^{-1/2}$  (assuming  $\inf_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi]} f(\omega) > 0$ ) is

$$F(x, y) = \iint \mathbb{I}_{\{(v_1, v_2) \leq (x, y)\}} \left[ \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2\pi^2 f(2\pi s)} e^{-\frac{v_1^2 + v_2^2}{2\pi f(2\pi s)}} ds \right] dv_1 dv_2.$$

In this paper we extend the above result to show that the LSD of  $n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}$  continues to exist in this dependent situation when  $n = k^g + 1$  or  $n = k^g - 1$  for  $g \geq 2$ . See Theorems 2.1 and 2.5. The proofs exploit known eigenvalues formulae and their properties as well as appropriate normal approximations.

## 2. MAIN RESULTS AND PROOFS

The structure of eigenvalues of a  $k$ -circulant matrix is already known, see for example Zhou (1996). More detailed analysis of eigenvalues and related properties of  $A_{k,n}$ , useful in the present context, have been developed in Section 2 of [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)]. We use some of their development. Let

$$(2.1) \quad \nu = \nu_n := \cos(2\pi/n) + i \sin(2\pi/n), \quad i^2 = -1 \quad \text{and} \quad \lambda_k = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} x_l \nu^{kl}, \quad 0 \leq j < n.$$

For any two positive integers  $k$  and  $n$ , let  $p_1 < p_2 < \dots < p_c$  be all their common prime factors so that,

$$n = n' \prod_{q=1}^c p_q^{\beta_q} \quad \text{and} \quad k = k' \prod_{q=1}^c p_q^{\alpha_q}.$$

Here  $\alpha_q, \beta_q \geq 1$  and  $n', k', p_q$  are pairwise relatively prime. For any positive integer  $s$ , let  $\mathbb{Z}_s = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, s-1\}$ . Define the following sets

$$S(x) = \{xk^b \bmod n' : b \geq 0\}, \quad 0 \leq x < n'.$$

Let  $g_x = |S(x)|$ . Define

$$v_{k,n'} := |\{x \in \mathbb{Z}_{n'} : g_x < g_1\}|.$$

We observe the following about the sets  $S(x)$ .

- (1)  $S(x) = \{xk^b \bmod n' : 0 \leq b < |S(x)|\}$ .

(2) For  $x \neq u$ , either  $S(x) = S(u)$  or,  $S(x) \cap S(u) = \emptyset$ . As a consequence, the distinct sets from the collection  $\{S(x) : 0 \leq x < n'\}$  forms a partition of  $\mathbb{Z}_{n'}$ .

We shall call  $\{S(x)\}$  the *eigenvalue partition* of  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  and we will denote the partitioning sets and their sizes by

$$\{\mathcal{P}_0, \mathcal{P}_1, \dots, \mathcal{P}_{l-1}\}, \text{ and } n_i = |\mathcal{P}_i|, 0 \leq i < l.$$

Define

$$y_j := \prod_{t \in \mathcal{P}_j} \lambda_{ty}, \quad j = 0, 1, \dots, l-1 \quad \text{where } y = n/n'.$$

Then the characteristic polynomial of  $A_{k,n}$  is given by

$$(2.2) \quad \chi(A_{k,n}) = \lambda^{n-n'} \prod_{j=0}^{l-1} (\lambda^{n_j} - y_j),$$

and this provides a formula solution for the eigenvalues.

Now we turn to the process  $\{x_n\}$ . Define  $\gamma_h = Cov(x_{t+h}, x_t)$ . Then it is easy to see that  $\sum_{j \in \mathbb{Z}} |\gamma_j| < \infty$  and the *spectral density function* of  $\{x_n\}$  is given by

$$f(\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \sum_{k \in \mathbb{Z}} \gamma_k \exp(ik\omega) = \frac{1}{2\pi} [\gamma_0 + 2 \sum_{k \geq 1} \gamma_k \cos(k\omega)] \text{ for } \omega \in [0, 2\pi].$$

Let

$$G_d(x) = \mathbb{P}\left(\prod_{i=1}^d E_i \leq x\right),$$

where  $\{E_i\}$  are i.i.d.  $Exp(1)$ . For any integer  $d \geq 1$ , define  $H_d(x, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d)$  on  $\mathbb{R}_{\geq 0} \times [0, 2\pi]^d$  as

$$H_d(x, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d) = \begin{cases} G_d\left(\frac{x^4}{(2\pi)^d \prod_{i=1}^d f(\omega_i)}\right) & \text{if } \prod_{i=1}^d f(\omega_i) \neq 0, x \neq 0 \\ 1 & \text{if } \prod_{i=1}^d f(\omega_i) = 0, x \neq 0 \\ 0 & \text{if } x = 0. \end{cases}$$

Since  $G_d$  is continuous on  $\overline{\mathbb{R}}$  and  $f(\omega)$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 2\pi]$ , it is easy to see that for fixed  $x$ ,  $H_d(x, \omega_1, \dots, \omega_d)$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 2\pi]^d$ . It then easily follows that  $F_d$  defined below is a valid distribution function.

$$(2.3) \quad F_d(x) = \int_0^1 \cdots \int_0^1 H_d(x, t_1, \dots, t_d) \prod_{i=1}^d dt_i.$$

*Theorem 2.1.* Suppose  $\{\epsilon_i\}$  is an i.i.d. sequence with mean zero, variance 1 and  $E|\epsilon_i|^{2+\delta} < \infty$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Suppose  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$ . Suppose  $n = k^g + 1$  for some  $g \geq 2$ . Then as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $F_{n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}}$  converges weakly in probability to the LSD  $U_1(\prod_{i=1}^2 E_i)^{1/2g}$  where  $\{E_i\}$  are i.i.d. with distribution function  $F_g$  and  $U_1$  is uniformly distributed over the  $(2g)$ th roots of unity, independent of the  $\{E_i\}$ .

*Remark 2.1.* Using the expression (2.2) for the characteristic polynomial, it is then not difficult to manufacture  $\{k = k(n)\}$  such that the LSD of  $n^{-1/2}A_{k,n}$  has some positive mass at the origin. For example, suppose the sequences  $k$  and  $n$  satisfy  $k^g = -1 + sn$  where  $g \geq 1$  is fixed and  $s = o(n^{1/3})$ . Fix primes  $p_1, p_2, \dots, p_t$  and positive integers  $\beta_1, \beta_2, \dots, \beta_t$ . Define

$$\tilde{n} = p_1^{\beta_1} p_2^{\beta_2} \dots p_t^{\beta_t} n.$$

Suppose  $k = p_1 p_2 \dots p_t m \rightarrow \infty$ . Then the ESD of  $\tilde{n}^{-1/2}A_{k,\tilde{n}}$  converges weakly in probability to the LSD which has  $1 - \left(\prod_{s=1}^t p_s^{\beta_s}\right)^{-1}$  mass at zero, and rest of the probability mass is distributed as  $U_1(\prod_{i=1}^g E_i)^{1/2g}$  where  $U_1$  and  $\{E_i\}$  are as above.

