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## Abstract

We study the regularity of random series representing shot noise series or Poisson integrals. We give conditions for the absolute continuity of their law with respect to Lebesgue measure and for their continuity for total variation norm. We deal also with the solution of drifted EDS driven by a Lévy process. We show the regularity of the law of the solution with respect to the drift term.

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## 1 Shot noise series and Poisson integrals

Let  $(\Delta_i)_{i \geq 1}$  be an independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) sequence of random variables with common law  $\sigma$  without atom in 0 and let  $(T_i)_{i \geq 1}$  be a sequence of partial sums of independent  $\mathcal{E}(\alpha)$ -random variables, independent of  $(\Delta_i)_{i \geq 1}$ . Given a measurable function  $h : \mathbb{R}_+ \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we are interested in the regularity of the law of the random series

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} h(T_i, \Delta_i). \quad (1)$$

Namely, we give conditions on  $h$  and on the law  $\sigma$  for the absolute continuity (with respect to the Lebesgue measure  $\lambda$ ) of the law of (1) on  $\mathbb{R}$  and on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . We study also the continuity of the law for the total variation norm with respect to the integrand  $h$ . Typically, our conditions are stated in terms of image measure  $(\lambda \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}$  and we refer to Section 4 in [DLS] and to [ABP, D] for sufficient explicit conditions on  $h$  and on  $\sigma$ .

The interest of such random series lies for instance in their connection with shot noise series and more generally with Lévy-type integrals. Indeed, the series (1) can be seen as the total effect of a repeated signal  $\Delta_i$  under a "filter"  $h$ . More precisely, as explained in [R],  $h(T_i, \Delta_i)$  can be viewed as an effect at time zero of a shot  $\Delta_i$  that happened  $T_i$  time units ago. In this case, it is standard to suppose that  $t \mapsto |h(t, x)|$  is non-increasing for all  $x$ , so that the magnitude of the effect decreases as the time elapsed from the moment of the shot increases. In this setting, the series (1) represents the total shot noise at time zero (note from Remark 4.1 in [R] that the monotonicity condition is not required for the convergence of (1)).

When  $N$  is a Poisson measure with control measure  $\nu$ , the series (1) is a representation for Poisson integral. More precisely, let  $Z(t) = \int_0^t \int_{|x| \geq 1} x N(ds, dx)$  be the Poisson point process associated to  $N$ . Note  $(T_i)_{i \geq 0}$  the sequence of ordered jump-times of  $Z$  in  $B_1^c = \{|x| \geq 1\}$ , that is  $T_0 = 0$  and  $T_i = \inf\{t > T_{i-1} \mid |\Delta Z_t| > 1\}$  for  $i \geq 1$ . The variable  $T_i$  is a sum of  $i$  independent  $\mathcal{E}(1/\nu(B_1^c))$ -distributed random variables (see [S, p. 137]). In particular, its law is equivalent to  $\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+}$ . Moreover, it is well known that the  $\Delta_i := \Delta Z_{T_i}$  form an i.i.d. sequence with law  $\bar{\nu}_1 := \nu(\cdot \cap B_1^c)/\nu(B_1^c)$ , independent of the jump-times  $(T_i)_{i \geq 0}$ . In this case, take

$$h(t, x) = f(t, x) \mathbf{1}_{|x| \geq 1}, \quad \alpha = 1/\nu(B_1^c), \quad \sigma = \bar{\nu}_1 \quad (2)$$

and the series in (1) becomes a representation for

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_{|x| \geq 1} f(t, x) N(dt, dx). \quad (3)$$

When  $\nu(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) < +\infty$ , we can consider Poisson integral directly on  $\mathbb{R}^+ \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$  rather than on  $\mathbb{R}_+ \times B_1^c$ . In this case, the  $T_i$ 's are sums of  $i$  independent  $\mathcal{E}(1/\nu(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}))$ -distributed random variables and  $\sigma = \nu/\nu(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$ .

When  $h(s, x) = f(s, x) \mathbf{1}_{|x| \geq 1} \mathbf{1}_{[0, t]}(s)$ , the Poisson integrals is taken on  $[0, t] \times B_1^c$  and there are almost surely (a.s.) a finite number of summand in (1).

Moreover when  $f(t, x) = xg(t)$ , the Poisson integral in (3) is the non-compensated part of the Lévy-type integrals

$$\int_0^{+\infty} g(s) dY_s = \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{|x| < 1} xg(s) \tilde{N}(ds, dx) + \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{|x| \geq 1} xg(s) N(ds, dx) \quad (4)$$

where  $Y_t$  is the Lévy process  $\int_0^t \int_{|x| < 1} x \tilde{N}(ds, dx) + \int_0^t \int_{|x| \geq 1} x N(ds, dx)$ . Since the integrals in the right hand side of (4) are independent, the regularity of the law of  $\int_0^{+\infty} \int_{|x| \geq 1} xg(s) N(ds, dx)$  ensures the regularity of  $\int_0^{+\infty} g(s) dY_s$ . Note that if there were a Gaussian part in the Lévy-type integral, its contribution would ensure the regularity of the law. The importance of the contribution of the Poisson integrals in the law occurs only when  $Y$  has no Gaussian component.

In [R], Rosinski gives (necessary and sufficient) condition for the almost sure convergence of (1), namely

$$\int_0^{+\infty} \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} (|h(t, x)|^2 \wedge 1) dt \sigma(dx) < +\infty \quad (5)$$

and the following limit exists

$$a := \lim_{s \rightarrow +\infty} \int_0^s \int_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} h(t, x) \mathbf{1}_{|h(t, x)| \leq 1} dt \sigma(dx). \quad (6)$$

For instance, the series in (1) is well defined for  $h \in L^1(\lambda \otimes \sigma)$  and

$$E[|I|] \leq \int_0^{+\infty} \int |h(t, x)| dt \sigma(dx).$$

Moreover, [R] recalls the law of the shot noise series (1) is infinitely divisible with characteristic function

$$\phi_I(u) = \exp \left( iau + \int_0^{+\infty} \int_{(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})} (e^{iuh(t, x)} - 1 - iuh(t, x) \mathbf{1}_{|h(t, x)| \leq 1}) dt \sigma(dx) \right). \quad (7)$$

In our study of shot noise series  $I$ , a key argument in the sequel is the conditioning by  $T_2$ . In fact, we shall consider (without restriction) that the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  is disintegrated as follows:

$$\left( \bar{\Omega}_2 \times [0, T_2(\bar{\omega})] \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}), \mathcal{F}_2^* \times \mathcal{B}([0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]) \times \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}), \bar{\mathbb{P}}_2 \otimes \lambda_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]}^{\bar{\omega}} \otimes \sigma \right) \quad (8)$$

where we note  $\mathcal{F}_2^* = \sigma(T_i, \Delta T_i \mid i \geq 2)$  and  $\bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]} = \frac{1}{T_2(\bar{\omega})} \lambda_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]}$  for the normalized Lebesgue measure on  $[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]$ . For any random functional  $F$  on this space and every Borelian  $A$ , we have:

$$\mathbb{P}(F \in A) = \mathbb{P}(F(\bar{\omega}, T_1, \Delta_1) \in A) = \bar{\mathbb{E}}_2 \left[ \frac{1}{T_2(\bar{\omega})} \int_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})] \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})} \mathbf{1}_{\{F(\bar{\omega}, t, x) \in A\}} dt \sigma(dx) \right]$$

where  $\bar{\mathbb{E}}_2$  stands for the expectation with respect to  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_2$ .

