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Abstract. We prove two functional limit theorems for empirical multiparameter second moment functions (generalizing Ripley's K -function) obtained from a homogeneous Poisson point field observed in an unboundedly expanding convex sampling window W_n in \mathbb{R}^d . The cases of known and unknown (estimated) intensity lead to distinct Gaussian limits and require quite different proofs. Further we determine the limit distributions of the maximal deviation and the integrated squared distance between empirical and true multiparameter second moment function. These results give rise to construct goodness-of-fit tests for checking the hypothesis that a given point pattern is completely spatially random (CSR), i.e. a realization of a homogeneous Poisson process.

Keywords: Point process, reduced second moment measure, set-indexed Gaussian process, multiparameter Gaussian process, Wiener sheet, m -dependence, U-statistic, weak convergence, Skorokhod-space of multiparameter càdlàg-functions, goodness-of-fit tests

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1 Introduction and Main Results

Statistical second-order analysis of spatially homogeneous point fields observed in a (large) bounded region (called *sampling window*) W_n of the d -dimensional Euclidean space \mathbb{R}^d is based on the (asymptotic) properties of the *empirical intensity* $\hat{\lambda}_n = N(W_n)/|W_n|$ and the empirical process

$$X_n(B) = \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) \mathbf{1}_B(X_j - X_i) \quad \text{for } B \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho, \quad (1.1)$$

where $N = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ denotes a simple stationary point process on \mathbb{R}^d (defined as locally finite random counting measure without multiple atoms on the Borel sets \mathcal{B}^d of \mathbb{R}^d) and C_ϱ stands for the cube $[-\varrho, \varrho]^d$ centred at the origin \mathbf{o} with a freely selectable parameter $\varrho > 0$. In (1.1) and throughout the paper, the sum \sum^{\neq} runs over pairwise distinct indices, δ_x and $\mathbf{1}_B$ are connected by $\delta_x(B) = \mathbf{1}_B(x) = 1$ for $x \in B$ and $= 0$ for $x \notin B$ and $|B|$ denotes the Lebesgue

measure of $B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$ (= family of bounded members of \mathcal{B}^d). Further, all random variables and processes are defined over a common probability space $[\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{P}]$ (which always exists). To study the asymptotic behaviour of (1.1) we assume that the sequence (W_n) forms a *convex averaging sequence* (briefly CAS), i.e. (W_n) consists of increasing, convex and compact sets in \mathbb{R}^d such that $r(W_n) := \sup\{r > 0 : B(x, r) \subseteq W_n \text{ for some } x \in W_n\} \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (or equivalently $|\partial W_n|_{d-1}/|W_n| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$), where $B(x, r)$ denotes the closed Euclidean ball with center $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$ and radius $r \geq 0$, and $|\partial W_n|_{d-1}$ indicates the surface content of W_n .

By applying some of results from convex geometry to the CAS (W_n) it can be shown that

$$\frac{1}{r(W_n)} \leq \frac{|\partial W_n|_{d-1}}{|W_n|} \leq \frac{d}{r(W_n)} \quad \text{and} \quad \frac{\varrho}{r(W_n)} \leq \frac{|W_n \oplus B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)| - |W_n|}{|W_n|} \leq \frac{(2^d - 1)\varrho}{r(W_n)} \quad (1.2)$$

for any $\varrho \geq 0$, see [17], p.54, and [19], Appendix .

The properties of the CAS (W_n) are essential in proving spatial limit theorems (although in some cases e.g. the convexity of W_n can be slightly relaxed). E.g., for a stationary ergodic point process $N = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ with intensity $\lambda = \mathbf{E}N([0, 1]^d)$ satisfying $\mathbf{E}N^2([0, 1]^d) < \infty$, the spatial ergodic theorem of Nguyen-Zessin, see [10] or [26], yields the \mathbf{P} -a.s. limits $\hat{\lambda}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}\text{-a.s.}} \lambda$ and

$$\frac{X_n(B)}{|W_n|} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}\text{-a.s.}} \lambda \mathbf{E}((N - \delta_{\mathbf{o}})(B) | N(\{\mathbf{o}\}) > 0) =: \lambda^2 \mathcal{K}(B) \quad \text{for any } B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d, \quad (1.3)$$

where the expectation of the number $(N - \delta_{\mathbf{o}})(\cdot)$ conditional on the null event $\{N(\{\mathbf{o}\}) > 0\}$, abbreviated by $\lambda \mathcal{K}(\cdot)$ in what follows, coincides with the *reduced second-order moment measure* of N , see [9] (Chapt. 8), and can be rigorously defined as first-order moment measure w.r.t. the reduced Palm distribution of N , see [10] (Chapt. 13) for details. It turns out that the locally finite K -measure $\mathcal{K}(\cdot)$ is \mathbf{o} -symmetric, i.e. $\mathcal{K}(B) = \mathcal{K}(-B)$ for $B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$. On the other hand, to the best of the author's knowledge a complete characterization of the K -measure is so far still unknown. Another issue is to find suitable parametric subfamilies of \mathcal{B}_b^d on which the K -measure is uniquely determined or at least described sufficiently well by the corresponding functions of parameters. For example, *Ripley's* (one-parameter) K -function $K(r) := \mathcal{K}(B(\mathbf{o}, r))$ for $r \geq 0$, see [37], defines uniquely the K -measure when the associated stationary point process N is additionally isotropic, see e.g. [23], Chapt. 4.3. In the latter reference and in numerous papers, e.g. [40], [6], [12], [41], [22], one can find various refined and tricky, partially sophisticated techniques to estimate $K(r)$ (and the related L -function $L(r) = (K(r))^{1/d}$ and pair-correlation function $g(r) = r K'(r)/d |B(\mathbf{o}, r)|$) which are particularly useful when the point pattern and W_n is comparatively small. If the isotropy of N is missing, then Ripley's K -function should be replaced by the K -measure on reacher parametrized families sets, e.g., increasing (one-parametric) families $\{rB_s : r \geq 0\}$, where B_s is any fixed \mathbf{o} -symmetric, convex, compact set in \mathbb{R}^d containing \mathbf{o} as inner point, which allows to measure the distance of points by the norm $n(x) := \inf\{\tau > 0 : x \notin \tau B_s\}$, see [19].

To exhaust as much information from the point pattern as possible we suggest to consider the K -measure on the following families of rectangular sets indexed by the multiparameter $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_d)$:

$$B(\mathbf{r}) := \prod_{i=1}^d [-r_i, r_i] \text{ for } \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d \quad \text{and} \quad B^*(\mathbf{r}) := \prod_{i=1}^{d-1} [r_i \wedge 0, r_i \vee 0] \times [0, r_d] \text{ for } \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R}_+^1,$$

where $a \vee (\wedge) b := \max(\min)\{a, b\}$. By standard measure-theoretic approximation arguments we can prove

Proposition 1. *The function $\mathbb{R}^{d-1} \times \mathbb{R}_+^1 \ni \mathbf{r} \mapsto K^*(\mathbf{r}) := \mathcal{K}(B^*(\mathbf{r}))$ determines the K -measure uniquely.*

In the following, for reasons of symmetry and to facilitate statistical procedures we prefer to establish the *multiparameter K -function* $\mathbb{R}_+^d \ni \mathbf{r} \mapsto K(\mathbf{r}) := \mathcal{K}(B(\mathbf{r}))$ although it is open whether Proposition 1 holds for $K(\mathbf{r})$. It should be mentioned that the limit (1.3) holds even uniformly w.r.t. the class of convex polyhedra contained in a convex compact set, say C_ϱ for some $\varrho > 0$, see [26], p. 371. In case of balls $\{x \in \mathbb{R}^d : n(x) \leq r\}$ and hyper-rectangles $B(\mathbf{r})$ or $B^*(\mathbf{r})$ contained in C_ϱ this uniform \mathbf{P} -a.s. convergence is easily obtained from (1.3) in analogy to the proof of the (multidimensional) Glivenko-Cantelli theorem, see [26], p. 136.

Next, we introduce two further (unbiased) set-indexed estimators for $\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}(B)$ by modifying the estimator $(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B) := X_n(B)/|W_n|$ on the l.h.s. of (1.3):

$$(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,1}(B) := \frac{1}{|W_n|} \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) (N - \delta_{X_i})(B + X_i), \quad (1.4)$$

$$(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,2}(B) := \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \frac{\mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) \mathbf{1}_B(X_j - X_i)}{|(W_n - X_i) \cap (W_n - X_j)|}. \quad (1.5)$$

By setting $(\widehat{\lambda^2 K})_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) := (\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r}))$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ we obtain three *empirical multiparameter K -functions* estimating $\lambda^2 K(r)$ for $\mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$. An application of the refined Campbell theorem (Campbell-Mecke formula), see [10], pp. 286-288, or of the Propositions 6.1 and 8.1 in [9] provide the following means of the above estimators:

$$\mathbf{E}(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,1}(B) = \mathbf{E}(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,2}(B) = \lambda^2 \mathcal{K}(B) \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbf{E}(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B) = \lambda^2 \int_B R_n(x) \mathcal{K}(dx), \quad (1.6)$$

where $R_n(x) := |W_n \cap (W_n - x)|/|W_n|$.