*Remark 2.2.* If  $\{x_i\}$  are i.i.d, then  $f(\omega) = 1/2\pi$  for all  $\omega \in [0, 2\pi]$  and the LSD is  $U_1(\prod_{i=1}^g E_i)^{1/2g}$  where  $\{E_i\}$  are i.i.d.  $Exp(1)$ ,  $U_1$  is as above and independent of  $\{E_i\}$ . This agrees with [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)].

The proof of the theorem draws substantially from the method of [Bose and Mitra (2002)] and mainly depends on following two lemmas. The proof of Lemma 2.2 is given in [Fan and Yao (2003)] (Theorem 2.14(ii), page 63). The proof of Lemma 2.3 follows easily from [Bhattacharya and Ranga Rao (1976)] (Corollary 18.1, page 181).

*Lemma 2.2.* Let  $x_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} a_j \epsilon_{t-j}$  for  $t \geq 0$ , where  $\{\epsilon_t\}$  are i.i.d. with mean zero and variance one and  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$ . Then for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,

$$\omega_k = \frac{2\pi k}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{1}{n} |\lambda_k|^2 = L_n(\omega_k) + R_n(\omega_k)$$

where

$$L_n(\omega_k) = 2\pi f(\omega_k) \left[ \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \epsilon_l \cos\left(\frac{2\pi k l}{n}\right) \right)^2 + \left( \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \epsilon_l \sin\left(\frac{2\pi k l}{n}\right) \right)^2 \right]$$

and  $\max_{1 \leq k \leq \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} E|R_n(\omega_k)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

*Lemma 2.3.* Let  $X_1, \dots, X_k$  be independent random vectors with values in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , having zero means and an average positive-definite covariance matrix  $V_k = k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^k Cov(X_j)$ . Let  $G_k$  denote the distribution of  $k^{-1/2} T_k(X_1 + \dots + X_k)$ , where  $T_k$  is the symmetric, positive-definite matrix satisfying  $T_k^2 = V_k^{-1}$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . If for some  $\delta > 0$ ,  $E\|X_j\|^{(2+\delta)} < \infty$ , then there exists  $C_1, C_2 > 0$  (depending only on  $d$ ), such that for any Borel set  $A$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} |G_k(A) - \Phi_d(A)| &\leq C_1 k^{-\delta/2} \left[ k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^k E \|T_k X_j\|^{(2+\delta)} \right] + 2 \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} \Phi_d((\partial A)^\eta - y), \\ &\leq C_1 k^{-\delta/2} (\lambda_{\min}(V_k))^{-(2+\delta)} \rho_{2+\delta} + 2 \sup_{y \in \mathbb{R}^d} \Phi_d((\partial A)^\eta - y), \end{aligned}$$

where  $\rho_{2+\delta} = k^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^k E \|X_j\|^{(2+\delta)}$  and  $\eta = C_2 \rho_{2+\delta} n^{-\delta/2}$ .

*Proof of Theorem 2.1:* For simplicity we first prove the result when  $g = 2$ . Note that  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$  and hence in this case  $n' = n$  in (2.2). Thus the index of each eigenvalue belongs to *exactly one* of the sets  $\mathcal{P}_l$  in the eigenvalue partition of  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$ . Recall that  $v_{k,n}$  is the total number of eigenvalues  $\gamma_j$  of  $A_{k,n}$  such that  $j \in \mathcal{P}_l$  and  $|\mathcal{P}_l| < g_1$ . In view of Lemma 7 of [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)], we have  $v_{k,n}/n \leq 2/n \rightarrow 0$  and hence these eigenvalues do not contribute to the LSD.

Hence it remains to consider only the eigenvalues corresponding to the sets  $\mathcal{P}_l$  which have size *exactly equal* to  $g_1$ . It also follows from the argument in the proof of Lemma 3(i) of [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)] that  $g_1 = 4$ .

Recall the quantities  $n_j = |\mathcal{P}_j|$ ,  $y_j = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{P}_j} \lambda_t$ , where  $\lambda_j = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} x_l \nu^{jl}$ ,  $0 \leq j < n$ . Also, for every integer  $t \geq 0$ ,  $tk^2 = -t \pmod n$ , so that,  $\lambda_t$  and  $\lambda_{n-t}$  belong to same partition block  $S(t) = S(n-t)$ . Thus each  $y_t$  is real. Let us define

$$I_n = \{l : |\mathcal{P}_l| = 4\}.$$

It is clear that  $n/|I_n| \rightarrow 4$ . Without any loss, let  $I_n = \{1, 2, \dots, |I_n|\}$ .

Let  $1, \omega, \omega^2, \omega^3$  be all the fourth roots of unity. Note that for every  $j$ , the eigenvalues of  $A_{k,n}$  corresponding to the set  $\mathcal{P}_j$  are:  $y_j^{1/4}, y_j^{1/4}\omega, y_j^{1/4}\omega^2, y_j^{1/4}\omega^3$ . Hence it suffices to consider only the modulus of eigenvalues  $y_j^{1/4}$  as  $j$  varies: if these have an LSD  $F$ , say, then the LSD of the whole sequence will be  $(r, \theta)$  in polar coordinates where  $r$  is distributed uniformly across all the fourth roots of unity and  $r$  and  $\theta$  are independent. With this in mind, and remembering the scaling  $\sqrt{n}$ , we consider, for  $x > 0$ ,

$$F_n(x) = |I_n|^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{I} \left( \left[ \frac{y_j}{n^2} \right]^{\frac{1}{4}} \leq x \right).$$

Since the set of  $\lambda$  values corresponding to any  $\mathcal{P}_j$  is closed under conjugation, there exists a set  $\mathcal{A}_i \subset \mathcal{P}_i$  of size 2 such that

$$\mathcal{P}_i = \{x : x \in \mathcal{A}_i \text{ or } n-x \in \mathcal{A}_i\}.$$

Combining each  $\lambda_j$  with its conjugate, we may write  $y_j$  in the form,

$$y_j = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{A}_j} (b_{t,n}^2 + c_{t,n}^2)$$

where  $\{b_{t,n}\}$  and  $\{c_{t,n}\}$  are of the form

$$b_{t,n} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} x_l \cos \left( \frac{2\pi tl}{n} \right), \quad c_{t,n} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} x_l \sin \left( \frac{2\pi tl}{n} \right), \quad t \in \mathcal{A}_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|.$$

We show that for every  $x$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}[F_n(x)] \rightarrow F_2(x) \quad \text{and} \quad \text{Var}[F_n(x)] \rightarrow 0.$$

This will prove that the ESD converges to the required LSD in probability when  $g = 2$ .

