

Lecture Notes 4 - Review-Supplemented with Ch 5 (Wasserman)

(\*) In calculus, a sequence of real nos  $x_n$  converges to a limit  $x$   
 if, for every  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $|x_n - x| < \epsilon$  for all large  $n$ .

(\*) create subtlety for convergence in prob framework.

(\*) Illustrating:-

- suppose  $x_n = x \quad \forall n$ .

- trivially,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n = x$

(\*) Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  is a sequence of r.v.s. which are independent,  
 each with  $N \sim (0, 1)$ .

(\*) we want to develop a rigorous framework within which to express  
 the following kinds of intuitions (which cannot be expressed in  
 the language of convergence only within calculus).

- i)  $X_n$  "converges" to  $N(0, 1)$  distri

- $P(X_n = X) = 0 \quad \forall n$  (no meaning)

(\*) Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  where  $X_i \sim N(0, 1/n)$

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 for large  $n$ , so want to encode idea that  $X_n$  "converges" to 0.

- $P(X_n = 0) = 0 \quad \forall n$ .

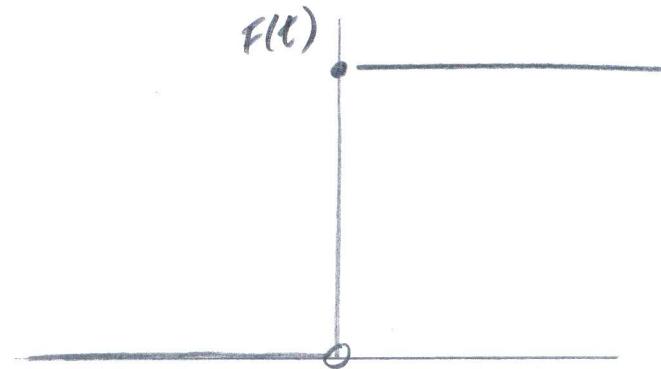
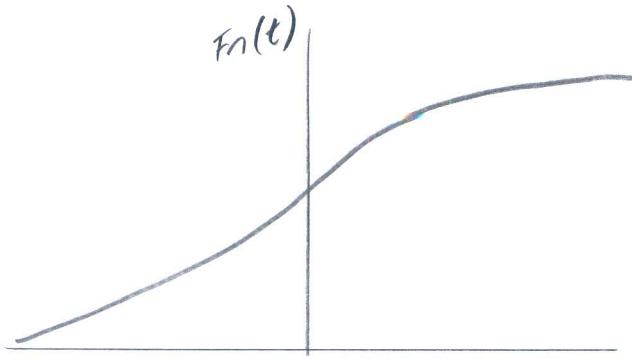
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(\*) Illustration of convergence in distri.

- recall  $X_n$  converges to  $X$  in distri :  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$

if  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(t) = F(t)$   $\forall t$  at which  $F$  is continuous.

- for cdf  $F$ , which is a point mass at 0.



(Fig 5.1) :-  $F_n$  converges to  $F(t)$   $\forall t$  except  $t=0$  (which is not a point of continuity)

(\*) types of convergence to a constant:-

-  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ ;  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c$  and  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$ ;  $X_n \xrightarrow{d} c$

-  $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{q.m.}} X$ ;  $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{q.m.}} c$  (almost sure left out).

(\*) in all of these cases; convergence (in prob/dist/q.m.) to a constant can be viewed as a more general case of convergence (in ...) to an r.v.; but where  $P(X=c)=1$ .

(\*) that is r.v. which sequence of r.v.s. is converging to is a point mass at the  $X=c$ . (i.e. degenerate)

$$\textcircled{A1}. \frac{E[X_n^2]}{c^2} = \frac{\frac{1}{n}}{c^2}$$

Note that, as  $X_n \sim N(0,1)$  we have  $E[X_n] = 0$  and  $\text{Var}(X_n) = \frac{1}{n}$

$$\text{also: } V(X_n) = E[X_n^2] - (E[X_n])^2$$

$$\Rightarrow E[X_n^2] = V(X_n) + E[X_n]^2 = \frac{1}{n}.$$

\textcircled{A2}: reviewed-fine.