In other words, the estimators (1.4) and (1.5) are unbiased, whereas the asymptotic unbiasedness of $(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B)$ follows by use of the first inequality of (1.2), see also [17]. Summing up the above relations and arguments combined with the properties of the CAS (W_n) , we can state the following Glivenko-Cantelli type theorem for empirical multiparameter K -functions: Under the assumptions of the ergodic theorem (1.3),

$$\sup_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |(\widehat{\lambda^2 K})_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) - \lambda^2 K(\mathbf{r})| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}\text{-a.s.}} 0 \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3 \quad \text{and } I_\varrho := [0, \varrho]^d. \quad (1.7)$$

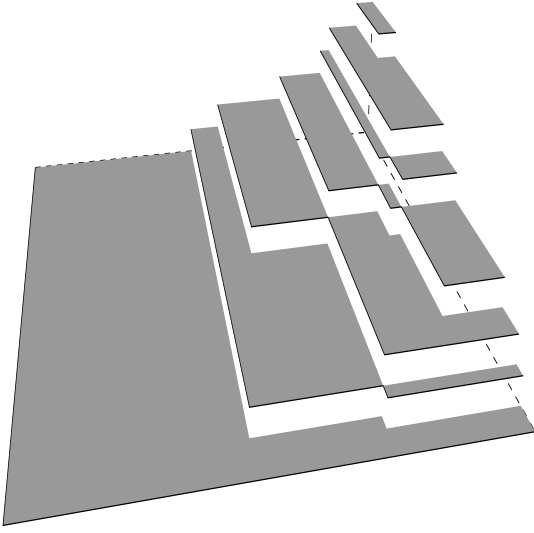


Fig.1: Plot of the empirical K-function $\widehat{\lambda^2 K}_{n,3}(r_1, r_2)$

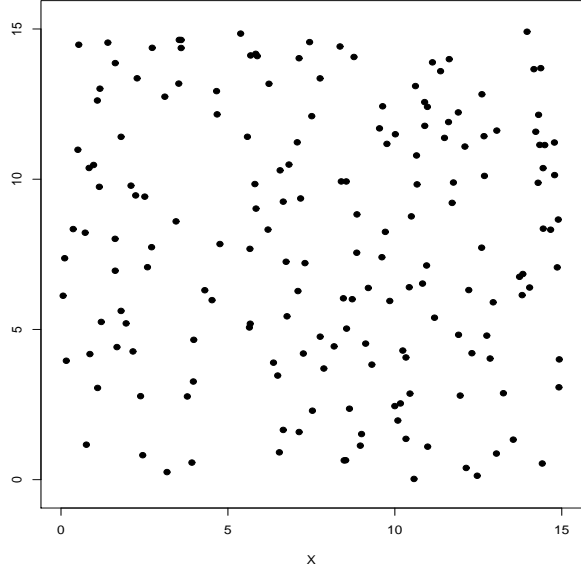


Fig.2: Simulated Poisson process $N_{0.8}$ in $[0, 15]^2$

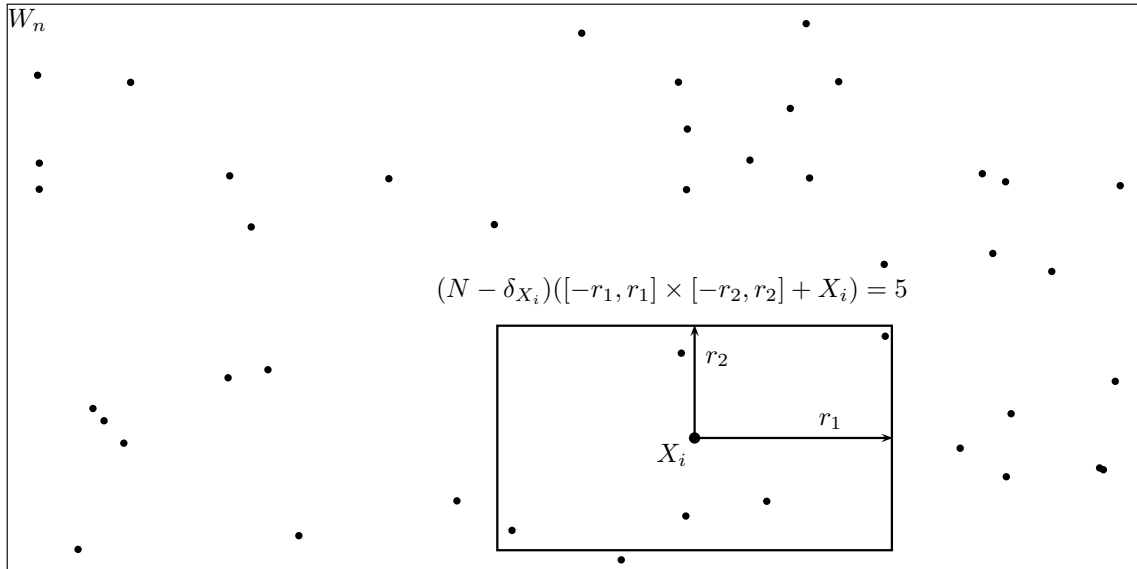


Fig.3: Computation of the empirical two-parameter K-function $\widehat{\lambda^2 K}_{n,1}(r_1, r_2)$ in W_n

Remark 1. To compute the d -parameter functions $(\widehat{\lambda^2 K})_{n,i}(\mathbf{r})$ on I_ϱ we consider the point differences $X_j - X_i \in I_\varrho$ for $i \neq j$ and sort the differences in each coordinate (between 0 and ϱ) according to increasing values generating multidimensional stair functions, see Fig. 1 for $d = 2$. The use of the “naive” estimator (1.4) requires a reduction of W_n to the smaller window $\{x \in W_n : B+x \subset W_n\}$ (minus-sampling) while the edge-corrected Horvitz-Thompson

type estimator (1.5), e.g. see [8], exploits the full information of the point pattern contained in W_n by weighting the influence of each pair (X_i, X_j) for $i \neq j$. The unbiasedness of (1.5) has been first observed in [35], which is why (1.5) is also named Ohser-Stoyan estimator. In "large-domain statistics" the differences between (1.4), (1.5) and $(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B)$ are of minor importance, see Theorem 4.6 in [18] and Lemma 2 in Sect. 2.

The main aim of the present paper is to determine the weak functional limits of the centred and normed random processes $\{ \sqrt{|W_n|} (\widehat{\lambda^2 K})_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) - \mathbf{E}(\widehat{\lambda^2 K})_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) \}$, $\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ when N is a stationary Poisson process on \mathbb{R}^d with intensity $\lambda > 0$ which, henceforth, will be denoted briefly by N_λ . It turns out that the cases of known and unknown intensity $\lambda > 0$ have to be treated separately through different approaches leading to quite different multiparameter Gaussian limit processes.

To avoid ambiguity, we recall that N_λ is defined as follows: (i) $N_\lambda(B)$ is Poisson distributed with mean $\lambda|B|$ for any $B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$ and (ii) $N_\lambda(B_1), \dots, N_\lambda(B_k)$ are mutually independent whenever $B_1, \dots, B_k \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$ are pairwise disjoint. (i) and (ii) can be equivalently expressed as follows: For any $B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$ with $|B| > 0$, conditional on $N_\lambda(B) = k$, the random atoms X_1, \dots, X_k in B are independently and uniformly distributed; the latter property is called "complete spatial randomness" (briefly CSR). Clearly, N_λ is simple, stationary, ergodic and (ii) entails that the conditional expectation in (1.3) equals the unconditional mean $\mathbf{E}N(B) = \lambda|B|$ for $N = N_\lambda$. Thus, the K -measure coincides with the Lebesgue measure, i.e. $\mathcal{K}(\cdot) = |\cdot|$. Furthermore, $(\widehat{\lambda^2})_n := N_\lambda(W_n)(N_\lambda(W_n) - 1)/|W_n|^2$ turns out to be an unbiased estimator for λ^2 which is seen by applying (2.1) to $f(x_1, x_2) = \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(x_1) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(x_2)/|W_n|^2$.

Using the above-defined estimators $(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,i}(B)$, $i = 1, 2, 3$, for $N_\lambda = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ we are now in a position to introduce the following six sequences of set-indexed mean zero random variables:

$$Y_{n,i}(B) = (\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,i}(B) - \lambda^2 |B| \quad \text{and} \quad Y_{n,3}(B) = (\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B) - \lambda^2 J_n(B) \quad (1.8)$$

for $i = 1, 2$ and $B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$, where $J_n(B) = |W_n|^{-1} \int_B |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| dx$, and likewise

$$Z_{n,i}(B) = (\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,i}(B) - (\widehat{\lambda^2})_n |B| \quad \text{and} \quad Z_{n,3}(B) = (\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,3}(B) - (\widehat{\lambda^2})_n J_n(B). \quad (1.9)$$

The set-indexed random processes in (1.8) resp. (1.9) define immediately the (multiparameter) random processes $Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r}))$, $\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho$, and $Z_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r}))$, $\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho$, for $i = 1, 2, 3$. With a view to the Theorems 1 - 4 we recall the well-known fact that the distribution of mean zero multiparameter (resp. set-indexed) Gaussian process $\{G(\mathbf{r}), \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ (resp. $\{G(B), B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d\}$) uniquely determined by its non-negative definite covariance function $\mathbf{E}G(\mathbf{s})G(\mathbf{t})$, $\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \in I_\varrho$, see [1] (resp. $\mathbf{E}G(B)G(B')$, $B, B' \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$, see [2]). For example, the standard set-indexed Wiener sheet $W(\cdot)$ on \mathcal{B}_b^d is defined by $\mathbf{E}W(B) = 0$ and $\mathbf{E}W(B)W(B') = |B \cap B'|$, see [2] for details and a rigorous introduction. By putting $W(\mathbf{r}) := W(I(\mathbf{r}))$ with $I(\mathbf{r}) := \times_{i=1}^d [0, r_i]$

and $|\mathbf{r}| := \prod_{i=1}^d r_i$ for $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_d) \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$ we get the d -parameter (standard) Wiener sheet with covariance function $\mathbf{E}W(\mathbf{s})W(\mathbf{t}) = |I(\mathbf{s}) \cap I(\mathbf{t})| = |I(\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t})| = |\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t}|$ for $\mathbf{s}, \mathbf{t} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$, where $\mathbf{s} \wedge (\vee)\mathbf{t} = (s_1 \wedge (\vee)t_1, \dots, s_d \wedge (\vee)t_d)$ for $\mathbf{s} = (s_1, \dots, s_d)$, $\mathbf{t} = (t_1, \dots, t_d) \in \mathbb{R}_+^d$. This implies $W(B(\mathbf{r})) \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} 2^{d/2} W(\mathbf{r})$ and $W(I_\varrho) \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \varrho^{d/2} W(I_1)$.

Finally, we recall that $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$ consists of all real-valued functions f on the cube I_ϱ which are "continuous from above" and have "limits from below" in each $\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho$, see [3], [34] for a precise definition and the concept of weak convergence in the Skorokhod-space $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$.

Theorem 1. *The random processes $\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) := \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ defined in (1.8) and driven by $N_\lambda = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ belong a.s. to the Skorokhod-space $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The weak convergence*

$$\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \{Y(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \quad (1.10)$$

holds in $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$, where $\{Y(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ is an a.s. continuous Gaussian process with mean zero and covariance function $\mathbf{E}Y(\mathbf{s})Y(\mathbf{t}) = \lambda^2 2^{d+1} |\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t}| (1 + \lambda 2^{d+1} |\mathbf{s} \vee \mathbf{t}|)$.