Note that for  $x > 0$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}[F_n(x)] = |I_n|^{-1} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right).$$

Define

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{b}_{t,n} &= \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \epsilon_l \cos\left(\frac{2\pi tl}{n}\right), \quad \bar{c}_{t,n} = \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \epsilon_l \sin\left(\frac{2\pi tl}{n}\right), \quad t \in \mathcal{A}_j, \quad 1 \leq j \leq |I_n| \\ \bar{y}_j &= \prod_{t \in \mathcal{A}_j} (\bar{b}_{t,n}^2 + \bar{c}_{t,n}^2), \quad 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|, \\ \omega_t &= \frac{2\pi t}{n}, \quad f_j = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{A}_j} f(\omega_t), \quad 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|. \end{aligned}$$

Let  $\mathcal{A}_j = \{j_1, j_2\}$ . From Lemma 2.2, it is intuitively clear that for large  $n$ ,  $\frac{y_j}{n^2} \sim 4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2}$ . So first we show that for large  $n$ ,

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right) \sim \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right).$$

Let  $4\pi^2 f_j \frac{y_j}{n^2} = L_{n,j} + R_{n,j}$  for  $1 \leq j \leq |I_n|$ , where

$$L_{n,j} = 4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2},$$

$$R_{n,j} = L_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2}) + L_n(\omega_{j_2})R_n(\omega_{j_1}) + R_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2}),$$

$$L_n(\omega_{j_1}) = 2\pi f(\omega_{j_1})[n^{-1}(\bar{b}_{j_1,n}^2 + \bar{c}_{j_1,n}^2)], \quad L_n(\omega_{j_2}) = 2\pi f(\omega_{j_2})[n^{-1}(\bar{b}_{j_2,n}^2 + \bar{c}_{j_2,n}^2)].$$

Without loss we may choose  $\epsilon$  small enough such that  $x - \epsilon > 0$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \left[ \mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} + R_{n,j} \leq x^4) - \mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4) \right] \right| &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|R_{n,j}| \geq \epsilon) \\ &+ \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} |\mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4) - \mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4 \pm \epsilon)| \\ &\leq |I_n|(T_1 + T_2 + T_3 + T_4), \text{ say,} \end{aligned}$$

where

$$T_1 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|R_{n,j}| \geq \epsilon), \quad T_2 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} |\mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j})|,$$

$$T_3 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} |\mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4 \pm \epsilon) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}^\epsilon)|, \quad T_4 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} |\Phi_4(A_{n,j}) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}^\epsilon)|,$$

$$A_{n,j} = \left\{ (a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2) : \prod_{i=1}^2 [2^{-1}(a_i^2 + b_i^2)] \leq \frac{x^4}{4\pi^2 f_j} \right\},$$

$$A_{n,j}^\epsilon = \left\{ (a_1, b_1, a_2, b_2) : \prod_{i=1}^2 [2^{-1}(a_i^2 + b_i^2)] \leq \frac{x^4 \pm \epsilon}{4\pi^2 f_j} \right\}.$$

Note that  $x > 0$  and without loss we may choose  $\epsilon$  small enough such that  $x^4 - \epsilon > 0$ . It may be note that if  $f_j = 0$  for any  $j$ , then  $A_{n,j}^\epsilon$  and  $A_{n,j}$  are the whole spaces. We first show that  $T_1 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Now

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(|R_{n,j}| \geq \epsilon) &\leq \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) + \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_2})R_n(\omega_{j_1})| \geq \epsilon/3) \\ &\quad + \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3). \end{aligned}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) &\leq \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) + \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_1})| \geq 1) \\ &\leq \frac{3}{\epsilon} E(|R_n(\omega_{j_1})|) + E(|R_n(\omega_{j_2})|) \end{aligned}$$

Now by Lemma 2.2 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=0}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) \leq \left[ \frac{3}{\epsilon} + 1 \right] \sup_{1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} E|R_n(\omega_j)| \rightarrow 0.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) &\leq \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})| > \frac{\epsilon M}{3}) + \mathbb{P}(|R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \frac{1}{M}) \\ &\leq \frac{3}{M\epsilon} E(L_n(\omega_{j_1})) + M E|R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \end{aligned}$$

Note that  $\sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} E[L_n(\omega_{j_1})] \leq 4\pi \max_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi]} f(\omega) < \infty$ . Hence

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=0}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})R_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq \epsilon/3) \leq \frac{3}{M\epsilon} 4\pi \max_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi]} f(\omega) + M \sup_{1 \leq j \leq \lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \rfloor} E|R_n(\omega_j)|$$

Now as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the right side of the above expression can be made smaller than any given positive number by choosing  $M$  large enough. Similarly

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=0}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|L_n(\omega_{j_2})R_n(\omega_{j_1})| \geq \epsilon/3)$$

can be made arbitrarily small. Therefore  $T_1 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

We now show  $T_4 \leq C_x \epsilon$  for any  $n$ , where  $C_x$  is a constant depending only on  $x$ . It is understood that if  $f_j = 0$  for any  $j$ , then in the string of equations and inequalities below, that

term is absent.

$$\begin{aligned}
T_4 &= \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} |\Phi_4(A_{n,j}) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}^\epsilon)| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{2} e^{-t/2} \left[ \int_{\frac{x^4}{\pi^2 f_j t} \leq s \leq \frac{x^4 + \epsilon}{\pi^2 f_j t}} \frac{1}{2} e^{-s/2} ds \right] dt \right| \\
&\leq \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{2} e^{-t/2} \left[ e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^2 f_j t}} - e^{-\frac{x^4 + \epsilon}{2\pi^2 f_j t}} \right] dt \right| \\
&\leq \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{2} e^{-t/2} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^2 f_j t}} \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi^2 f_j t} dt \\
&\leq \frac{\epsilon}{x^4}, \quad (\because |e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^2 f_j t}} \frac{1}{2\pi^2 f_j t}| \leq \frac{1}{x^4}).
\end{aligned}$$

To show  $T_2, T_3 \rightarrow 0$  we will use normal approximation. First note the following well known trigonometric identities where  $1 \leq l < l' \leq n$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi lt}{n}\right) \cos\left(\frac{2\pi l't}{n}\right) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } l + l' \neq n, \\ n/2 & \text{if } l + l' = n, \end{cases} \\
\sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi lt}{n}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l't}{n}\right) &= \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } l + l' \neq n, \\ -n/2 & \text{if } l + l' = n, \end{cases} \\
\sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi lt}{n}\right) \sin\left(\frac{2\pi l't}{n}\right) &= 0, \\
\sum_{t=0}^{n-1} \cos^2\left(\frac{2\pi lt}{n}\right) &= n - \sin^2\left(\frac{2\pi lt}{n}\right) = \begin{cases} n/2 & \text{if } 2l \neq n, \\ n & \text{if } 2l = n. \end{cases}
\end{aligned}$$

