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**Q65ST.2023:**Let  $\{X_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables with mean 0 and variance 1, all of them defined on the same probability space. For n=1,2,3,..., let

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{n}(X_1X_2 + X_3X_4 + \dots + X_{2n-1}X_{2n})$$
 (1)

Then which of the following statements is/are true?

- (A)  $\{\sqrt{n}Y_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  converges in distribution to a standard normal random variable.
- (B)  $\{Y_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  converges in 2nd mean to 0.
- (C)  $\{Y_n + \frac{1}{n}\}_{n \ge 1}$  converges in probability to 0.
- (D)  $\{X_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  converges almost surely to 0.

## **Solution:**

1)  $X_n$  converges in distribution to a standard normal random variable X,  $X_n \stackrel{d}{\rightarrow} X$ , then for all X,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F_{X_n}(x) = F_X(x) \tag{2}$$

where,  $X \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ 

2)  $X_n$  converges in  $p^{th}$  mean to X, then we have

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E(|X_n - X|^p) = 0 \tag{3}$$

3)  $X_n$  converges in probability to X,  $X_n \xrightarrow{p} X$ , then for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) = 0 \tag{4}$$

4)  $X_n$  converges almost surely to X,  $X_n \xrightarrow{a.s} X$ , then for all  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(|X_n - X| \ge \epsilon\right) = 1 \tag{5}$$

5) Chebyshev's inequaltiy,

$$\Pr(|X - \mu| \ge \epsilon) \le \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2} \tag{6}$$

$$E(X) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x F_X x dx \tag{7}$$

$$\therefore X \text{ is positive-valued}$$
 (8)

$$= \int_0^\infty x F_X x dx \tag{9}$$

$$\geq \int_{\epsilon^2}^{\infty} x F_X x dx \tag{10}$$

$$\geq \int_{\epsilon^2}^{\infty} k F_X x dx \tag{11}$$

$$=k\int_{\epsilon^2}^{\infty} F_X x dx \tag{12}$$

$$= \epsilon^2 \Pr\left(X \ge \epsilon^2\right) \tag{13}$$

Now.

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$$
 (14)

$$\sigma^2 = \mathcal{E}(X^2) - \mu^2 \tag{15}$$

$$\sigma^2 = E(X^2) - E(\mu^2)$$
 (16)

$$\sigma^2 = \mathcal{E}(X^2 - \mu^2) \tag{17}$$

using (13),

$$\sigma^2 = \epsilon^2 \Pr\left(X^2 - \mu^2 \ge \epsilon^2\right) \tag{18}$$

$$\frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2} = \Pr\left(X^2 - \mu^2 \ge \epsilon^2\right) \tag{19}$$

$$\Pr(|X - \mu| \ge \epsilon) = \frac{\sigma^2}{\epsilon^2}$$
 (20)

Now, as  $X_i$  is a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables, Let  $Z_i = X_{2i-1}X_{2i}$ .

$$p_{Z_i Z_j}(x) = p_{X_{2i-1} X_{2i} X_{2j-1} X_{2j}}(x)$$
 (21)

$$= p_{X_{2i-1}}(x)p_{X_{2i}}(x)p_{X_{2i-1}}(x)p_{X_{2i}}(x) \qquad (22)$$

$$= p_{X_{2i-1}X_{2i}}(x)p_{X_{2i-1}X_{2i}}(x)$$
 (23)

$$= p_{Z_i}(x)p_{Z_j}(x) (24)$$

 $Z_i$  is a independent R.V. Similarly,

$$F_{X_{2i-1}}(x) = F_{X_{2i}}(x) = F_{X_{2i-1}}(x) = F_{X_{2i}}(x)$$
 (25)

$$F_{X_{2i-1}}(x)F_{X_{2i}}(x) = F_{X_{2j-1}}(x)F_{X_{2j}}(x)$$
 (26)