The paper is organized as follows. Section 2 is devoted to the study of the absolute continuity of the law of shot noise series  $I$  in (1) and of the truncated shot noise series:

$$I(t) = \sum_{\substack{n \geq 1 \\ T_n \leq t}} f(T_n, \Delta_n). \quad (9)$$

Note that, according to our interpretation, this corresponds to the total effect of random shot than happened less than  $t$  units of times before zero. In Section 3, we study the convergence in variation of the laws of  $I$  and of  $I(t)$ . With the same argument based on

the disintegrated probability space (8), we deal finally in Section 4 with the solutions of drifted stochastic differential equations (SDE) driven by a Lévy process (without Gaussian part). In [NS], Nourdin and Simon shows the regularizing effect of the drift term on the law of the solution. We continue their study showing the regularizing effect actually goes further on the law of the solution. Namely, the law of the solution depends continuously on the drift term with respect to the norm of total variation (see Prop. 4.1). In the sequel, we note  $\mathcal{L}(X)$  for the law of a random variable  $X$  and  $\mu_1 \asymp \mu_2$  means the measures  $\mu_1$  and  $\mu_2$  are equivalent, that is  $\mu_1 \ll \mu_2$  and  $\mu_2 \ll \mu_1$ .

## 2 Absolute continuity of the law of shot noise series

In this section, we give conditions for the absolute continuity of the law of  $I$  in (1). Note that, it is easy to see that the law of  $I(t)$  in (9) has an atom in 0 since on the non-negligible event  $\{T_1 > t\}$ , the sum in (9) is empty and  $I(t) = 0$ . However, we will give sufficient condition for the absolute continuity of the laws on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . This is interesting in particular for  $I(t)$  since in this case we give enlightenment on the laws of processes defined as Poisson integrals on  $[0, t]$ .

For  $I$ , the sum in (1) is not empty and there is no obvious atom in 0. Since the law of  $T_n$  is equivalent to  $\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+}$ , the condition

$$(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1} \ll \lambda. \quad (10)$$

ensures the absolute continuity of the law of each summands  $h(T_n, \Delta_n)$  in (1). But since the summands are not independent, (10) does not imply directly the absolute continuity of the law of  $I$ . However, this is sufficient as proved in 1) of the next proposition because of the conditional independence of the summands.

**Proposition 2.1** 1) Under the condition (10), the law of  $I$  has a density.

2) Moreover, under the weaker condition

$$((\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1})|_{\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} \ll \lambda, \quad (11)$$

the law of  $I$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda$  on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ , with possibly an atom at 0.

**Remark 2.1** • Note that when  $\sigma \ll \lambda$ , Theorem 4.3 in [DLS] gives a sufficient condition for (10) to hold: it is sufficient that  $h$  is almost everywhere (a.e.) Fréchet differentiable and  $(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \lambda)\{(t, x) \mid \det Dh(t, x) = 0\} = 0$ .

- When the shot noise series is of the form  $I(t)$  in (9), that is  $h(s, x) = 0$  for all  $s > t$ , the condition (10) does not, of course, hold:  $(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}\{0\} = +\infty$  while  $\lambda\{0\} = 0$ . In this case, as explained previously,  $I(t)$  has obviously an atom in 0.

- Anyway, (11) is a sufficient condition for the absolute continuity of the law of  $I$  on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$ . In particular, when the random series is of the form  $I(t)$ , this gives a positive result for the regularity of the law of  $I(t)$  apart the atom in 0.
- With the choices in (2),  $I$  becomes the Poisson integral in (3) and Prop. 2.1 gives condition for the regularity of the law of Poisson integrals.

**Proof.** Working on the disintegrated probability space in (8), the law  $\mu$  of  $I$  rewrites as a mixture of conditional measures  $\mu_{\bar{\omega}}$ :

$$\mu = \int_{\bar{\Omega}_2} \mu_{\bar{\omega}} \bar{\mathbb{P}}_2(d\bar{\omega}). \quad (12)$$

It is thus enough to show that for,  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_2$ -almost all  $\bar{\omega}$ ,  $\mu_{\bar{\omega}}$  is absolutely continuous. Note that the conditional law of  $T_1$  is uniform on  $[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]$ :

$$\mathcal{L}(T_1 | \mathcal{F}_2^*) = \mathcal{L}(T_1 | T_2(\bar{\omega})) = \bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]}.$$

Conditioning on  $\mathcal{F}_2^*$ , we have

$$\mu_{\bar{\omega}} = \mathcal{L}(I | \mathcal{F}_2^*)(\bar{\omega}) = \mathcal{L}(h(T'_1, \Delta_1) + \Sigma_2(\bar{\omega}))$$

where  $T'_1 \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{=} \mathcal{L}(T_1 | \mathcal{F}_2^*)(\bar{\omega})$  is uniform and  $\Sigma_2(\bar{\omega}) = \sum_{n > 2} h(T_n, \Delta_n)$  is known when  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_2$  is given. The law  $\mu_{\bar{\omega}}$  is absolutely continuous iff  $\mathcal{L}(h(T'_1, \Delta_1)) = (\bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}$  is. The condition (10) is sufficient for the absolute continuity of  $\mu_{\bar{\omega}}$  for  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_2$ -almost all  $\bar{\omega}$ . With (12), this proves 1).

For 2), consider the sequence of random variables  $N_i(\omega) = \min\{n \geq N_{i-1} | f(T_n, \Delta_n) \neq 0\}$ , with the convention  $\min\{\emptyset\} = +\infty$ . They are stopping times for the  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\sigma(T_i - T_{i-1}, \Delta_i | i \leq k)$ ,  $k \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}$ .

Let  $A_0 = \{N_1 = +\infty\}$ ,  $A_1 = \{N_1 < N_2 = +\infty\}$ ,  $A_2 = \{N_2 < +\infty\}$  and  $\mu_k := \mathbb{P}(I \in \cdot | A_k)$  for  $0 \leq k \leq 2$ . Split the law  $\mu$  of  $I$  as follows

$$\mu = \mathbb{P}(A_0)\mu_0 + \mathbb{P}(A_1)\mu_1 + \mathbb{P}(A_2)\mu_2. \quad (13)$$

On  $A_0$ , the sum defining  $I$  in (1) is empty, so that  $\mu_0 = \delta_0$ .