Towards using an appropriate Berry-Esséen bound, define

$$X_{l,j} = 2^{1/2} \left( \epsilon_l \cos\left(\frac{2\pi tl}{n}\right), \epsilon_l \sin\left(\frac{2\pi tl}{n}\right), t \in \mathcal{A}_j \right) \quad 0 \leq l < n, 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|.$$

Using the trigonometric identities we have

$$E(X_{l,j}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad n^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} \text{Cov}(X_{l,j}) = I_4 \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|.$$

Note that

$$\{4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\} = \{n^{-1/2} \sum_{l=1}^{n-1} X_{l,j} \in A_{n,j}\}.$$

Now using Lemma 2.3 and Lemma 4 of [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)], we get for small  $\epsilon > 0$  and some constant  $C$ ,

$$\left| \mathbb{P}\left(4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) \right| \leq C n^{-\delta/2} \rho_{2+\delta} + C(\rho_{2+\delta} n^{-\delta/2})^{1-\epsilon}$$

where

$$\rho_{2+\delta} = n^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} E \|X_{l,j}\|^{2+\delta} \quad \text{and} \quad \sup_n \sup_{1 \leq j \leq n} \rho_{2+\delta} < \infty.$$

Therefore

$$|I_n|^{-1} \sum_{l=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) \right| \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence  $T_2 \rightarrow 0$  and similarly  $T_3 \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore

$$E[F_n(x)] = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right) \sim \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right),$$

and also by similar argument as above

$$\left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \left[ \mathbb{P}\left(4\pi^2 f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right) - \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) \right] \right| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Now it remains to identify the limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{l=1}^{|I_n|} \Phi_4(A_{n,j}).$$

To do so we recall the structure of the sets  $S(x), \mathcal{P}_j, \mathcal{A}_j$  and their properties. Since  $|I_n|/n \rightarrow 1/4$ ,  $v_{k,n} \leq 2$  and either  $S(x) = S(u)$  or  $S(x) \cap S(u) = \phi$ , we have

$$(2.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1, |\mathcal{A}_j|=2}^n \Phi_4(A_{n,j})$$

Also for  $n = k^2 + 1$  we can write  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  as  $\{ak+b; 0 \leq a \leq k-1, 1 \leq b \leq k\}$  and using the construction of  $S(x)$  we have  $\mathcal{A}_j = \{ak+b, bk-a\}$  for  $j = ak+b; 0 \leq a \leq k-1, 1 \leq b \leq k$  (except for atmost two values of  $j$ ).

Recall that for fixed  $x$ ,  $H_2(x, \omega, \omega')$  is uniformly continuous on  $[0, 2\pi] \times [0, 2\pi]$ . Therefore given any positive number  $\delta$  we can choose  $N$  large enough such that for all  $n = k^2 + 1 > N$ ,

$$(2.5) \quad \sup_{0 \leq a \leq k-1, 1 \leq b \leq k} \left| H_2\left(x, \frac{2\pi(ak+b)}{n}, \frac{2\pi(bk-a)}{n}\right) - H_2\left(x, \frac{2\pi a}{\sqrt{n}}, \frac{2\pi b}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \right| < \delta.$$

Finally using (1.3), (1.4) we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \Phi_4(A_{n,j}) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n G_2\left(\frac{x^4}{4\pi^2 f_j}\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor} \sum_{a=0}^{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor} H_2\left(x, \frac{2\pi(ak+b)}{n}, \frac{2\pi(bk-a)}{n}\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{b=1}^{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor} \sum_{a=0}^{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \rfloor} H_2\left(x, \frac{2\pi a}{\sqrt{n}}, \frac{2\pi b}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \\
&= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H_2(x, 2\pi s, 2\pi t) ds dt = F_2(x).
\end{aligned}$$

To show that  $\text{Var}[F_n(x)] \rightarrow 0$ , since the variables involved are all bounded, it is enough to show that

$$n^{-2} \sum_{j \neq j'} \text{Cov}\left(\mathbb{I}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^2} \leq x^4\right), \mathbb{I}\left(\frac{y_{j'}}{n^2} \leq x^4\right)\right) \rightarrow 0.$$

Along the lines of the proof used to show  $E[F_n(x)] \rightarrow F_2(x)$ , one may now extend the vectors with 4 coordinates defined above to ones with 8 coordinates and proceed exactly as above to verify this. We omit the routine details. This proves the Theorem when  $g = 2$ .

The above argument essentially can be extended to cover the general ( $g > 2$ ) case. Here we highlight only a few of the technicalities and omit the other details. We now have the following lemma.

*Lemma 2.4.* Given any  $\epsilon, \eta > 0$  there exist a  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=1}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > \epsilon\right) \leq \frac{2\pi}{M} \left(s-1 + \frac{1}{\epsilon}\right) \max_{0 \leq \omega \leq 2\pi} f(\omega) + (M^s + g - s - 1) \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} E|R_n(\omega_k)| < \eta$$

for all  $n \geq N$ , where  $L_n(\omega_j)$ ,  $R_n(\omega_j)$  are as defined in Lemma 2.2.

*Proof.* Note

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=1}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > \epsilon\right) &\leq \mathbb{P}\left(\left|L_n(\omega_{j_1})\right| \geq M\epsilon\right) \\
&\quad + \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=2}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M\right),
\end{aligned}$$

and iterating this argument,

$$\begin{aligned} & P\left(\left|\prod_{i=2}^s L_n(\omega_i) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M\right) \\ & \leq P\left(|L_n(\omega_{j_2})| \geq M\right) + P\left(\left|\prod_{i=3}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M^2\right). \end{aligned}$$

Continuing in this way we have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=1}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > \epsilon\right) & \leq \mathbb{P}\left(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})| \geq M\epsilon\right) + \sum_{i=2}^s \mathbb{P}\left(|L_n(\omega_{j_i})| \geq M\right) \\ & \quad + \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M^s\right) \end{aligned}$$

Also note that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M^s\right) & \leq \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=s+2}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > 1/M^s\right) + \mathbb{P}\left(|R_n(\omega_{j_{s+1}})| > 1\right) \\ & \leq \mathbb{P}\left(|R_n(\omega_{j_g})| > 1/M^s\right) + \sum_{i=1}^{g-1} \mathbb{P}\left(|R_n(\omega_{j_i})| > 1\right) \\ & \leq (M^s + g - s - 1) \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} E|R_n(\omega_k)|. \end{aligned}$$

