Biostat 801 Homework 6

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1 Problem

Let $m \geq 1$. Then

$$P[|X - Y| > 1/m] \le P[|X - X_n| + |Y - X_n| > \frac{1}{m}]$$

$$\le P([|X - X_n| > \frac{1}{2m}] \cup [|Y - X_n| > \frac{1}{2m}])$$

$$\le P[|X - X_n| > \frac{1}{2m}] + P[|Y - X_n| > \frac{1}{2m}]$$

$$\to 0 \text{ as } n \to \infty.$$

Thus $P[|X - Y| > \frac{1}{m}] = 0$. Then

$$\begin{split} P[X \neq Y] &= P[|X - Y| > 0] = P(\bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} [|X - Y| > \frac{1}{m}]) \\ &= \lim_{m \to \infty} P[|X - Y| > \frac{1}{m}] = \lim_{m \to \infty} 0 = 0 \end{split}$$

2 Problem

2.1

We have

$$P[||X| - |X_n|| < \epsilon] \le P[|X - X_n| < \epsilon] \to 0.$$

Thus $|X_n| \stackrel{P}{\to} |X_n|$.

2.2

1. To show: $X_n Y \stackrel{P}{\to} XY$.

Proof: We have

$$\begin{split} &P[|X_{n}Y - XY| > \epsilon] \\ &= P[|X_{n} - X||Y| > \epsilon] \\ &= P([|X_{n} - X||Y| > \epsilon] \cap [|Y| > M]) \cup ([|X_{n} - X||Y| > \epsilon] \cap [|Y| \le M]) \\ &\leq P[|Y| > M] + P[|X_{n} - X|M > \epsilon] \\ &\to P[|Y| > M] \text{ as } n \to \infty \end{split}$$

Since $M \geq 1$ is arbitrary and $P[|Y| > M] \rightarrow 0$ as $M \rightarrow \infty$, we conclude that $\lim_{n\to\infty} P[|X_nY - XY| > \epsilon] = 0.$

2. To show: $X_nY_n \stackrel{P}{\to} XY_n$. Proof: Following the previous arguement, we have

$$P[|X_nY - XY| > \epsilon] \le P[|Y_n| > M] + P[|X_n - X|M > \epsilon]$$

Since

$$Y_n \stackrel{P}{\to} Y \Rightarrow |Y_n| \stackrel{P}{\to} |Y| \Rightarrow |Y_n| \stackrel{d}{\to} |Y|,$$

we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P[|Y_n| > M] = P[|Y| > M].$$

Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} P[|X_n Y - XY| = P[|Y| > M] \to 0$$

as we let $M \to \infty$.

3. To show: $X_n Y_n \stackrel{P}{\to} XY$.

Proof: We have

$$\begin{split} &P[|X_nY_n-XY|>\epsilon]\\ \leq &P[|X_nY_n-X_nY|+|X_nY-XY|>\epsilon]\\ \leq &P[|X_nY_n-X_nY|>\frac{\epsilon}{2}]+P[|X_nY-XY|>\frac{\epsilon}{2}]\\ \to &0\quad\text{as}\quad n\to\infty. \end{split}$$

Problem 3

3.1

Since $X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} X$,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in A$$

for some $A \subset \Omega$ with $P(A^C) = 0$. Then

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} |X_n(\omega)| = |X(\omega)| \quad \forall \omega \in A.$$

Thus $|X_n| \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} |X|$.

3.2

We have

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in A$$

and

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} Y_n(\omega) = Y(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in B$$

for some $A, B \subset \Omega$ with $P(A^C) = P(B^C) = 0$. Then

$$P((AB)^C) = P(A^C \cup B^C) \le P(A^C) + P(B^C) = 0$$

and

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} X_n(\omega) Y_n(\omega) = X(\omega) Y(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in AB.$$

Thus $X_n Y_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\to} XY$.