On  $A_1$ , the sum defining  $I$  in (1) reduces to  $h(T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1})$ . For any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  with  $\lambda(A) = 0$ , we have:

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(A) &= \mathbb{P}(h(T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1}) \in A | A_1) \\ &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A \setminus \{0\}, h(T_k, \Delta_k) = 0 \forall k \neq n_1) / \mathbb{P}(A_1) \\ &\leq \sum_{n_1=1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A \setminus \{0\}) / \mathbb{P}(A_1). \end{aligned} \quad (14)$$

But  $\mathcal{L}(h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1})) \asymp (\lambda_{\mathbb{R}^+} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}$ , the condition (11) entails  $\mu_1 \ll \lambda$ . Next on  $A_2$ , we start by conditioning by  $N_2 = n_2$

$$\mu_2 = \sum_{n_2=2}^{+\infty} \frac{\mathbb{P}(N_2 = n_2)}{\mathbb{P}(A_2)} \mu_{n_2}$$

where  $\mu_{n_2} = \mathcal{L}(I|N_2 = n_2)$ . Next, we condition by  $T_{n_2}$  :

$$\mu_{n_2} = \int \tilde{\mu}_{n_2} d\mathbb{P}_{T_{n_2}}$$

where the measure  $\tilde{\mu}_{n_2}$  is the law of

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n_2} h(T'_k, \Delta'_k) + \sum_{k=n_2}^{+\infty} h(T_{n_2} + T'_k, \Delta_k) = h(T'_{N_1}, \Delta'_{N_1}) + \sum_{k=n_2}^{+\infty} h(T_{n_2} + T'_k, \Delta_k)$$

where  $\mathcal{L}(T'_{N_1}, \Delta'_{N_1}) = \mathcal{L}((T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1})|N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2})$  and for  $k \geq n_2$ ,  $T'_k = T_k - T_{n_2}$  is independent of  $\sigma(T_k, \Delta_k; k \leq n_2 - 1)$ . Thus  $\tilde{\mu}_{n_2}$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda$  if  $\mathcal{L}(h(T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1})|N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2})$  is. But for  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  with  $\lambda(A) = 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbb{P}(h(T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1}) \in A | N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) \\ &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{n_2-1} \mathbb{P}(h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A, N_1 = n_1 | N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) \\ &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{n_2-1} \mathbb{P}(f(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A \setminus \{0\}, h(T_k, \Delta_k) = 0 \forall k < n_2, k \neq n_1 | N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) \\ &\leq \sum_{n_1=1}^{n_2-1} \mathbb{P}(h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A \setminus \{0\} | N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) \\ &= \sum_{n_1=1}^{n_2-1} \mathbb{P}(h(T'_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \in A \setminus \{0\}) \end{aligned} \tag{15}$$

where  $\mathcal{L}(T_{n_1}|N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) = \mathcal{L}(T'_{n_1})$  is the  $n_1$ -th uniform order statistics on  $[0, T_{n_2}]$ . But since  $h(T'_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) \asymp (\bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_{n_2}(\bar{\omega})]} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}$ , condition (11) entails

$$\mathbb{P}(h(T_{N_1}, \Delta_{N_1}) \in A | N_2 = n_2, T_{n_2}) = 0$$

and finally in this case also:  $\mu_2 \ll \lambda$ . With (13), this ends the proof of 2).  $\square$

For integrand  $h(t, x) = xg(t)$ , Prop. 2.1 can be specialized as follows for the non-compensated part in Lévy-type integrals (4):

**Corollary 2.1** *Let  $g : \mathbb{R}^+ \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and consider the Poisson integrals  $I$  in (1) but with integrand  $f(t, x) = xg(t)$ .*

1) The law of  $I$  is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda$  on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  if :

$$\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} g^{-1} \ll \lambda. \quad (16)$$

2) The law of  $I$  has an atom at 0 and is absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda$  on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  if :

$$(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} g^{-1})_{|\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} \ll \lambda.$$

**Remark 2.2** • Like in Remark 2.1, note that a sufficient condition for (16) is given by Th. 4.2 in [DLS]: it is enough that  $g$  is differentiable a.e. with  $g'(t) \neq 0$  a.e.

- When  $h(t, x) = xg(t)\mathbf{1}_{|x| \geq 1}$ , we study the Poisson integral in the Lévy-Itô decomposition of a Lévy-type integral, cf. (4).

**Proof.** 1) Follow the same lines as in the proof of 1) in Prop. 2.1. Plugging  $h(T'_1, \Delta_1) = \Delta_1 g(T'_1)$  in (2), the proof reduces to the absolute continuity of the law of  $\Delta_1 g(T'_1)$ . But this is true because, from [DLS],  $g(T'_1)$  is absolutely continuous under (16) and because a product  $XY$  of independent random variables  $X, Y$  has an absolutely continuous law whenever  $X$  has and  $\mathbb{P}(Y = 0) = 0$ .

2) The atom in 0 comes from the Remark 2.1. Next, we follow similarly the same lines as in the proof of 2) in Prop. 2.1. Plugging  $h(T_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) = \Delta_{n_1} g(T_{n_1})$  in (14) and  $h(T'_{n_1}, \Delta_{n_1}) = \Delta_{n_1} g(T'_{n_1})$  in (15), the proof reduces to the absolute continuity of the law of  $\Delta_{n_1} g(T_{n_1})$  and of  $\Delta_{n_1} g(T'_{n_1})$ . We conclude like in 1) because a product  $XY$  of independent random variables  $X, Y$  has also an absolutely continuous on  $\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}$  law when  $\mathcal{L}(X)_{|\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}} \ll \lambda$  and  $\mathbb{P}(Y = 0) = 0$ .  $\square$

### 3 Regularity in variation of the law of shot noise series

In this section, we study further the law of shot noise series: we show the convergence in variation of the laws with respect to the "filter"  $h$ . When the laws have densities, this convergence is equivalent to the convergence in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  of the densities. First, we deal in Section 3.2 with series  $I$  in (1) related to Poisson integrals on  $\mathbb{R}_+ \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$ . Next, we consider truncated series  $I(t)$  in (9) related to Poisson integrals on  $[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}$  in Section 3.3. Since there is necessarily an atom in 0 in this second case, the arguments and the conditions change. We begin with some useful results on convergence in variation in Section 3.1. Our key argument to derive convergence in variance will be Lemma 3.3 and Lemma 3.4.