Combining all the above we get

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\prod_{i=1}^s L_n(\omega_{j_i}) \prod_{i=s+1}^g R_n(\omega_{j_i})\right| > \epsilon\right) & \leq \mathbb{P}\left(|L_n(\omega_{j_1})| \geq M\epsilon\right) + \sum_{i=2}^s \mathbb{P}\left(|L_n(\omega_{j_i})| \geq M\right) \\ & \quad + (M^s + g - s - 1) \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} E|R_n(\omega_k)| \\ & \leq \frac{1}{M}(s-1 + 1/\epsilon)4\pi \max_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi]} f(\omega) \\ & \quad + (M^s + g - s - 1) \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} E|R_n(\omega_k)|. \end{aligned}$$

First term in the right side can be made smaller than  $\eta/2$  by choosing  $M$  large enough and since  $\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} E|R_n(\omega_k)| \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , we can choose  $N \in \mathbb{N}$  such that the second term is less than  $\eta/2$  for all  $n \geq N$ , proving the lemma.  $\square$

For general  $g \geq 2$ , as before,  $n' = n$ , the index of each eigenvalue belongs to one of the sets  $\mathcal{P}_l$  in the eigenvalue partition of  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  and  $v_{k,n}/n \rightarrow 0$ .

Hence it remains to consider only the eigenvalues corresponding to the sets  $\mathcal{P}_l$  which have size exactly equal to  $g_1$  and it follows from the argument in the proof of Lemma 3(i) of

[Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)] that  $g_1 = 2g$ . We can now proceed as in  $g = 2$  case. Now,

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{y_j}{n^g} \leq x^4\right) \sim \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left((2\pi)^g f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^g} \leq x^4\right),$$

where

$$(2\pi)^g f_j \frac{\bar{y}_j}{n^g} = L_{n,j} + R_{n,j} \quad \text{for } 1 \leq j \leq |I_n|, \quad L_{n,j} = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{A}_j} L_n(\omega_t).$$

Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} |\Phi_{2g}(A_{n,j}) - \Phi_{2g}(A_{n,j}^\epsilon)| &\leq \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \int_0^\infty h(t) [e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^g f_j t}} - e^{-\frac{x^4 + \epsilon}{2\pi^g f_j t}}] dt \right| \\ &\leq \int_0^\infty h(t) \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^g f_j t}} \frac{\epsilon}{2\pi^2 f_j t} dt \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon}{x^4}, \end{aligned}$$

since  $|e^{-\frac{x^4}{2\pi^g f_j t}} \frac{1}{2\pi^g f_j t}| \leq \frac{1}{x^4}$  and  $h(t)$  is the density function of product of  $(g-1)$  i.i.d.  $\exp(1)$ . Now by previous observation and Lemma 2.4 and using normal approximation appropriately, we can show as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} + R_{n,j} \leq x^4) - \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{k=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(L_{n,j} \leq x^4) \right| \rightarrow 0.$$

Now note that for  $n = k^g + 1$  we can write  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  as  $\{b_1 k^{g-1} + b_2 k^{g-2} + \dots + b_{g-1} k + b_g; 0 \leq b_i \leq k-1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq g-1; 1 \leq b_g \leq k\}$ . So we can write the sets  $\mathcal{A}_j$  explicitly using this decomposition of  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n-1\}$  as done in  $g = 2$  that is,  $n = k^2 + 1$  case. For example if  $g = 3$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_j = \{b_1 k^2 + b_2 k + b_3, b_2 k^2 + b_3 k - b_1, b_3 k^2 - b_1 k - b_2\}$  for  $j = b_1 k^2 + b_2 k + b_3$  (except for finitely many  $j$ , bounded by  $v_{k,n}$  and they do not contribute to this limit). Using this fact and proceeding as before we conclude that the LSD is now  $F_g(x)$ .  $\square$

We now state and prove another result which also describes the LSD for  $k$ -circulant matrices but where  $n = k^g - 1$ ,  $g \geq 2$ . Define

$$C_0 = \{\omega \in [0, 2\pi] : f(\omega) = 0\},$$

$$B(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1(e^{i\omega_1}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_1}) & 0 & 0 \\ a_2(e^{i\omega_1}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_1}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_1(e^{i\omega_2}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_2}) \\ 0 & 0 & a_2(e^{i\omega_2}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_2}) \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} B_1 & \circ \\ \circ & B_2 \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $a_1(e^{i\omega}) = \mathcal{R}[a(e^{i\omega})]$ ,  $a_2(e^{i\omega}) = \mathcal{I}[a(e^{i\omega})]$ ,  $a(e^{i\omega})$  is same as defined in Lemma 2.6 and for  $z \in \mathbb{C}$ ,  $\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{I}$  denote the real and imaginary part of  $z$  respectively. It is easy to see that

$$|a(e^{i\omega})|^2 = a_1(e^{i\omega})^2 + a_2(e^{i\omega})^2 = 2\pi f(\omega).$$

Define for  $\{z_i, w_i \in \mathbb{R}\}$  and  $(\omega_1, \omega_2) \in [0, 2\pi]^2$ ,

$$H_2(\omega_i, z_i, w_i, i = 1, 2) = \begin{cases} \mathbb{P}(B(\omega_1, \omega_2)N \leq \sqrt{2}(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') & \text{if } f(\omega_1)f(\omega_2) \neq 0 \\ \mathbb{P}(B_1(N_1, N_2)' \leq \sqrt{2}(z_1, w_1)')\mathbb{I}(z_2 \geq 0, w_2 \geq 0) & \text{if } f(\omega_1) \neq 0, f(\omega_2) = 0 \\ \mathbb{P}(B_2(N_3, N_4)' \leq \sqrt{2}(z_2, w_2)')\mathbb{I}(z_1 \geq 0, w_1 \geq 0) & \text{if } f(\omega_2) \neq 0, f(\omega_1) = 0 \\ \mathbb{I}(z_i \geq 0, w_i \geq 0, i = 1, 2) & \text{if } f(\omega_1), f(\omega_2) = 0. \end{cases}$$

Since  $a(e^{i\omega})$  is continuous on  $[0, 2\pi]$ , it is easy to verify that for fixed  $\{z_i, w_i, i = 1, 2\}$ ,  $H_2$  is bounded continuous function in  $(\omega_1, \omega_2)$ . Hence we may define

$$\mathcal{F}_2(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) = \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt.$$

$\mathcal{F}_2$  is a proper distribution function.

For any Borel set  $B$ , let  $\lambda(B)$  denote the corresponding Lebesgue measure. It is easy to see that

(i) if  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$  then  $\mathcal{F}_2$  is continuous everywhere and,

(ii) if  $\lambda(C_0) \neq 0$  then  $\mathcal{F}_2$  is discontinuous *only* on  $D_2 = \{(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) : \prod_{i=1}^2 z_i w_i = 0\}$ .

