

1. (Durrett 2.2.2) We assume that r is a real valued function, i.e. that $r(0) \in \mathbb{R}$ is not infinity. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 \leq E \left[\left(\frac{S_n}{n} \right)^2 \right] &= \frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_1^n EX_j^2 + 2 \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n \\ 1 \leq i < j}} EX_i X_j \right) \leq \frac{1}{n^2} \left(nr(0) + 2 \sum_{\substack{1 \leq j \leq n \\ 1 \leq i < j}} |r(i-j)| \right) \\ &= \frac{r(0)}{n} + \frac{2}{n^2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (n-j)|r(j)| \right) \end{aligned}$$

The term $r(0)/n \rightarrow 0$, so it suffices to check that $\frac{1}{n^2} \left(\sum_{j=1}^{n-1} (n-j)|r(j)| \right) \rightarrow 0$. So take $\epsilon > 0$, then for $N \in \mathbb{N}$ we have $j \geq N$ implies $|r(j)| < \epsilon/2$, then for $M > N$,

$$\frac{1}{M^2} \sum_{j=N}^{M-1} (M-j)|r(j)| < \frac{1}{M^2} (M-N-1)(M-N) \frac{\epsilon}{2} \leq \epsilon/2$$

Now we can take M sufficiently large so that $\frac{1}{M} \sum_1^{N-1} |r(j)| < \epsilon/2$, then combining these inequalities, for any $K \geq M$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{K^2} \sum_1^{K-1} (K-j)|r(j)| &= \frac{1}{K^2} \sum_N^{K-1} (K-j)|r(j)| + \frac{1}{K^2} \sum_1^{N-1} (K-j)|r(j)| < \epsilon/2 + \frac{1}{K} \sum_1^{N-1} |r(j)| \\ &\leq \epsilon/2 + \frac{1}{M} \sum_1^{N-1} |r(j)| < \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

So indeed by squeeze theorem we find that $E \left[\left(\frac{S_n}{n} \right)^2 \right] \xrightarrow{L^2} 0$, and L^2 convergence implies convergence in probability. \square

2. (Durrett 2.2.8) In order to invoke the weak law of triangular arrays, we need to check the conditions.

(i) - $\sum_1^n \mathbf{P}(\mathbf{X}_k > \mathbf{b}_n) \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$.

$$\begin{aligned} P(X_k > b_n) &= \sum_{m(n)}^{\infty} p_j \leq 2^{-m(n)} \sum_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^j (m(n) + j + 1) (m(n) + j)} \leq 2^{-m(n)} m(n)^{-3/2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m(n)}} \sum_0^{\infty} 2^{-j} \\ &< \frac{2}{n\sqrt{m(n)}} \end{aligned}$$

So that

$$\sum_1^n P(X_k > b_n) < \frac{2}{\sqrt{m(n)}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

(ii) - $\frac{1}{b_n^2} \sum_1^n E \bar{X}_{n,k}^2 \rightarrow \mathbf{0}$, where $\bar{X}_{n,k} = X_k 1_{\{|X_k| \leq b_n\}}$

$$\begin{aligned} E \bar{X}_{n,k}^2 &= \left(\sum_1^{2^{m(n)}} p_k (2^k - 1) - p_0 \right)^2 = p_0^2 - 2p_0 \left(\sum_1^{2^{m(n)}} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} - p_k \right) + \left(\sum_1^{2^{m(n)}} p_k (2^k - 1) \right)^2 \\ &\leq p_0^2 + \left(\sum_1^{2^{m(n)}} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} - p_k \right)^2 \leq p_0^2 + \left(\sum_1^{2^{m(n)}} \frac{1}{k(k+1)} \right)^2 \leq 1 + 1 = 2 \end{aligned}$$

And hence,

$$\frac{1}{b_n^2} \sum_1^n E \bar{X}_{n,k}^2 \leq \frac{2n}{b_n^2} = \frac{2n}{2^{-2m(n)}} < \frac{2m(n)^{3/2}}{2^{-m(n)}} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

Now we want to obtain workable expressions to explain the asymptotic behaviour, we obtain the following expression for $\sum_1^n E \bar{X}_{n,k}$