

Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables and let X be a random variable. Let F_{X_n} and F_X be, respectively, the c.d.f.s of X_n and X . Let $C(F_X)$ denote the set of all points where F_X is continuous. We say that X_n **converges in distribution** to X if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x), \quad \text{for all } x \in C(F_X).$$

We denote this convergence by

$$X_n \xrightarrow{D} X.$$

Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables and let X be a random variable. We say that X_n **converges in probability** to X , if for all $\varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| \geq \varepsilon) = 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| < \varepsilon) = 1.$$

We denote this convergence by

$$X_n \xrightarrow{P} X.$$

Theorem 1 $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

Theorem 2 $X_n \xrightarrow{D} b, \quad b - \text{constant} \quad \Rightarrow \quad X_n \xrightarrow{P} b$

In general, $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X \quad \nRightarrow \quad X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$

Example 1(a):

Let $\{X_n\}, X$ be i.i.d. with p.m.f. $P(X = -1) = \frac{1}{2}, P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$, since for all n $F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < -1 \\ 1/2 & -1 \leq x < 1 \\ 1 & x \geq 1 \end{cases}$

However, for all n $P(|X_n - X| \geq 1) = \frac{1}{2}$, so X_n does not converge to X in probability.

Example 1(b):

Let X be a random variable with p.m.f. $P(X = -1) = \frac{1}{2}, P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Let $X_n = (-1)^n X, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$.

However, $P(|X_n - X| \geq 1) = 1$ if n is odd, $P(|X_n - X| \geq 1) = 0$ if n is even, so X_n does not converge to X in probability.

Example 1(c):

Let X be a random variable with p.m.f. $P(X = -1) = \frac{1}{2}, P(X = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$.

Let $X_n = -X, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$. Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$.

However, for all n $P(|X_n - X| \geq 1) = 1$, so X_n does not converge to X in probability.

$X_n \xrightarrow{P} -X$.

Example 2(a): Suppose $U \sim \text{Uniform}(0, 1)$.

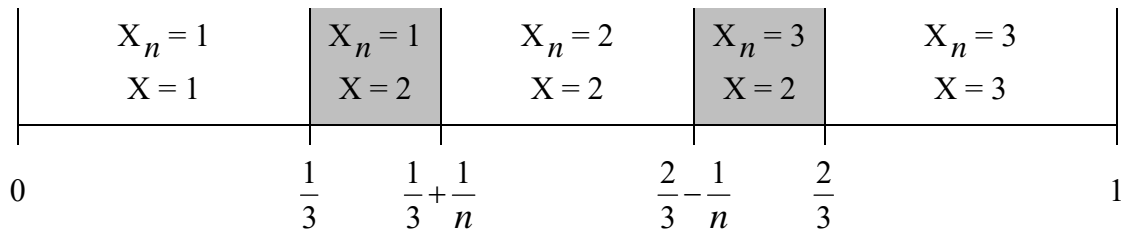
Let

$$X_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } U \in \left(0, \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ 2 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ 3 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{n}, 1\right) \end{cases} \quad X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } U \in \left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ 2 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \\ 3 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{2}{3}, 1\right) \end{cases}$$

Then $P(|X_n - X| \geq \varepsilon) = \frac{2}{n}$, $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$, $P(|X_n - X| \geq \varepsilon) = 0$, $\varepsilon > 1$.

Therefore, $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ (and $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$).

The same (one) random variable U was used to create the entire sequence of random variables $\{X_n\}$ and the limiting random variable X .



$\Rightarrow P(X_n \text{ and } X \text{ are "not close"}) = \frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$

(Same as Example 4 from Examples for 10/23/2020 (1))

Example 2(b): Suppose $\{U_n\}$, U are i.i.d. Uniform(0, 1).