Extending the above concepts, define for any  $g \geq 2$ ,

$$B(\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_g) = \begin{pmatrix} a_1(e^{i\omega_1}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_1}) & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ a_2(e^{i\omega_1}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_1}) & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_1(e^{i\omega_2}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_2}) & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_2(e^{i\omega_2}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_2}) & \dots & 0 \\ \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \vdots & \ddots & \vdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a_1(e^{i\omega_g}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_g}) \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & \dots & a_2(e^{i\omega_g}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_g}) \end{pmatrix}.$$

For  $\{z_i, w_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, 2, \dots, g\}$ , define

$$H_g(\omega_i, z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) = \mathbb{P}(B(\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_g)(N_1, \dots, N_{2g})' \leq (z_i, w_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, g)').$$

where  $N_i$  i.i.d.  $N(0, 1)$ .

As before, we can easily see that  $H_g$  is bounded continuous in  $(\omega_1, \dots, \omega_g)$  for fixed  $\{z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g\}$ . Therefore we can define  $\mathcal{F}_g$  as

$$\mathcal{F}_g(z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) = \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 H_g(2\pi t_i, z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) \prod dt_i$$

and  $\mathcal{F}_g$  is a proper distribution function. Again,

(i) if  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$  then  $\mathcal{F}_g$  is continuous everywhere and,

(ii) if  $\lambda(C_0) \neq 0$  then  $\mathcal{F}_g$  is discontinuous on  $D_g = \{(z_1, w_1, i = 1, \dots, g) : \prod_{i=1}^g z_i w_i = 0\}$ .

*Theorem 2.5.* Suppose  $\{\epsilon_i\}$  is an i.i.d. sequence with mean zero and variance 1 and  $E|\epsilon_i|^{2+\delta} < \infty$  for some  $\delta > 0$ . Suppose  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$ . Suppose  $n = k^g - 1$  for some  $g \geq 2$ . Then as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $F_{n-1/2 A_{k,n}}$  converges weakly in probability to the LSD  $(\prod_{i=1}^g G_i)^{1/g}$  such that  $(\text{Re } G_i, \text{Im } G_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, g)$  has the distribution  $\mathcal{F}_g$  given by

$$\mathcal{F}_g(z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) = \int_0^1 \cdots \int_0^1 H_g(2\pi t_i, z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) \prod dt_i.$$

Further, if  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{F}_g(z_i, w_i, i = 1, \dots, g) \\ &= \int \cdots \int \mathbb{I}_{\{t \leq (z_k, w_k, k=1, \dots, g)\}} \left[ \int_0^1 \cdots \int_0^1 \frac{\mathbb{I}_{\{\prod f(2\pi u_i) \neq 0\}}}{(2\pi)^g \prod_{i=1}^g [\pi f(2\pi u_i)]} \prod_{i=1}^g e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{t_{2i-1}^2 + t_{2i}^2}{\pi f(2\pi u_i)}} \prod du_i \right] \prod dt_i. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 2.3.* If  $\inf_{\omega \in [0, 2\pi]} f(\omega) > 0$ , we can write  $\mathcal{F}_g$  in the following form

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathcal{F}_g(z_k, w_k, k = 1, 2, \dots, g) \\ &= \int \cdots \int \mathbb{I}_{\{t \leq (z_k, w_k, k=1, \dots, g)\}} \left[ \int_0^1 \cdots \int_0^1 \frac{1}{(2\pi)^g \prod_{i=1}^g [\pi f(2\pi u_i)]} \prod_{i=1}^g e^{-\frac{1}{2} \frac{t_{2i-1}^2 + t_{2i}^2}{\pi f(2\pi u_i)}} \prod du_i \right] \prod dt_i. \end{aligned}$$

*Remark 2.4.* If  $\{x_i\}$  are i.i.d, then  $f(\omega) = 1/2\pi$  for all  $\omega \in [0, 2\pi]$  and the LSD simplifies to  $U_2(\prod_{i=1}^g E_i)^{1/2g}$  where  $\{E_i\}$  are i.i.d.  $\text{Exp}(1)$ ,  $U_2$  is uniformly distributed over the unit circle independent of  $\{E_i\}$ . This agrees with [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)].

*Proof.* First we assume  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$ . Note that  $\gcd(k, n) = 1$ . Since  $k^g = 1 + n = 1 \pmod n$ , we have  $g_1 | g$ . If  $g_1 < g$ , then  $g_1 \leq g/\alpha$  where  $\alpha = 2$  if  $g$  is even and  $\alpha = 3$  if  $g$  is odd. In either case, it is easy to check that

$$k^{g_1} \leq k^{g/\alpha} \leq (1+n)^{1/\alpha} = o(n).$$

Hence,  $g = g_1$ . By Lemma 3(ii) of [Bose, Mitra and Sen (2008)] the total number of eigenvalues  $\gamma_j$  of  $A_{k,n}$  such that  $j \in \mathcal{A}_l$  and  $|\mathcal{A}_l| < g$  is asymptotically negligible.

Unlike the previous theorem, here the partition sets  $\mathcal{A}_l$  are not necessarily self-conjugate. However, the number of indices  $l$  such that  $\mathcal{A}_l$  is self-conjugate is asymptotically negligible compared to  $n$ . To show this, we need to bound the cardinality of the following set for  $1 \leq l < g$ :

$$D_l = \{t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} : tk^l = -t \pmod n\} = \{t \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\} : n | t(k^l + 1)\}.$$

Note that  $t_0 = n/\gcd(n, k^l + 1)$  is the minimum element of  $D_l$  and every other element is a multiple of  $t_0$ . Thus

$$|D_l| \leq \frac{n}{t_0} \leq \gcd(n, k^l + 1).$$

Let us now estimate  $\gcd(n, k^l + 1)$ . For  $l > [g/2]$ ,

$$\gcd(n, k^l + 1) \leq \gcd(k^g - 1, k^l + 1) = \gcd(k^{g-l}(k^l + 1) - (k^{g-l} - 1), k^l + 1) \leq k^{g-l},$$

which implies  $\gcd(n, k^l + 1) \leq k^{[g/2]}$  for all  $1 \leq l < g$ . Therefore,

$$\frac{\gcd(n, k^l + 1)}{n} = \frac{k^{[g/2]}}{(k^g - 1)} \leq \frac{2}{k^{[(g+1)/2]}} \leq \frac{2}{((n^{1/g})^{[(g+1)/2]}} = o(1),$$

So, we can ignore the partition sets  $\mathcal{P}_j$  which are self-conjugate. For other  $\mathcal{P}_j$ ,

$$x_j = \prod_{t \in \mathcal{P}_j} (b_{t,n} + ic_{t,n})$$

will be complex.

