

1. Convergence in probability and in distribution

[4 Points]

- (a) Consider a sequence $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ of random variables with $\mathbf{P}[X_n = n^\alpha] = \frac{1}{n}$ and $\mathbf{P}[X_n = 0] = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$ for every $n \in \mathbb{N}$. For which $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ does one have $X_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}} 0$, and for which does one have $X_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} 0$? For which ones does one have $\mathbf{E}[X_n] \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} 0$?

Proof.

$$(a). \quad X_n \xrightarrow{\mathbf{P}} 0$$

$$\forall \omega \in \Omega, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbf{P}[|X_n - 0| > \varepsilon] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

which shows (X_n) converges to 0 in Probability $\forall \omega$.

- (b) As Convergence in Probability implies Convergence in Distribution.

$$X_n \xrightarrow{d} 0$$

(c)

$$\mathbf{E}[X_n] = n^\alpha \cdot \frac{1}{n} = n^{\alpha-1} \quad \text{which converges to } 0 \text{ if } \alpha-1 < 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \alpha < 1$$

- (b) Suppose that $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is an i.i.d. sequence of $Ber(p)$ -distributed random variables. Determine the quantity a in

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(X_i) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{P}} a.$$

Proof.

As $\exp(X_i)$ remains to be i.i.d.
By weak law of Large Numbers.

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \exp(X_i) \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \mathbb{E}[\exp(X_i)] = p \cdot e$$

- (c) Suppose that $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ is an i.i.d. sequence of random variables with $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = 0$ and $\text{Var}[X_1] = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$. Argue in detail, why

$$\frac{1}{\log(n)\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{P}} 0.$$

Hint: Use the properties of convergence in probability / in distribution from the notes.

Proof.

By CLT.

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \sqrt{n} \bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

Also

$$\frac{1}{\log(n)} \xrightarrow{\text{P}} 0 \quad \text{as } \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \text{ s.t. } |\log(n)|^{-\epsilon} < \epsilon \text{ if } n > N$$

Therefore, by the properties of Converges in P and d.

$$\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\log(n)} \right) \xrightarrow{\text{P}} 0 \quad \text{As desired.}$$

2. Some applications of the central limit theorem

[4 Points]

- (a) Let $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. $\mathcal{U}(\{1, 2, 3, 4\})$ distributed random variables. Consider the expression

$$Z_n = \log \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right).$$

Find the approximate distribution of Z_n for large n .

Hint: Use the δ -method.

Proof.

$$\mu = \mathbb{E}(X_i) = \frac{5}{2}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_i) = \mathbb{E}(X^2) - \mathbb{E}^2(X) = \frac{30}{16} - \frac{25}{4} = \frac{5}{4}$$

Therefore we have: $\sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ by CLT

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} N(0, \sigma^2)$$

but $g(x) = \log(x)$. Though δ method requires g to be differentiable on \mathbb{R} . as X_i only takes positive values we can ignore the incompatibility of domain.

By δ -method.

$$\sqrt{n}(\log(\bar{X}_n) - \log(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{\mu} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \log(\bar{X}_n) \xrightarrow{d} \frac{1}{\mu \sqrt{n}} \mathcal{N}(0, \sigma^2) + \log(\mu)$$

$$= \mathcal{N}\left(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{\mu^2 n}\right) + \log(\mu)$$

$$= \mathcal{N}\left(\log\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), \frac{5}{4n}\right)$$

Therefore as n is large.

$$\log(\bar{X}_n) \sim \mathcal{N}\left(\log\left(\frac{5}{2}\right), \frac{5}{4n}\right)$$

- (b) Suppose that the number of goals in a soccer match is Poisson-distributed with mean 3. Assume also that during a season, there are $n = 300$ matches. Use the central limit theorem to find the approximate probability for the event that during a season, there are at least 860 goals, but less than 930 goals in total. You may assume that the numbers of goals in different matches are independent.

proof. Let $(x_i)_{i=1}^{n=300}$ denote the random variable representing the # of goals.

$$x_i \sim \text{Poisson}(3) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad P(x_i = k) = \frac{3^k e^{-3}}{k!}$$

$$\text{Here } \mu = E[x_i] = 3 \quad \sigma^2 = \text{Var}[x_i] = 3$$

According to Central limit Thm.