Let

$$X_n = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } U_n \in \left(0, \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ 2 & \text{if } U_n \in \left[\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{n}\right) \\ 3 & \text{if } U_n \in \left[\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{n}, 1\right) \end{cases} \quad X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } U \in \left(0, \frac{1}{3}\right) \\ 2 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\right) \\ 3 & \text{if } U \in \left[\frac{2}{3}, 1\right) \end{cases}$$

Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$, but not in probability, since $P(|X_n - X| \geq \varepsilon) \rightarrow \frac{2}{3}$, $0 < \varepsilon \leq 1$.

Different (independent) random variables $\{U_n\}$, U were used to create the sequence of random variables $\{X_n\}$ and the limiting random variable X .

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	$X_n = 1$ $X = 3$	$X_n = 2$ $X = 3$	$X_n = 3$ $X = 3$
$\frac{2}{3}$	$X_n = 1$ $X = 2$	$X_n = 2$ $X = 2$	$X_n = 3$ $X = 2$
$\frac{1}{3}$	$X_n = 1$ $X = 1$	$X_n = 2$ $X = 1$	$X_n = 3$ $X = 1$
	$\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{n}$	$\frac{2}{3} - \frac{1}{n}$	U_n

$$\Rightarrow P(X_n \text{ and } X \text{ are "not close"}) \rightarrow \frac{2}{3} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

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$$\left(1 + \frac{a}{n^\beta}\right)^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \begin{cases} e^a & \beta = 1 \\ 1 & \beta > 1 \\ \infty & a > 0 \\ 0 & a < 0 \end{cases} \quad 0 < \beta < 1$$

1. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample from the distribution with probability density function

$$f(x; \theta) = \frac{1}{\theta} \cdot x^{\frac{1}{\theta} - 1}, \quad 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < \theta < \infty.$$

Let $Y_1 < Y_2 < \dots < Y_n$ denote the corresponding order statistics.

$$F_X(x) = x^{1/\theta}, \quad 0 < x < 1.$$

- a) For which values of β does $W_n = n^\beta (1 - Y_n)$ converge in distribution? Find the limiting distribution of W_n .

$$F_{Y_n}(y) = P(Y_n \leq y) = y^{n/\theta}, \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

$$\begin{aligned} F_{W_n}(w) &= P(n^\beta (1 - Y_n) \leq w) = P(Y_n \geq 1 - \frac{w}{n^\beta}) \\ &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{w}{n^\beta}\right)^{n/\theta}, \quad 0 < w < n^\beta. \end{aligned}$$

If $\beta = 1$,
$$F_{\infty}(w) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{W_n}(w) = 1 - e^{-w/\theta}, \quad 0 < w < \infty,$$

The limiting distribution is an **Exponential** distribution with mean θ .

If $\beta < 1$,
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{W_n}(w) = 1, \quad 0 < w < \infty,$$

Then $W_n \xrightarrow{D} 0$, and thus $W_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$.

If $\beta > 1$,
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{W_n}(w) = 0, \quad 0 < w < \infty,$$

Then W_n does not have a limiting distribution.

- b) For which values of γ does $V_n = n^\gamma Y_1$ converge in distribution?
Find the limiting distribution of V_n .

$$F_{Y_1}(y) = P(Y_1 \leq y) = 1 - \left(1 - y^{1/\theta}\right)^n, \quad 0 < y < 1.$$

$$F_{V_n}(v) = P(Y_1 \leq \frac{v}{n^\gamma}) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{v^{1/\theta}}{n^{\gamma/\theta}}\right)^n, \quad 0 < v < n^\gamma.$$

If $\gamma = \theta$,
$$F_{\infty}(v) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{V_n}(v) = 1 - e^{-v^{1/\theta}}, \quad 0 < v < \infty.$$

The limiting distribution is a **Weibull** distribution.

If $\gamma < \theta$,
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{V_n}(v) = 1, \quad 0 < v < \infty,$$

Then $V_n \xrightarrow{D} 0$, and thus $V_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$.

