

Probability theory I Facts

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1 Probability Space

* Sigma field \mathcal{F} and event $A \in \mathcal{F}$

- A family of subsets of Ω , named \mathcal{F} , is said to be a σ -field if
 - (a) \mathcal{F} contains Ω
 - (b) \mathcal{F} is closed under taking complement
 - (c) \mathcal{F} is closed under taking countable union.
 - (d) \mathcal{F} is closed under taking countable intersection. : by (a),(b),(c)
- A σ -field \mathcal{F} is usually called as an event space and an element $A \in \mathcal{F}$ is said to be an event.

* Sigma field $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$ generated by a collection \mathcal{A}

- Given a collection \mathcal{A} of subsets of Ω , the smallest σ -field containing \mathcal{A} is said to be a σ -field generated by \mathcal{A} and denoted as $\sigma(\mathcal{A})$

* Borel field $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

- Borel field $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ is a σ -field on \mathbb{R} generated by the family of all open subsets of \mathbb{R} .

• Various collections generating $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

- i. Collections of open sets
- ii. Collections of bounded open intervals
- iii. Collections of bounded closed intervals
- iv. Collections of bounded half open intervals
- v. Collections of open rays
- vi. Collections of closed rays

* Measure μ and Probability Measure P

- A set function $\mu : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be a measure if
 - (a) μ is nonnegative
 - (b) μ is countably additive
 - (c) $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$: by convention
- Additionally, if $\mu(\Omega) = 1$, then it is called as probability measure and denoted as P instead of μ .

• Elementary properties of measure

- i. Monotonicity
- ii. Subadditivity
- iii. Continuity from above
- iv. Continuity from below

* π system \mathcal{P} and λ system \mathcal{L}

- A collection \mathcal{P} of subsets of Ω is a π -system if \mathcal{P} is closed under taking intersection.
- A collection \mathcal{L} of subsets of Ω is a λ -system if
 - (a) \mathcal{L} contains Ω (b) \mathcal{L} is closed under taking complement
 - (c) \mathcal{L} is closed under taking countable disjoint union.
- A $\pi - \lambda$ system is a sigma field.
- $\pi - \lambda$ system thm
 - let \mathcal{P}, \mathcal{L} be a π -system and λ -system on Ω respectively.
 - If $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{L}$ then $\sigma(\mathcal{P}) \subset \mathcal{L}$
- Checking two probability measures are the same
 - If P_1 and P_2 are two probability measures on the same event space and $P_1 = P_2$ on a π -system \mathcal{P} then $P_1 = P_2$ on $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$
 - If two probability measures are the same on π -system generating a given event space then two probability measures are the same

2 Random Variable

* Random Variable X

- A function $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ is said to be a random variable if
 $(X \in B) = X^{-1}(B) = \{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

- Checking whether a mapping is a random variable is nearly same with checking whether a function is measurable.
- Elementary properties of random variable
 - i. If X is a r.v. then $c + X$ and cX are r.v.'s for any real num. c
 - ii. If X and Y are r.v.'s then $X + Y$ and XY are r.v.'s
 - iii. If $\{X_n\}$ is a random seq. then $\inf X_n, \sup X_n, \liminf X_n, \limsup X_n$ are all r.v.'s
 - iv. If X is a r.v. and f is Borel measurable then $f(X)$ is a r.v.

* Simple random variable

- A random variable X is called simple if X takes a finite number of values.
- If X is a nonnegative random variable then \exists a seq of nonnegative simple random variables $\{X_n\}$ s.t. $X_n \nearrow X$
 - For each $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we can define X_n by

$$X_n = \sum_{k=1}^{n \cdot 2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} I\left(\frac{k-1}{2^n} \leq X < \frac{k}{2^n}\right)$$

□ If X is a random variable then \exists a seq of simple random variables $\{X_n\}$ s.t. $X_n \rightarrow X$

* σ -field $\sigma(X)$ generated by random variable X

- $\sigma(X) = \{(X \in B) : B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})\}$