$$F_{Z_i}(x) = F_{Z_i}(x) \tag{27}$$

Thus,  $Z_i$  is an identical distributed R.V. Hence,

$$Z_n = \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \tag{28}$$

is an i.i.d

$$E(Z_i) = E(X_{2i-1}X_{2i})$$
 (29)

$$= E(X_{2i-1}) E(X_{2i}) = 0$$
 (30)

$$Var(Z_i) = E(Z_i^2) - [E(Z_i)]^2$$
 (31)

$$= E(Z_i^2) - 0 (32)$$

$$= E(X_{2i-1}^2 X_{2i}^2) \tag{33}$$

$$= E(X_{2i-1}^2)E(X_{2i}^2) = 1$$
 (34)

Now,

$$Y_n = \frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n Z_i \right) \tag{35}$$

$$E(Y_n) = E\left(\frac{1}{n}\sum_{i=1}^n Z_i\right)$$
 (36)

$$= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} E(Z_i) = 0$$
 (37)

As all the variables are i.i.d's and are thus uncorrelated,

$$\operatorname{cov}(X_{i}, X_{j}) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } i \neq j \\ \operatorname{Var}(X_{i}) & \text{if } i = j \end{cases}$$
 (38)

$$Var(Y_n) = \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \text{cov}(Z_i, Z_i) \right)$$
 (39)

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}(Z_i) \right) \tag{40}$$

$$=\frac{1}{n^2} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \right) \tag{41}$$

$$=\frac{1}{n}\tag{42}$$

(A) by central limit theorem,

$$\frac{Y_n - \mu}{\sigma} \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1) \tag{43}$$

$$=\frac{Y_n-0}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n}}}\sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \tag{44}$$

$$= \sqrt{n}Y_n \sim \mathcal{N}(0,1) \tag{45}$$

Thus,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} F_{\sqrt{n}Y_n} = F_P(x) \tag{46}$$

where,  $P \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ 

So, option (A) is correct

(B) For 2nd mean to be converging to 0,

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} E(|Y_n - 0|^2) = \lim_{n \to \infty} E(Y_n^2)$$
 (47)

$$\therefore \frac{1}{n} = E(Y_n^2) - [E(Y_n)]^2$$
 (48)

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} + [E(Y_n)]^2$$
 (49)

$$: [E(Y_n)]^2 = 0 (50)$$

$$=\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{1}{n}=0\tag{51}$$

Thus, $\{Y_n\}_{n\geq 1}$  converges in 2nd mean to 0 Hence, option (B) is correct.

(C) For  $\{Y_n + \frac{1}{n}\}_{n \ge 1}$  to be converging  $Y_n + \frac{1}{n} \xrightarrow{p} 0$ 

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(\left|Y_n + \frac{1}{n} - Y\right| \ge \epsilon\right) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr\left(\left|Y_n + \frac{1}{n}\right| \ge \epsilon\right)$$
(52)

$$\leq \lim_{n\to\infty} \frac{\operatorname{Var}(Y_n + \frac{1}{n})}{\epsilon^2}$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0$$
 (54)

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{\operatorname{Var}(Y_n) + \operatorname{Var}(\frac{1}{n})}{\epsilon^2}$$
(55)

$$=\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{\frac{1}{n}+0}{\epsilon^2}\tag{56}$$

$$=0 (57)$$

hence, option (C) is correct

(D) As all the variables are i.i.d's and are thus uncorrelated,

$$\operatorname{Var}(X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{cov}(X_i, X_i)$$
 (58)

$$= \sum_{i=1}^{n} \operatorname{var}(X_i) \tag{59}$$

$$=\sum_{i=1}^{n} 1$$
 (60)

$$= n \tag{61}$$

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} \Pr(|X_n - 0| \ge \epsilon) \le \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{Var(X_n)}{\epsilon^2}$$

$$\forall \epsilon > 0$$

$$(63)$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{Var(X_n)}{\epsilon^2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{n}{\epsilon^2} = \infty$$

$$(65)$$

Hence, option (D) is incorrect