If $\gamma > \theta$,
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_{V_n}(v) = 0, \quad 0 < v < \infty,$$

Then V_n does not have a limiting distribution.

1¹/₄. Let Y_{1n} denote the minimum (the first order statistic) of a random sample of size n from a distribution of the continuous type that has c.d.f. $F(x)$ and p.d.f. $f(x) = F'(x)$. Find the limiting distribution of $W_n = n F(Y_{1n})$.

$$F_{Y_{1n}}(x) = 1 - (1 - F(x))^n.$$

$$\text{Since } W_n = n F(Y_{1n}), \quad P(0 < W_n < n) = 1.$$

Let $0 < w < n$.

$$\begin{aligned} F_{W_n}(w) &= P(n F(Y_{1n}) \leq w) = F_{Y_{1n}}\left(F^{-1}\left(\frac{w}{n}\right)\right) \\ &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{w}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow 1 - e^{-w} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

$W_n \xrightarrow{D} W$. For the limiting distribution W of W_n ,

$$F_W(w) = 1 - e^{-w}, \quad w > 0, \quad f_W(w) = e^{-w}, \quad w > 0.$$

Therefore, W has Exponential distribution with mean 1.

1¹/₂. **5.2.3** (7th edition)

4.3.3 (6th edition)

Let Y_n denote the maximum (the last order statistic) of a random sample of size n from a distribution of the continuous type that has c.d.f. $F(x)$ and p.d.f. $f(x) = F'(x)$. Find the limiting distribution of $Z_n = n(1 - F(Y_n))$.

$$F_{Y_n}(x) = (F(x))^n.$$

$$\text{Since } Z_n = n(1 - F(Y_n)), \quad P(0 < Z_n < n) = 1.$$

Let $0 < z < n$.

$$F_{Z_n}(z) = P(n(1 - F(Y_n)) \leq z) = P(F(Y_n) \geq 1 - \frac{z}{n})$$

$$= 1 - F_{Y_n} \left(F^{-1} \left(1 - \frac{z}{n} \right) \right) = 1 - \left(1 - \frac{z}{n} \right)^n \rightarrow 1 - e^{-z} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For the limiting distribution Z of Z_n ,

$$F_Z(z) = 1 - e^{-z}, \quad z > 0, \quad f_Z(z) = e^{-z}, \quad z > 0.$$

Therefore, the limiting distribution of Z_n is Exponential with mean 1.

(Exponential distribution with mean 1 is same as Gamma distribution with $\alpha = 1, \beta = 1$.)

1³/₄. 5.2.4 (7th edition)

4.3.4 (6th edition)

Let Y_2 denote the second smallest item of a random sample of size n from a distribution of the continuous type that has c.d.f. $F(x)$ and p.d.f. $f(x) = F'(x)$. Find the limiting distribution of $W_n = n F(Y_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} F_{Y_2}(x) &= \sum_{i=2}^n \binom{n}{i} \cdot (F(x))^i \cdot (1 - F(x))^{n-i} \\ &= 1 - (1 - F(x))^n - n \cdot (F(x)) \cdot (1 - F(x))^{n-1}. \end{aligned}$$

Since $W_n = n F(Y_2)$, $P(0 < W_n < n) = 1$.

Let $0 < w < n$.

$$\begin{aligned} F_{W_n}(w) &= P(n F(Y_2) \leq w) = F_{Y_2} \left(F^{-1} \left(\frac{w}{n} \right) \right) \\ &= 1 - \left(1 - \frac{w}{n} \right)^n - n \cdot \left(\frac{w}{n} \right) \cdot \left(1 - \frac{w}{n} \right)^{n-1} \rightarrow 1 - e^{-w} - w e^{-w} \\ &\quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

For the limiting distribution W of W_n ,

$$F_W(w) = 1 - e^{-w} - w e^{-w}, \quad w > 0, \quad f_W(w) = w e^{-w}, \quad w > 0.$$

Therefore, W has Gamma distribution with $\alpha = 2, \beta = 1$.