* \mathcal{G} -measurable random variable

- For a sub σ -field $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$, a random variable X is said to be \mathcal{G} -measurable if $(X \in B) \in \mathcal{G} \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$. Denote it as $X \in \mathcal{G}$
- If X and Y are random variables and Y is $\sigma(X)$ -measurable then \exists a Borel function f s.t. $Y = f(X)$

3 Distributions

* Distribution function F

- A function $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be a distribution function if
 - (a) F is monotone increasing
 - (b) F is right continuous (c) F has left limits.
 - (d) $F(x) \rightarrow 1$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ & $F(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$

* The inverse of distribution function $F^{-1}(u)$

- let F be a distribution function. For each $u \in [0, 1]$,
 $F^{-1}(u)$ is defined as $F^{-1}(u) = \inf\{x \in \mathbb{R} : F(x) \geq u\}$

• Properties of the inverse of distribution function

- i. $u \mapsto F^{-1}(u)$ is monotone increasing
- ii. $-\infty < F^{-1}(u) < \infty$ whenever $0 < u < 1$
- iii. $F^{-1}(0) = -\infty$ and $F^{-1}(1) = \infty$ or M for some $M < \infty$.
 If $F^{-1}(1) = M$ for some $M < \infty$ then X is bounded above by M a.s. where $X \sim F$
- iv. $F^{-1}(u) \leq x \Leftrightarrow u \leq F(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, u \in [0, 1]$
 $F(x) < u \Leftrightarrow x < F^{-1}(u) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}, u \in [0, 1]$
- v. $u \leq F(F^{-1}(u))$ and $F(F^{-1}(u)-) \leq u \quad \forall u \in [0, 1]$
- vi. If F is continuous then $F(F^{-1}(u)) = u \quad \forall u \in [0, 1]$

□ If a r.v. $X \sim F$ and $\mathcal{U} \sim \text{unif}[0, 1]$ then $F^{-1}(\mathcal{U}) \stackrel{D}{=} X$

□ If X is a continuous r.v. with $X \sim F$ where F is strictly increasing, then $F(X) \sim \text{unif}[0, 1]$
 (X is said to be continuous r.v. provided there is no point mass i.e. $P(X = x) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$)

* Probability Borel measure μ

- Any probability measure μ on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ is called as a probability Borel measure.

• 1-1 correspondence of distribution function and prob. Borel measure

- For any distribution function F , \exists a unique prob. Borel measure μ s.t.
 $\mu((-\infty, x]) = F(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$
- For any prob. Borel measure μ , $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by
 $F(x) = \mu((-\infty, x])$ is a distribution function

• If a function F is monotone increasing and right-continuous satisfying $F(-\infty) = 0$ and $F(\infty) = 1$ then \exists a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) and a random variable X s.t.
 $P(X \leq x) = F(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ i.e. Given F is a distribution function for X

4 Expected Value and Independence

* Expected Value $E[X]$ / Integrability of a random variable X

- Given prob. space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) , $E[I_A] = \int I_A dP = P(A) \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{F}$
- For simple nonnegative random variable $X = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i I_{A_i}$
 $E[X] = \int X dP = \sum_{i=1}^k \alpha_i P(A_i)$
- For nonnegative random variable X ,

$$\begin{aligned} E[X] &= \sup\{E[Z] : 0 \leq Z \leq X \text{ simple}\} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n] \quad \forall \text{ simple } X_n \text{ s.t. } 0 \leq X_n \nearrow X \end{aligned}$$

- For a random variable X ,
 - i. $E[X] = E[X^+] - E[X^-]$
 - ii. X is called integrable if $E|X| < \infty$ or if $E[X^+], E[X^-] < \infty$