#### 3.1 On the convergence variation

In the sequel  $\|\mu\|$  stands for the total variation of a signed measure  $\mu$  and  $\xrightarrow{var}$  denotes the related convergence. We shall use the following elementary results:



**Lemma 3.1** *Let  $X_n$  and  $X$  be random variables such that  $\mathcal{L}(X_n) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L}(X)$ . Let  $Y$  be independent of  $(X_n)_n$  and of  $X$  such that  $\mathbb{P}(Y = 0) = 0$ . Then  $\mathcal{L}(X_n Y) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L}(XY)$ .*

**Proof.** For any Borelian  $A$ , we have  $\mathbb{P}(X_n Y \in A) = \mathbb{E}_Y[\mathbb{P}_{X_n}(A_Y)]$  where  $\mathbb{E}_Y$  is the expectation with respect to  $Y$ ,  $\mathbb{P}_{X_n}$  is the law of  $X_n$  and for any  $y \neq 0$ ,  $A_y := \{a/y | a \in A\}$ . We thus have

$$|\mathbb{P}(X_n Y \in A) - \mathbb{P}(XY \in A)| \leq \mathbb{E}_Y[|\mathbb{P}_{X_n}(A_Y) - \mathbb{P}_X(A_Y)|].$$

For any countable partition  $(A_p)_{p \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}}$  of  $\mathbb{R}$ , we have

$$\sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mathbb{P}(X_n Y \in A_p) - \mathbb{P}(XY \in A_p)| \leq \mathbb{E}_Y \left[ \sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mathbb{P}_{X_n}(A_{p,Y}) - \mathbb{P}_X(A_{p,Y})| \right].$$

Since for all  $y \neq 0$ , the  $A_{p,y}$ 's are disjoint, taking supremum with respect to any partition  $(A_p)_{p \in \mathbb{N} \setminus \{0\}}$ , we derive

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mathcal{L}(X_n Y) - \mathcal{L}(XY)\| &\leq \mathbb{E}_Y \left[ \sup_{(A_p)_p} \sum_{p=1}^{+\infty} |\mathbb{P}_{X_n}(A_{p,Y}) - \mathbb{P}_X(A_{p,Y})| \right] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}_Y [\|\mathcal{L}(X_n) - \mathcal{L}(X)\|] \\ &= \|\mathcal{L}(X_n) - \mathcal{L}(X)\| \end{aligned}$$

which concludes the proof of the lemma.  $\square$

**Lemma 3.2** *If  $\mu_n \xrightarrow{var} \mu$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ , then for any  $i \geq 1$ ,  $\mu_n^{*i} \xrightarrow{var} \mu^{*i}$ .*

**Proof.** By an immediate induction, it is enough to prove the result for  $i = 2$ . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu_n * \mu_n - \mu * \mu\| &\leq \|\mu_n * (\mu_n - \mu)\| + \|(\mu_n - \mu) * \mu\| \\ &\leq \|\mu_n\| \|\mu_n - \mu\| + \|\mu_n - \mu\| \|\mu\| \\ &= 2\|\mu_n - \mu\|. \end{aligned}$$

$\square$

Moreover, we shall interpret the law of shot noise series as measure image and we shall use the following result (with  $p = q = 2$ ) from [ABP] for which we introduce the Sobolev space  $W^{2,2}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma) =$

$$\left\{ f : \mathbb{R}_+ \otimes (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \mid \int |f(t, x)|^2 \lambda(dt) \sigma(dx) < +\infty, \int |Df(t, x)|^2 \lambda(dt) \sigma(dx) < +\infty \right\}.$$

**Lemma 3.3 [ABP, Corollary 4]** *Let  $G_n, G \in W_{loc}^{q,q}(\mathbb{R}^p, \mathbb{R}^p)$  where  $q \geq p$  and let the mappings  $G_n$  converge to  $G$  with respect to the Sobolev norm  $\|\cdot\|_{q,q}$  on every ball. Assume that  $E \subset \{\det DG \neq 0\}$  is a set of finite Lebesgue measure. Then for any measure  $\mu \ll \lambda$ , we have*

$$\mu|_E G_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{var} \mu|_E G^{-1}, \quad n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

In dimension one, Davydov gives more explicit conditions in [D]:

**Lemma 3.4 [D, Theorem 1]** *Suppose that the functions  $f_n$  and  $f$  are absolutely continuous on  $[a, b]$  then  $\lambda f_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \lambda f^{-1}$  if the following conditions holds true:*

1.  $f_n(a) \rightarrow f(a), n \rightarrow +\infty,$
2.  $\|f'_n - f'\|_{L^1([a,b])} \rightarrow 0, n \rightarrow +\infty,$
3.  $f' \neq 0$  a.e. on  $[a, b]$ .

### 3.2 Convergence of shot noise series

In this section, we give conditions for the continuity for total variation norm of the law of shot noise series (1) with respect to  $h$ .

**Proposition 3.1** *Let  $\sigma$  be a measure such that  $\sigma \ll \lambda$  and let  $h_n, h$  in  $W^{2,2}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)$  satisfying (6) and  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} a_n = a$ . Suppose*

$$h_n \rightarrow h \text{ in } W^{2,2}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \bar{\nu}_1), \quad (17)$$

and  $\det Dh(t, x) \neq 0$   $\lambda \otimes \sigma$  a.e. Then  $\mathcal{L}(I_n) \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mathcal{L}(I)$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .

**Proof.** From (17), for any subsequence  $(n')$  there is some further  $(n'') \subset (n')$  such that  $h_{n''}(t, x) \rightarrow h(t, x)$   $\lambda \otimes \sigma$ -a.e. But since moreover

$$\begin{aligned} |e^{iuy} - 1 - iuy\mathbf{1}_{|y|\leq 1}| &\leq 2\mathbf{1}_{|y|>1} + (e^u - 1 - u)y^2\mathbf{1}_{|y|\leq 1} \\ &\leq (2\mathbf{1}_{|y|>1} + (e^u - 1 - u)\mathbf{1}_{|y|\leq 1})y^2 \end{aligned} \quad (18)$$

we derive from (7) that  $\phi_{I-I_{n''}}(u) \rightarrow 1$  for all fixed  $u$ . We have thus  $I_{n''} - I \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \delta_0$  and  $I_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} I$ .

Since in particular  $h_n \rightarrow h$  in  $L^2(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)$  and  $T_1$  has a bounded density, we have also  $h_n(T_1, \Delta_1) \rightarrow h(T_1, \Delta_1)$  in  $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . Together with  $I_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} I$ , we derive

$$\Sigma_2^n := \sum_{k \geq 2} h_n(T_k, \Delta_k) \xrightarrow{\bar{\mathbb{P}}} \Sigma_2 := \sum_{k \geq 2} h(T_k, \Delta_k).$$

For any subsequence  $(n') \subset (n)$ , there is some further subsequence  $(n'') \subset (n')$  and  $\bar{\Omega}_0$  with  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}_2(\bar{\Omega}_0) = 1$  such that for every  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_0$ , the convergence  $\Sigma_2^{n''}(\bar{\omega}) \rightarrow \Sigma_2(\bar{\omega})$  holds true.