- fairly simple.
- start with  $P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$  (i.e. what we need to prove.)
- Manipulate this using standard algebra; apply Markov, make assumptions

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{(A5)}: P(X_n \leq x) &= P(X_n \leq x, X \leq x+\epsilon) + P(X_n \leq x, X > x+\epsilon) \quad \text{as } P(A) = P(A \cap B) \\
 &\quad + P(A \cap B')
 \end{aligned}$$

(A6)

$$\leq P(X \leq x+\epsilon) + P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$$

(i) (ii)

(introducing  
event involving  $X$ )

How do we get this?

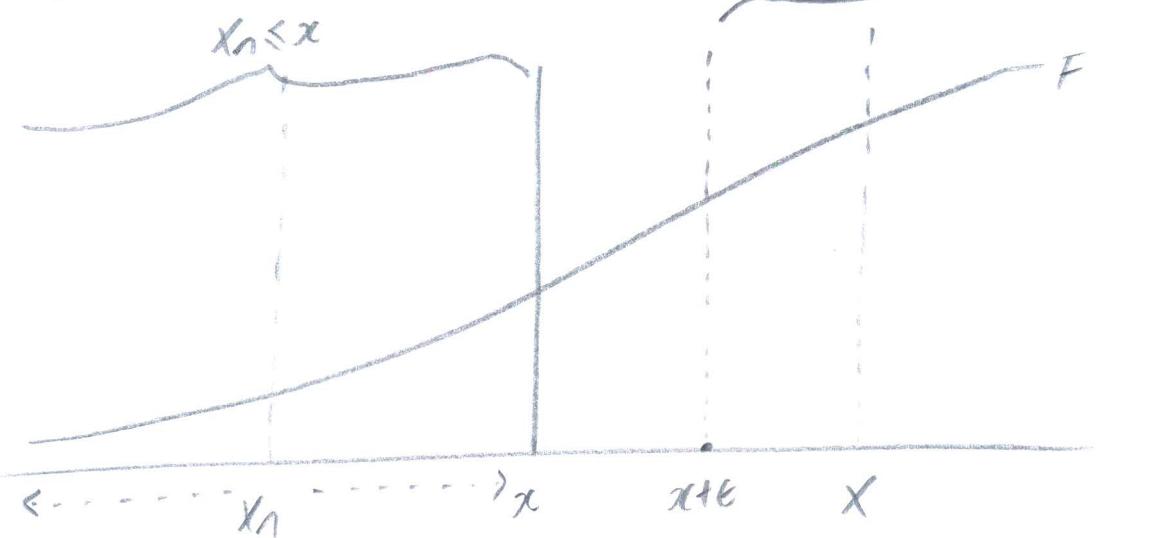
- (i) :  $P(X_n \leq x, X \leq x+\epsilon)$

- defining event A to be  $X_n \leq x$  and event B to be  $X \leq x+\epsilon$  :-

- note :-  $P(A \cap B) \leq P(B)$ .

-  $P(X_n \leq x, X \leq x+\epsilon) \leq P(X \leq x+\epsilon)$

- (ii)  $P(X_n \leq x, X > x+\epsilon)$



If  $X_n \leq x$  and  $X > x+\epsilon$ , then their difference will be greater than  $\epsilon$ .

i.e.  $|X_n - X| > \epsilon$ .

Turn this into probability by defining events accordingly.

Hence;  $P(X_n \leq x, X > x+\epsilon) = P(\{X_n \leq x\} \cap \{X > x+\epsilon\}) = P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$   
 $\therefore P(X_n \leq x) \leq F(x+\epsilon) + P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$ .

(\*) Doing the same for the lower bound on  $F_n(x)$  (similar but diff.)

- we want a lower bound on  $F_n(x)$ .

- again in terms of  $F(x-\epsilon)$  and  $P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$ .

- start with event  $\{X < x - \epsilon\} :-$

$$P(X < x - \epsilon) = P(X \leq x - \epsilon, X_n \leq x) + P(X \leq x - \epsilon, X_n > x) \quad (1)$$

(\*) Here we introduce event  $B = \{X_n \leq x\}$  (via some logic)  
 $B' = \{X_n > x\}$

- note that, make similar arguments as before:-

$$\text{i)} P(X \leq x - \epsilon, X_n \leq x) \leq P(X_n \leq x)$$

$$\text{ii)} P(X \leq x - \epsilon, X_n > x) = P(|X_n - x| > \epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(X < x - \epsilon) \leq P(X_n \leq x) + P(|X_n - x| > \epsilon)$$

$$F(x-\epsilon) - P(|X_n - x| > \epsilon) \leq F_n(x) \quad \text{yielding the required lower bound.}$$

(\*) From here take limits; use  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} x$ .