* Independence of events $\{A_n\}$ & collections of events $\{\mathcal{G}_n\}$

- $A \perp B \in \mathcal{F}$ if $P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$
- A_1, \dots, A_n independent if $P(A_{i_1} \cap \dots \cap A_{i_k}) = P(A_{i_1}) \dots P(A_{i_k})$
 $\forall 1 \leq i_1 < i_2 < \dots < i_k \leq n$
- $\{A_n\}$ independent if A_1, \dots, A_m are independent $\forall m \in \mathbb{N}$
- For subcollections $\{\mathcal{G}_n\} \subset \mathcal{F}$, $\{\mathcal{G}_n\}$ are independent if $\{A_n\}$ are independent $\forall A_i \in \mathcal{G}_i$

• If $\mathcal{G}_1, \dots, \mathcal{G}_n \subset \mathcal{F}$ are independent and each \mathcal{G}_i is a π -system then $\sigma(\mathcal{G}_1), \dots, \sigma(\mathcal{G}_n)$ are independent

* Independence of Random variables

- R.V.'s $\{X_n\}$ are independent if $\{\sigma(X_n)\}$ are independent

• For a collection \mathcal{C} of subsets of \mathbb{R} and a r.v. X ,
 $X^{-1}(\sigma(\mathcal{C})) = \sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{C}))$ where $X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}) = \{(X \in A) : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ # 1.3.1

□ If $P(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n) = P(X_1 \leq x_1) \dots P(X_n \leq x_n) \quad \forall x_i \in \mathbb{R}$
 then X_1, \dots, X_n are independent

□ If (X_1, \dots, X_n) has a joint density $f(x_1, \dots, x_n)$ and f can be written as $f(x) = g_1(x_1) \dots g_n(x_n)$
 where g_k 's are nonnegative and measurable, then X_1, \dots, X_n are independent # 2.1.1

□ If X_1, \dots, X_n are r.v.'s taking values in countable sets C_1, \dots, C_n .
 Then $P(X_1 = x_1, \dots, X_n = x_n) = P(X_1 = x_1) \dots P(X_n = x_n)$ whenever $\forall x_i \in C_i$
 implies that X_1, \dots, X_n are independent. # 2.1.2

• If X and Y are independent and f, g are Borel measurable functions,
 then $f(X)$ and $g(Y)$ are independent # 2.1.6

* limsup and liminf of seq of events. $\limsup A_n, \liminf A_n$

$$\limsup A_n = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{k \geq n} A_k \quad \liminf A_n = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{k \geq n} A_k$$

□ $\limsup A_n = A_n$ infinitely often $\quad \liminf A_n = A_n$ all but finitely many n 's

$$\square (\limsup A_n)^C = \liminf A_n^C$$

- Borel Cantelli lemma

- For a seq. of events $\{A_n\}$, if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$ then $P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$
- For a seq. of independent events $\{A_n\}$, if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty$ then $P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$

$$\square \text{ Given a seq. of independent events } \{A_n\}, \\ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty \Leftrightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty \Leftrightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$$

This is called as Borel Cantelli 0-1 law

$$\square \text{ Note that } P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0 \text{ implies } P(A_n^C \text{ all but finitely many } n\text{'s}) = 1$$

- * Almost sure convergence $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$

- $\{X_n\}$ converges a.s. if $P(C) = 1$ where $C = \{\omega \in \Omega : X_n(\omega) \text{ converges}\}$
- $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$ if $P(X_n \rightarrow X) = 1$

- Classic results about interchanging limits and integrals(expectations)

- [Fatou's lemma] If $X_n \geq 0$ then $E[\liminf X_n] \leq \liminf E[X_n]$
If $X_n \geq 0$ and $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$ then $E[X] \leq \liminf E[X_n]$
- [MCT] If $0 \leq X_n \nearrow X \text{ a.s.}$ then $E[X_n] \nearrow E[X]$
If $X_n \nearrow X \text{ a.s.}$ and \exists a r.v. Y s.t. $Y \leq X_n \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ and $E|Y| < \infty$
then MCT $E[X_n] \nearrow E[X]$ also holds
- [DCT] If $|X_n| \leq Y \text{ a.s. } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ for some r.v. Y s.t. $E|Y| < \infty$ then $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$
implies that $E[X_n] \rightarrow E[X]$
- [BCT] If $|X_n| \leq B \text{ a.s. } \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ for some constant $B > 0$ then $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$ implies that $E[X_n] \rightarrow E[X]$

