

**Theorem:** Let  $\{\mu, \mu_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be probability measures on  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$

TFAE:

(i)  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu$

(ii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{\mu_n}(f) = E_{\mu}(f)$  for every bounded continuous function

(iii)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(A) = \mu(A)$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  such that

$$\mu(\partial A) = 0$$

(iv)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n((-\infty, x]) = \mu((-\infty, x])$  for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\mu(\{x\}) = 0$

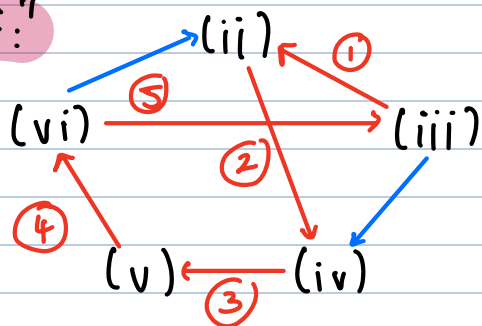
(v) There exists a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  with

RVs  $\{Y, Y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  such that  $\mathcal{L}(Y) = \mu$ ,  $\mathcal{L}(Y_n) = \mu_n \forall n$

and  $Y_n \rightarrow Y$  a.s.

(vi)  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_{\mu_n}(f) = E_{\mu}(f)$  for every bounded Borel measurable function  $f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  such that  $\mu(Df) = 0$ .

"Proof:"



(vi)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) because if  $f = \mathbb{1}_A$ ,

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} \mathbb{1}_A d\mu_n = \mu_n(A)$$

$\partial A = \{x : \mathbb{1}_A \text{ is discontinuous at } x\}$

**Example:** For each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , let  $\mu_n$  be the uniform distribution on  $\{\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}, \dots, \frac{n}{n}\}$ , i.e.  $\mu_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \delta_{\frac{k}{n}}$ . Then the cdf of uniform distribution on  $[0, 1]$

What about  $A = [0, 1] \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ ? Then  $\mu_n(A) = 0$ , but

$$\mu(A) = 1.$$

**Proof:** (ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iv) If  $\mu(\{x\}) = 0$ , let  $\varepsilon > 0$  be arbitrary.

Then  $F(x) = E_{\mu}(\mathbb{1}_{(-\infty, x]})$ . Let  $g_1, g_2 : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous such that

$$g_1(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t \leq x - \varepsilon \\ 0 & \text{if } t \geq x \end{cases} \quad g_2(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } t \leq x \\ 0 & \text{if } t \geq x + \varepsilon \end{cases}$$

Then  $\mathbb{1}_{(-\infty, x - \varepsilon]}(t) \leq g_1(t) \leq \mathbb{1}_{(-\infty, x]}(t) \leq g_2(t) \leq \mathbb{1}_{(-\infty, x + \varepsilon]}(t)$ , so

$E_{\mu_n}(g_1) \leq E_{\mu_n}(\mathbb{1}_{(-\infty, x]}) \leq E_{\mu_n}(g_2)$ , so by (ii)

$F(x - \varepsilon) \leq E_{\mu}(g_1) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) \leq E_{\mu_n}(g_2) \leq F(x + \varepsilon)$  sending  $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$ ,

$F$  is continuous at  $x$ , so  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$ . Similar for

$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$ , so we are done