(\*) Showing reverse of theorem 5a does not hold:-

$$\text{i.e. } X_n \xrightarrow{P} x \not\Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{\text{q.m.}} x$$

$$\text{construct example: } X_n = \sqrt{n} \mathbb{I}(0 < u < \frac{1}{n}) \quad (\text{sequence of r.v.s.})$$

$$\text{consider values of } X_n \in \{0, \sqrt{n}\}$$

$$\therefore P(|X_n| > \epsilon) = P(0 < u < \frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad \therefore X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

(\*) Why is it the case that  $E[(X_n - 0)^2] = E[X_n^2]$  (just a statement of quadratic mean)

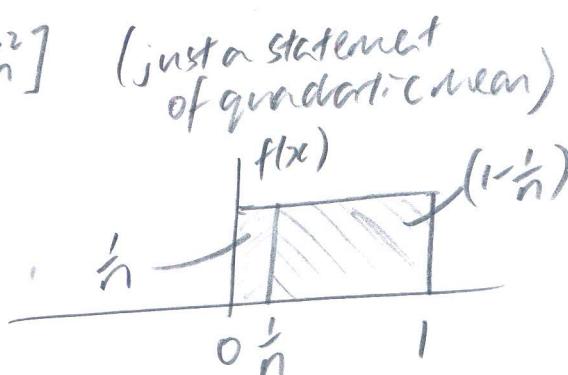
- logic of the table:-

$$\text{- Note } U = \text{Unif}(0, 1)$$

- use this to create a sequence of r.v.s.

-  $\mathbb{I}(0 < u < \frac{1}{n})$  can be thought of as. r.v.

$$\therefore P(\mathbb{I}(0 < u < \frac{1}{n})) = P(0 < u < \frac{1}{n}) = \frac{1}{n}$$



- the logic of table:-

$$x_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{when } u \notin (0, \frac{1}{n}) \\ \frac{1}{n} & \text{when } u \in (0, \frac{1}{n}) \end{cases}$$

AS  $u \notin (0, \frac{1}{n})$  with probability  $(1 - \frac{1}{n})$

$$u \in (0, \frac{1}{n}) \quad - " \quad \frac{1}{n}.$$

(\*) so we use this to compute the quadratic mean of  $x_n$  assuming it does converge to 0, and show that it does not converge

$$\mathbb{E}[(x_n - 0)^2] = \mathbb{E}[x_n^2] = 0(1 - \frac{1}{n}) + 1(\frac{1}{n}) = 1 \not\rightarrow 0$$

(\*) showing that TS b. does not hold

$$x_n \xrightarrow{d} x \not\Rightarrow x_n \xrightarrow{P} x$$

$x_n \sim N(0, 1)$

$x_n = -x$  for  $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

then  $x_n \xrightarrow{d} x$  (stronger sense in which  $x_n \xrightarrow{d} x$ )

evaluate  
compute diff:- (substitute  $x_n = -x$ )

$$P(|x_n - x| > \epsilon) = P(|-x - x| > \epsilon) = P(2|x| > \epsilon)$$

AS  $x \sim N(0, 1)$  is standard normal; it will not get smaller

Hence  $P(|x| > \epsilon) \not\rightarrow 0$

(\*) Example 6 ①

$$x_n \xrightarrow{P} b \not\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[x_n] \rightarrow b$$

Define  $x_n = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{with } P(x_n=0) = 1 - \frac{1}{n} \\ n^2 & \dots \quad P(x_n=n^2) = \frac{1}{n} \end{cases}$

② Why is  $P(|x_n| < \epsilon) = P(x_n=0) = (1 - \frac{1}{n})$ ?

- think this is because we are assuming that  $\epsilon > 0$

If  $\epsilon > 0$ , then the only situation in which  $|X_n| < \epsilon$  and hence  $|X_n| < \epsilon$  is when  $X_n = 0$ .