- Almost sure convergence and convergence of expectation

- $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$ implies $E[h(X_n)] \rightarrow E[h(X)]$ if the following conditions for continuous g and h are satisfied.
 - $g > 0$ (or $g \geq 0$ and $g(x) > 0$ unless $|x| \leq M$ for some $M > 0$)
 - $|h(x)|/g(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ (kind of “ h is dominated by g ”)
 - $\exists M > 0$ s.t. $E[g(X_n)] \leq M \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$

$$\square \text{ If } p > 1 \text{ and } E|X_n|^p \leq M \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \text{ for some } M > 0 \\ \text{then } X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s. implies } E[X_n] \rightarrow E[X]$$

- Almost sure convergence is closed under continuous map # 1.3.3

- If Borel measurable $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous then $X_n \rightarrow X \text{ a.s.}$ implies $f(X_n) \rightarrow f(X) \text{ a.s.}$

- Change of measure

- For any Borel measurable function f and a r.v. X ,
if $f \geq 0$ or $E|f(X)| < \infty$ then $E[f(X)]$ is calculated by

$$E[f(X)] = \int_{\Omega} f(X) dP = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f d(PX^{-1})$$

□ Change of measure and calculating probability

- i. $P(X \in B) = E[I_B(X)] \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$
- ii. $P(f(X) \in A) = P(X \in f^{-1}(A)) \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$
given f is nonnegative or integrable

* \mathcal{L}_p space

- \mathcal{L}_0 = The class of all random variables on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)
 $\mathcal{L}_p = \{X \in \mathcal{L}_0 : E|X|^p < \infty\} \quad (0 < p < \infty) : \text{normed vector space with } \|X\|_p = (E|X|^p)^{1/p}$

• Essential inequalities

- i. [Markov] $P(|X| \geq c) \leq \frac{1}{c} E|X| \quad \forall c > 0$
- ii. [Hölder] Given $X \in \mathcal{L}_p$ and $Y \in \mathcal{L}_q$ with $p, q > 1$ and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$,
 $E|XY| = \|XY\|_1 \leq \|X\|_p \|Y\|_q$
- iii. [Cauchy-Schwarz] $(E|XY|)^2 \leq E[X^2]E[Y^2]$
- iv. [Jensen] If $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ convex then $\phi(E[X]) \leq E[\phi(X)]$ provided both expectations exist.
If ϕ strictly convex then $\phi(E[X]) < E[\phi(X)]$ unless $X = E[X]$ a.s. # 1.6.1

• If X is a nonnegative r.v. then $E[X] = \int_0^\infty P(X > t)dt$

• Product measures of independent random variables

- If X_1, \dots, X_n are independent with distributions $X_i \sim \mu_i \quad \forall i$, then a random vector (X_1, \dots, X_n) has a distribution $\mu = \mu_1 \times \dots \times \mu_n$

• Fubini theorem

- Suppose X, Y are independent r.v.'s with distributions $X \sim \mu, Y \sim \nu$.
If $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Borel measurable with $f \geq 0$ or $E|f(X, Y)| < \infty$
then $E[f(X, Y)] = \iint f(x, y) d\mu(x) d\nu(y) = \iint f(x, y) d\nu(y) d\mu(x)$

- Suppose X, Y are independent r.v.'s and $f, g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are Borel measurable functions.
If $f, g \geq 0$ or $E|f(X)|, E|g(Y)| < \infty$ then $E[f(X)g(Y)] = E[f(X)]E[g(Y)]$

* Tail σ -field \mathcal{T}

- The tail σ -field of events $\{A_n\}$ is $\mathcal{T} = \cap_{n=1}^\infty \sigma(A_n, A_{n+1}, \dots)$

• Kolmogorov's 0-1 law

- Suppose $\{A_n\}$ is a seq of independent events and \mathcal{T} is the tail σ -field of $\{A_n\}$.
If $A \in \mathcal{T}$ then $P(A) = 0$ or 1 .