$$\sqrt{n} \underbrace{\frac{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \mu}{\sigma}}_{\text{denoted } Y_n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} N(0, 1)$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} & P[860 \leq \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \leq 930] \\ &= P\left[\frac{\sqrt{300} \cdot \frac{1}{300} \times 860 - 3}{\sqrt{3}} \leq Y_{300} \leq \frac{\sqrt{300} \cdot \frac{1}{300} \times 930 - 3}{\sqrt{3}}\right] \\ &= P[-1.3 \leq Y_{300} \leq 1] \\ &\approx \Phi[0.577350] - \Phi[-0.769802] = 0.7445 \end{aligned}$$

3. Asymptotic normality of the t -statistics

[4 Points]

In this problem, we study the t -statistics, which is defined as follows: Let X_1, \dots, X_n be i.i.d. real random variables with $\mathbf{E}[X_1] = \mu$, and $\text{Var}[X_1] = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$. The t -statistics is

$$T_{n-1} = \frac{\bar{X}_n - \mu}{S_n / \sqrt{n}}, \quad \text{where } \bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2.$$

The goal of this problem is to show step-by-step that $T_{n-1} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

(a) First argue that one can write $\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ as $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - (\bar{X}_n)^2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{(a) Proof. } \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2 &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - 2X_i \bar{X}_n + (\bar{X}_n)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + (\bar{X}_n)^2 - \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(X_i^2 + (\bar{X}_n)^2 \right) - \frac{2}{n} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i^2 + (\bar{X}_n)^2) \\ &\quad - 2n (\bar{X}_n)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 + (\bar{X}_n)^2 - 2(\bar{X}_n)^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - (\bar{X}_n)^2 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show that $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$ converges in probability to σ^2 .

Hint: Apply the weak law of large numbers to both $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2$ and to \bar{X}_n . Then use the continuous mapping theorem and the fact that if $Y_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} Y$ and $Z_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} Z$, also $Y_n + Z_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} Y + Z$.

Proof.

Apply WLLN

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] = \sigma^2 + \mu^2$$

$$\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} \mathbb{E}[\bar{X}_n] = \mu.$$

By Continuous Mapping Thm.

$$(\bar{X}_n)^2 \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{P} \mu^2$$

By the Property of Convergence in Probability

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \\ &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (\bar{x}_n)^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - (\bar{x}_n)^2 \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \sigma^2 + \mu^2 - \mu^2 = \sigma^2 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Conclude from (b) that $S_n^2 \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{P}} \sigma^2$. Use the continuous mapping theorem again to argue that $\frac{1}{S_n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{P}} \frac{1}{\sigma}$.

$$S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{As } n \rightarrow \infty \quad S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \sigma^2$$

$$\text{as } \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \sigma^2$$

By Continuous mapping Thm. as $g(x) = x^{-\frac{1}{2}}$ is continuous on $(0, +\infty)$

$$\text{Therefore, } g(S_n^2) \xrightarrow{\text{P}} g(\sigma^2)$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{S_n} \xrightarrow{\text{P}} \frac{1}{\sigma}$$

(d) Finally use Slutsky's theorem and the central limit theorem to conclude that $T_{n-1} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

Hint: Note that $T_{n-1} = \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{S_n}$.

$$T_{n-1} = \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{S_n / \sqrt{n}} = \sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{S_n}$$

On the one hand:

$$\sqrt{n} \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{d} \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

On the
other hand.

$$\frac{\sigma}{S_n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\sigma} \cdot \sigma = 1$$

By Slutsky's Thm.

$$T_{n-1} = \sqrt{n} \cdot \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{\sigma} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{S_n} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

HW2-Q4

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[1]: import numpy as np
import scipy.stats as stats
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
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0.1 Possion Distribution

0.1.1 CLT - Possion

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[2]: M = 5000
n_choices= [5, 10, 100, 1000]

def rv_pos(n):
    Sn = sum(np.array([np.random.poisson(lam=1/2) for i in range(n)]))
    rv = (Sn - n*(1/2))/((n**1/2)*0.5)

