

Probability-3 Lecture-8

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"Learn it, give exams, but when it comes to real life,
Probability doesn't matter." — Prof. AG,
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(Ω, \mathcal{A}, P)

$P > 0$.

Defn: $L_p := \{X - r.v : E|X|^p < \infty\}$ → set of all r-vs with finite p^{th} moment.

Firstly, L_p is a Vector Space.

• Scalar multiplication & pt-wise addition are to be checked

$$X \in L_p \Rightarrow cX \in L_p \quad (\text{trivial})$$

Now if $X, Y \in L_p$, does $X+Y \in L_p$

$$\|X+Y\|_p = (E|X+Y|^p)^{1/p} \leq \|X\|_p + \|Y\|_p < \infty$$

[By Minkowski's inequality]

$\therefore X+Y \in L_p$ ✓.

$\therefore L_p$ is a vector space. \square

Inequality: for any two real nos. a, b :

$$|a+b|^p \leq |a|^p + |b|^p \quad (*)$$

Then: for $\omega \in \Omega$, $a = X(\omega)$, $b = Y(\omega)$

$X(\omega), Y(\omega) \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$\therefore |X(\omega) + Y(\omega)|^p \leq |X(\omega)|^p + |Y(\omega)|^p$$

\therefore Taking Expectation on both sides:

$$E|X(\omega) + Y(\omega)|^p \leq E|X(\omega)|^p + E|Y(\omega)|^p \quad \forall \omega \in \Omega$$

$$< \infty \quad < \infty$$

↓ Case-I

Proof: if any of $a=0$ or $b=0$,
then nothing to prove!! (trivial)

Case-II $a \neq 0, b \neq 0$.
for (*), enough to prove $(|a| + |b|)^p \leq |a|^p + |b|^p$. (**)

then (*) follows by Δ -inequality.

WLOG, assume

$$0 < |a| \leq |b|$$

$$\therefore r = \frac{|b|}{|a|} \geq 1.$$

LHS of (**)

$$= |a|^p (1+r)^p$$

RHS of (**)

$$= |a|^p (1+r^p)$$

$$f(r) = (1+r)^p - (1+r^p)$$

Exercise:

Show that

$$f'(r) < 0 \text{, i.e., } f(r) \downarrow \quad r > 1.$$

$$\Rightarrow f(r) \leq f(1)$$

$$= 2^p - 2 \leq 0 \\ [\because 0 < p \leq 1]$$

$\therefore L_p$ is a vector space $\& p > 0$.

But specifically: L_p is a Normed Linear Space $\& p \geq 1$.

Definition: (Convergence in L_p)

For $p > 0$, we say that $\{X_n\}$ converges to X in L_p norm

OR,

$\{X_n\}$ converges in p^{th} moment

[for $p=1$,
 $\{X_n\}$ converges
in mean]

if $X_n \in L_p, n \geq 1$.

$$\& E |X_n - X|^p \rightarrow 0.$$

Observe:

* $X_n, n \geq 1$ in L_p and $X_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X \Rightarrow X \in L_p$.
(Proof: Exercise)

$$* X_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X \Rightarrow cX_n \xrightarrow{L_p} cX .$$

$$* X_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X, Y_n \xrightarrow{L_p} Y \Rightarrow X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X + Y$$

$$* X_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$$

[Proof by chebyshhev's inequality : $\forall Z - r.v.$
 $P(|Z| > \lambda) \leq \frac{E(|Z|)}{\lambda}$

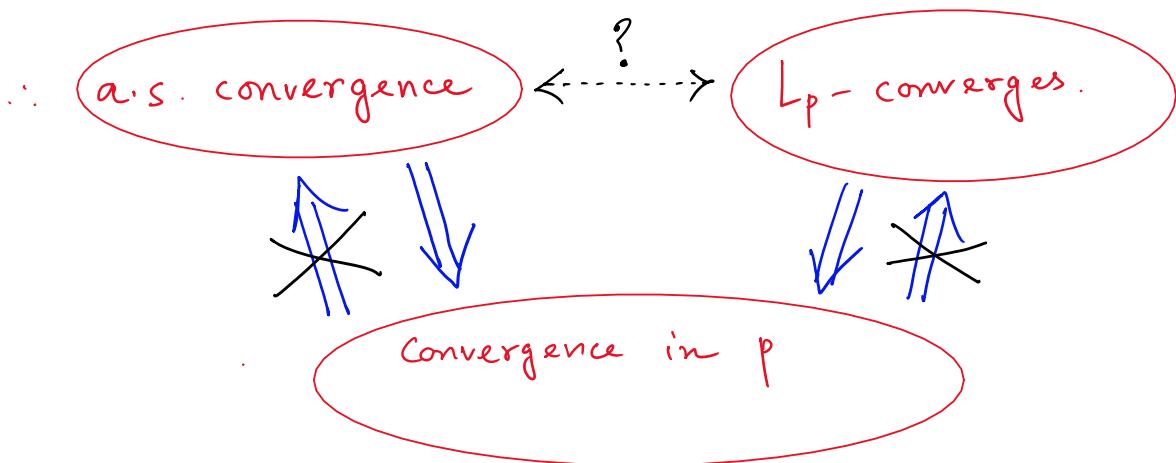
$P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) \leq \frac{E(|X_n - X|^p)}{\varepsilon^p} \rightarrow 0$

