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## 8. Operations on Sequences and Convergence

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Exercises due May 25, 2021 19:59 EDT

### Addition, multiplicaton, division; Slutsky's Theorem; Continuous Mapping Thoerem

Recap

- ▶ Averages of random variables occur naturally in statistics
- ▶ We make modeling assumptions to apply probability results
- ▶ For large sample size they are *consistent* (LLN) and we know their distribution (CLT)
- ▶ CLT gives the (weakest) convergence in distribution but is enough to compute probabilities
- ▶ We use standardization and Gaussian tables to compute probabilities and quantiles
- ▶ We can make operations (addition, multiplication, continuous functions) on sequences of random variables

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can not do the whole thing.

OK?

So I'm running out of time.

There's a bit of a recap on what we've been seeing.

I encourage you to take a look.

We saw that averages show up, and therefore central

limit theorem and law of large numbers.

**Then we can use standardization and we can make operations.**

But for limits and distributions,

we need to use Slutsky and be careful.

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We restate the theorems discussed in lecture below.

#### Addition, Multiplication, Division for Convergence almost surely and in probability :

Addition, Multiplication, and Division preserves convergence almost surely (a.s.) and convergence in probability (P).

More precisely, assume

$$T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./P}} T \quad \text{and} \quad U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./P}} U$$

Then,

- $T_n + U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./P}} T + U,$

- $T_n U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./}\mathbf{P}} T U,$
- If in addition,  $U \neq 0$  a.s., then  $\frac{T_n}{U_n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./}\mathbf{P}} \frac{T}{U}.$

**Warning:** In general, these rules **do not** apply to convergence in distribution ( $d$ ).

**Slutsky's Theorem**

For convergence in distribution, the Slutsky's Theorem will be our main tool.

Let  $(T_n), (U_n)$  be two sequences of r.v., such that:

- $T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)} T$
- $U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\mathbf{P}} u$

where  $T$  is a r.v. and  $u$  is a given real number (deterministic limit:  $\mathbf{P}(U = u) = 1$ ). Then,

- $T_n + U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)} T + u,$
- $T_n U_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)} T u,$
- If in addition,  $u \neq 0$ , then  $\frac{T_n}{U_n} \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{(d)} \frac{T}{u}.$

**Continuous Mapping Theorem**

If  $f$  is a continuous function:

$$T_n \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s./}\mathbf{P}/(d)} T \Rightarrow f(T_n) \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow \infty]{} f(T).$$

Convergence in distribution

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Let  $X_n$  be a sequence of random variables that are converging **in probability** to another random variable  $X$ . Let  $Y_n$  be a sequence of random variables that are converging **in probability** to another random variable  $Y$ .

For each of the statements below, choose true ("This statement is always true") or false ("This statement is sometimes false"). Keep in mind that "convergence in probability" is stronger than "convergence in distribution".

- $X_n + Y_n \longrightarrow X + Y$  in distribution.

☐ True

☐ False

- $X_n Y_n \longrightarrow XY$  in distribution.

☐ True

☐ False

- $X_n/Y_n \longrightarrow X/Y$  in distribution, provided  $Y$  is constant.

☐ True

☐ False

- $X_n^2 - 2X_n + 5 \longrightarrow X^2 - 2X + 5$  in distribution.

☐ True

☐ False

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Applying Slutsky's and the Continuous Mapping theorems

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Given the following:

- $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_n, \dots$  is a sequence of random variables that converge in distribution to another random variable  $Z$ ;
- $Y_1, Y_2, \dots, Y_n, \dots$  is a sequence of random variables each of which takes value in the interval  $(0, 1)$ , and which converges in probability to a constant  $c$  in  $(0, 1)$ ;
- $f(x) = \sqrt{x(1-x)}$ .

Does  $Z_n \frac{f(Y_n)}{f(c)}$  converge in distribution? If yes, enter the limit in terms of  $Z, Y$  and  $c$ ; if no, enter **DNE**.

$Z_n \frac{f(Y_n)}{f(c)} \xrightarrow{d}$

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How to pronounce Slutsky.

You should read it as "\*\*S-loot-ski\*\*", Евгѐний Евгѐньевич Слѹцкий (Yevgenyi Yevgenyevich Slutskiy). [Source][1] for Russian speakin...

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