Hence  $P(|X_n| < \epsilon) = P(X_n = 0) = 1 - \frac{1}{n}$

→ Note that  $P(|X_n| < \epsilon) \rightarrow 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

Note:  $P(|X_n| > \epsilon) = 1 - P(|X_n| < \epsilon)$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n| > \epsilon) = 1 - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n| < \epsilon)$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n| > \epsilon) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow P(|X_n| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \text{ and } X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

Evaluate:-

$$E[X_n] = n^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} \right) + 0 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{n} \right) = n$$

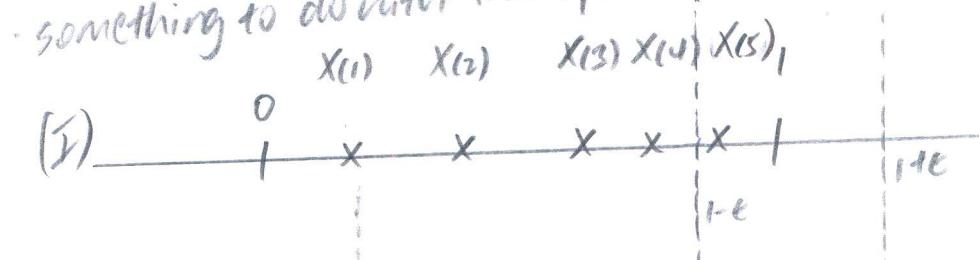
As  $n \rightarrow \infty$   $E[X_n] \rightarrow \infty$  and hence  $E[X_n] \not\rightarrow b$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

(\*) used diagrams when considering tail probabilities (on)

#### A) Example 7

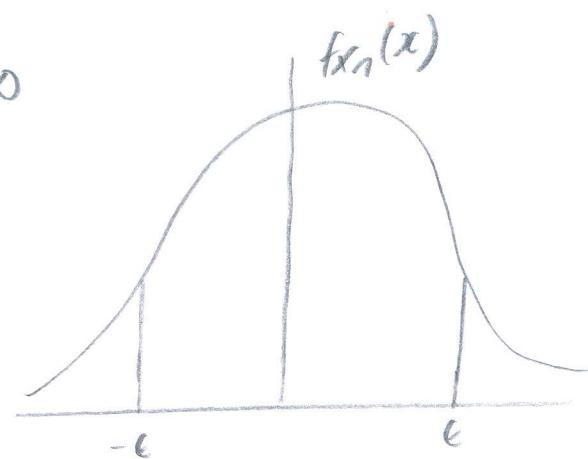
- logic of diagram is unclear on a 2nd pass.

- something to do with transformations of IR?



Not sure about this comparison

(iii) Got very confused with use of absolute values to encode 2 sets of inequalities at the same time.



O/S 1  
tighten up gets to bottom of confusion

$$X_i \sim \text{Unif}(0, 1)$$

$$X_i - 1 \sim \text{Unif}(-1, 0)$$

- Have to consider -e and +e as considering  $|X_n| - 1|$

Note:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(|X(n)-1| > \epsilon) &= P(X(n)-1 > \epsilon) + P(-(X(n)-1) > \epsilon) \\
 &= P(X(n)-1 > \epsilon) + P(X(n)-1 < -\epsilon) \\
 &= \underbrace{P(X(n) > 1+\epsilon)}_{=0} + P(X(n) < 1-\epsilon) \\
 \text{- yielding } P(|X(n)-1| > \epsilon) &= P(X(n) < 1-\epsilon) = P(\text{all } X_i < 1-\epsilon) = \prod_i P(X_i < 1-\epsilon) \\
 &= (1-\epsilon)^n \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $X(n) \xrightarrow{P} 1$ .

(Q) (15): I don't understand how it is he immediately writes down diagram (i). And how that fully relates to what is being done algebraically

(Q): not sure how we have that  $P(Y_n \leq t) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 1 - e^{-t} \Rightarrow$

$$Y_n = n(1-X(n)) \xrightarrow{d} \text{Exp}(1)$$

(\*) note that  $\xrightarrow{d}$  is concerned with CDFs  
 (\*) not confuse the exponential distribution with the exponential family of distributions.