* Tail σ -field of random seq $\{X_n\}$

- The tail σ -field of random seq. $\{X_n\}$ is $\mathcal{T} = \cap_{n=1}^\infty \sigma(X_n, X_{n+1}, \dots)$
 $\sqrt{\sigma(X_n, X_{n+1}, \dots)} = \sigma(\{(X_i \in B) : B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}), i = n, n+1, \dots\})$

- If $\{X_n\}$ is a seq of independent r.v.'s and $\mathcal{C} = \{\omega \in \Omega : X_n(\omega) \text{ converges}\}$ then \mathcal{C} lies in a tail σ -field of $\{X_n\}$ and $P(\mathcal{C}) = 0$ or 1

• Constructing independent random variables

- Given a finite number of distribution functions, F_1, \dots, F_n , it is possible to construct independent random variables X_1, \dots, X_n with $X_i \sim F_i$ for each $i = 1, \dots, n$

5 Convergence in Probability

* Convergence in probability $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$

– $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ if $P(|X_n - X| \geq \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$

• Equivalent condition with almost sure convergence

– $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, P(\bigcup_{k \geq n} (|X_k - X| \geq \epsilon)) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$
 $\Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0, P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon \text{ i.o.}) = 0$

• Almost sure convergence is stronger than convergence in probability

– $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. implies $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$

– Converse does not hold.

(Counterexample) $X_n \sim \text{Bern}(\frac{1}{n}) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ but $X_n \rightarrow 0$ a.s. does not hold.

• The limit is unique both for in almost sure sense or in probability sense

– $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. and $X_n \rightarrow Y$ a.s. then $X = Y$ a.s.

– $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ and $X_n \xrightarrow{P} Y$ then $X = Y$ a.s.

• Convergence in probability is closed under continuous map

– If Borel measurable $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ implies $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} f(X)$

□ If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} Y$ then $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{P} X + Y$ and $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{P} XY$

• Convergence in \mathcal{L}_p is stronger than convergence in probability

– If $E|X_n - X|^p \rightarrow 0$ for some $p \geq 1$ then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$

• If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ then \exists a subseq $\{X_{n_k}\}$ of $\{X_n\}$ s.t. $\{X_{n_k}\} \rightarrow X$ a.s.

• Lemma about convergence of real seq

– For real seq. $\{x_n\}$, if every subseq. of $\{x_n\}$ has a further subseq. converging to x , then $\{x_n\}$ converges to x

• $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ if for every subseq. $\{X_{n_m}\}$ of $\{X_n\}$, \exists a further subseq. $\{X_{n_{m_k}}\}$ s.t. $X_{n_{m_k}} \rightarrow X$ a.s.

• Revisiting classic convergence thm

i. [Fatou's lemma] If $X_n \geq 0$ and $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ then $E[X] \leq \liminf E[X_n]$

ii. [MCT] If $0 \leq X_n$ increasing and $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ then $E[X_n] \nearrow E[X]$

iii. [DCT] If $|X_n| \leq Y$ a.s. $\forall n \in \mathbb{N}$ for some r.v. Y s.t. $E[Y] < \infty$ then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ implies that $E[X_n] \rightarrow E[X]$

• If $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ and f is continuous and bounded

then not only $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} f(X)$ but also $E[f(X_n)] \rightarrow E[f(X)]$

6 Convergence in Distribution

* Sub probability Borel measure

– a prob. Borel measure μ s.t. $\mu(\mathbb{R}) \leq 1$

* Weak convergence of sub prob. Borel measures $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$

– For sub prob. Borel measures $\{\mu_n\}$ and μ , $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ if
 \exists a dense $D \subset \mathbb{R}$ s.t. $\mu_n(a, b] \rightarrow \mu(a, b]$ as $n \rightarrow \infty \forall a, b \in D$

• Lemma about countable set and dense set

– If $D \subset \mathbb{R}$ and D^C is countable then D is dense in \mathbb{R}

□ Point mass set of a finite measure is at most countable.