Moreover, $\{Y(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \{\lambda 2^{(d+1)/2} (W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + 2^{d+1} \lambda \varrho^d} - 1) \varrho^{-d} |\mathbf{r}| W(\varrho)) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$, where $\varrho := (\varrho, \dots, \varrho)$ and $\stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=}$ indicates "equality in distribution".

The counterpart of (1.10) when the intensity λ is unknown and λ^2 is replaced by $(\widehat{\lambda^2})_n$ is the subject of

Theorem 2. *The random processes $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) := \sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ defined in (1.9) and driven by $N_\lambda = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ belong a.s. to the Skorokhod-space $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$ for $i = 1, 2, 3$ and $n \in \mathbb{N}$. The weak convergence*

$$\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \{Z(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \{\lambda 2^{(d+1)/2} W(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \quad (1.11)$$

holds in $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$.

Remark 2. *Theorem 1 and 2 generalize two functional limit theorems in [16] proven for empirical processes associated with Ripley's K -function $\{K(r), 0 \leq r \leq \varrho\}$. Central limit theorems (short: CLT's) for empirical functionals related with (1.1) in case of non-Poissonian point processes can be found e.g. in [25], [26], [15], [28].*

The rest of the paper is organized as follows: In Sect. 2 we put together some lemmas which facilitate the proofs of Theorem 1 and 2 given in Sect. 3 and 4, respectively. Further, we prove the tightness of the random processes occurring in (1.10) and (1.11). In both Sect. 3 and 4 we formulate CLT's which extend the weak convergence of the finite-dimensional distributions (short: FIDI's) in Theorem 1 and 2. Both Theorem 3 and 4 seem to be of interest in its own right. In the final Sect. 5 we study the supremum as well as the integral of the squared Gaussian limit processes over the cube I_ϱ . These results enable us to establish asymptotic

goodness-of-fit tests in the sense of Kolmogorov-Smirnov as well as Cramér-von Mises for the multiparameter K -function of stationary Poisson processes on \mathbb{R}^d . For $d = 2$ a table of relevant quantiles of the test statistics (in case of unknown intensity) has been determined via simulation of the Wiener sheet on $[0, 1]^2$. This provides a test for checking the CSR hypothesis of planar point patterns. Throughout, let c_1, c_2, \dots denote positive constants not depending on n .

2 Preliminary Results

In this section we prove some auxiliary results (all of them apply only for N_λ) which among others show that the limits of the processes $Y_{n,i}(\cdot)$ (resp. $Z_{n,i}(\cdot)$) (if they exist!) are same for each $i = 1, 2, 3$. Furthermore, it will be shown that all of these sequences of random processes are tight in $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$. To begin with we state two basic relations for N_λ .

Lemma 1. *For any integrable function $f | (\mathbb{R}^d)^k \mapsto \mathbb{R}^1$, i.e. $f \in \mathbf{L}^1((\mathbb{R}^d)^k)$, for some $k \in \mathbb{N}$ and any $f_1, f_2 \in \mathbf{L}^1((\mathbb{R}^d)^2) \cap \mathbf{L}^2((\mathbb{R}^d)^2)$,*

$$\mathbf{E} \left(\sum_{i_1, \dots, i_k \geq 1}^{\neq} f(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k}) \right) = \lambda^k \int \cdots \int f(x_1, \dots, x_k) dx_1 \cdots dx_k, \quad (2.1)$$

$$(2.2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{Cov} \left(\sum_{i, j \geq 1}^{\neq} f_1(X_i, X_j), \sum_{i, j \geq 1}^{\neq} f_2(X_i, X_j) \right) &= \lambda^2 \int \int f_1(x, y) (f_2(x, y) + f_2(y, x)) dx dy \\ &+ \lambda^3 \int \int \int f_1(x, y) (f_2(x, z) + f_2(z, x) + f_2(y, z) + f_2(z, y)) dx dy dz, \end{aligned} \quad (2.3)$$

where \int is written shorthand for an integral over \mathbb{R}^d .

Proof of Lemma 1. To prove (2.1) we remember the definition of the k th-order factorial moment measure and its specific shape for Poisson processes, see [10], p. 72. The proof of (2.1) is accomplished by applying the (ordinary) Campbell theorem to multiple sums of k -tuples $(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k})$ of pairwise distinct atoms of N_λ , see [9], [8]. To verify the second assertion we first rewrite the product $S_1 S_2$, where $S_a = \sum_{i, j \geq 1}^{\neq} f_a(X_i, X_j)$ for $a = 1, 2$, as sums over pairs (X_i, X_j) , triples (X_i, X_j, X_k) and quadruples (X_i, X_j, X_k, X_ℓ) of pairwise distinct atoms of N_λ . Taking the expectation of these seven sums calculated according to (2.1) reveals that the expectation over the sum of quadruples is just equal to $\mathbf{E} S_1 \mathbf{E} S_2$. For general fourth-order stationary point processes a corresponding formula in terms of factorial moment and cumulant measures is stated in [15], p. 97. Hence, the sum of the remaining two expectations of pairs and four expectations over triples of atoms of N_λ equals $\mathbf{Cov}(S_1, S_2)$. Using again (2.1) with an appropriate choice of f for $k = 2$ and $k = 3$, respectively, leads immediately to (2.3) and completes the proof of Lemma 1. \square

To be somewhat more general we replace the set-indexed estimators $(\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}})_{n,i}(B)$ defined in Sect. 1 by function-indexed empirical processes estimating the functional $\lambda^2 \int g(x) dx$ for

any real-valued function $g \in \mathbf{L}_1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$. Substituting the indicator function $\mathbf{1}_B$ in (1.1), (1.4), (1.5) and (1.6) by g we get following mean zero function-indexed empirical processes

$$Y_{n,1}(g) := \frac{1}{|W_n|} \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) g(X_j - X_i) - \lambda^2 J(g), \quad (2.4)$$

$$Y_{n,2}(g) := \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \frac{\mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) g(X_j - X_i)}{|(W_n - X_i) \cap (W_n - X_j)|} - \lambda^2 J(g), \quad (2.5)$$

$$Y_{n,3}(g) := \frac{1}{|W_n|} \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) g(X_j - X_i) - \lambda^2 J_n(g) \quad (2.6)$$

and, for $i = 1, 2$,

$$Z_{n,i}(g) := Y_{n,i}(g) + (\lambda^2 - (\widehat{\lambda^2})_n) J(g) \quad \text{and} \quad Z_{n,3}(g) := Y_{n,3}(g) + (\lambda^2 - (\widehat{\lambda^2})_n) J_n(g), \quad (2.7)$$

where $J_n(g) := |W_n|^{-1} \int g(x) |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| dx \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} J(g) := \int g(x) dx$.

The sequences $Y_{n,i}(g)$ and $Z_{n,i}(g)$ blown up with $\sqrt{|W_n|}$ will presumably converge in distribution to Gaussian limits. The next lemma guarantees that, by virtue of Slutsky's lemma, see [38], these limits does not depend on $i = 1, 2, 3$.

Lemma 2. *The following limits hold for $i = 1, 3$ if $g, h \in \mathbf{L}^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$, and for $i = 2$ if g, h are boundedly supported and square integrable over \mathbb{R}^d :*

$$|W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,i}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g))^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad \text{and} \quad |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Z_{n,i}(g) - Z_{n,3}(g))^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0, \quad (2.8)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,i}(g) Y_{n,i}(h)) = \lambda^2 \int g(x) (h(x) + h(-x)) dx + 4 \lambda^3 J(g) J(h), \quad (2.9)$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Z_{n,i}(g) Z_{n,i}(h)) = \lambda^2 \int g(x) (h(x) + h(-x)) dx. \quad (2.10)$$

Proof of Lemma 2. From (2.7) we get the identity

$$Z_{n,i}(g) - Z_{n,3}(g) = Y_{n,i}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g) + (\lambda^2 - (\widehat{\lambda^2})_n)(J(g) - J_n(g))$$

and the inequality $\mathbf{E}(X + Y)^2 \leq 2 \mathbf{E}X^2 + 2 \mathbf{E}Y^2$ yields

$$|W_n| \mathbf{E} (Z_{n,i}(g) - Z_{n,3}(g))^2 \leq 2 |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,i}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g))^2 + 2 |W_n| \mathbf{Var}((\widehat{\lambda^2})_n) (J(g) - J_n(g))^2$$

Employing (2.3) with $f_1(x, y) = f_2(x, y) = \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(x) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(y) / |W_n|^2$ gives $|W_n| \mathbf{Var}((\widehat{\lambda^2})_n) = 4 \lambda^3 + 2 \lambda^2 / |W_n|$. Since $J_n(g) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} J(g)$, the second assertion of (2.8) follows from the first one. To show the first assertion of (2.8) we first treat the case $i = 1$. Here and later in this proof we use the abbreviations $R_n(x) = |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| / |W_n|$ and $R_n(x, y) = |W_n \cap (W_n - x) \cap (W_n - y)| / |W_n|$. The properties the CAS (W_n) guarantee that $1 \geq R_n(x) \geq R_n(x, y) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$

for any fixed $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$. For $f_1(x, y) = f_2(x, y) = \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(x) \mathbf{1}_{W_n^c}(y) g(y - x)/|W_n|$ the formula (2.3) yields after some rearrangements that

$$\begin{aligned} |W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,1}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g))^2 &= \lambda^2 \int (1 - R_n(z)) g^2(z) dz \\ &+ \lambda^3 \int \int [1 - R_n(y) - R_n(z) + R_n(y, z) + R_n(z - y) - R_n(-y, -z)] g(y) g(z) dy dz, \end{aligned} \quad (2.11)$$

whence it follows the first part (2.8) for $i = 1$ by Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem. To show (2.8) for $i = 2$ we assume that $g(x) = 0$ for $x \notin B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)$ for some $\varrho > 0$. As before we use (2.3) for $f_1(x, y) = f_2(x, y) = \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(x) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(y) g(y - x) (1 - R_n(y - x))/|(W_n - x) \cap (W_n - y)|$ and arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} |W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,2}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g))^2 &= \lambda^2 \int_{B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)} \frac{(1 - R_n(z))^2}{R_n(z)} g(z)(g(z) + g(-z)) dz \\ &+ \lambda^3 \int_{B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)} \int_{B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)} R_n(y, z) \frac{1 - R_n(y)}{R_n(y)} \frac{1 - R_n(z)}{R_n(z)} (g(y) + g(-y))(g(z) + g(-z)) dy dz. \end{aligned} \quad (2.12)$$

The convexity of W_n yields $|W_n| - |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| = |W_n \cap (W_n^c - x)| \leq \varrho |\partial W_n|_{d-1}$ for $x \in B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)$ so that combined with (1.2),

$$\sup_{x \in B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)} \left(\frac{1}{R_n(x)} - 1 \right) \leq \frac{d \varrho}{r(W_n) - d \varrho} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0 \quad (2.13)$$

The latter relation implies $|W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,2}(g) - Y_{n,3}(g))^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ completing the proof of (2.8).

