

RECALL: SIMPLE R.W. ON  $\mathbb{Z}$ :

A  $X_m = Y_1 + \dots + Y_m$   $Y_1, Y_2, \dots$  I.I.D.

B  $P(Y_n = +1) = P(Y_n = -1) = \frac{1}{2}$

C FACT: (C.L.T.):  $\sqrt{n} X_m \Rightarrow X \sim N(0, 1)$

D DEF:  $M_m = \max \{X_0, X_1, \dots, X_m\}$

E FACT:  $\sqrt{n} M_m \Rightarrow |X|, X \sim N(0, 1)$

F DEF:  $T_R := \inf \{n \geq 0 : X_n = R\}$

G FACT:  $\frac{T_R}{R^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|X|^2}, X \sim N(0, 1)$

H NOTE: THE DISTRIBUTION OF  $\frac{1}{|X|^2}$  IS CALLED LÉVY DISTRIBUTION.

I C.D.F. OF LÉVY DISTR:  $t \geq 0$

$$F(t) = P\left(\frac{1}{|X|^2} \leq t\right) = P\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}} \leq |X|\right) = 2 \cdot \left(1 - \Phi\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right)\right)$$

J P.D.F. OF LÉVY:  $t \geq 0$

$$f(t) = F'(t) = -2 \cdot \Phi'\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) \cdot t^{-3/2} = \Psi\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}\right) \cdot t^{-3/2} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2t}\right) \cdot t^{-3/2}$$

A THUS  $f(t) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot t^{-3/2}$  AS  $t \rightarrow \infty$

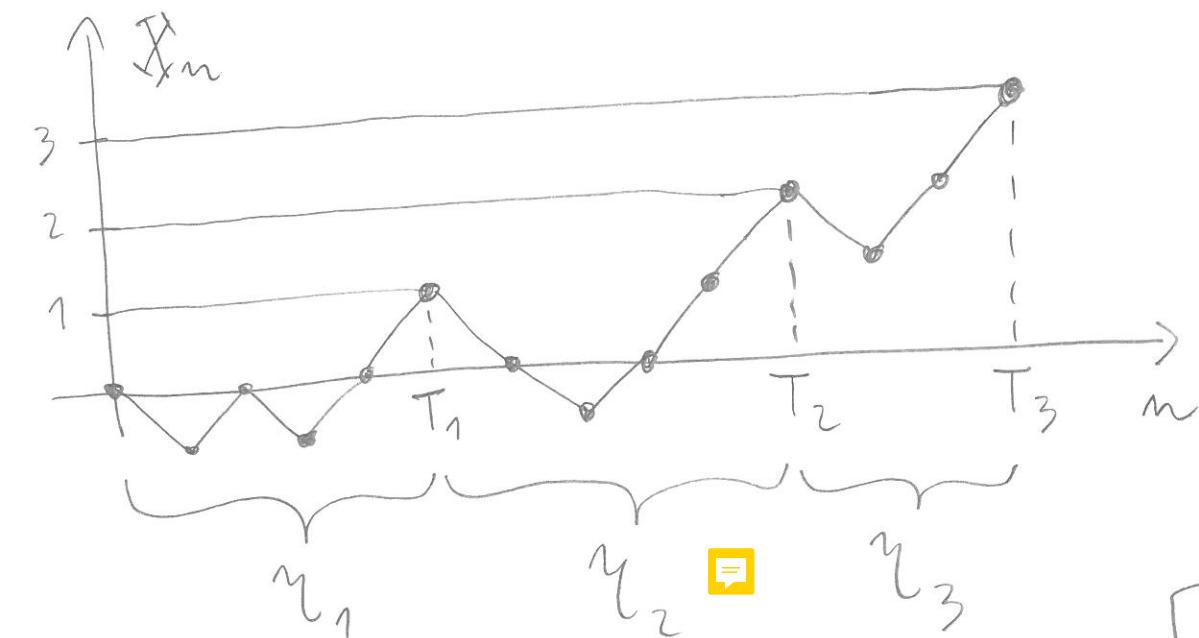
B EXPECTED VALUE OF LÉVY DISTR:

$$\int_0^\infty t \cdot f(t) dt \approx \int_1^\infty t \cdot t^{-3/2} dt = +\infty$$