– If μ is a measure on measurable space $(\mathcal{S}, \mathcal{A})$ with $\mu(\mathcal{S}) < \infty$ then
 $E = \{x \in \mathcal{S} : \mu(\{x\}) > 0\}$ is at most countable.

• Equivalent condition of weak convergence

– $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu \Leftrightarrow \mu_n(a, b] \rightarrow \mu(a, b]$ whenever $\mu(\{a\}) = \mu(\{b\}) = 0$

• The limit is unique in weak convergence sense

– If $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ and $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \nu$ then $\mu = \nu$ i.e. $\mu(B) = \nu(B) \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

* Weak convergence of distribution functions $F_n \Rightarrow F$

– $F_n \Rightarrow F$ if $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ where $\mu_n \sim F_n$ and $\mu \sim F$

• Continuity set C_F of a distribution function F is dense in \mathbb{R}

• $F_n \Rightarrow F \Leftrightarrow F_n(x) \rightarrow F(x) \forall x \in C_F$

* Convergence in distribution $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

– $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ if $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ where $X_n \sim \mu_n$ and $X \sim \mu$

• Convergence in probability is stronger than convergence in distribution

– $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ implies $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

• For a constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$, if $X_n \xrightarrow{D} c$ then $X_n \xrightarrow{P} c$

• Slutsky's thm

i. If $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} c$ where c is a constant, then $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{D} X + c$ # 3.2.13
 Especially, if $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ and $Z_n - X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ then $Z_n \xrightarrow{D} X$

ii. If $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ and $\delta_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ then $X_n \delta_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$

iii. If $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} c$ where c is a constant, then $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{D} cX$ # 3.2.14

- Scheffe's thm
 - Sps $\{X_n\}$ and X have density functions $\{f_n\}$ and f respectively. If $f_n \rightarrow f$ $\mu - a.e.$ where μ is Lebesgue measure, then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$
- Skorohod's thm
 - Suppose that $\{\mu_n\}$ and μ are prob. Borel measures s.t. $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$. Then \exists a prob. space $(\Omega', \mathcal{F}', P')$ and r.v $\{X'_n\}$ and X' s.t. $X'_n \sim \mu_n$, $X' \sim \mu$ and $X'_n \rightarrow X'$ $P' - a.s.$
- Continuous mapping thm
 - If Borel measurable $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies $P(X \in D_f) = 0$ where D_f is discontinuity set of f then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ implies $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{D} f(X)$
- If $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ then $E[g(X_n)] \rightarrow E[g(X)] \forall$ continuous bounded g
- If $E[g(X_n)] \rightarrow E[g(X)] \forall$ unif. continuous(or Lipschitz) bounded g then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$
- $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ if for every subseq. $\{X_{n_m}\}$ of $\{X_n\}$, \exists a further subseq. $\{X_{n_{m_k}}\}$ s.t. $X_{n_{m_k}} \xrightarrow{D} X$
- The Portmanteau thm
 - The followings are equivalent
 - $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$
 - $\liminf P(X_n \in G) \geq P(X \in G) \forall$ open $G \subset \mathbb{R}$
 - $\limsup P(X_n \in F) \leq P(X \in F) \forall$ closed $F \subset \mathbb{R}$
 - $P(X_n \in A) \rightarrow P(X \in A) \forall A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ with $P(X \in \partial A) = 0$
- Polya's thm # 3.2.9
 - If $F_n \Rightarrow F$ and F is continuous then $F_n \rightarrow F$ uniformly on \mathbb{R}
- $\{X_n\}$ and X are integer valued random variables.
Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ iff $P(X_n = m) \rightarrow P(X = m) \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}$ # 3.2.12
- * Big O_p and small o_p notation
 - $X_n = o_p(1)$ if $X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$
 - $X_n = O_p(1)$ if $\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \sup_n P(|X_n| > M) = 0$
or equivalently $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists M_\epsilon \& N_\epsilon$ s.t. $P(|X_n| > M_\epsilon) < \epsilon \forall n \geq N_\epsilon$
 $O_p(1)$ is also called as 'stochastically bounded'
- Elementary properties of Big O_p and small o_p
 - $X_n = o_p(1), Y_n = o_p(1) \Rightarrow X_n + Y_n = o_p(1), X_n Y_n = o_p(1)$
 - $X_n = O_p(1), Y_n = O_p(1) \Rightarrow X_n + Y_n = O_p(1), X_n Y_n = O_p(1)$
 - $X_n = O_p(1), Y_n = o_p(1) \Rightarrow X_n + Y_n = O_p(1), X_n Y_n = o_p(1)$
 - $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X \Rightarrow X_n = O_p(1)$