Next, from Lemma 3.3, the condition (17) and  $\det Dh(t, x) \neq 0$  a.e. imply  $(\lambda_{[a,b]} \otimes \sigma)h_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} (\lambda_{[a,b]_+} \otimes \sigma)h^{-1}$  for any interval  $[a, b]$  and thus also

$$\tilde{\mu}_{n,1} := \mathcal{L}(h_n(U, \Delta_1)) \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \tilde{\mu}_1 := \mathcal{L}(h(U, \Delta_1)) \quad (19)$$

for any uniform random variable  $U$  independent of  $\Delta_1$ . Like in the proof of the first part of Proposition 2.1, we disintegrate the probability space and we derive for the total variation of measures:

$$\|\mu_n - \mu\| = \int_{\bar{\Omega}} \|\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \mu_{\bar{\omega}}\| \bar{\mathbb{P}}_2(d\bar{\omega}) = \int_{\bar{\Omega}_0} \|\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \mu_{\bar{\omega}}\| \bar{\mathbb{P}}_2(d\bar{\omega}). \quad (20)$$

In the sequel, we study  $\|\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \mu_{\bar{\omega}}\|$  for  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_0$ . Note  $\tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}(x) = x + \Sigma_2^n(\bar{\omega})$  the translation of  $\Sigma_2^n(\bar{\omega})$ . The measure  $\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}}$  is the law of  $f_n(T_1', \Delta_1) + \Sigma_2^n$  where  $T_1' \stackrel{\mathcal{L}}{=} \mathcal{L}(T_1|\bar{\omega})$  is uniformly distributed on  $[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]$ . It rewrites  $\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}} = \tilde{\mu}_{n,1} \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1}$ . Letting  $\tau_{\bar{\omega}}(x) = x + \Sigma_2(\bar{\omega})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \mu_{\bar{\omega}}\| &\leq \|\tilde{\mu}_{n,1} \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1} - \tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{\bar{\omega}}^{-1}\| \\ &\leq \|\tilde{\mu}_{n,1} \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1} - \tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1}\| + \|\tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1} - \tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{\bar{\omega}}^{-1}\| \\ &\leq \|\tilde{\mu}_{n,1} - \tilde{\mu}_1\| + \|\tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{n,\bar{\omega}}^{-1} - \tilde{\mu}_1 \tau_{\bar{\omega}}^{-1}\|. \end{aligned} \quad (21)$$

From (19), the first term in (21) goes to 0. Next, for the subsequence  $(n'')$ , since for all  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_0$ ,  $\Sigma_2^{n''}(\bar{\omega}) \rightarrow \Sigma_2(\bar{\omega})$ , since the operator of translation is continuous in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$ , and since, from  $\det Dh(t, x) \neq 0$  a.e.,  $\tilde{\mu}_1$  has a density (see the first point in Remark 2.1), the second term in (21) goes to 0. This yields  $\mu_{n'',\bar{\omega}} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mu_{\bar{\omega}}$  when  $n'' \rightarrow +\infty$  for all  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_0$ .

Finally from the disintegration (20), for any  $(n') \subset (n)$ , there is some  $(n'') \subset (n')$  such that  $\mu_{n''} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mu$ . This proves  $\mu_n \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mu$ .  $\square$

**Remark 3.1** • The main condition in the proof of Prop. 3.1 is in fact

$$(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma) h_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} (\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma) h^{-1}. \quad (22)$$

From Lemma 3.3, (17) is an explicit condition for (22). The same remark applies for (23) in Cor. 3.1 and for (24) in Prop. 3.2 below.

- The following conditions on  $h_n$  are sufficient to apply Prop. 3.1:  $h_n \in L^1(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma) \cap W^{2,2}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma)$ ,  $n \geq 1$  and

$$h_n \rightarrow h \text{ in } L^1(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma) \text{ and in } W^{2,2}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+} \otimes \sigma).$$

When  $h_n(t, x) = x g_n(t)$ , we can adapt the proof of Proposition 3.1 for the shot noise series  $I_n = \sum_{k \geq 1} \Delta_k g_n(T_k)$  with more specific conditions. When furtherly  $h_n(t, x) = x g_n(t) \mathbf{1}_{B_1^c}(x)$ , the series  $I_n$  become Poisson integrals  $\int_{\mathbb{R}_+} \int_{B_1^c} x g_n(t) N(dt, dx)$ , the following result thus applies for the Poisson integral in the Lévy-Itô decomposition of a Lévy-type stochastic integral (4). Note that here the measure  $\sigma$  is not supposed to be absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda$ .

**Corollary 3.1** Consider the shot noise series  $I_n = \sum_{k \geq 1} \Delta_k g_n(T_k)$  for  $g_n \in W^{1,1}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+})$ . Suppose

$$g_n \rightarrow g \text{ in } W^{1,1}(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}_+}) \quad (23)$$

and  $g'(t) \neq 0$  a.e. Then  $\mathcal{L}(I_n) \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mathcal{L}(I)$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .

**Proof.** We adapt the proof of Prop. 3.1. Since from (18), we have also

$$|e^{iuy} - 1 - iuy\mathbf{1}_{|y|\leq 1}| \leq (2\mathbf{1}_{|y|>1} + (e^u - 1 - u)\mathbf{1}_{|y|\leq 1})|y|$$

the condition (23) entails  $\phi_{I_{n''}-I} \rightarrow 1$  and  $I_n \xrightarrow{\mathbb{P}} I$  like previously.

Similarly since  $T_1$  has a bounded density,  $h_n(T_1, \Delta_1) \rightarrow h(T_1, \Delta_1)$  in  $L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  comes from  $h_n \rightarrow h$  in  $L^1(\lambda_{\mathbb{R}^+} \otimes \sigma)$  and we derive

$$\Sigma_2^n := \sum_{k \geq 2} \Delta_k g_n(T_k) \xrightarrow{\bar{\mathbb{P}}} \Sigma_2 := \sum_{k \geq 2} \Delta_k g(T_k).$$

For any subsequence  $(n')$ , there is some further  $(n'') \subset (n')$  and  $\bar{\Omega}_0$  with  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}(\bar{\Omega}_0) = 1$  such that  $\Sigma_2^{n''}(\bar{\omega}) \rightarrow \Sigma_2(\bar{\omega})$  for every  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_0$ .

Next from Lemma 3.4, the condition (23) implies  $\lambda_{[a,b]} g_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{var} \lambda_{[a,b]} g^{-1}$  for all interval  $[a, b]$  and together with Lemma 3.1:

$$\tilde{\mu}_{n,1} := \mathcal{L}(\Delta_1 g_n(U)) \xrightarrow{var} \tilde{\mu}_1 := \mathcal{L}(\Delta_1 g(U))$$

for any uniform random variable  $U$  independent of  $\Delta_1$ . The rest of the proof follows the same lines as that of Prop. 3.1.  $\square$

### 3.3 Convergence for truncated shot noise series

When we consider truncated shot noise series  $I(t)$  with  $h_n(s, x) = f_n(s, x)\mathbf{1}_{[0,t]}(s)$  (see (9)), we can not adapt the proof of Prop. 3.1 but the convergence in variation of the laws still holds true. Moreover, when  $h_n(s, x) = f_n(s, x)\mathbf{1}_{[0,t]}(s)\mathbf{1}_{B_1^c}(x)$ , the related series in (9) are Poisson integrals on  $[0, t] \times B_1^c$  and the following result applies to Poisson integrals in the Lévy-Itô decomposition of Lévy-type integrals on  $[0, t]$ , see (4).