C CLAIM: IF  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots, \gamma_n$  ARE I.I.D. WITH  
THE SAME DISTRIBUTION AS  $T_1$ , THEN

D  $T_k \sim \gamma_1 + \gamma_2 + \dots + \gamma_n$

PROOF: IN ORDER TO HIT LEVEL  $n$ , FIRST  
YOU NEED TO HIT LEVEL 1, THEN YOU  
RESTART YOUR CLOCK (BY STRONG MARKOV PROP.)  
AND THEN WAIT UNTIL YOU HIT LEVEL 2,  
ETC., ... HIT LEVEL  $n$ :



THUS IF  $\gamma_1, \gamma_2, \dots$  I.I.D.,  $\gamma_n \sim T_1$

A  $S_n = \gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_n$ , THEN  $\boxed{S_n \sim T_n}$ ,

B THUS  $\frac{S_n}{n^2} \Rightarrow$  LÉVY DISTRIBUTION

THIS IS SURPRISING! ONE WOULD NAIVELY EXPECT WEAK LAW OF LARGE NUMBERS:

C  $\boxed{\frac{S_n}{n} \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}(T_1)}$ , AND THIS INDEED HOLDS,  
BUT  $\boxed{\mathbb{E}(T_1) = +\infty}$

D YOU WILL SHOW IN HW 5.1 THAT

IN FACT, YOU WILL SHOW THAT

E  $\boxed{P(T_1 > n) \approx \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}}}$  AS  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,

F SO IN FACT, THE LARGEST TERM IN THE SUM  $S_n$  IS ALREADY OF ORDER  $n^2$ :

G  $\tilde{M}_n = \max \{ \gamma_1, \dots, \gamma_n \}$ , THEN  $\tilde{M}_n \leq S_n$

H  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{\tilde{M}_n}{n^2} \leq x\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(T_1 \leq \lfloor x \cdot n^2 \rfloor)^n =$

I  $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 - \sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{n \cdot \sqrt{x}}\right)^n = \exp\left(-\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)$ , THUS

A THUS  $\frac{\tilde{M}_n}{n^2} \Rightarrow$  FRÉCHET DISTRIBUTION

(SEE SOLUTION OF HW 4.1)  $\tilde{M}_n \sim n^2$  THUS

B RECALL: IF  $X_1, X_2$  I.I.D.  $N(0, 1)$ , THEN

C 
$$\frac{X_1 + X_2}{\sqrt{2}} \sim X_3 \sim N(0, 1)$$

D WE WILL NOW SHOW THAT IF  
 $X_1, X_2$  ARE I.I.D. WITH LÉVY DISTR., THEN

E 
$$\frac{X_1 + X_2}{4} \sim X_3 \sim \text{LÉVY DISTR.}$$

, INDEED:

F 
$$\frac{\gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_{2n}}{(2n)^2} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot \left( \underbrace{\frac{\gamma_1 + \dots + \gamma_n}{n^2}}_{\xrightarrow{G} X_1} + \underbrace{\frac{\gamma_{n+1} + \dots + \gamma_{2n}}{n^2}}_{\xrightarrow{H} X_2} \right)$$

H

$$X_1$$

$$X_2$$

I

I.I.D.

G

$$X_3$$

A DEF:  $R_r$  IS THE  $r^{\text{TH}}$  RETURN TIME  
OF THE R.W. ( $\tilde{X}_n$ ) TO THE ORIGIN:  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$R_0 = 0$$

$$R_{r+1} := \inf \{ n > R_r : \tilde{X}_n = 0 \}$$

B

C THM:

