Assignment 8

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1 PROBLEM

(CSIR UGC NET EXAM (Dec 2015), Q.106) Let $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ be independent and identically distributed, each having a uniform distribution on $(0, 1)$. Let $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$ for $n \geq 1$. Then, which of the following statements are true?

A) $\frac{S_n}{n \log n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ with probability 1.

B) $\Pr\left(\left(S_n > \frac{2n}{3}\right) \text{occurs for infinitely many n}\right) = 1$

C) $\frac{S_n}{\log n} \to 0$ as $n \to \infty$ with probability 1.

D) $\Pr\left(\left(S_n > \frac{n}{3}\right) \text{occurs for infinitely many n}\right) = 1$

2 SOLUTION

Symbol	expression/definition
S_n	$\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$
μ_n	$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i$
X	Independent continuous random variable identical to $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$

TABLE 4: Variables and their definitions

Given

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i, n \geq 1 \quad (2.0.1)$$

Dividing by n on both sides

$$\frac{S_n}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i = \mu_n \quad (2.0.2)$$

It can be said that $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ are the trials of X. By definition

$$E[X] = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n} X_i}{n} = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} \quad (2.0.3)$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = E[X] = \frac{1}{2} \quad (2.0.4)$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{S_n}{n \log n} = 0 \quad (2.0.5)$$

It is easy to observe from (2.0.4) that option C is false.

Using weak law, (2.0.4), and table (4)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr(|\mu_n - E[X]| > \epsilon) = 0, \forall \epsilon > 0 \quad (2.0.6)$$

$$\therefore \Pr\left(\left(S_n > \frac{n}{3}\right) \text{occurs for infinitely many n}\right) = 1 \quad (2.0.7)$$
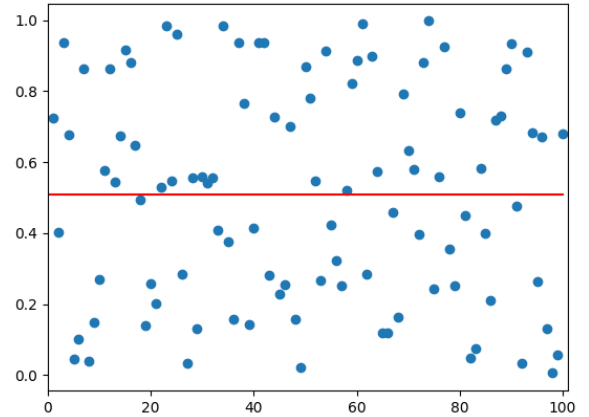
It can be easily implied from (2.0.6) that option B is false.

Fig. 4: Mean simulation with n=100