We shall use the following elementary result:

**Lemma 3.5** *Conditionally to  $A_i = \{T_i \leq t < T_{i+1}\}$ , the vector  $(T_1, \dots, T_i)$  is the uniform order statistics, i.e.: its law is given by the density  $\frac{i!}{t^i} \mathbf{1}_{0 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq t_i \leq t}$ .*

**Proposition 3.2** *Let  $\sigma$  be a law such that  $\sigma \ll \lambda$ , and for some fixed  $t > 0$ , let  $f_n \in W^{2,2}(\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma)$  such that the shot noise series  $I_n(t)$  are well defined. Suppose*

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ in } W^{2,2}(\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma) \tag{24}$$

*such that  $Df(s, x) \neq 0$   $\lambda \otimes \sigma$ -a.e. Then  $\mathcal{L}(I_n(t)) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L}(I(t))$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .*

Like for Prop. 3.1, the condition (24) gives an explicit condition for

$$(\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma) f_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{var} (\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma) f^{-1}$$

which is the real requirement in the following proof. Moreover, explicit conditions for the existence of  $I_n(t)$  are given in (5) and (6) with  $h(s, x) = f(s, x)\mathbf{1}_{[0,t]}(s)$ .

**Proof.** Let  $\mu_n$  (resp.  $\mu$ ) stands for  $\mathcal{L}(I_n(t))$  (resp. for  $\mathcal{L}(I(t))$ ). Note  $A_0 = \{T_1 > t\}$  and, for  $i \geq 1$ ,  $A_i = \{T_i \leq t < T_{i+1}\}$  and  $\mu_{n,i}$  (resp.  $\mu_i$ ) the conditional law of  $I_n(t)$  (resp. of  $I(t)$ ) under  $A_i$ . We have:

$$\mu_n = \mathbb{P}(A_0)\delta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i)\mu_{n,i} \quad \text{and} \quad \mu = \mathbb{P}(A_0)\delta_0 + \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i)\mu_i.$$

We have for all  $p \geq 1$ :

$$\|\mu_n - \mu\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i)\|\mu_{n,i} - \mu_i\| \leq \sum_{i=1}^p \mathbb{P}(A_i)\|\mu_{n,i} - \mu_i\| + 2 \sum_{i=p+1}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i).$$

Since  $\sum_{i=0}^{+\infty} \mathbb{P}(A_i) = 1$  is a convergent series, it is enough to show  $\mu_{n,i} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mu_i$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$  for all  $i \geq 1$ .

Note that conditionally to  $A_i$ ,  $I_n(t)$  and  $I(t)$  rewrites

$$I_n(t) = \sum_{k=1}^i f_n(T_k, \Delta_k) \quad \text{and} \quad I(t) = \sum_{k=1}^i f(T_k, \Delta_k).$$

Using Lemma 3.5 (and commutativity of addition), conditionally to  $A_i$ ,  $I_n(t)$  and  $I(t)$  have the same law as

$$\sum_{k=1}^i f_n(U_k, \Delta_k) \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{k=1}^i f(U_k, \Delta_k)$$

where  $U_k$  ( $1 \leq k \leq i$ ) are i.i.d. uniform random variables on  $[0, t]$ . By independence, the law of  $\sum_{k=1}^i f_n(U_k, \Delta_k)$  is the convolution of the law of  $f_n(U_k, \Delta_k)$ ,  $1 \leq k \leq i$ , that is

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\sum_{k=1}^i f_n(U_k, \Delta_k)\right) = ((t^{-1}\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma)f_n^{-1})^{*i} \quad (25)$$

and similarly

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\sum_{k=1}^i f(U_k, \Delta_k)\right) = ((t^{-1}\lambda_{[0,t]} \otimes \sigma)f^{-1})^{*i}. \quad (26)$$

From [ABP], (24) implies  $(\lambda_{[a,b]} \otimes \sigma)f_n^{-1} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} (\lambda_{[a,b]} \otimes \sigma)f^{-1}$  for any interval  $[a, b]$ . Finally, from the expressions (25) and (26) and from Lemma 3.2, we derive  $\mu_{n,i} \xrightarrow{\text{var}} \mu_i$  for all  $i \geq 1$ . This concludes the proof of Prop. 3.2.  $\square$

In the case of integrands  $f(s, x) = xg(s)$ , Proposition 3.2 rewrites as follows:

**Corollary 3.2** *For some fixed  $t > 0$ , let  $I_n(t)$  be the shot noise series with kernels  $f_n(s, x) := xg_n(s)$ . Suppose  $g_n$  and  $g$  are absolutely continuous with  $g_n(0) \rightarrow g(0)$  and  $g'_n \rightarrow g'$  in  $L^1([0, t])$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . Then the laws  $\mathcal{L}(I_n(t))$  converge in total variation to  $\mathcal{L}(I(t))$ .*

**Proof.** Following the same strategy as in the proof of Proposition 3.2, it is enough to show for all  $i \geq 1$  that

$$\mathcal{L} \left( \sum_{k=1}^i \Delta_k g_n(U_k) \right) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L} \left( \sum_{k=1}^i \Delta_k g(U_k) \right), \quad n \rightarrow +\infty.$$

But from [D], for all  $k \geq 1$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(g_n(U_k)) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L}(g(U_k))$  when  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ . Lemma 3.1 implies then  $\mathcal{L}(\Delta_k g_n(U_k)) \xrightarrow{var} \mathcal{L}(\Delta_k g(U_k))$  for all  $k \geq 1$ . Finally we conclude like in Proposition 3.2 by independence with Lemma 3.2.  $\square$

## 4 Lévy-type integrals

In this section, we consider the solution of the one-dimensional stochastic differential equation (SDE)

$$X_t = x_0 + \int_0^t a(X_s) ds + Z_t \quad (27)$$

where  $Z$  is a real Lévy process without Gaussian part and with Lévy measure  $\nu$ :

$$Z_t = bt + \int_{[0,t] \times B_1} x \tilde{N}(ds, dx) + \int_{[0,t] \times B_1^c} x N(ds, dx)$$

and  $a$  is a function of class  $C^1$  with bounded derivative. Here  $N$  is a Poisson measure on  $\mathbb{R}_+ \times (\mathbb{R} \setminus \{0\})$  with compensator  $\lambda \otimes \nu$ ,  $\tilde{N}$  is the compensated measure and  $b \in \mathbb{R}$ . In [NS], Nourdin and Simon study the absolute continuity of the law of  $X$ . They prove that for all  $t > 0$ :

$$\mathcal{L}(X_t) \ll \lambda \iff \mathcal{L}(X_1) \ll \lambda \iff \nu \text{ is infinite.}$$

when  $a$  is locally monotone in  $x_0$ , that is there is  $\alpha > 0$  such that for  $x_0 - \alpha < y < x_0 < z < x_0 + \alpha$ , we have  $a(y) < a(x_0) < a(z)$  (in the increasing case) or  $a(z) < a(x_0) < a(y)$  (in the decreasing case). In a sense, they show that the drift term  $a(X_s) ds$  in the SDE (27) has a regularizing effect for a large class of drift functions  $a$ . They wonder also if this effect concerns the regularity of the densities.