For $i = 3$ the relations (2.9) and (2.10) can be easily deduced from the identities

$$\begin{aligned} |W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,3}(g) Y_{n,3}(h)) &= \lambda^2 \int g(x) (h(x) + h(-x)) R_n(x) dy \\ &+ \lambda^3 \int \int (g(x) + g(-x)) (h(y) + h(-y)) R_n(x, y) dx dy \end{aligned} \quad (2.14)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} |W_n| \mathbf{E}(Z_{n,3}(g), Z_{n,3}(h)) &= \lambda^2 \int g(x) (h(x) + h(-x)) R_n(x) dy - \frac{2 \lambda^2}{|W_n|} J_n(g) J_n(h) \\ &+ \lambda^3 \int \int (g(x) + g(-x)) (h(y) + h(-y)) R_n(x, y) dx dy - 4 \lambda^3 J_n(g) J_n(h) \end{aligned} \quad (2.15)$$

by the integrability assumptions on g and h combined with $R_n(y) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$ and $R_n(x, y) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1$ for any fixed $x, y \in \mathbb{R}^d$. By the same arguments, without calculating the expressions of $|W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,1}(g) Y_{n,1}(h))$ and $|W_n| \mathbf{E}(Z_{n,1}(g) Z_{n,1}(h))$ in detail, we can confirm (2.9) and (2.10) for $i = 1$. On the other hand, in the remaining case $i = 2$ the integral representations of $|W_n| \mathbf{E}(Y_{n,2}(g) Y_{n,2}(h))$ and $|W_n| \mathbf{E}(Z_{n,2}(g) Z_{n,2}(h))$ contain the reciprocals $1/R_n(x)$ and $1/R_n(y)$ which, by (2.13), converge uniformly to 1 for $x, y \in B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)$. This provides the asymptotic covariances (2.9) as well as (2.10) for $i = 2$ and completes the proof of Lemma 2. \square

Corollary 1. For indicator functions $g = \mathbf{1}_A$, $h = \mathbf{1}_B$ of any $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_b^d$ the asymptotic covariances (2.9) and (2.10) take the form

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |W_n| \mathbf{E} Y_{n,i}(A) Y_{n,i}(B) &= \lambda^2 |A \cap B| + \lambda^2 |A \cap (-B)| + 4 \lambda^3 |A| |B| \\ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |W_n| \mathbf{E} Z_{n,i}(A) Z_{n,i}(B) &= \lambda^2 |A \cap B| + \lambda^2 |A \cap (-B)|. \end{aligned}$$

Remark 3. The asymptotic variances of $\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B)$ and $\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(B)$ become minimal (resp. maximal) for sets $B \subset \mathcal{B}_b^d$ satisfying $|B \cap (-B)| = 0$ (resp. $|B \cap (-B)| = |B|$).

In order to simplify the proofs of the Theorems 3 and 4 we need the following ‘‘truncation lemma’’. For this purpose we assign to each function $g | \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto \mathbb{R}^1$ the truncated function $g_{a,\varrho}(x) = g(x)$, if $x \in C_\varrho$ and $|g(x)| \leq a$, and $g(x) = 0$ otherwise, where $a, \varrho > 0$ are suitably chosen.

Lemma 3. For any real-valued function $g \in \mathbf{L}^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ the following estimates hold:

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,1}(g) - Y_{n,1}(g_{a,\varrho}))^2 \leq 2 \lambda^2 c_2(a, \varrho) + 4 \lambda^3 c_1(a, \varrho)^2 \quad (2.16)$$

and

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}: |W_n| \geq 1} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Z_{n,3}(g) - Z_{n,3}(g_{a,\varrho}))^2 \leq 2 \lambda^2 c_2(a, \varrho) + (2 \lambda^2 + 8 \lambda^3) c_1(a, \varrho)^2, \quad (2.17)$$

where $c_j(a, \varrho) := \int |g(x)|^j \mathbf{1}(|g(x)| > a) dx \wedge \int |g(x)|^j \mathbf{1}(x \notin C_\varrho) dx$ for $j = 1, 2$.

Proof of Lemma 3. Since $Y_{n,1}(g) - Y_{n,1}(g_{a,\varrho}) = Y_{n,1}(g - g_{a,\varrho})$ the relation

$$|W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,1}(h))^2 = \lambda^2 \int h(x) (h(x) + R_n(x) h(-x)) dx + \lambda^3 J(h) (J(h) + 3 J_n(h)),$$

which can be obtained in like manner as (2.14), implies for $h = g - g_{a,\varrho}$ that

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Y_{n,1}(g) - Y_{n,1}(g_{a,\varrho}))^2 \leq 2 \lambda^2 J((g - g_{a,\varrho})^2) + 4 \lambda^3 J(|g - g_{a,\varrho}|)^2. \quad (2.18)$$

Together with $J(|g - g_{a,\varrho}|^j) \leq c_j(a, \varrho)$ for $j = 1, 2$ we arrive at (2.16).

Using (2.15) directly with $h = g - g_{a,\varrho}$ we get in the same way that

$$\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}: |W_n| \geq 1} |W_n| \mathbf{E} (Z_{n,3}(g) - Z_{n,3}(g_{a,\varrho}))^2 \leq 2 \lambda^2 J((g - g_{a,\varrho})^2) + (2 \lambda^2 + 8 \lambda^3) J(|g - g_{a,\varrho}|)^2,$$

which gives (2.17). \square

Remark 4. Since $c_1(a, \varrho) \vee c_2(a, \varrho) \rightarrow 0$ as $a \rightarrow \infty$ or $\varrho \rightarrow \infty$ Slutsky’s theorem, see [38], says that in order to prove the weak limits of the sequences $\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(g)$ and $\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(g)$ for $g \in \mathbf{L}^1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}^2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ it suffices to verify these limits only for some bounded and boundedly supported g .

Lemma 4. For sufficiently large $n \in \mathbb{N}$, $i = 1, 2, 3$ and any disjoint sets $A, B \in \mathcal{B}_\varrho^d \cap C_\varrho$ the set-indexed processes (1.8) and (1.9) fulfil the estimates

$$|W_n| \mathbf{E} \left(Y_{n,i}(A) Y_{n,i}(B) \right)^2 \leq c_1(\varrho) |A| |B| \quad \text{and} \quad |W_n| \mathbf{E} \left(Z_{n,i}(A) Z_{n,i}(B) \right)^2 \leq c_2(\varrho) |A| |B|.$$

For any $n \in \mathbb{N}$ and each $i = 1, 2, 3$ the multiparameter processes

$\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) := \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})), r \in I_\varrho\}$ and $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) := \sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})), r \in I_\varrho\}$ belong a.s. to $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$. Moreover, both sequence $\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ and $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ are tight in $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$.

Proof of Lemma 4. The calculation of the mixed fourth-order moment $\mathbf{E} \left(Y_{n,i}(A) Y_{n,i}(B) \right)^2$ starts with the representation of the product $Y_{n,i}(A) Y_{n,i}(B)$ through sums of multiple sums over k -tuples $(X_{i_1}, \dots, X_{i_k})$ of pairwise distinct atoms of N_λ for $k = 2, 3, 4$. After simplifying these multiple sums due to $A \cap B = \emptyset$, we square the whole sum of terms and evaluate the expectations by applying repeatedly the Campbell-type formula (2.1) for $k \in \{2, 3, \dots, 8\}$. The details of these rather lengthy and tedious, but straightforward calculations proving lastly both estimates of Lemma 4 are left to the reader.

For $i = 1, 2, 3$ each realization of the random process $Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r}))$ on the cube I_ϱ can be written as scaled difference of the step function $\widehat{\lambda^2 \mathcal{K}}_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r}))$ having at most $X_n(C_\varrho)$ jumps on each coordinate-axis and the continuous function $\lambda^2 |B(\mathbf{r})|$ (for $i = 1, 2$) or $\lambda^2 \int_{B(\mathbf{r})} R_n(x) dx$ (for $i = 3$). Note that step functions are finite linear combinations of indicator functions $\mathbf{r} = (r_1, \dots, r_d) \mapsto \prod_{i=1}^d \mathbf{1}_{J_i}(r_i)$ for $J_i = [a_i, b_i], 0 \leq a_i < b_i \leq \varrho$ or $J_i = \{\varrho\}, i = 1, \dots, d$. All these step functions and continuous functions belong to $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$, see [3], p. 1662. Since $N_\lambda = \sum_{i \geq 1} \delta_{X_i}$ is a locally finite counting measure we have $\mathbf{P}(X_n(C_\varrho) < \infty) = 1$ yielding that $\mathbf{P}(\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \in \mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d) = 1$. (2.7) reveals that the same applies for $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$.

