A More Detailed Proof of Proposition 9.5.1

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Overall, we have

$$\sum_{i} U_{N,i} = \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}] + \left(\sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}]\right) + \left(\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right).$$

We want to show each of these pieces on the right hand side converges to 0. If they all do, then we can use triangle inequality to show the left hand side converges to 0.

Part 1

Starting with the first summand on the right hand side, we have

$$0 = E[U_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^N] = E[U_{N,i} \mathbb{1}(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon) \mid \mathcal{F}^N] + E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^N]$$

summing both sides gives us

$$0 = \sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[U_{N,i} \mathbb{1}(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon) \mid \mathcal{F}^N] + \sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^N].$$

Subtracting the rightmost portion from both sides and then applying an absolute value to both sides gives us

$$\left| \sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^N] \right| = \left| \sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[U_{N,i} 1(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon) \mid \mathcal{F}^N] \right| \le \sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[|U_{N,i}| 1(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon) \mid \mathcal{F}^N].$$

The last inequality arises after we use the triangle inequality, and Jensen's inequality.

Then, taking the limit on both sides and using assumption 9.6.3,

$$\sum_{i=1}^{M_N} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^N] \stackrel{\mathbf{p}}{\to} 0 \tag{1}$$

as $N \to \infty$.

Part 2

Expanding a little on the Chebyshev's thing at the top of page 334:

$$0 \leq A_{N}(\delta)$$

$$= P\left(\left|\sum_{i=1}^{M_{N}} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i=1}^{M_{N}} E\left[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right]\right| \geq \delta \middle| \mathcal{F}^{N}\right) \quad \text{(defn.)}$$

$$\leq \delta^{-2} \operatorname{Var}\left(\sum_{i}^{M_{N}} \bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right) \quad \text{(Chebyshev's)}$$

$$= \delta^{-2} \sum_{i} \sum_{j} \operatorname{Cov}\left(\bar{U}_{N,i}, \bar{U}_{N,j} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)$$

$$= \delta^{-2} \sum_{i} \operatorname{Var}\left(\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right) \quad \text{(independence)}$$

$$= \delta^{-2} \sum_{i} \left\{ E\left(\bar{U}_{N,i}^{2} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right) - \left[E\left(\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)\right]^{2} \right\}$$

$$\leq \delta^{-2} \sum_{i} E\left(\bar{U}_{N,i}^{2} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)$$

$$\stackrel{p}{\rightarrow} 0. \quad (9.62)$$

So this is where 9.6.2 applies, giving us $A_N(\delta) \to 0$ in probability.

Because $A_N(\delta) \leq 1$ (it's a probability), we have by dominated convergence

$$\lim_{N} E[A_N(\delta)] = E[\lim_{N} A_N(\delta)] = 0.$$

This is equivalent to (9.65) on page 334, and so

$$\sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}] \stackrel{\mathbf{p}}{\to} 0.$$

If you're thinking that we don't need dominated convergence, notice that this last statement is about unconditional expectations, not conditional expectations, which is what $A_N(\delta)$ is.

Part 3

$$P\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta \middle| \mathcal{F}^{N}\right) = P\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} \mathbb{1}(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon)\right| \ge \delta \middle| \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)$$

$$\le P\left(\sum_{i} |U_{N,i}| \mathbb{1}(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon) \ge \delta \middle| \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)$$
(tri-ineq)
$$\le \delta^{-1} \sum_{i} E\left[|U_{N,i}| \mathbb{1}(U_{N,i} \ge \epsilon)\middle| \mathcal{F}^{N}\right]$$
(Markov's and linearity)
$$\to 0.$$
(9.63)

So the *conditional* probabilities go to 0. To show that the unconditional ones do, as well, we need to iterate the expectations, and use the same argument of dominated convergence as before:

$$\lim_{N} P\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta\right) = \lim_{N} E\left[\mathbb{1}\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta\right)\right]$$

$$= \lim_{N} E\left[E\left\{\mathbb{1}\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta\right) \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right\}\right]$$
(law total expec.)
$$= E\left[\lim_{N} E\mathbb{1}\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}\right)\right]$$
(DCT)
$$= 0.$$
 (previous)

Tying it all together

Recall that

$$\sum_{i} U_{N,i} = \left(\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right) + \left(\sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}]\right) + \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}].$$

Using the triangle inequality we have that

$$\left| \sum_{i} U_{N,i} \right| \leq \left| \sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} \right| + \left| \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}] \right| + \left| \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}] \right|.$$

$$\left\{ \left| \sum_{i} U_{N,i} \right| \ge \delta \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \left| \sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} \right| \ge \delta/3 \right\}$$

$$\cup \left\{ \left| \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}] \right| \ge \delta/3 \right\}$$

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so

$$P\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta\right) \le P\left(\left|\sum_{i} U_{N,i} - \sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i}\right| \ge \delta/3\right)$$

$$+ P\left(\left|\sum_{i} \bar{U}_{N,i} - \sum_{i} E[\bar{U}_{N,i} \mid \mathcal{F}^{N}]\right| \ge \delta/3\right)$$

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by sub-additivity of P, and because probability of supersets is greater than subsets.

Use parts (1), (2) and (3), the three terms on the right hand side all go to 0 in probability.