Theorem 3 $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$, g is continuous on the support of X
 $\Rightarrow g(X_n) \xrightarrow{D} g(X)$

Theorem 4 $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$, $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} 0 \Rightarrow X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

Theorem 5 Slutsky's Theorem
 $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$, $A_n \xrightarrow{P} a$, $B_n \xrightarrow{P} b$
 $\Rightarrow A_n + B_n \cdot X_n \xrightarrow{D} a + b \cdot X$

Theorem 6 $M_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow M_X(t)$ for $|t| < h \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

2. Let X_n be Binomial($n, p_n = \lambda/n$). Find the limiting distribution of X_n .

Let X_n be Binomial($n, p_n = \lambda/n$). Then

$$M_{X_n}(t) = \left(1 - \frac{\lambda}{n} + \frac{\lambda}{n} e^t\right)^n \rightarrow e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)} \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$M_X(t) = e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}$, where X has a Poisson(λ) distribution.

$\Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ (Poisson approximation to Binomial distribution).

3. Let X_n be $\chi^2(n)$.

a) Let $Y_n = X_n/n$. Find the limiting distribution of Y_n .

Let X_n be $\chi^2(n)$. Let $Y_n = X_n/n$. Then

$$M_{Y_n}(t) = E(e^{tX_n/n}) = M_{X_n}(t/n) = \frac{1}{\left(1 - 2\frac{t}{n}\right)^{n/2}} \rightarrow e^t \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$M_X(t) = e^t, \text{ where } P(X=1) = 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{D} 1. \quad \Rightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{P} 1.$$

b) Let $Z_n = (X_n - n)/\sqrt{2n}$. Find the limiting distribution of Z_n .

$$\begin{aligned} M_{Z_n}(t) &= e^{-t\sqrt{n/2}} M_{X_n}(t/\sqrt{2n}) = e^{-t\sqrt{n/2}} \cdot \frac{1}{\left(1 - 2\frac{t}{\sqrt{2n}}\right)^{n/2}} \\ &= \left(e^{t\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}} - t\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} e^{t\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}} \right)^{-n/2}, \quad t < \sqrt{\frac{n}{2}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{t\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}}} = 1 + t\sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} + \frac{t^2}{n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

$$M_{Z_n}(t) = \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \right)^{-n/2}, \quad t < \sqrt{\frac{n}{2}}.$$

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2}\right\} = M_Z(t),$$

where Z has Standard Normal $N(0, 1)$ distribution.

$$\Rightarrow \quad Z_n \xrightarrow{D} Z, \quad Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

c) **5.2.9** (7th edition) **4.3.9** (6th edition)

Let X be $\chi^2(50)$. Approximate $P(40 < X < 60)$.

$\chi^2(r = 50)$ can be approximated by $N(r, 2r) = N(50, 100)$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(40 < X < 60) &\approx P\left(\frac{40-50}{10} < Z < \frac{60-50}{10}\right) = P(-1.00 < Z < 1.00) \\ &= 0.8413 - 0.1587 = \mathbf{0.6826}. \end{aligned}$$

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> pchisq(60,50)
[1] 0.842758
> pchisq(40,50)
[1] 0.1567726
> pchisq(60,50)-pchisq(40,50)
[1] 0.6859854
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=CHISQ.DIST(60,50,1)
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0.842758
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=CHISQ.DIST(40,50,1)
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0.156773
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=CHISQ.DIST(60,50,1)-CHISQ.DIST(40,50,1)
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0.685985
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=CHISQ.DIST.RT(40,50)
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0.843227
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=CHISQ.DIST.RT(60,50)
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0.157242
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=CHISQ.DIST.RT(40,50)-CHISQ.DIST.RT(60,50)
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0.685985
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4. a) **5.2.11** (7th edition)