In the sequel, we give a first answer to this question: we show that the law of  $X_t$  depends continuously on the drift coefficient  $a$  for the total variation norm. Under the condition of [NS], this convergence rewrites as the regularity in  $L^1(\mathbb{R})$  of the densities with respect to the drift function. The proof is based on a simple application of the method of statification of Davydov *et al.* (see [DLS]): it relies on a suitable transformation of one jump of the driving Lévy process  $Z$ . The precise statement of the result is the following:

**Proposition 4.1** *Assume the Lévy measure  $\nu$  is infinite and let  $X_n$  be the solution of the SDE*

$$dX_{n,t} = a_n(X_{n,t}) dt + dZ_t, \quad X_{n,0} = x_{n,0}. \quad (28)$$

Suppose  $a_n$  and  $a$  are derivable with bounded derivatives and the convergence  $\dot{a}_n \rightarrow \dot{a}$  is uniform on bounded sets. Suppose also  $a_n(y)$  and  $\dot{a}_n(y)$  are both continuous functions of the couple  $(n, y)$  and that  $x_{n,0} \rightarrow x_0$ . Suppose moreover  $a$  is locally monotone. Then for each  $t > 0$ , the law of  $X_{n,t}$  converges in variation to that of  $X_t$ .

**Remark 4.1** Since  $\dot{a}$  and  $\dot{a}_n$  are globally Lipschitz, it is well known that there are unique strong solutions to (27) and to (28) defined on  $\mathbb{R}_+$ . The continuity of  $\dot{a}_n(y)$  with respect to  $(n, y)$  ensures the continuity of the solution of related ordinary differential equation (ODE) with respect to the parameter  $n$  (see [P, p. 185]).

**Proof.** For simplicity, we prove the result for  $t = 1$  and we note  $K := \|\dot{a}\|_\infty < +\infty$ . The setting follows that of Nourdin and Simon in [NS]. Let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be fixed. Considering  $-X$  if necessary, we suppose  $X$  is locally increasing, let  $\alpha > 0$  such that for  $x_0 - \alpha < y < x_0 < z < x_0 + \alpha$ , we have  $a(y) < a(x_0) < a(z)$ . Let

$$A_1 = \sup_{-\alpha/2 \leq y \leq \alpha/2} |a(y)|, \quad A_2 = \sup_{-A_3 \leq y \leq A_3} |a(y)|$$

where  $A_3 = K(|x_0| + A_1)e^K + \alpha/2$ . By the right-continuity of  $Z$ , there is  $\gamma_0 > 0$  such that

$$\mathbb{P} \left( \sup_{t \leq \gamma_0} |Z_t| < \alpha/6 \right) \geq 1 - \varepsilon/6$$

Let  $\gamma = \gamma_0 \wedge (\alpha/(3A_2)) \wedge 1$  and let  $T_n$  be the sequence of jumping times  $\Delta_n := \Delta Z_{T_n}$  of  $Z$  into  $[\eta, \alpha/6]$ . Since  $\nu([0, 1]) = +\infty$ , there is some  $\eta > 0$  such that

$$\mathbb{P}(T_2 < \gamma) > 1 - \varepsilon/6.$$

Following [NS], we consider  $\bar{Z}_t = Z_t - \Delta_1 \mathbf{1}_{T_1 \leq t}$  which can be constructed on the disintegrated probability space

$$(\bar{\Omega} \times [0, T_2(\bar{\omega})], \bar{\mathcal{F}} \times \mathcal{B}([0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]), \bar{\mathbb{P}} \otimes \bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]})$$

where  $(\bar{\Omega}, \bar{\mathcal{F}}, \bar{\mathbb{P}})$  is the canonical space associated to  $(\Delta_1, \bar{Z})$ . Let

$$\bar{\Omega}_1 = \left\{ \sup_{t \leq \gamma} |\bar{Z}_s| < \alpha/3, T_2 < \gamma \right\} \supset \left\{ \sup_{t \leq \gamma} |Z_s| < \alpha/6, T_2 < \gamma \right\}$$

Note that  $\bar{\Omega}_1 \in \bar{\mathcal{F}}$  and  $\bar{\mathbb{P}}(\bar{\Omega}_1^c) \leq \varepsilon/3$ .

In the sequel, we consider  $Y = X - Z$ . It is solution of the ODE  $dY_t = a(Y_t + Z_t)dt$ ,  $Y_0 = x_0$ . Consider also  $\bar{X}$  for the process defined by the SDE  $d\bar{X}_t = a(\bar{X}_t)dt + d\bar{Z}_t$  and  $\bar{Y} = \bar{X} - \bar{Z}$ .

Note that for  $t \leq \gamma$ :

$$|Y_t| \leq |x_0| + \int_0^t |a(Z_s)| ds + \int_0^t K |Y_s| ds$$

$$\leq |x_0| + A_1 + \int_0^t K|Y_s|ds$$

Applying the Gronwall's inequality, we have

$$|Y_t| \leq K(|x_0| + A_1)e^{Kt},$$

so that for  $t \leq \gamma$ :  $|Y_t + Z_t| \leq A_3$  and from the ODE defining  $Y_t$ :

$$|Y_t - x_0| \leq A_2\gamma \leq \alpha/3.$$

Next for  $t < T_1$ , we have

$$|X_t(\bar{\omega}) - x_0| \leq |Y_t(\bar{\omega}) - x_0| + |\bar{Z}_t(\bar{\omega})| \leq \alpha/3 + \alpha/3 < \alpha \quad (29)$$

and for  $T_1 \leq t < T_2 \leq \gamma$ , we have

$$|X_t(\bar{\omega}) - x_0| \leq |Y_t(\bar{\omega}) - x_0| + |\bar{Z}_t(\bar{\omega})| + |\Delta_1| \leq \alpha/3 + \alpha/3 + \alpha/6 < \alpha. \quad (30)$$