Now for simplicity we will provide the detailed argument assuming that  $g = 2$ . Then,  $n = k^2 - 1$  and we can write  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as  $\{ak + b; 0 \leq a \leq k - 1, 0 \leq b \leq k - 1\}$  and using the construction of  $S(x)$  we have  $\mathcal{P}_j = \{ak + b, bk + a\}$  and  $|\mathcal{P}_j| = 2$  for  $j = ak + b; 0 \leq a \leq k - 1, 0 \leq b \leq k - 1$  (except for finitely many  $j$  and hence such indices do not contribute to the LSD).

Let us define

$$I_n = \{l : |\mathcal{P}_l| = 2\}.$$

It is clear that  $n/|I_n| \rightarrow 2$ . Without any loss, let  $I_n = \{1, 2, \dots, |I_n|\}$ . Suppose  $\mathcal{P}_j = \{j_1, j_2\}$ . We first find the limiting distribution of the empirical distribution of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(b_{j_1,n}, c_{j_1,n}, b_{j_2,n}, c_{j_2,n})$  for those  $j$  for which  $|\mathcal{P}_j| = 2$  and show the convergence in  $L_2$ . Let  $F_n(x, y, z, w)$  be the ESD of  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(b_{j_1,n}, c_{j_1,n}, b_{j_2,n}, c_{j_2,n})$ , that is

$$F_n(x_1, y_1, x_2, y_2) = \frac{2}{n} \sum_{j=1}^{[n/2]} \mathbb{I}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}b_{j_k,n} \leq x_k, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}c_{j_k,n} \leq y_k, k = 1, 2\right).$$

We show that for  $z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2 \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$(2.6) \quad \mathbb{E}[F_n(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)] \rightarrow \mathcal{F}_2(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) \text{ and } \text{Var}[F_n(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)] \rightarrow 0.$$

We state the following Lemma which is similar to Lemma 2.2. We omit the proof.

*Lemma 2.6.* Let  $x_t = \sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} a_t \epsilon_{t-j}$  for  $t \geq 0$ , where  $\{\epsilon_t\}$  are i.i.d random variables with mean 0, variance 1 and  $\sum_{j=-\infty}^{\infty} |a_j| < \infty$ . Then for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(b_{j,n} + ic_{j,n}) = a(e^{i\omega_j}) \left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(\bar{b}_{j,n} + i\bar{c}_{j,n}) \right] + Y_n(\omega_j),$$

where  $a(e^{i\omega_j}) = \sum_{l=-\infty}^{\infty} a_l e^{i\omega_j l}$  and  $\max_{0 \leq j < n} E|Y_n(\omega_j)|^2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Define for  $k = 1, 2, \dots, n$ ,

$$\eta_j = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(\bar{b}_{j_1, n}, \bar{c}_{j_1, n}, \bar{b}_{j_2, n}, \bar{c}_{j_2, n})',$$

and let  $Y_n(\omega_j) = Y_{1n}(\omega_j) + iY_{2n}(\omega_j)$ ,  $a(e^{i\omega_j}) = a_1(e^{i\omega_j}) + ia_2(e^{i\omega_j})$ , where  $a(e^{i\omega_j})$ ,  $Y_n(\omega_j)$  are same as defined in Lemma 2.6 and  $a_1(e^{i\omega_j})$ ,  $a_2(e^{i\omega_j})$ ,  $Y_{1n}(\omega_j)$ ,  $Y_{2n}(\omega_j)$  are all real valued. Define  $Y_{n,j} = (Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_1}), Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_1}), Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_2}), Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_2}))$ ,  $N = (N_1, N_2, N_3, N_4)'$  and

$$B_j = \begin{pmatrix} a_1(e^{i\omega_{j_1}}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_{j_1}}) & 0 & 0 \\ a_2(e^{i\omega_{j_1}}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_{j_1}}) & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & a_1(e^{i\omega_{j_2}}) & -a_2(e^{i\omega_{j_2}}) \\ 0 & 0 & a_2(e^{i\omega_{j_2}}) & a_1(e^{i\omega_{j_2}}) \end{pmatrix},$$

where  $\{N_i\}$  are i.i.d.  $N(0, 1)$ . Denote

$$|Y_{n,j}| = (|Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_1})|, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_1})|, |Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_2})|, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_2})|)$$

and

$$(|Y_{n,j}| \leq \epsilon) = (|Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_1})| \leq \epsilon, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_1})| \leq \epsilon, |Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_2})| \leq \epsilon, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_2})| \leq \epsilon).$$

Then  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}(b_{j_1, n}, c_{j_1, n}, b_{j_2, n}, c_{j_2, n}) = B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j}$ . From Lemma 2.6, it is intuitively clear that for large  $n$ ,  $[b_{j,n} + ic_{j,n}] \sim a(e^{i\omega_j})[\bar{b}_{j,n} + i\bar{c}_{j,n}]$ . So first we show that for large  $n$

$$\frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}b_{j_k, n} \leq z_k, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}c_{j_k, n} \leq w_k, k = 1, 2\right) \sim \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} P(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)').$$

Note

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}b_{j_k, n} \leq z_k, \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}c_{j_k, n} \leq w_k, k = 1, 2\right) - \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| \\ &\leq \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}((|Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_1})|, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_1})|, |Y_{1n}(\omega_{j_2})|, |Y_{2n}(\omega_{j_2})|) \geq (\epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon, \epsilon)) \\ &+ \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)', |Y_{n,j}| \leq \epsilon) - P(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| \\ &= T_1 + T_2, \text{ say.} \end{aligned}$$

Now using Lemma 2.6, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$T_1 \leq \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(|Y_n(\omega_{j_1})|^2 > 2\epsilon^2) \leq \frac{1}{2\epsilon^2} \sup_j E|Y_n(\omega_{j_1})|^2 \rightarrow 0.$$

$$T_2 \leq \max \left\{ \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right|, \right. \\ \left. \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1 - \epsilon, w_1 - \epsilon, z_2 - \epsilon, w_2 - \epsilon)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| \right\}$$

and

$$\left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| \\ \leq T_3 + T_4 + T_5.$$

where

$$T_3 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)') \right|,$$

$$T_4 = \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \left| \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_k + \epsilon, w_k + \epsilon, k = 1, 2)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_k + \sqrt{2}\epsilon, \sqrt{2}w_k + \sqrt{2}\epsilon, k = 1, 2)') \right|,$$

$$T_5 = \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_k + \sqrt{2}\epsilon, \sqrt{2}w_k + \sqrt{2}\epsilon, k = 1, 2)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_k, \sqrt{2}w_k, k = 1, 2)') \right|.$$

To show  $T_3, T_4 \rightarrow 0$ , define

$$X_{l,k} = 2^{1/2} \left( \epsilon_l \cos \left( \frac{2\pi j_1 l}{n} \right), \epsilon_l \sin \left( \frac{2\pi j_1 l}{n} \right), \epsilon_l \cos \left( \frac{2\pi j_2 l}{n} \right), \epsilon_l \sin \left( \frac{2\pi j_2 l}{n} \right) \right)'.$$