To prove the tightness of the sequence $Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})), r \in I_\varrho$, in $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$ we employ the following moment criterion given in [3], p. 1658, see also [4] for $d = 1$: For any two adjacent half-open hyper-rectangles $B_p = \times_{i \neq p} (s_i, t_i] \times (s_p, t_p]$ and $B'_p = \times_{i \neq p} (s_i, t_i] \times (t_p, t'_p]$ ($s_p < t_p < t'_p$) in I_ϱ with a common p th face for some $p \in \{1, \dots, d\}$ we suppose that

$$\mathbf{E} |\widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B_p) \widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B'_p)|^\gamma \leq (\nu(B) \nu(B'))^\beta \quad (2.19)$$

for fixed $\gamma > 0$, $\beta > 1/2$ and some finite measure $\nu(\cdot)$ on I_ϱ , where $\widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B_p)$ is the increment of d -parameter process $Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r})$ around the hyper-rectangle B_p . It is easily checked that $\widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B_p) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(\cup_{\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d \in \{-1, 1\}} B_p(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d))$, where $B_p(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d)$ is obtained from B_p by multiplying the coordinates of each vertex of B_p by $\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d$. By doing the same for B'_p we see that the corresponding union of the sets $B'_p(\varepsilon_1, \dots, \varepsilon_d)$ has no common point with the other union set. Hence, by the first estimate of Lemma 4 we can easily deduce the estimate

$$|W_n| \mathbf{E} \left(\widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B_p) \widetilde{Y}_{n,i}(B'_p) \right)^2 \leq c_1(\varrho) 4^d |B_p| |B'_p| \quad (2.20)$$

proving (2.19) for $\gamma = 2$, $\beta = 1$ and $\nu(\cdot) = |\cdot|$. In view of (2.7) and the second estimate of Lemma 4 we get an analogous estimate for the increments of the processes $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})), r \in I_\varrho\}$ with a possibly different constant on the r.h.s. of (2.20). Thus, all assertions of Lemma 4 are completely proved. \square

3 CLT FOR THE SEQUENCES $\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(g)$ AND PROOF OF THEOREM 1

We shall prove asymptotic normality for each of the sequences (2.4), (2.5) and (2.6) being defined for a stationary Poisson process N_λ with intensity $\lambda > 0$ and some CAS (W_n) in \mathbb{R}^d . Further, let $\mathcal{N}(\mu, \sigma^2)$ denote a Gaussian random variable with mean μ and variance $\sigma^2 > 0$, and $\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}}$ indicates *convergence in distribution* or *weak convergence* of the random elements under consideration.

Theorem 3. *For any $g \in \mathbf{L}_1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $i = 1$ or $i = 3$,*

$$\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(g) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2(g)) \quad \text{with} \quad (3.1)$$

$$\sigma^2(g) = \lambda^2 \int g(x) (g(x) + g(-x)) dx + 4\lambda^3 J(g)^2, \quad \text{where } J(g) = \int g(x) dx.$$

Furthermore, (3.1) holds for $i = 2$, if $g \in \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\text{supp}(g) := \{x : g(x) \neq 0\} \subseteq C_\varrho$ for some $\varrho > 0$.

Proof of Theorem 3. Due to Lemma 2, the first part of (2.8), it suffices to to prove (3.1) for $i = 1$. Moreover, thanks relation (3.1) of Lemma 3 we may assume that the function g in (2.4) has bounded (non-empty) support, say $\text{supp}(g) \subseteq C_\varrho$ for some $\varrho > 0$. Hence, $g \in \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ implies $g \in \mathbf{L}_1(\mathbb{R}^d)$.

We need further notation: For $z \in \mathbb{Z}^d$ define

$$X_z^{(n)} := \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbf{1}_{E_z \cap W_n}(X_i) \sum_{j \neq i} g(X_j - X_i) - \lambda^2 |E_z \cap W_n| J(g) \quad \text{with } E_z = z + [-1/2, 1/2]^d.$$

By means of $V_n := \{z \in \mathbb{Z}^d : E_z \subseteq W_n\}$ and $\partial V_n := \{z \in \mathbb{Z}^d : E_z \cap W_n^c \neq \emptyset\}$ we rewrite $Y_{n,1}(g)$ as partial sum process

$$\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,1}(g) = \frac{1}{|W_n|} \sum_{z \in V_n} X_z^{(n)} + \frac{1}{|W_n|} \sum_{z \in \partial V_n} X_z^{(n)} \quad (3.2)$$

over the m -dependent field of means zero random variables $\{X_z^{(n)} : z \in V_n \cup \partial V_n\}$ with $m = 2 \lceil \varrho \rceil + 1$. For more information on (CLT's for) m -dependent fields the reader is referred e.g. to [15], [16], [18] and [7]. Note that the m -dependence results from the independence

properties of the Poisson point process and that g disappears outside C_ϱ . It is not difficult to see that

$$\mathbf{E}\left(\sum_{z \in \partial V_n} X_z^{(n)}\right)^2 \leq (m+1)^d \sum_{z \in \partial V_n} \mathbf{E}(X_z^{(n)})^2 \quad \text{with} \quad \mathbf{E}(X_z^{(n)})^2 \leq 2\lambda^2 J(g^2) + 4\lambda^3 J(|g|)^2.$$

The last estimate is obtained from a relation stated at the beginning of the proof of Lemma 3. We next show that $\#(\partial V_n) \leq c_3(d) |\partial W_n|_{d-1}$. Obviously, $E_z \subseteq \partial W_n \oplus B(\mathbf{o}, \sqrt{d})$ for any $z \in \partial V_n$ implying $\#(\partial V_n) \leq |\partial W_n \oplus B(\mathbf{o}, \sqrt{d})|$. Due to the convexity of W_n and by combining the first and second inequality of (1.2) we obtain that

$$|\partial W_n \oplus B(\mathbf{o}, \sqrt{d})| \leq 2(|W_n \oplus B(\mathbf{o}, \varrho)| - |W_n|) \leq 2^d \sqrt{d} |\partial W_n|_{d-1},$$

which yields the desired estimate with $c_3(d) = 2^d \sqrt{d}$. By appealing to the properties of the CAS (W_n) we get $\#V_n/|W_n| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 1$ and the variance of the scaled second sum in (3.2) disappears asymptotically. Finally, we are in a position to apply the CLT for stationary m -dependent fields (see e.g. [15] and references therein or the stronger result quoted in Remark 3) which provides that

$$|W_n|^{-1/2} \sum_{z \in V_n} X_z^{(n)} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2(g)).$$

Together with Slutsky's theorem the latter implies (3.1) and completes the proof of Theorem 3. \square

Remark 5. *By applying a Berry-Esseen bound proved in [7] for (non-stationary) m -dependent random fields in terms of the third-order Lyapunov ratio we can state the following: For any $g: \mathbb{R}^d \mapsto \mathbb{R}^1$ satisfying $\emptyset \neq \text{supp}(g) \subseteq C_\varrho$ for some $\varrho > 0$ and $g \in \mathbf{L}_3(\mathbb{R}^d)$,*

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}^1} \left| \mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(g) \leq x \sigma(g)\right) - \mathbf{P}(\mathcal{N}(0, 1) \leq x) \right| \leq \frac{c_4(d, \varrho, \lambda) J(|g|^3)}{\sigma^3(g) \sqrt{|W_n|}} \quad \text{for } i = 1, 2, 3.$$

Corollary 2. *The FIDI's of the set-indexed processes $\{\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho\}$ defined in (1.8) for $i = 1, 2, 3$ converge in distribution (as $n \rightarrow \infty$) to the FIDI's of the mean zero set-indexed Gaussian process $\{Y(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho\}$ with covariance function $C_Y(A, B) := \lambda^2 |A \cap B| + \lambda^2 |A \cap (-B)| + 4\lambda^3 |A| |B|$.*

Proof of Corollary 2. We put $g_{B_1, \dots, B_k}^{(a_1, \dots, a_k)}(x) = a_1 \mathbf{1}_{B_1}(x) + \dots + a_k \mathbf{1}_{B_k}(x)$ for any $a_1, \dots, a_k \in \mathbb{R}^1$ (such that $\bigvee_{i=1}^k |a_i| > 0$) and any $B_1, \dots, B_k \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho$. Since $g_{B_1, \dots, B_k}^{(a_1, \dots, a_k)}$ fulfils the assumptions of Theorem 3 we deduce from (3.1) that

$$\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}\left(g_{B_1, \dots, B_k}^{(a_1, \dots, a_k)}\right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}\left(0, \sum_{p, q=1}^k a_p a_q C_Y(B_p, B_q)\right).$$

Hence, by applying the classical Cramér-Wold device, see e.g. [4], it follows the convergence in distribution of the k -dimensional random vectors

$$(\sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B_1), \dots, \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B_k)) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} (Y(B_1), \dots, Y(B_k))$$

for any $B_1, \dots, B_k \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho$. Hence, Corollary 2 is proved. \square

Proof of Theorem 1. Corollary 2 implies immediately to weak convergence of the FIDI's of the multiparameter processes $\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Y_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ to the FIDI's of the multiparameter Gaussian process $\{Y(\mathbf{r}) = Y(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$. Since $B(\mathbf{r}) = -B(\mathbf{r})$ and $|B(\mathbf{r})| = 2^d |\mathbf{r}|$ for $\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho$ we get the covariance function $\mathbf{E}Y(\mathbf{s})Y(\mathbf{t}) = C_Y(B(\mathbf{s}), B(\mathbf{t})) = 2\lambda^2 |B(\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t})| + 4\lambda^3 |B(\mathbf{s})||B(\mathbf{t})| = \lambda^2 2^{d+1} |\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t}| + \lambda^3 4^{d+1} |\mathbf{s}||\mathbf{t}|$ which coincides with the covariance function given in Theorem 1. A straightforward calculation shows that the covariance function of the Gaussian process $\{\lambda 2^{(d+1)/2} (W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + 2^{d+1} \lambda \varrho^d} - 1) \varrho^{-d} |\mathbf{r}| W(\varrho)) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ coincides with that of $\{Y(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$. The tightness of $\{Y_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ stated in Lemma 4 completes the proof of Theorem 1. \square

4 CLT for the Sequences $\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(g)$ and Proof of Theorem 2

For the sake of simplicity we prefer to treat the case $i = 3$ with $Z_{n,3}(g)$ defined in (2.7) which means to prove that

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \left(\sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) g(X_j - X_i) - |W_n| \widehat{(\lambda^2)}_n J_n(g) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \sum_{i,j \geq 1}^{\neq} \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_i) \mathbf{1}_{W_n}(X_j) \left(g(X_j - X_i) - \frac{J_n(g)}{|W_n|} \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2(g)), \end{aligned} \quad (4.1)$$

where $J_n(g) = |W_n|^{-1} \int g(x) |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| dx$ and $\tau^2(g) = \lambda^2 \int g(x) (g(x) + g(-x)) dx$.

Whereas the proof of Theorem 3 relies on the CLT for m -dependent random fields, we will prove (4.1) by conditioning on $\{N_\lambda(W_n) = m_n\}$ such that $m_n/|W_n| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \lambda > 0$ and showing asymptotic normality of a U -statistic defined for a triangular array of *independent, uniformly distributed* (short: I.U.D.) random points on W_n .

