

**PS #5** (Due 20 Feb, 2019)

1. Let  $\omega$  be distributed uniformly over  $[0, 1]$  and define  $X_n(\omega) = \omega$  and  $X_\infty(\omega) = 1 - \omega$ .
  - (a) Show that in this case the CDFs of  $X_n$  and  $X_\infty$  are the same so that  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X_\infty$  holds.
  - (b) Show that the CDF of  $X_n - X_\infty$  is not concentrated at 0 so that  $X_n - X_\infty \xrightarrow{d} 0$  does not hold.
2. In view of the dominated convergence, what is a sufficient condition for the a.s. convergence to imply the 1st mean convergence?
3. Consider a sequence of random variables  $\{X_n\}$  defined by

$$X_n(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } \omega \in [0, 1 - 1/n) \\ n & \text{if } \omega \in [1 - 1/n, 1] \end{cases}$$

and  $\omega$  has the uniform distribution over  $[0, 1]$ .

- (a) Is this sequence of random variables asymptotically uniformly integrable?
  - (b) Does this sequence of random variables converge in the first mean to zero?
  - (c) After showing the result for (b), discuss which of the assumptions on the Lebesgue dominating convergence theorem is violated with this sequence.
4. Suppose  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X_\infty$ , where  $X_\infty$  is a normal random vector of size  $k$  with variance-covariance matrix  $\Omega$ , which is a  $k \times k$  non-singular matrix. Assume that  $\Gamma_n$  converges in probability to  $\Gamma$ , which is the Cholesky factor for  $\Omega$ , where  $\Omega = \Gamma\Gamma'$ .
  - (a) Consider a mapping from  $A \mapsto \det(A)$ , where  $A$  is a  $k \times k$  matrix. Explain why this is a continuous function with respect to the  $k^2$  arguments in  $A$ .
  - (b) Explain why each element of  $A^{-1}$  is a continuous function of the  $k^2$  elements of  $A$  if the determinant of  $A$  is not zero, using Cramer's rule.
  - (c) Use the Slutsky's theorem to show that  $\Gamma_n^{-1}X_n$  converges in distribution to a vector of normal random vector, where each of the  $k$  elements are mutually independent.
  - (d) Explain why each of the following equalities hold:

$$\begin{aligned} (\Gamma_n^{-1}X_n)'(\Gamma_n^{-1}X_n) &= X_n'(\Gamma_n^{-1})'\Gamma_n^{-1}X_n \\ &= X_n'(\Gamma_n')^{-1}\Gamma_n^{-1}X_n \\ &= X_n'(\Gamma_n\Gamma_n')^{-1}X_n. \end{aligned}$$

- (e) Use the continuous mapping theorem to show why the first expression on the left-hand side converges in distribution to the chi-square random variable with  $k$  degrees of freedom. Above equalities imply that the last expression has the same property.
5. Using the same idea with the proof given for the Chebyshev's inequality, prove Markov's inequality: for any non-negative random variable  $X$  with finite mean, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\Pr(X \geq \epsilon) \leq E(X)/\epsilon.$$

6. Suppose for each  $i$ ,  $X_i = v + u_i$  for random variables  $v$  and  $u_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Note that  $v$  is common across all  $i$  so that every  $i$  receives the same random value. Assume that  $v$  and  $u_i$  for all  $i$  are independent and all random variables have mean 0. Assume that random variable  $v$  has a finite variance  $\sigma_v^2$  and  $u_i$  has finite variance  $\sigma_u^2$  for each  $i$ .

- (a) Show that the condition for the Chebyshev's WLLN does not hold for  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ .
- (b) Show that  $n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  converges in probability to a random variable  $v$ .
7. Suppose  $X_{ni} = o_p(1)$  for each  $i = 1, \dots, n$ . Does this imply that  $\sum_{i=1}^n X_{ni}$  converges in probability to 0? If yes, please give a proof. If no, please provide a counter-example.
8. Show that when  $\hat{\sigma} \xrightarrow{p} \sigma$  and  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma)$ ,  $\sqrt{n}(\hat{\theta} - \theta_0) / \hat{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$ .