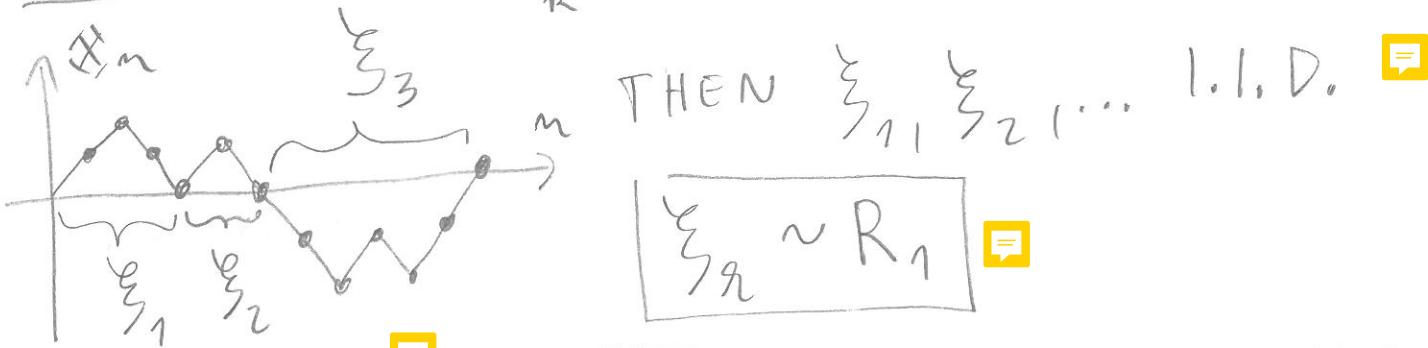
$$\frac{R_r}{r^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|\tilde{X}|^2}$$



$\tilde{X} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$



D PROOF: LET  $\xi_k := R_k - R_{k-1}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots$



E NOTE:  $R_1 \sim T_1 + 1$  WHY? YOU MAKE THE  
FIRST STEP AWAY FROM 0, NOW YOU'RE  
AT DISTANCE 1. THE TIME IT TAKES TO  
REACH A TARGET AT DISTANCE 1 HAS  
THE SAME DISTRIBUTION AS  $T_1$ ? THUS

F  $R_r \sim (\gamma_1 + 1) + \dots + (\gamma_r + 1) \sim T_r + r$ , BUT

$$\frac{T_r}{r^2} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{|\tilde{X}|^2}$$

$$\frac{r}{r^2} \Rightarrow 0$$

SO  $\star$  FOLLOWS BY  
SLOUTSKY.

A DEF: LOCAL TIME OF R.W. AT 0:

$$L_n := \#\{j \in (0, n] : X_j = 0\}$$
$$= \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{1}[X_j = 0]$$

B  $= \max \{k : R_k \leq n\}$

$L_n$  IS THE NUMBER OF RETURNS TO  
THE ORIGIN BY TIME  $n$

C THM:  $\boxed{n^{-1/2} L_n \Rightarrow |\hat{X}|}$ ,  $\hat{X} \sim N(0, 1)$

D PROOF: NOTE:  $\{L_n < k\} = \{R_k > n\} =$   
E BOTH RETURN TO 0 OCCURED AFTER  $n$

THUS:  $P(\tilde{n}^{-1/2} L_n < x) = P(L_n < \lfloor \sqrt{n} \cdot x \rfloor) =$

$$P(R_{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \cdot x \rfloor} > n) =$$

$$P\left(\frac{R_{\lfloor \sqrt{n} \cdot x \rfloor}}{(\sqrt{n} \cdot x)^2} > \frac{1}{x^2}\right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{F} P\left(\frac{1}{|\hat{X}|^2} > \frac{1}{x^2}\right) =$$