Lemma 5. *Let $X_1^{(n)}, \dots, X_{m_n}^{(n)}$ be a triangular array of I.U.D. random vectors on W_n such that $m_n/|W_n| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \lambda > 0$. Then, for any $g \in \mathbf{L}_1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$,*

$$U_n(g) := \frac{1}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \sum_{1 \leq i, j \leq m_n}^{\neq} \left(g(X_i^{(n)} - X_j^{(n)}) - \frac{J_n(g)}{|W_n|} \right) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2(g)) \quad (4.2)$$

with $J_n(g)$ and $\tau^2(g)$ as defined in (4.1).

Proof of Lemma 5. It turns out that the Hoeffdings “projection method”, see Chapt. 5.3 in [38], fails due to the fact that the U -statistic $\sqrt{|W_n|} U_n(g)$ is asymptotically degenerate. Some similar spatial U -statistics with Gaussian limits in [24] do not include our specific situation. Lemma 5 extends a CLT for interpoint-distances in [14] and is based on Bolthausen’s lemma (which is a variant of the Stein-Tikhomirov method), see [5]. In accordance with this lemma, (4.2) holds if we can prove with the characteristic function $f_n(t) := \mathbf{E} \exp\{it U_n(g)\}$ that

$$\mathbf{E}U_n^2(g) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \tau^2(g) \quad \text{and} \quad f'_n(t) + \tau^2(g) t f_n(t) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0 \quad \text{for each } t \in \mathbb{R}^1. \quad (4.3)$$

First we calculate $\mathbf{E}U_n^2(g)$ in analogy to (2.15). With the abbreviations of Sect. 2 we arrive at

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}U_n^2(g) &= \frac{m_n(m_n - 1)}{|W_n|^2} \int g(x) (g(x) + g(-x)) R_n(x) dx - \frac{m_n(m_n - 1)(4m_n - 6)}{|W_n|^3} (J_n(g))^2 \\ &+ \frac{m_n(m_n - 1)(m_n - 2)}{|W_n|^3} \int \int (g(x) + g(-x)) (g(y) + g(-y)) R_n(x, y) dx dy. \end{aligned}$$

Lebesgue’s dominated convergence theorem and $m_n/|W_n| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \lambda$ yield $\mathbf{E}U_n^2(g) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} \tau_n^2(g)$. With the truncated function $g_{a,\varrho}(x) = g(x)$, if $x \in C_\varrho$ and $|g(x)| \leq a$, and $g(x) = 0$ otherwise, for $a, \varrho > 0$, and the above formula for $\mathbf{E}U_n^2(g)$ permits the estimate

$$\mathbf{E}(U_n(g) - U_n(g_{a,\varrho}))^2 \leq 2\lambda_n^2 c_2(a, \varrho) + 8\lambda_n^3 c_1(a, \varrho)^2, \quad (4.4)$$

where $\lambda_n = m_n/|W_n|$ and $c_1(a, \varrho)$, $c_2(a, \varrho)$ as in Lemma 3. The latter estimate combined with Slutsky’s theorem, see [38], enables us in proving the second limit of (4.3) to assume additionally that $|g(x)| \leq a$ for $x \in \mathbf{supp}(g) \subseteq C_\varrho$ for some finite $a, \varrho > 0$. Next, we will write $\int_{(x_i)}$ shorthand for an integral over W_n w.r.t. the variable x_i . With the abbreviation

$$H_n(z) := g(z) + g(-z) - 2J_n(g)/|W_n| \quad \text{and} \quad \int_{(x)} \int_{(y)} H_n(x - y) dx dy = 0$$

we may write

$$f_n(t) = \int_{(x_1)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} \exp \left\{ \frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq m_n}^{\neq} H_n(x_i - x_j) \right\} \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|}$$

and get the decomposition

$$\begin{aligned}
f'_n(t) &= i \frac{m_n(m_n-1)}{2\sqrt{|W_n|}} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n(x_1-x_2) \int_{(x_3)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} \exp\left\{\frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} [H_n(x_1-x_2)\right. \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=3}^{m_n} (H_n(x_1-x_i) + H_n(x_2-x_i)) + \sum_{3 \leq i < j \leq m_n}^{\neq} H_n(x_i-x_j)]\right\} \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|} \\
&= i \frac{m_n(m_n-1)}{2\sqrt{|W_n|}} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n(x_1-x_2) \int_{(x_3)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} \left(\exp\left\{\frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} [H_n(x_1-x_2)\right. \right. \\
&\quad \left. \left. + \sum_{i=3}^{m_n} (H_n(x_1-x_i) + H_n(x_2-x_i))\right]\right\} - 1 - \frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} [H_n(x_1-x_2) \\
&\quad \left. + \sum_{i=3}^{m_n} (H_n(x_1-x_i) + H_n(x_2-x_i))] \right) \exp\left\{\frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \sum_{3 \leq i < j \leq m_n}^{\neq} H_n(x_i-x_j)\right\} \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|} \\
&\quad - \frac{m_n(m_n-1)t}{2|W_n|} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n^2(x_1-x_2) \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \frac{dx_2}{|W_n|} f_n^\diamond(t) \\
&\quad - \frac{m_n(m_n-1)(m_n-2)t}{|W_n|} \int_{(x_1)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} H_n(x_1-x_2) H_n(x_1-x_3) \\
&\quad \quad \times \exp\left\{\frac{it}{\sqrt{|A_n|}} \sum_{3 \leq i < j \leq m_n}^{\neq} H_n(x_i-x_j)\right\} \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|} \\
&= T_1^{(n)}(t) + T_2^{(n)}(t) + T_3^{(n)}(t),
\end{aligned}$$

where

$$f_n^\diamond(t) := \int_{(x_3)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} \exp\left\{\frac{it}{\sqrt{|W_n|}} \sum_{3 \leq i < j \leq m_n}^{\neq} H_n(x_i-x_j)\right\} \frac{dx_3}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|}.$$

Due to the well-known inequality $|e^{itx} - 1 - itx| \leq t^2 x^2/2$ for any $t, x \in \mathbb{R}^1$ we obtain that

$$\begin{aligned}
|T_1^{(n)}(t)| &\leq \frac{m_n(m_n-1)t^2}{4\sqrt{|W_n|}|W_n|} \int_{(x_1)} \cdots \int_{(x_{m_n})} |H_n(x_1-x_2)| \\
&\quad \times \left(H_n(x_1-x_2) + \sum_{i=3}^{m_n} (H_n(x_1-x_i) + H_n(x_2-x_i)) \right)^2 \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \cdots \frac{dx_{m_n}}{|W_n|} \\
&\leq \frac{m_n(m_n-1)t^2}{4\sqrt{|W_n|}|W_n|^3} \left(I_1^{(n)} + \frac{8(m_n-2)}{|W_n|} I_2^{(n)} + \frac{4(m_n-2)(m_n-3)}{|W_n|^2} I_3^{(n)} \right) \quad (4.5)
\end{aligned}$$

with

$$\begin{aligned}
I_1^{(n)} &= \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} |H_n(x_1 - x_2)|^3 dx_1 dx_2 \leq 8 c \sigma^2(g) |W_n| \\
I_2^{(n)} &= \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} \int_{(x_3)} H_n^2(x_1 - x_2) |H_n(x_1 - x_3)| dx_1 dx_2 dx_3 \leq 8 \int |g(x)| dx \sigma^2(g) |W_n| \\
I_3^{(n)} &= \int_{(x_1)} \cdots \int_{(x_4)} |H_n(x_1 - x_2)| |H_n(x_1 - x_3)| \left(|H_n(x_1 - x_4)| + |H_n(x_2 - x_4)| \right) dx_1 \dots dx_4 \\
&\leq 2 \left(4 \int |g(x)| dx \right)^3 |W_n|.
\end{aligned}$$

The above estimates follow immediately from $|H(x)| \leq 4a$ (since $|g(x)| \leq a$),

$$\int_{(y)} |H_n(x - y)| dy \leq 4 \int |g(y)| dy \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{R}^1 \text{ and the relation}$$

$$\int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n^2(x_1 - x_2) dx_1 dx_2 = |W_n| \int (g(x) + g(-x))^2 R_n(x) dx - 4 J_n^2(g) \leq 2 \tau^2(g) |W_n|,$$

which implies that

$$|W_n|^{-1} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n^2(x_1 - x_2) dx_1 dx_2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 2 \tau^2(g). \quad (4.6)$$

Summing up all terms on the r.h.s. of (4.5) yields

$$T_1^{(n)}(t) = t^2 \mathcal{O}(|W_n|^{-1/2}) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (4.7)$$

From the definition of $T_3^{(n)}(t)$ it is rapidly seen that

$$\left| T_3^{(n)}(t) \right| \leq \frac{m_n(m_n - 1)(m_n - 2) |t|}{|W_n|^4} \int_{(x_1)} \left| \int_{(x_2)} H_n(x_1 - x_2) dx_2 \right| dx_1 \sup_{x_1 \in W_n} \int_{(x_3)} |H_n(x_1 - x_3)| dx_3,$$

where last integral over x_3 is bounded by $4 \int |g(x)| dx$. To find an appropriate bound of the remaining integral term we remember the fact that the support of g is contained in the cube C_ϱ centred at the origin \mathbf{o} . Using the abbreviation $W_n^{(\varrho)} := \{x \in W_n : B(x, \varrho \sqrt{d}) \subseteq W_n\}$, it follows that $\int_{(y)} g(y - x) dy = \int g(y) dy$ for any $x \in W_n^{(\varrho)}$ and

$$\left| \int g(x) |W_n \cap (W_n - x)| dx - |W_n^{(\varrho)}| \int g(x) dx \right| \leq |W_n \setminus W_n^{(\varrho)}| \int |g(x)| dx.$$

Having in mind these relations and splitting the domain of integration over x_1 into $W_n^{(\varrho)}$ and $W_n \setminus W_n^{(\varrho)}$ we arrive after some rearrangements at

$$\int_{W_n} \left| \int_{W_n} H_n(x_1 - x_2) dx_2 \right| dx_1 \leq 8 |W_n \setminus W_n^{(\varrho)}| \int |g(x)| dx$$

Thus, $T_3^{(n)}(t) = |t| \mathcal{O}\left(|W_n \setminus W_n^{(\varrho)}|/|W_n|\right)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This result combined with the properties of the CAS (W_n) and (4.7) leads to

$$f'_n(t) + \frac{m_n(m_n - 1)t}{2|W_n|} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} H_n^2(x_1 - x_2) \frac{dx_1}{|W_n|} \frac{dx_2}{|W_n|} f_n^\diamond(t) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

for any fixed $t \in \mathbb{R}^1$. Further, by the inequality $|e^{itx} - 1| \leq |tx|$ for $t, x \in \mathbb{R}^1$, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} |f_n^\diamond(t) - f_n(t)| &\leq \frac{(2m_n - 3)|t|}{\sqrt{|W_n|}|W_n|^2} \int_{(x_1)} \int_{(x_2)} |H_n(x_1 - x_2)| dx_1 dx_2 \\ &\leq \frac{4(2m_n - 3)|t|}{\sqrt{|W_n|}|W_n|} \int |g(x)| dx \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0. \end{aligned}$$

Finally, together with the foregoing relation and (4.6), the second limit of (4.3) is proved completing the proof of Lemma 5. \square

Theorem 4. For any $g \in \mathbf{L}_1(\mathbb{R}^d) \cap \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $i = 1$ or $i = 3$,

$$\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(g) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2(g)) \quad \text{with} \quad \tau^2(g) = \lambda^2 \int g(x)(g(x) + g(-x)) dx. \quad (4.8)$$

Furthermore, (4.8) holds for $i = 2$, if $g \in \mathbf{L}_2(\mathbb{R}^d)$ and $\text{supp}(g) := \{x : g(x) \neq 0\} \subseteq C_\varrho$ for some $\varrho > 0$.