4.3.11 (6th edition)

$$Z_n \sim \text{Poisson}(n) \quad Y_n = (Z_n - n)/\sqrt{n}$$

$$M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{n(e^t - 1)}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{Y_n}(t) &= E\left(e^{t(Z_n - n)/\sqrt{n}}\right) = e^{-t\sqrt{n}} E\left(e^{tZ_n/\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &= e^{-t\sqrt{n}} M_{Z_n}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \exp\left\{-t\sqrt{n} + n \cdot \left(e^{t/\sqrt{n}} - 1\right)\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

$$e^{t/\sqrt{n}} = 1 + \frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{t^2}{2n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right).$$

$$M_{Y_n}(t) = \exp\left\{-t\sqrt{n} + n \cdot \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{t^2}{2n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2} + o(1)\right\}.$$

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \quad M_{Y_n}(t) \rightarrow \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2}\right\} = M_Z(t),$$

where Z has Standard Normal $N(0, 1)$ distribution.

$$\Rightarrow \quad Y_n \xrightarrow{D} Z, \quad Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

b) **5.2.14** (7th edition)

4.3.14 (6th edition)

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. Poisson(1) $Y_n = \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 1)$

a) $M_{X_1}(t) = e^{(e^t - 1)}.$

$$\begin{aligned} M_{Y_n}(t) &= E\left(e^{t\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - 1)}\right) = e^{-t\sqrt{n}} E\left(e^{t(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)/\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &= e^{-t\sqrt{n}} \left(M_{X_1}\left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}}\right)\right)^n = \exp\left\{-t\sqrt{n} + n \cdot \left(e^{t/\sqrt{n}} - 1\right)\right\}. \end{aligned}$$

b) $e^{t/\sqrt{n}} = 1 + \frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{t^2}{2n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right).$

$$M_{Y_n}(t) = \exp\left\{-t\sqrt{n} + n \cdot \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} + \frac{t^2}{2n} + o\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)\right)\right\} = \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2} + o(1)\right\}.$$

As $n \rightarrow \infty$, $M_{Y_n}(t) \rightarrow \exp\left\{\frac{t^2}{2}\right\} = M_Z(t),$

where Z has Standard Normal $N(0, 1)$ distribution.

$$\Rightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{D} Z, \quad Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

(a) and (b) really are the same since

$$X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n = \text{Poisson}(1) + \text{Poisson}(1) + \dots + \text{Poisson}(1) = \text{Poisson}(n) = Z_n.$$

Population: mean μ , variance σ^2 , standard deviation σ .

Random Sample: X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d.

The **sample mean** $\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$.

Then $M_{\bar{X}}(t) = E\left(e^{t\bar{X}}\right) = E\left(e^{t(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)/n}\right) = \left(M_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right)^n$.

Example 1: Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from a $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, distribution.

$$M_X(t) = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2}. \quad M_{\bar{X}}(t) = \left(M_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right)^n = e^{\mu t + \sigma^2 t^2 / 2n}.$$

Then \bar{X} has a $N\left(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$ distribution.

Example 2: Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be a random sample of size n from a $\text{Gamma}(\alpha, \theta)$ distribution. That is,

$$f_X(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\theta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-x/\theta}, \quad x > 0.$$

$$M_X(t) = (1 - \theta t)^{-\alpha}, \quad t < 1/\theta.$$

$$M_{\bar{X}}(t) = \left(M_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)\right)^n = \left(1 - \frac{\theta t}{n}\right)^{-n\alpha}, \quad t < n/\theta.$$

$\Rightarrow \bar{X}$ has a Gamma distribution with $\alpha_{\bar{X}} = n\alpha$, $\theta_{\bar{X}} = \theta/n$.

Central Limit Theorem

X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are i.i.d. with mean μ and variance σ^2 .

$$\sqrt{n} (\bar{X} - \mu) / \sigma = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i - n\mu \right) / \sqrt{n} \sigma \xrightarrow{D} Z, \quad Z \sim N(0, 1).$$