Note:- Exp dist:-  $X \sim \text{Exp}(\beta)$  has:-

PDF:  $f(x; \beta) \frac{1}{\beta} e^{-x/\beta} \quad x > 0, \beta > 0$

CDF:  $F(x; \beta) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-\beta x} & x \geq 0 \\ 0 & x < 0 \end{cases}$

(\*) (6): using above, we have shown that  $F_n(t) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} F(t)$   
 where  $F(t) = \text{Exp}(t; 1) = P(Y_n \leq t)$

$$\therefore Y_n = n(1 - X(n)) \xrightarrow{d} \exp(1)$$

(\*) Need to know inequalities by heart  
(part 1)

(i) Gaussian :-  $X \sim N(0, 1)$   $P(|X| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{2e^{-\epsilon^2/2}}{\epsilon}$   $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim N(0, 1)$   $P(|X_n| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{2}{\sqrt{n}\epsilon} e^{-\epsilon^2/2} \stackrel{\log n}{\leq} e^{-\frac{n\epsilon^2}{2}}$

Markov :-  $X > 0, E[X] < \infty$

(1st moment)  $\forall \epsilon > 0$   $P(X > \epsilon) \leq \frac{E[X]}{\epsilon}$

Chebyshov :  $\mu = E[X], \sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X)$

(1st/2nd moments)  $P(|X - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2}, \forall \epsilon > 0$

Hoeffding :  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  - IID r.v.s.  $a \leq X_i \leq b, E[X_i] = \mu$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, P(|\bar{Y}_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \leq 2e^{-\frac{2n\epsilon^2}{(b-a)^2}}$$

(\*) Theorem II - WLLN proof

WLLN:  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  IID ;  $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu, \mu = E[X_i], \bar{X}_n - \mu = O_p(1)$

- suppose  $\sigma < \infty$

- uses Chebyshov and property of sample mean (you will get confused)

- sample mean :  $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, E[\bar{X}_n] = \mu, \text{Var}(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$

consider that which you want to show converges in prob.

- we apply Chebyshov to the sample mean  $\bar{X}_n$  (an r.v.)

$$P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \epsilon) = P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu|^2 > \epsilon^2) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n)}{\epsilon^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} E[X]/\mu$$

$$\frac{\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n)}{\epsilon^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0, \text{ since } P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

⑩ Standardisation is a key point

- allows us, when used appropriately, to find limiting distributions to non-degenerate distri.

- AS  $\bar{x}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$ , intuitively expect  $(\bar{x}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{P} 0$  (i.e. to a degenerate distri)

- In terms of degenerate distri; this means that

$$(\bar{x}_n - \mu) \xrightarrow{P} X \text{ where } P(X=0)=1$$

- so we use appropriate scaling to construct the sequence of r.v.s.  $z_1, z_2, z_3, \dots$  from  $\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{x}_3, \dots$

$$z_n = \frac{\bar{x}_n - \mu}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\bar{x}_n)}} = \frac{(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\frac{\sigma^2}{n}}} = \frac{S_n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}$$

(\*) CLT:-  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  IID  $E[x_i] = \mu$   $V(x_i) = \sigma^2$   $\bar{x}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$

$$z_n = \frac{(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(\bar{x}_n)}} = \frac{(\bar{x}_n - \mu)\sqrt{n}}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} z \sim N(0, 1) \quad (\text{by collecting many samples})$$

(\*) For  $x_1, \dots, x_n$ ; can construct sequence of sample means, rescale these. The sequence of CDFs of these normalised sample means converges to the CDF of a standard normal  $z \sim N(0, 1)$ .

(\*) That means as we get more and data; and only we have mean and variance of these datapoints from an unknown distri  $P$ ; we can approximate

(\*) This is quite theoretical to remember; informally;  $\bar{x}_n \stackrel{?}{\sim} N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$

⑪ Allows us to compute probabilities (see notes)

$$P(a < \bar{x}_n < b) \approx P\left(\frac{S_n(a-\mu)}{\sigma} < z < \frac{S_n(b-\mu)}{\sigma}\right) \hookrightarrow \text{on complement} \quad (\text{via rescaling})$$

⑫ We are approximating probability statements about the sample mean  $\bar{x}_n$ ; not the underlying r.v. ①

(\*) Uniqueness:

- CDF and MGF completely characterize a distn  
(my notes)

(\*\*) This proof confuses me at the beginning

Notes:- Assume  $X_i$  has  $E[X_i] = \mu = 0$   $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 = 1$   
 $\Rightarrow \sigma = 1$

(\*) Take sample mean of  $X_i$ :  $\bar{X}_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  and rescale to get a sequence

of r.v.s.:-

$$z_n = \frac{s_n(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} = \frac{s_n(\bar{X}_n - 0)}{1} = s_n \bar{X}_n = \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)$$
$$= \sqrt{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