Note  $\mu_n$  for the law of  $X_{n,1}$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \|\mu_n - \mu\| &\leq \int_{\bar{\Omega}} \|\bar{\mu}_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \bar{\mu}_{\bar{\omega}}\| d\bar{\mathbb{P}} \\ &\leq 2\mathbb{P}(\bar{\Omega}_1^c) + \int_{\bar{\Omega}_1} \|\bar{\mu}_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \bar{\mu}_{\bar{\omega}}\| d\bar{\mathbb{P}} \\ &\leq (2/3)\varepsilon + \int_{\bar{\Omega}_1} \|\bar{\mu}_{n,\bar{\omega}} - \bar{\mu}_{\bar{\omega}}\| d\bar{\mathbb{P}} \end{aligned} \quad (31)$$

where

$$\bar{\mu}_{n,\bar{\omega}} = \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} X_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1}$$

and  $X_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot) = Y_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot) + Z_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)$  with  $Y_n = X_n - Z$  the solution of the ODE:  $dY_{n,t} = a_n(Y_{n,t} + Z_t)dt$ ,  $Y_{n,0} = x_{n,0}$  that is:

$$Y_n(t) = x_{n,0} + \int_0^t a_n(Y_{n,s} + Z_s)ds. \quad (32)$$

Note that  $Z_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)$  actually does not depend on  $T_1$  since  $Z$  jumps at least twice in  $[\eta, \alpha/6]$  ( $T_2 \leq \gamma \leq 1$ ) and by the Lévy-Itô decomposition, the terminal value  $Z_1$  is independent of the first jumping time  $T_1$ . Noting  $\tau_{Z_1(\bar{\omega})}$  for the translation  $x \mapsto x + Z_1(\bar{\omega})$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} X_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} &= \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} Y_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} \tau_{Z_1(\bar{\omega})}^{-1} \\ \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} X_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} &= \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} Y_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} \tau_{Z_1(\bar{\omega})}^{-1} \end{aligned}$$

and it remains to show for all  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_1$

$$\bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} Y_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} \xrightarrow{var} \bar{\lambda}_{[0,T_2(\bar{\omega})]} Y_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} \quad (33)$$



for which we shall apply Lemma 3.4, for all  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_1$ , with  $[a, b] = [0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]$ ,  $f_n = Y_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)$  and  $f = Y_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)$ .

The main point is given in [NS, Prop. 2]: it is shown that  $Y_{n,1}$  and  $Y_1$  depend differentiably on  $T_1$  with derivatives given by

$$\frac{dY_{n,1}}{dT_1} = (a_n(X_{n,T_1^-}) - a_n(X_{n,T_1})) \exp\left(\int_{T_1}^1 \dot{a}_n(X_{n,s}) ds\right) \quad (34)$$

and the same for  $dY_1/dT_1$ .

Seing  $n$  as a parameter in the ODE (32), it is well known that, when  $\dot{a}_n(y)$  is continuous in the couple  $(n, y)$ ,  $Y_{n,t}$  depends continuously of  $(n, t)$  (see [P, p. 185]). Then, it is easy to see  $M_1(\bar{\omega}) = \sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}, t \in [0,1]} |Y_{n,t}|$  is finite. Indeed, if  $M_1(\bar{\omega}) = +\infty$ , then for all  $p$  there are  $t_p \in [0, 1]$  and  $n_p \in \mathbb{N}$  such that  $|Y_{n_p, t_p}| \geq p$ . But extracting  $t_{p'} \rightarrow t_\infty \in [0, 1]$ ,

- either  $(n_{p'})_{p'}$  has an accumulation point  $n_a$  so that for a further subsequence  $(p'')$ ,  $n_{p''} = n_a$ . Taking the limit  $p'' \rightarrow +\infty$  in  $|Y_{n_a, t_{p''}}| \geq p''$  gives  $|Y_{n_a, t_\infty}| = +\infty$ , which contradicts  $Y_{n_a}$  is bounded.
- either  $(n_{p'})_{p'}$  is not bounded and for a further subsequence  $(p'')$ ,  $n_{p''} \rightarrow +\infty$ . Taking the limit  $p'' \rightarrow +\infty$  in  $|Y_{n_{p''}, t_{p''}}| \geq p''$  gives  $|Y_{t_\infty}| = +\infty$ , which contradicts  $Y$  is bounded.

For  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_1$  and any  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , we have for all  $t \leq 1$ :

$$|Y_{n,t} + Z_t| \leq M_1(\bar{\omega}) + |\Delta_1(\bar{\omega})| + |\bar{Z}_t(\bar{\omega})| =: M_2(\bar{\omega}).$$

In particular, we have  $|X_{n,t}| \leq M_2(\bar{\omega})$  for all  $t \leq 1$ . Next, since we have:

$$|Y_{n,t} - Y_t| \leq |x_{n,0} - x_0| + \sup_{x \in [-M_2(\bar{\omega}), M_2(\bar{\omega})]} |a_n(x) - a(x)| + K \int_0^t |Y_{n,s} - Y_s| ds$$

using Gronwall's inequality, we derive:

$$|X_{n,t} - X_t| = |Y_{n,t} - Y_t| \leq \left( |x_{n,0} - x_0| + \sup_{x \in [-M_2(\bar{\omega}), M_2(\bar{\omega})]} |a_n(x) - a(x)| \right) e^{Kt}. \quad (35)$$

The first condition of Lemma 3.4 is satisfied since with  $t = 1$  above yields  $Y_{n,1} \rightarrow Y_1$ , for all  $T_1 \in [0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]$ .

Since  $X_{n,T_1^-}, X_{n,T_1}, X_{T_1^-}, X_{T_1}$  are all bounded by  $M_2(\bar{\omega})$ , the uniform convergence of  $a_n$  to  $a$  on  $[-M_2(\bar{\omega}), M_2(\bar{\omega})]$  together with (35) entails:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} a_n(X_{n,T_1^-}) - a_n(X_{n,T_1}) = a(X_{T_1^-}) - a(X_{T_1})$$

uniformly in  $T_1$ . Similarly, the uniform convergence  $\dot{a}_n \rightarrow \dot{a}$  on  $[-M_2(\bar{\omega}), M_2(\bar{\omega})]$ , the uniform convergence  $X_{n,s} \rightarrow X_s$  in (35) and  $\|\dot{a}\|_\infty = K$  together imply

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{T_1}^1 \dot{a}_n(X_{n,s}) ds = \int_{T_1}^1 \dot{a}(X_s) ds$$

uniformly in  $T_1$ . We derive now from (34): almost surely the following convergence holds true uniformly in  $T_1$ :

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{dY_{n,1}}{dT_1} = \frac{dY_1}{dT_1}. \quad (36)$$

But since the convergence is uniform in  $T_1$ , the same convergence as in (36) actually holds true in  $L^1([0, 1])$ . This shows condition 2 in Lemma 3.4 is satisfied. Moreover, from (29) and (30),  $X_{T_1^-}, X_{T_1} \in ]x_0 - \alpha, x_0 + \alpha[$ , so that the local monotony of  $a$  in  $x_0$  implies  $dY_1/dT_1 > 0$ , taking care of condition 3, see (34). Applying Lemma 3.4, we have (33) for all  $\bar{\omega} \in \bar{\Omega}_1$  and also

$$\bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]} X_{n,1}(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1} \xrightarrow{var} \bar{\lambda}_{[0, T_2(\bar{\omega})]} X_1(\bar{\omega}, \cdot)^{-1}.$$

Taking limit in (31), we have  $\overline{\lim}_n \|\mu_n - \mu\| \leq \varepsilon$ . Since  $\varepsilon > 0$  is arbitrary, the result follows.  $\square$

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