$$= P(|\hat{X}| < x) \checkmark$$

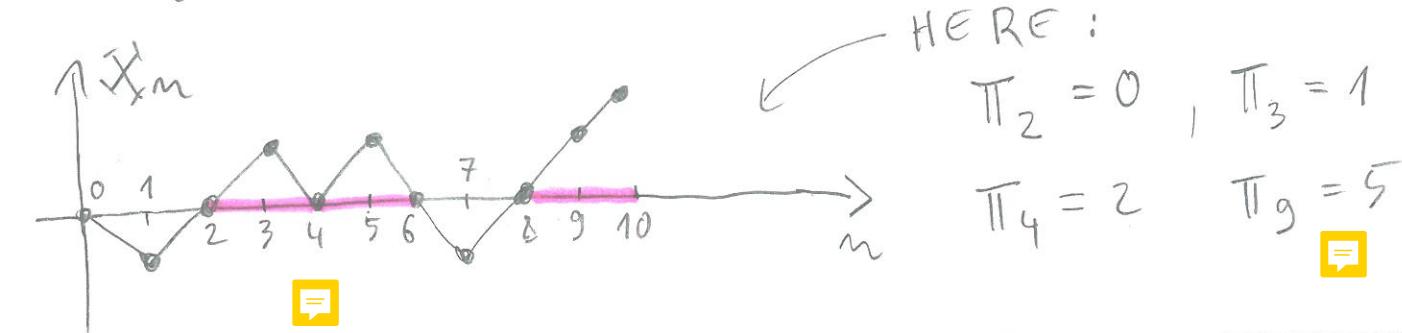
A CONCLUSION:  $x \geq 0 : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\tilde{n}^{-1/2} |\tilde{X}_m| < x) =$

B  $= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\tilde{n}^{-1/2} M_n < x) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\tilde{n}^{-1/2} L_n < x) =$

C  $= P(|\tilde{X}| \leq x) \stackrel{D}{=} 2 \cdot \Phi(x) - 1 \quad \checkmark$

E DEF: TIME SPENT ON  $\mathbb{R}_+$ :

$\Pi_n := \#\{j \in (0, n] : \tilde{X}_{j-1} + \tilde{X}_j > 0\}$



F QUESTION: IF  $n \gg 1$ , DOES THE WALKER SPEND ROUGHLY 50% OF ITS TIME ON  $\mathbb{R}_+$ ?

OR DOES IT SPEND MOST OF ITS TIME ON EITHER THE POSITIVE OR THE NEG. SIDE?

G ANSWER: THE TRUTH LIES SOMEWHERE IN BETWEEN:

H THM: (PAUL LÉVY'S ARCSINE THM):

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{\Pi_{2n}}{2n} \leq x\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{IF } x \leq 0 \\ \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \arcsin(\sqrt{x}), & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{IF } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$$

A NOTE:  $\frac{d}{dx} \arcsin(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ , THUS THE P.D.F. OF LIMITING DISTRIBUTION IS:

B  $\frac{d}{dx} \left( \frac{2}{\pi} \cdot \arcsin(\sqrt{x}) \right) = \dots = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-x) \cdot x}} =: f(x)$

FOR  $0 < x < 1$



AREA UNDER  
CURVE IS 1.

D PROOF:

FIRST NOTE THAT THE POSSIBLE VALUES OF  $\Pi_{2n}$  ARE  $0, 2, 4, \dots, 2^n$

E LEMMA: (LOCAL LIMIT THM)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot P(\Pi_{2n} = 2 \cdot \lfloor n \cdot x \rfloor) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-x) \cdot x}}$$

F PROOF OF THM FROM PAGE 67 USING LEMMA:

(I.E., PROOF OF GLOBAL USING LOCAL)

LET  $Z_m := \Pi_{2m} + Y$ , WHERE  $Y \sim \text{UNI}[0, 2]$   
AND  $Y$  IS INDEP. OF  $\Pi_{2m}$

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A P.D.F. OF  $Z_{2m}$ :  $f_m(y)$ , LET'S FIND IT!

B IF  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , THEN  $2 \cdot \lfloor y/2 \rfloor$  IS THE LARGEST EVEN NUMBER THAT IS SMALLER THAN OR EQUAL TO  $y$ . LET

$$\tilde{y} := y - 2 \cdot \lfloor y/2 \rfloor$$

$$\begin{aligned} f_m(y) dy &\stackrel{\text{D}}{=} P(Z_{2m} \in [y, y+dy]) = \stackrel{\text{E}}{=} \boxed{\text{INDEP}} \\ &= P(\Pi_{2m} = 2 \cdot \lfloor y/2 \rfloor, Y \in [\tilde{y}, \tilde{y}+dy]) = \stackrel{\text{F}}{=} \\ &= P(\Pi_{2m} = 2 \cdot \lfloor y/2 \rfloor) \cdot P(Y \in [\tilde{y}, \tilde{y}+dy]) \end{aligned}$$