(\*\*) Clarity on

$$g_n(t) = \left[ 1 + \frac{\frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^2}{3!n^{1/2}} + \dots + t^{m+1}(0)}{n} \right]^n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}$$

• so if  $a_n \rightarrow a$  then  $\left(1 + \frac{a_n}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^a$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

• Here,  $a_n = \frac{t^2}{2} + \frac{t^2}{3!n^{1/2}} + \dots + t^{m+1}(0)$

$$a = \frac{t^2}{2} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

(\*) T.I.S Proof

- CV with sampling variance (rather than true variance)

$$S_n^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$$

- 60 over this - lots of steps
- Had difficulty understanding the similarities/differences between short and long version of proof.
  - (\*) Key step is to decompose the sample variance normalised sample mean into a term involving the true variance.

Define:-

$$T_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{S_n} = \left( \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \right) \cdot \left( \frac{\sigma}{S_n} \right) = z_n w_n$$

- (\*) Note this is a sequence of r.v.s. (as we consider  $n \rightarrow \infty$ )
- (\*) The key step:- (rest is details); and sense in which Slutsky's theorem is used.

i)  $\underbrace{z_n = \frac{\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)}{\sigma}}_{\xrightarrow{d} 0} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$  (via CLT)

ii)  $w_n \xrightarrow{P} 1$ ; and hence  $w_n \rightarrow 1$  as  $\xrightarrow{P} \Rightarrow \xrightarrow{d}$

∴ use Slutsky:-  $\underbrace{z_n \xrightarrow{d} Z}_{w_n \xrightarrow{d} 1} \Rightarrow T_n = z_n w_n \xrightarrow{d} 1 \cdot Z$

(\*) Key part of extended proof is showing that  $w_n \xrightarrow{P} 1$

- Main steps are:-

- Show  $S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$  (by showing  $R_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$ )
- Show  $\frac{S_n}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{P} 1$
- Show  $\frac{\sigma}{S_n} = w_n \xrightarrow{P} 1$

i) Show  $S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$

$R_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X}_n)^2$  (i.e. biased sample variance)

(\*) Q: Not very confused by following observation:-

$$R_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}_n^2$$

- we will show this here:-

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_n^2 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x}_n)^2 \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^2 - 2x_i \bar{x}_n + \bar{x}_n^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (-2x_i \bar{x}_n + \bar{x}_n^2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{\bar{x}_n}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (-2x_i + \bar{x}_n) \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{\bar{x}_n}{n} \left\{ -2 \sum_{i=1}^n x_i + \sum_{i=1}^n \bar{x}_n \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 + \frac{\bar{x}_n}{n} \left\{ -2n\bar{x}_n + n\bar{x}_n \right\} \\
 &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \bar{x}_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Hence  $R_n^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 - \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2$

- set  $y_i = x_i^2$

- via WLLN:-

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n y_i \xrightarrow{P} E[y_i] = E[x_i^2] = \mu^2 + \sigma^2$$

- via WLLN:-

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \xrightarrow{P} \mu$$

- As  $g(t) = t^2$  is continuous, use continuous mapping theorem:-

$$\left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \right)^2 \xrightarrow{P} \mu^2$$

$g(\cdot)$  continuous

$$x_n \xrightarrow{P} x \Rightarrow g(x_n) \xrightarrow{P} g(x)$$

$$x_n \xrightarrow{d} x \Rightarrow g(x_n) \xrightarrow{d} g(x)$$

- using T.8. (sum of conv. r.v. prob.)

$$R_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} (\mu^2 + \sigma^2) - \mu^2 = \sigma^2$$

Hence  $R_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$

- AS  $S_n^2 = \left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right) R_n^2$  (bias correction)  
 (unbiased sample var, biased s.v.)  
 AS  $R_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$  and  $\left(\frac{n}{n-1}\right) \rightarrow 1$  (meaning  $\frac{n}{n-1} \xrightarrow{P} 1$ )  
 we have  $S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2$  (via prod. of conv prob)

ii) show  $\frac{S_n}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{P} 1$

$g(t) = \sqrt{t}$  is contin. (for  $t > 0$ ); via CM,

$$S_n^2 \xrightarrow{P} \sigma^2 \Rightarrow S_n \xrightarrow{P} \sigma$$

$g(x) = \frac{x}{\sigma}$  is continuous; via C.M.

$$\frac{S_n}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{P} 1$$

iii) show  $\frac{\sigma}{S_n} = W_n \xrightarrow{P} 1$

$g(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{t}}$  cont. for  $t > 0$ ; via CM

$$\frac{\sigma}{S_n} \xrightarrow{P} 1$$

as. step (link to above);  $\frac{\sigma}{S_n} \xrightarrow{P} 1 \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma}{S_n} \xrightarrow{d} 1$ .