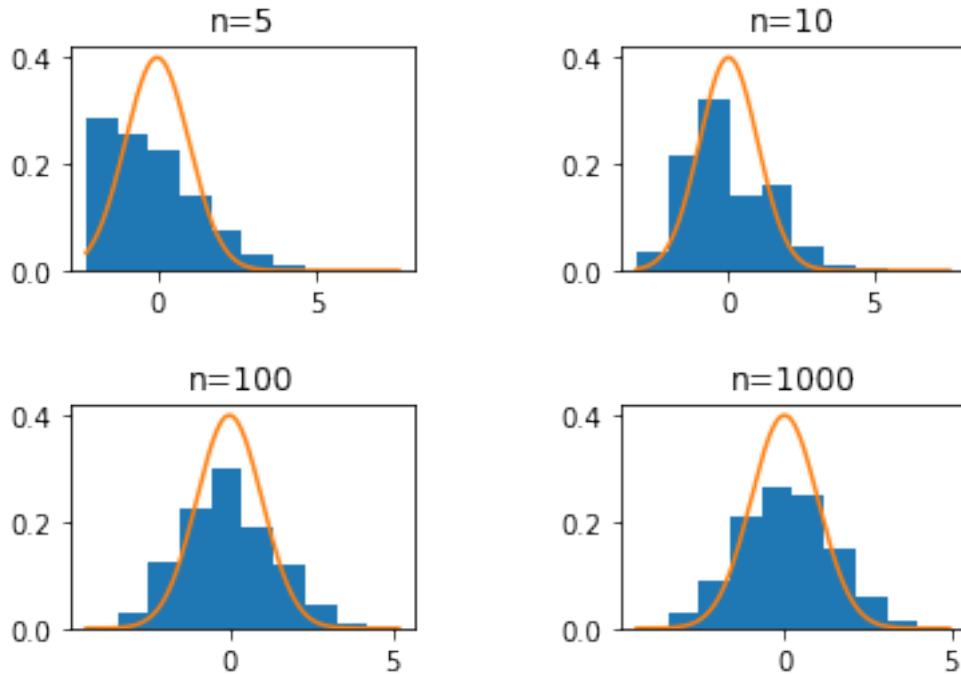
    return rv

hist_1 = np.zeros((4, M))

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    hist_1[i] = np.array([rv_pos(n_choices[i]) for j in range(M)])
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[3]: fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 2)
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.6, hspace=0.6)

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    x_space = np.linspace(min(hist_1[i]), max(hist_1[i]), 1000)
    axs[i//2, i%2].hist(hist_1[i], density=True)
    axs[i//2, i%2].plot(x_space, stats.norm(0, 1).pdf(x_space))
    axs[i//2, i%2].set_title("n=" + str(n_choices[i]))
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As we can see, when n becomes larger, the distribution of the generated random variable $\frac{S_n - n \cdot \mu}{\sqrt{n} \cdot \sigma}$ is more close to normal distribution, which is the essence of central limit theorem.

0.1.2 LNN - Possion

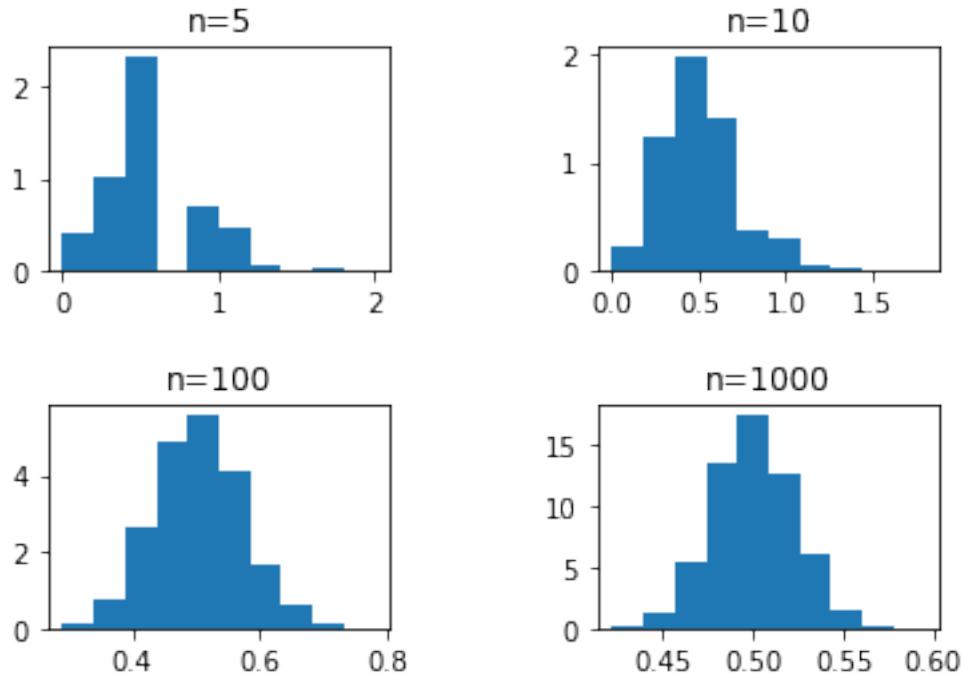
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[4]: def rv_pos_lln(n):
    Xn_bar = np.array([np.random.poisson(lam=1/2) for i in range(n)]).mean()
    return Xn_bar

hist_2 = np.zeros((4, M))