Proof of Theorem 4. By virtue of the second part of (2.8) we need only to verify (4.1). For this end, we make use of the total probability theorem providing that

$$\mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) \leq x\right) = \sum_{k \geq 0} \mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) \leq x \mid N_\lambda(W_n) = k\right) \mathbf{P}\left(N_\lambda(W_n) = k\right)$$

which immediately leads to

$$\begin{aligned} & \left| \mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) \leq x\right) - \mathbf{P}\left(\mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2(g)) \leq x\right) \right| \leq 1 - \mathbf{P}(a_n \leq N_\lambda(W_n) \leq b_n) \\ & + \mathbf{P}(a_n \leq N_\lambda(W_n) \leq b_n) \max_{a_n \leq m_n \leq b_n} \left| \mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) \leq x \mid N_\lambda(W_n) = m_n\right) - \mathbf{P}\left(\mathcal{N}(0, \tau^2(g)) \leq x\right) \right| \end{aligned}$$

with the sequences of integers $a_n := \lceil \lambda|W_n| - \lambda_n|W_n|^{1/2} \rceil$ and $b_n := \lceil \lambda|W_n| + \lambda_n|W_n|^{1/2} \rceil$, where $\lambda_n = o(|W_n|^{1/2})$. Since $\mathbf{P}\left(\sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,3}(g) \leq x \mid N_\lambda(W_n) = m_n\right) = \mathbf{P}\left(U_n(g) \leq x\right)$ due to the CSR-property of N_λ , Lemma 5 and $\hat{\lambda}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}\text{-a.s.}} \lambda$ imply the validity of (4.1). \square

Remark 6. *So far the rates of convergence in the Theorem 4 as well as in Lemma 5 are unknown. It seems that the methods applied in the recent papers [36] and [30] can help to answer this open question.*

Corollary 3. *The FIDI's of the set-indexed processes $\{Z_{n,i}(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho\}$ defined in (1.9) for $i = 1, 2, 3$ converge in distribution (as $n \rightarrow \infty$) to the FIDI's of the mean zero set-indexed Gaussian process $\{Z(B) : B \in \mathcal{B}^d \cap C_\varrho\}$ possessing the covariance function $C_Z(A, B) = \lambda^2 |A \cap B| + \lambda^2 |A \cap (-B)|$.*

The proof of Corollary 3 consists in repeating almost verbatim the proof of Corollary 2.

Proof of Theorem 2. Corollary 3 implies the weak convergence of the FIDI's of the multiparameter processes $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) = \sqrt{|W_n|} Z_{n,i}(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ to the FIDI's of the multiparameter Gaussian process $\{Z(\mathbf{r}) = Z(B(\mathbf{r})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ having the covariance function $C_Z(B(\mathbf{s}), B(\mathbf{t})) = 2\lambda^2 |B(\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t})| = \lambda^2 2^{d+1} |\mathbf{s} \wedge \mathbf{t}|$. The latter shows that $\{Y(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ and $\{\lambda 2^{(d+1)/2} W(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ have the same FIDI's. The tightness of $\{Z_{n,i}(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\}$ stated in Lemma 4 completes the proof of Theorem 2. \square

5 Applications to Testing for Complete Spatial Randomness

From the viewpoint of spatial point process statistics the main reason for studying limits of set-indexed or multiparameter empirical processes consists in the construction of asymptotic goodness-of-fit tests to check non-parametric characteristics of the spatial point process model under consideration. Theorems 1 and 2 allow to establish Kolmogorov-Smirnov and Cramér-von Mises type tests, respectively, for the multiparameter K -function of a stationary Poisson process (multiplied by λ^2) for the cases of known as well as estimated intensity λ . These goodness-of-fit tests can be interpreted as test for CSR generalizing the tests based on the empirical one-parameter K -function suggested in [16]. For alternative (mostly non-asymptotic) tests for CSR the reader is referred to [12], [23], [13], [22], [42] and further references therein.

For this purpose, we are interested in the limit distributions of the test statistics

$$K_Y^{(n)}(\lambda, d, \varrho) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |Y_{n,2}(\mathbf{r})| \quad , \quad C_Y^{(n)}(\lambda, d, \varrho) = \frac{1}{\lambda} \int_{I_\varrho} Y_{n,2}^2(\mathbf{r}) \, d\mathbf{r}$$

and

$$K_Z^{(n)}(d, \varrho) = \frac{1}{\widehat{\lambda}_n \sqrt{2^{d+1}} \varrho^d} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |Z_{n,2}(\mathbf{r})| \quad , \quad C_Z^{(n)}(d, \varrho) = \frac{1}{\widehat{\lambda}_n^2 2^{d+1} \varrho^d} \int_{I_\varrho} Z_{n,2}^2(\mathbf{r}) \, d\mathbf{r} .$$

Using the continuity of the mappings $f \mapsto \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |f(\mathbf{r})|$ and $f \mapsto \int_{I_\varrho} f(\mathbf{r})^2 d\mathbf{r}$ on the Skorokhod-space $\mathbf{D}[0, \varrho]^d$ we may combine the continuous mapping theorem, see [4], Slutsky's theorem, see [38], and the Theorems 1 and 2 to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} K_Y^{(n)}(\lambda, d, \varrho) &\xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda}} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |Y(\mathbf{r})| \\ &\stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \sqrt{\lambda 2^{d+1}} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} \left| W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + 2^{d+1} \lambda \varrho^d} - 1) \varrho^{-d} |\mathbf{r}| W(\varrho) \right| \\ &\stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \sqrt{\kappa} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_1} \left| W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + \kappa} - 1) |\mathbf{r}| W(\mathbf{e}) \right| =: \Delta_{d, \kappa} \end{aligned} \quad (5.1)$$

where $\mathbf{e} = (1, \dots, 1)$, $\kappa = \lambda 2^{d+1} \varrho^d$ and

$$K_Z^{(n)}(d, \varrho) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \varrho^{-d/2} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho} |W(\mathbf{r})| \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \max_{\mathbf{r} \in I_1} |W(\mathbf{r})| =: K_d, \quad (5.2)$$

$$C_Z^{(n)}(d, \varrho) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{d}} \varrho^{-d} \int_{I_\varrho} W(\mathbf{r})^2 d\mathbf{r} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \int_{I_1} W^2(\mathbf{r}) d\mathbf{r} =: C_d. \quad (5.3)$$

Here we have used the scale invariance $\{\varrho^{-d/2} W(\varrho \mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d\} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \{W(\mathbf{r}) : \mathbf{r} \in \mathbb{R}_+^d\}$ of the Wiener sheet on \mathbb{R}_+^d , see [1], entailing that $\{\sqrt{\lambda 2^{d+1}} (W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + 2^{d+1} \lambda \varrho^d} - 1) \varrho^{-d} |\mathbf{r}| W(\varrho)) : \mathbf{r} \in I_\varrho\} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \{\sqrt{\kappa} (W(\mathbf{r}) + (\sqrt{1 + \kappa} - 1) |\mathbf{r}| W(\mathbf{e})) : \mathbf{r} \in I_1\}$. Note that explicit expressions neither for the distribution functions $H_{d, \kappa}$, F_d and G_d of Δ_κ , K_d and C_d , respectively, nor for their densities (they do exist!) are known. Only their asymptotic tail behaviour seems to be available, see [2] and references therein. It is well-known that the random variable C_d can be represented as infinite quadratic form of I.I.D. $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ -distributed random variables, see e.g. [33], more precisely,

$$C_d \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \left(\frac{2}{\pi}\right)^{2d} \sum_{i_1, \dots, i_d=1}^{\infty} \frac{\xi_{i_1, \dots, i_d}^2}{(2i_1 - 1)^2 \cdots (2i_d - 1)^2} \quad \text{with I.I.D. } \xi_{i_1, \dots, i_d} \stackrel{\mathbf{d}}{=} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

providing the characteristic function

$$\mathbf{E} \exp\{it C_d\} = \prod_{i_1, \dots, i_d=1}^{\infty} \left(1 - \frac{2^{2d+1} i t}{\pi^{2d} (2i_1 - 1)^2 \cdots (2i_d - 1)^2}\right)^{-1/2} \quad \text{for } t \in \mathbb{R}^1.$$

If it is replaced by $-a \leq 0$ we get a formula for the Laplace-Stieltjes transform of G_d . In [11] using different methods from stochastic analysis the shape of the Laplace-Stieltjes transform of G_2 was shown to be

$$\mathbf{E} \exp\{-a C_2\} = \left(\prod_{k=1}^{\infty} \cosh\left(\frac{2\sqrt{2a}}{(2k-1)\pi}\right) \right)^{-1/2} \quad \text{for } a \geq 0.$$

By combining analytical techniques and numerical procedures it might be possible to invert $\mathbf{E} \exp\{-a C_2\}$ at least approximately, see [32],[29] and [33] for the principle ideas and an

application to the bivariate Brownian bridge. In our situation it remains to determine best possible approximations for the **100 α %** percentage points $H_{d,\kappa}(\alpha) = \inf\{x > 0 : H_{d,\kappa}(x) \geq \alpha\}$, $F_d(\alpha) = \inf\{x > 0 : F_d(x) \geq \alpha\}$ and $G_d(\alpha) = \inf\{x > 0 : G_d(x) \geq \alpha\}$ by a large-scale simulation of the Wiener sheet on $[0, 1]^d$ and an estimation of the corresponding densities of $H_{d,\kappa}$, F_d and G_d . For $d = 2$ we have simulated 100,000 realizations of the Wiener sheet on an equidistant grid of $1,000 \times 1,000$ points in $[0, 1]^2$. The obtained percentage points are summarized in the subsequent tables.