$\therefore X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$:

$$* X_n \xrightarrow{L_p} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{L_r} X \quad \forall r \leq p$$

[Consequence of Holder's Inequality.
 We had proved: r^{th} moment $\leq p^{th}$ moment
 $\forall r \leq p$.]

What we did so far



We already know,

$$L_p \text{ convergence} \not\Rightarrow \text{a.s. convergence}$$

Recall that example of
 convergence in p $\not\Rightarrow$ a.s. convergence.

Also, e.g. .

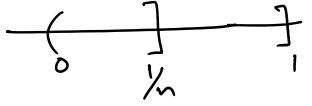
$$((0,1], \mathcal{B}(0,1], P = \text{Leb})$$

$$X_n = n^\alpha \cdot 1_{(0, \frac{1}{n}]} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X \equiv 0$$

take $\omega \in (0,1]$.

$$\Rightarrow \exists n_0 \text{ s.t. } \frac{1}{n} < \omega, \forall n > n_0$$

$$X_n = 0 \quad \left(\frac{1}{n}, \frac{1}{n-1} \right)$$

$X_n = 0$. 

$\therefore \exists w, \exists$ such n_0 exists.

$\therefore X_n \xrightarrow{a.s} 0$

BUT: $E |X_n|^p = n^{\alpha p} \cdot P(X \in (0, 1/n])$
 $= n^{\alpha p} \cdot \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ for certain values of α , precisely, $\alpha p > 1$.

$\therefore a.s$ convergence $\not\Rightarrow L.p$ convergence

$L.p$ convergence $\not\Rightarrow a.s$ convergence

Now, we only consider $[p \geq 1]$.

We define $\|X\|_p = (E|X|^p)^{1/p}$

Minkowski $\Rightarrow \| \cdot \|_p$ is a norm

(Modulo identification)
 (ie, 2 rvs are "same"
 if they are equal a.s., ie,
 equal except over a
 measure zero set.)

Result: $\| \cdot \|_p$ is complete.

Proof: let $X_n, n \geq 1$ be a Cauchy sequence in L_p .

We can get a subsequence: $1 \leq n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k < n_{k+1} < \dots$
 such that, for each $k \geq 1$,

$$\|X_m - X_{n_k}\|_p < 3^{-k} \quad \forall m, n \geq n_k.$$

Now, we're going to show, this subsequence converges a.s.

$\therefore \forall k \geq 1$,

$$\begin{aligned} P(|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| > 2^{-k}) &\leq \frac{E |X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}|^p}{2^{-kp}} \\ &\stackrel{(Chebyshev)}{=} \frac{\left(\|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}\|_p \right)^p}{2^{-kp}} \\ &= \frac{z^{-kp}}{2^{-kp}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^{p/k}}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\leq \frac{3^{-kp}}{2^{-kp}} = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^k < \infty$$

\therefore This is a convergent series.

$$\Rightarrow \sum_k P(|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| > 2^{-k}) < \infty.$$

\therefore By Borel-Cantelli Lemma,

$$\begin{aligned} & \xrightarrow{\text{converse}} P\left(|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| > 2^{-k} \text{ for infinitely many } k\right) = 0 \\ & \Rightarrow P\left(|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| \leq 2^{-k} \text{ for all large } k\right) = 1 \\ & \quad (\text{will hold for finitely many } k's. \\ & \quad \text{So, won't hold for large } k's.) \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow X = \lim X_{n_k} \text{ exists P-a.s.}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \text{Now, take } X = \limsup X_{n_k} \\ & X_{n_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X. \end{aligned}$$

[Every Cauchy seq. in L_p has a subsequence which converges a.s.]