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    hist_2[i] = np.array([rv_pos_lln(n_choices[i]) for j in range(M)])
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[5]: fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 2)
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.6, hspace=0.6)

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    x_space = np.linspace(min(hist_2[i]), max(hist_2[i]), 1000)
    axs[i//2, i%2].hist(hist_2[i], density=True)
    axs[i//2, i%2].set_title("n=" + str(n_choices[i]))
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As we can see, as n grows, \bar{X}_n is more concentrated to the mean of X_1 , which is 1. ~ The result is consistent with **Law of Large Numbers**

0.2 Cauchy

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[6]: def rv_cauchy(n):
    Sn = sum(np.array([np.random.standard_cauchy() for i in range(n)]))
    # rv = (Sn - n*(1/2))/((n**1/2)*0.5)
    # Since mean and variance is essentially missing here
    # We do not normalize it
    return Sn/n

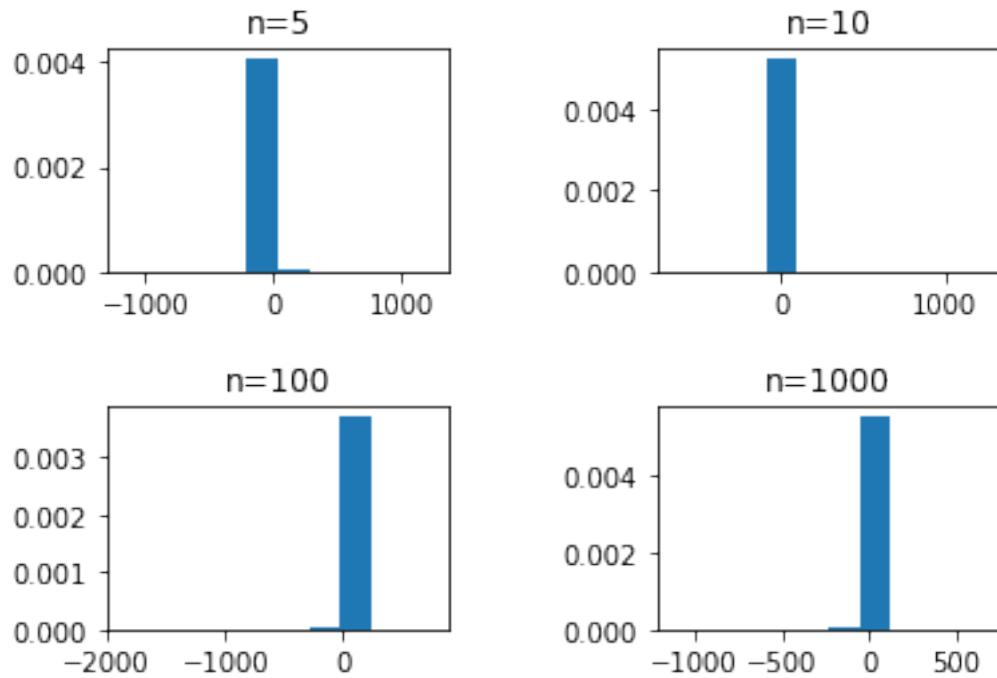
hist_3 = np.zeros((4, M))

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    hist_3[i] = np.array([rv_cauchy(n_choices[i]) for j in range(M)])
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[7]: fig, axs = plt.subplots(2, 2)
plt.subplots_adjust(wspace=0.6, hspace=0.6)

for i in range(len(n_choices)):
    x_space = np.linspace(min(hist_3[i]), max(hist_3[i]), 1000)
    axs[i//2, i%2].hist(hist_3[i], density=True)
    # axs[i//2, i%2].plot(x_space, stats.norm(0, 1).pdf(x_space))
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axs[i//2, i%2].set_title("n=" + str(n_choices[i]))
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As we can see, the mean of cauchy distributions do not behave like other distributions, which converges to the mean as n grows large. This is perhaps because the mean and variance of cauchy distribution is essentially missing.