$\underbrace{\hspace{10em}}$

G  $\frac{1}{2} dy$

THUS H 
$$f_m(y) = P(\Pi_{2m} = 2 \cdot \lfloor y/2 \rfloor) \cdot \frac{1}{2}$$
 ← I DENSITY OF  $Z_{2m}$

SIDE REMARK: IF  $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$  AND  
 $Y := \frac{X-a}{b}$  THEN  $G(x) = P(Y \leq x) =$   
 $= P(X \leq a + bx) = F(a + bx)$ . THUS IF  
P.D.F. OF  $X$  IS  $f(x) = F'(x)$ , THEN P.D.F. OF  
 $Y$  IS  $G'(x) = f(a + bx) \cdot b$  H

A THUS THE P.D.F. OF  $\frac{\tilde{Z}_m}{2^m}$  IS  $g_m(x)$ ,

WHERE  $g_m(x) = 2^m \cdot f_m(2^m x) =$

C  $= 2^m \cdot P(\tilde{\pi}_{2^m} = 2 \cdot \lfloor 2^m x / 2 \rfloor) \cdot \frac{1}{2} =$

=  $m \cdot P(\tilde{\pi}_{2^m} = 2 \cdot \lfloor 2^m x \rfloor) = g_m(x)$

D THUS BY THE LOCAL LIMIT THM:

E 
$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} g_m(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-x)x}}$$
, THUS BY

SCHEFFÉ + SLUTSKY, WE OBTAIN

THAT  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\frac{\tilde{\pi}_{2^m}}{2^m} \leq x\right) = \int_0^x \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{(1-z)z}} dz$  F  
(I.E., THE GLOBAL LIMIT THM OF PAGE 67)

FOR FURTHER DETAILS, SEE  
PAGE 55 - 56.

G IT REMAINS TO SHOW THE LOCAL  
LIMIT THM STATED ON  
PAGE 68.

A MAGIC LEMMA:  $k = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$

B  $P(\pi_{2n} = 2k) = u(2k) \cdot u(2 \cdot (n-k))$ , WHERE

C  $u(k) := P(X_k = 0)$  NOTE: IF  $k$  IS AN

ODD NUMBER, THEN  $u(k) = 0$ ,  
SINCE THE WALKER CAN ONLY  
RETURN TO ZERO AFTER MAKING  
AN EVEN NUMBER OF JUMPS.

D PROOF OF LOCAL LIMIT THM USING MAGIC L:

FIRST NOTE:  $u(2k) \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}}$  INDEED:

E  $u(2k) = P(X_{2k} = 0) = \binom{2k}{k} \cdot 2^{-2k} = F P(S_{2k} = k),$

WHERE  $S_{2k} \sim \text{BIN}(2k, 1/2)$ , THUS

BY HW. 4.3 :

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{2k}}{2} P(S_{2k} = \left\lfloor \frac{2k}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{2k}}{2} \cdot 0 \right\rfloor) \stackrel{G}{=} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-0^2/2}$$

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sqrt{k}}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot u(2k) \stackrel{H}{=} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \Rightarrow \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \sqrt{k \cdot \pi} \cdot u(2k) = 1$$

A THUS

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot P(\pi_{2n} = 2 \cdot \lfloor n \cdot x \rfloor) = \boxed{B}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot u(2 \cdot \lfloor n \cdot x \rfloor) \cdot u(2 \cdot (n - \lfloor n \cdot x \rfloor)) =$$

$$\underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n \cdot x}} \right]}_{\text{C } \boxed{?}} \quad \underbrace{\left[ \frac{1}{\sqrt{\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{n \cdot (1-x)}} \right]}_{\text{D } \boxed{?}}$$

$$E = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \cdot \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x \cdot (1-x)}} = \frac{1}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{x \cdot (1-x)}}$$

WE OBTAINED THE LOCAL LIMIT THM  
FROM PAGE 68.

F IT REMAINS TO SHOW THE MAGIC  
LEMMA FROM PAGE 71. ?