Table of 100 α % percentage points of F_2 and G_2

100 α %	95%	95.5%	96%	96.5%	97%	97.5%	98%	98.5%	99%	99.5%
$F_2(\alpha)$	2.434	2.476	2.514	2.555	2.671	2.671	2.747	2.839	2.971	3.180
$G_2(\alpha)$	0.713	0.745	0.778	0.814	0.856	0.909	0.974	1.056	1.170	1.387

Table of 100 α % percentage points of $H_{2,\kappa}$ for $\kappa = 0.5 + 0.1 \times k$, $k = 0, 1, \dots, 25$

κ	95%	97.5%	99%	99.5%		κ	95%	97.5%	99%	99.5%
0.5	1.966	2.179	2.440	2.636		1.8	4.765	5.336	6.038	6.556
0.6	2.206	2.447	2.741	2.965		1.9	4.969	5.565	6.301	6.843
0.7	2.437	2.708	3.036	3.285		2.0	5.170	5.794	6.561	7.129
0.8	2.662	2.961	3.324	3.601		2.1	5.372	6.020	6.822	7.414
0.9	2.882	3.209	3.610	3.904		2.2	5.573	6.246	7.085	7.696
1.0	3.099	3.451	3.887	4.207		2.3	5.775	6.474	7.345	7.978
1.1	3.314	3.692	4.160	4.509		2.4	5.977	6.701	7.607	8.263
1.2	3.527	3.934	4.432	4.809		2.5	6.179	6.932	7.867	8.543
1.3	3.736	4.171	4.701	5.111		2.6	6.379	7.161	8.124	8.826
1.4	3.944	4.405	4.972	5.403		2.7	6.579	7.390	8.387	9.109
1.5	4.150	4.637	5.243	5.690		2.8	6.781	7.614	8.646	9.391
1.6	4.356	4.873	5.509	5.983		2.9	6.978	7.839	8.902	9.676
1.7	4.563	5.105	5.774	6.269		3.0	7.179	8.067	9.167	9.957

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The computation of the subsequent plots presenting the distribution function and probability density of K_2 and C_2 , respectively, are based on 100,000 simulations of the standard Wiener sheet on an equidistant 1,000 x 1,000 grid in $[0, 1]^2$

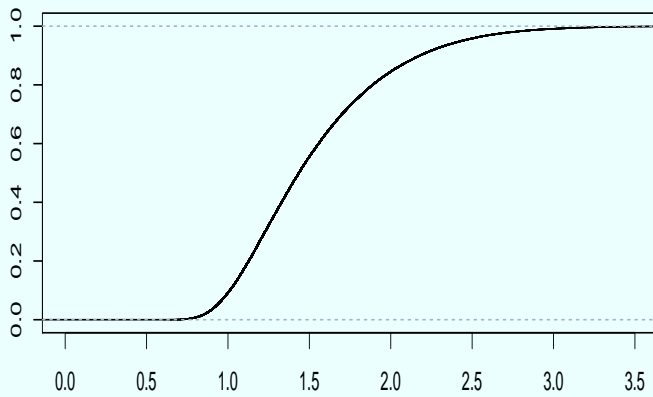


Fig.4: Empirical distribution function of $F_2(x)$

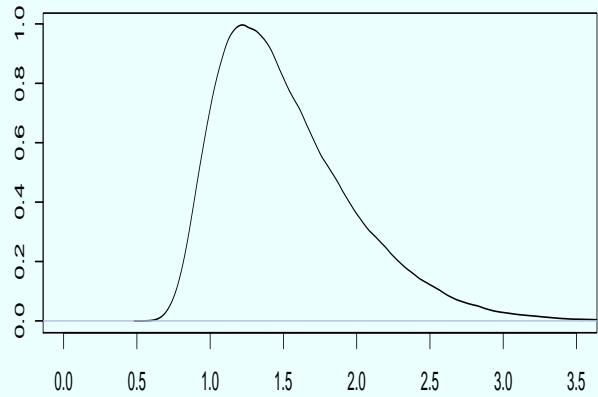


Fig.5: Kernel density estimation of $F'_2(x)$

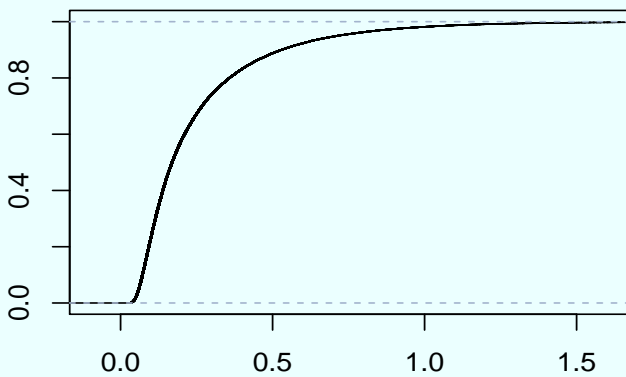


Fig.6: Empirical distribution function of $G_2(x)$

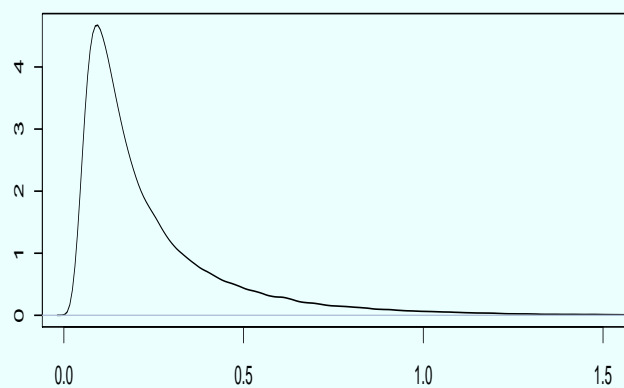


Fig.7: Kernel density estimation of $G'_2(x)$

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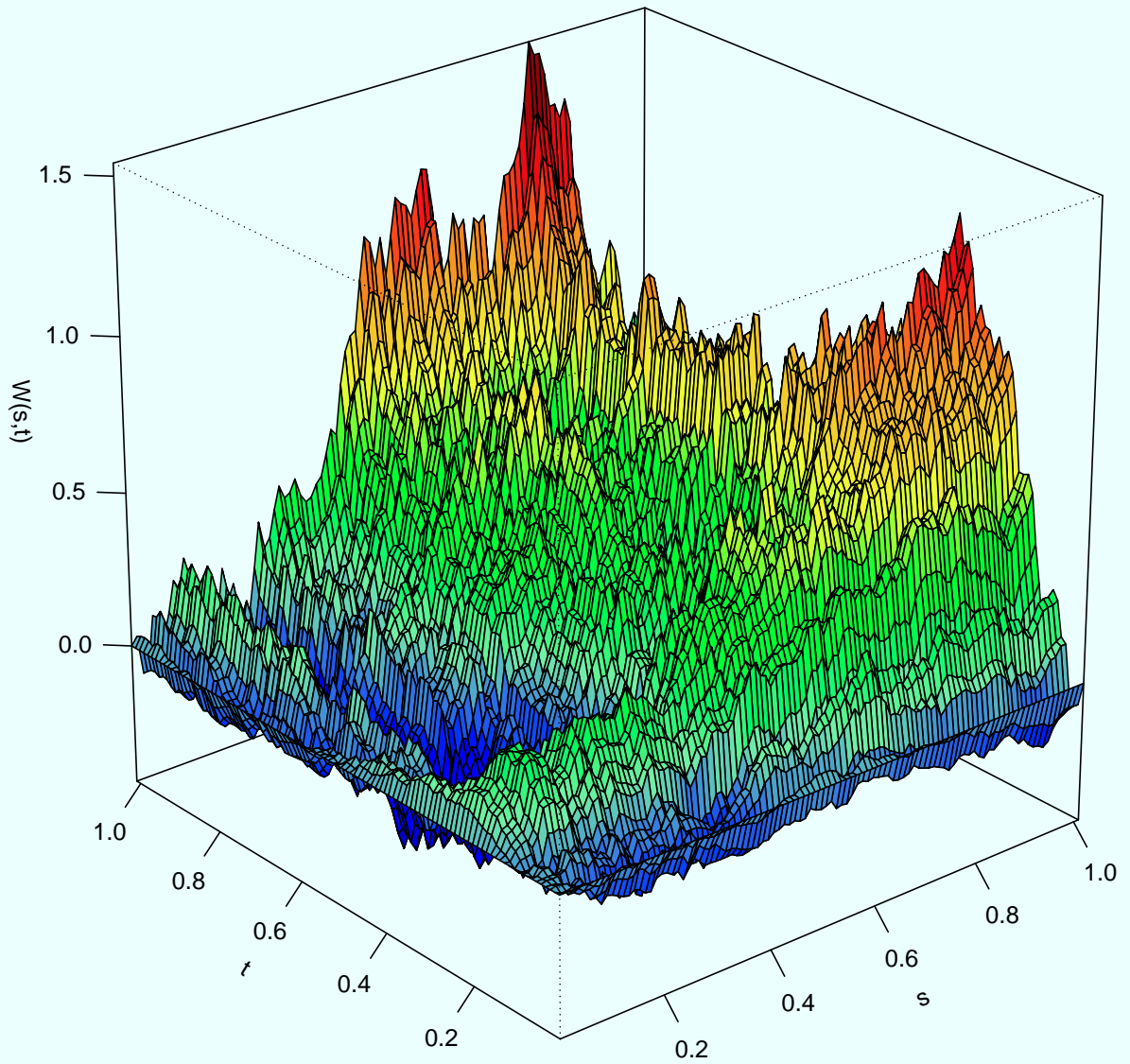


Fig.8: Wiener sheet over the unit square simulated on an equidistant 100 x 100 grid