Note that

$$(2.7) \quad E(X_{l,j}) = 0 \quad \forall \quad l, j, n.$$

$$(2.8) \quad n^{-1} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} Cov(X_{l,j}) = I \quad \forall \quad j, n.$$

Note that for

$$\{B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)'\} = \{B_j (n^{-1/2} \sum_{l=0}^{n-1} X_{l,j}) \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)'\}.$$

Since  $\{(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4) : B_j(r_1, r_2, r_3, r_4)' \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)'\}$  is a convex set in  $\mathbb{R}^2$  and  $\{X_{l,k}, l = 0, 1, \dots, (n-1)\}$  satisfies (2.7) and (2.8), we can show using Lemma 1.4

[Bose and Saha (2008)(a)] that  $T_3, T_4 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and hence

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} P(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)') \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n P(B_j N \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)') \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n H(\omega_{j_1}, \omega_{j_2}, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{a=0}^{[\sqrt{n}]} \sum_{b=1}^{[\sqrt{n}]} H\left(\frac{2\pi(ak+b)}{n}, \frac{2\pi(bk+a)}{n}, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2\right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{a=0}^{[\sqrt{n}]} \sum_{b=1}^{[\sqrt{n}]} H\left(\frac{2\pi a}{\sqrt{n}}, \frac{2\pi b}{\sqrt{n}}, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2\right) \\
&= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_5 \\
&= \left| \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon) ds dt - \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt \right| \\
&\leq \int_0^1 \int_0^1 |H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon) - H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)| ds dt.
\end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$|H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon) - H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)| \leq 2$$

and for fixed  $\{z_k, w_k; k = 1, 2\}$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$(2.9) \quad |H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon) - H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)| \rightarrow 0.$$

Hence by DCT  $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_5 = 0$  and

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1 + \epsilon, w_1 + \epsilon, z_2 + \epsilon, w_2 + \epsilon)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| = 0.$$

Now note that for fixed  $\{z_k, w_k; k = 1, 2\}$  as  $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$$(2.10) \quad |H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1 - \epsilon, w_1 - \epsilon, z_2 - \epsilon, w_2 - \epsilon) - H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)| \rightarrow 0,$$

outside the measure zero set  $\{(2\pi s, 2\pi t) : f(2\pi s) = 0 \text{ or } f(2\pi t) = 0\}$ . Using this fact, proceeding as above we can show that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j + Y'_{n,j} \leq (z_1 - \epsilon, w_1 - \epsilon, z_2 - \epsilon, w_2 - \epsilon)') - \mathbb{P}(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \right| = 0$$

and hence  $\lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} T_2 \rightarrow 0$ . Therefore as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[F_n(z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)] &\sim \frac{1}{|I_n|} \sum_{j=1}^{|I_n|} P(B_j \eta_j \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)') \\ &\rightarrow \int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt \end{aligned}$$

and since  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} &\int_0^1 \int_0^1 H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{\{f(2\pi s)f(2\pi t) \neq 0\}} H(2\pi s, 2\pi t, z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2) ds dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{\{f(2\pi s)f(2\pi t) \neq 0\}} \iiint \mathbb{I}_{\{B_j \mathbf{u}' \leq (\sqrt{2}z_1, \sqrt{2}w_1, \sqrt{2}z_2, \sqrt{2}w_2)'\}} \frac{1}{(2\pi)^2} e^{-\frac{\sum_{i=1}^4 u_i^2}{2}} \prod du_i ds dt \\ &= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{\{f(2\pi s)f(2\pi t) \neq 0\}} \iiint \mathbb{I}_{\{\mathbf{v} \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)\}} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^2 v_i^2}{\pi f(2\pi s)} + \frac{\sum_{i=3}^4 v_i^2}{\pi f(2\pi t)} \right]}}{(2\pi)^2 \pi f(2\pi u) \pi f(2\pi v)} \prod dv_i ds dt \\ &= \iiint \mathbb{I}_{\{\mathbf{v} \leq (z_1, w_1, z_2, w_2)\}} \left[ \int_0^1 \int_0^1 \mathbb{I}_{\{f(2\pi s)f(2\pi t) \neq 0\}} \frac{e^{-\frac{1}{2} \left[ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^2 v_i^2}{\pi f(2\pi s)} + \frac{\sum_{i=3}^4 v_i^2}{\pi f(2\pi t)} \right]}}{(2\pi)^2 \pi f(2\pi u) \pi f(2\pi v)} ds dt \right] \prod dv_i \\ &= \mathcal{F}_2(z_i, w_i, i = 1, 2). \end{aligned}$$

Similarly we can show  $\text{Var}(F_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Hence the empirical distribution of  $y_j$  for those  $j$  for which  $|\mathcal{P}_j| = 2$  converges to the distribution of  $\prod_{i=1}^2 G_i$  such that  $(\text{Re } G_i, \text{Im } G_i; i = 1, 2)$  has distribution  $\mathcal{F}_2$  in distribution. Hence the LSD of  $n^{-1/2} A_{k,n}$  is  $(\prod_{i=1}^2 G_i)^{1/2}$ , proving the result when  $g = 2$  and  $\lambda(C_0) = 0$ .

When  $\lambda(C_0) \neq 0$ , we have to show (2.6) only at the continuity points of  $\mathcal{F}_2$ . Recall that  $\mathcal{F}_2$  is continuous on complement of  $D_2$ . All the above steps in the proof will go through for all  $\{z_i, w_i; i = 1, 2\}$  except (2.9), (2.10) but on complement of  $D_2$  (2.9), (2.10) also holds. Hence if  $\lambda(C_0) \neq 0$ , we have our required LSD. This proves the Theorem when  $g = 2$ .

For general  $g > 2$ , note that we can write  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as  $\{b_1 k^{g-1} + b_2 k^{g-2} + \dots + b_{g-1} k + b_g; 0 \leq b_i \leq k-1, \text{ for } 1 \leq i \leq g\}$ . So we can write the sets  $\mathcal{A}_j$  explicitly using this decomposition of  $\{0, 1, 2, \dots, n\}$  as done in  $n = k^2 - 1$  case. For example if  $g = 3$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_j = \{b_1 k^2 + b_2 k + b_3, b_2 k^2 + b_3 k + b_1, b_3 k^2 + b_1 k + b_2\}$  for  $j = b_1 k^2 + b_2 k + b_3$  (except for finitely many

$j$ , bounded by  $v_{k,n}$  and they do not contribute to this limit). Using this fact and proceeding as before we will have the LSD as  $(\prod_{i=1}^g G_i)^{1/g}$  such that  $(Re G_i, Im G_i; i = 1, 2, \dots, g)$  has distribution  $\mathcal{F}_g$ .  $\square$

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