□

### 1.16. Berry-Esseen

- recall two ways of viewing CDFs

- i) formal: convergence in distn (i.e. writing sequence of CDFs)  
 of rescaled/normalised sample mean approaches std. normal.
- ii) informal: sample mean of a distn  $\bar{X}_n$  is approximately Normal  
 with mean  $\mu$ , variance  $\sigma^2/n$  (i.e. moments of mean, variance  
 of underlying r.v.s.)

- recall convergence in dist. i.e. concept of approximation of probabilistic statements about a sequence of rescaled sample means can be via prob. statements of std. Normal.
- Berry-Esseen requires 3<sup>rd</sup> moments to be finite; and 3<sup>rd</sup> moment
- A statement of maximum absolute diff. between true CDF of a rescaled sample mean and its normal approx via CLT.
- gives a sense of how fast the CLT Normal approx converges to true CDF.

### 5. Delta Method

- Yn
- Your written notes mask the generality of this theorem.
  - the delta method applies to an arbitrary sequence of random variables, that converge in dist to a standard Normal i.e. asymptotically normal.
  - the rescaled, and normalised (sequence of) sample means, that is  $s_n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)$  and  $\frac{s_n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$  are examples of sequences of r.v.s which are asymptotically normal (via CLT).
  - Hence our UW notes are at a greater level of generality
  - And it looks like a key use case of this is to find the limiting distribution of a smooth function of an estimator.

### (x) Example 19

Note equivalence of:-

$$s_n(w_n - e^\mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \sigma^2(e^\mu)^2)$$

$$x_1, \dots, x_n \text{ IID}, E[x_i] = \mu, \text{Var}[x_i] = \sigma^2$$

$$\frac{s_n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1) \quad w_n = e^{\bar{x}_n}$$

$$g(s) = e^s$$

$$g'(s) = e^s$$

$$\frac{s_n(w_n - e^\mu)}{\sigma/e^s} = \frac{s_n(w_n - e^\mu)}{\sigma e^s} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$$

Q: Get more fluency with how you move between these two reps.



- Notation to denote Normal:  
(converg in distn) :-

- $z_n \sim N(0, 1)$
- $\bar{x}_n \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$
- $\bar{x}_n - \mu \sim N(0, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$

$$\cdot n(\bar{x}_n - \mu) \sim N(0, \sigma^2)$$
$$\cdot \frac{n(\bar{x}_n - \mu)}{\sigma} \sim N(0, 1)$$

for  $n(\bar{x} - \mu) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, \Sigma)$

(\*) Multivariate Delta:-

$$\cdot n(g(\bar{x}) - g(\mu)) \xrightarrow{d} N(0, V_\mu \Sigma V_\mu)$$

$$V_\mu = V_y g'(y)|_{y=\mu}$$

④ Note:- (from Casella & Berger)

- not emphasised by L.W.; but in notes, and you forgot.
- (makes much of chapter 3 I did not appreciate it fully enough)
- In general, the various convergence results presented do not require an IID assumption on the sequence of r.v.s (often statistics) being considered.

E.g. A sequence of r.v.s.  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  converges in prob.

to an r.v.  $X$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$  :-

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) = 0$$

$X_1, X_2, \dots$  and other definitions are typically NOT IID.

- For WLLN:-

$$\bar{x}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu \rightarrow P(|\bar{x}_n - \mu| \geq \epsilon) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

- $\bar{x}_n$  is the sequence of statistics (sample means)  $\bar{x}_1, \bar{x}_2, \bar{x}_3, \bar{x}_4$  that is converging in probability to the true pop mean of underlying IID r.v.
- However, sample mean is constructed from IID r.v.s.

⑩- distribution of  $\bar{x}_n$  (sampling distri/distr of sampling estimator of mean concentrates around true/pop. mean as  $n$  gets large).

- the A-level definition of CLT (of which you should be able to accommodate)
- when sample size is sufficiently large; the distribution of the sample means is approximately Normal.