Now, we're left to show, this "X" is the limit of the entire sequence.

i.e., we'll show, $X_{n_k} \xrightarrow{L_p} X$. Then,

{ Sequence - Cauchy
Subsequence - Converges to X
 \Rightarrow Entire sequence converges to X. }

$$E(|X|^p) = E\left(\liminf |X_{n_k}|^p\right)$$

$$\left[\text{Fatou's lemma} \right] \leq \liminf (E|X_{n_k}|^p) < \infty$$

\therefore a.s convergence holds
 $\limsup \geq \liminf \geq \lim$

$$X_{n_k} \geq X$$

$$\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{Fatou's lemma} \\ \leqslant \liminf (\mathbb{E} |X_{n_k}|) < \infty \\ \Rightarrow \sup_n \|X_n\|^p < \infty \quad \left[\begin{array}{l} \because X_n \text{ is Cauchy in } L_p, \\ \therefore X_n \text{ is bounded in } L_p. \end{array} \right] \\ \therefore X \in L_p. \checkmark \end{array} \right]$$

Now, fix k .

$$\forall j > k, \mathbb{E} |X_{n_j} - X_{n_k}|^p \leq 3^{-kp}$$

$n_j > n_k \quad \therefore X_{n_j} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X.$

Let $j \nearrow \infty$
 (remember,
 k is fixed)

Again, by Fatou's lemma,

$$\mathbb{E} |X - X_{n_k}|^p \leq 3^{-kp}.$$

Now, let $k \nearrow \infty$.

$$\therefore \mathbb{E} |X - X_{n_k}|^p \xrightarrow{} 0.$$

Ques: trying to build something "extra" to build the bridge
 bet" a.s convergence & L_p convergence.

Also,
 conv. in $p \equiv$ a.s convergence.
 + "Extra"

Some rephrasing: $X - r.v$

" X is integrable" $\equiv \mathbb{E}|X| < \infty$
 (finite expectation)

Exercise: \hookrightarrow just a name!!!

$$\Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}(|X| \cdot 1_{|X| > \lambda}) \xrightarrow{} 0 \text{ as } \lambda \xrightarrow{} \infty.$$

(sort of "tail integral" $\xrightarrow{} 0$)

Definition:

A sequence of r.v.s $\{X_n\}$ is said to be
uniformly integrable (u.i.) if

$$\mathbb{E}(|X_n| \cdot 1_{|X_n| > \lambda}) \xrightarrow{} 0 \text{ as } \lambda \xrightarrow{} \infty$$

$$E(|X_n| \cdot 1_{|X_n| > \lambda}) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow \infty$$

UNIFORMLY in n .

(ie, for a given ϵ ,
one single λ works $\forall n$)
 $\downarrow \sup_n$

Equivalently,

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists \lambda > 0 \text{ s.t. } \sup_n E(|X_n| \cdot 1_{|X_n| > \lambda}) < \epsilon$$

Simple observations:

① if X_i "integrable" $\forall i=1, \dots, k$

finite collection of r.v.s

then $\{X_i\}$ is uniformly integrable

[for X_i , given ϵ , get $\lambda_i > 0$
then choose $\lambda = \max \{\lambda_i\}$]

② If $\{X_n\}$ is u.i,

then $\{X_n\}$ is bounded in L_1 .

i.e., $\exists c > 0$ s.t. $E(|X_n|) < c \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.

Exercise: show that, the converse is NOT true!!!

(try to get a counter example.)

Hint: a simple r.v. might as well work!!!

③ If $\exists Y$ with $E(|Y|) < \infty$,

s.t. $|X_n| \leq |Y| \quad \forall n$.

then $\{X_n\}$ is uniformly integrable.

Converse is again NOT true!!!

i.e., for $\{X_i\}$ u.i, there might not exist such a Y .

④ If $\sup_n E|X_n|^p < \infty$ for any $p > 1$.

then $\{X_n\}$ is uniformly integrable.



AGAIN!! Converse is NOT true.

Note: $E|X|<\infty \Leftrightarrow E(|X|\cdot 1_{|X|>\lambda}) \xrightarrow{\text{proved last sem}} 0 \text{ as } \lambda \rightarrow \infty$.

$$E(|X|\cdot 1_A) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } P(A) \rightarrow 0$$

(Proof needed)

$\hookrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } \forall A, P(A) < \delta \Rightarrow E(|X|\cdot 1_A) < \varepsilon.$

(5) Theorem:

$\{X_n\}$ - uniformly integrable.

$$\Leftrightarrow \sup_n E(|X_n|\cdot 1_A) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } P(A) \rightarrow 0.$$

i.e. given $\varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

$$E(|X_n|\cdot 1_A) < \varepsilon \quad \forall n \quad \text{whenever} \quad P(A) < \delta.$$