- Helly's selection principle
 - For a seq. $\{F_n\}$ of distribution functions, \exists a subseq. $\{F_{n_k}\}$ and a distribution-like func. F s.t. $F_{n_k}(x) \rightarrow F(x)$ as $k \rightarrow \infty \forall x \in C_F$
- * Tightness of seq. of distribution functions
 - A seq. of distribution functions $\{F_n\}$ is called tight if $\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists M_\epsilon > 0$ s.t. $\limsup_n 1 - F_n(M_\epsilon) + F_n(-M_\epsilon) \leq \epsilon$
- For a seq. of distribution functions $\{F_n\}$, every subsequential limit is a distribution function iff $\{F_n\}$ is tight

7 Random Series

- Komogorov's inequality
 - $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of indep. r.v.'s with mean zero and finite variance.

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, P(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \geq \epsilon) \leq \frac{1}{\epsilon^2} \sum_{k=1}^n \sigma_k^2$$

- Convergence of random series
 - $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of indep. r.v.'s with mean zero and finite variance.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma_n^2 < \infty \Rightarrow \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n \text{ converges a.s.}$$

- Etamadi's inequality
 - $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of independent r.v.'s.

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, P(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \geq 3\epsilon) \leq 3 \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} P(|S_k| \geq \epsilon)$$

- Levy's thm
 - $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of independent r.v.'s. If $S_n \xrightarrow{P} S$ then $S_n \rightarrow S$ a.s.

- Lemma for Kolmogorov's three series thm
 - $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of independent r.v.'s.
If $|X_n - E(X_n)| \leq A$ a.s. for some $A > 0 \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$, then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, P(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \leq \epsilon) \leq \frac{(2A + 4\epsilon)^2}{Var(S_n)}$$

- * Eventual equivalence of random sequences $\{X_n\} \sim \{Y_n\}$
 - Random seq. $\{X_n\}$ and $\{Y_n\}$ are said to be (eventually) equivalent if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X_n \neq Y_n) < \infty$. Denote it as $\{X_n\} \sim \{Y_n\}$

□ If $\{X_n\} \sim \{Y_n\}$ then $P(X_n = Y_n \text{ all but finitely many } n's) = 1$

- Kolmogorov's three series thm

- $\{X_n\}$: a seq. of independent r.v.'s.

For $A > 0$, $\{Y_n\}$ is defined by $Y_n = X_n I(|X_n| \leq A)$ Then $\sum_n X_n$ converges a.s.

\Leftrightarrow (a) $\sum_n P(|X_n| > A) < \infty$ (b) $\sum_n E(Y_n)$ converges. (c) $\sum_n Var(Y_n) < \infty$

8 Law of Large Numbers

- Lemma about eventually equivalent random sequences

- If random seq $\{X_n\} \sim \{Y_n\}$ and real seq. $\{a_n\}$ s.t. $0 < a_n \rightarrow \infty$ then for a random variable Z ,

- i. $\frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \rightarrow Z$ a.s. $\Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \rightarrow Z$ a.s.

- ii. $\frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \xrightarrow{P} Z \Leftrightarrow \frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \xrightarrow{P} Z$

- Equivalent condition for integrability

- $\sum_n P(|X| \geq n) \leq E|X| \leq 1 + \sum_n P(|X| \geq n)$

- $E|X| < \infty \Leftrightarrow \sum_n P(|X| \geq n) < \infty$

- Weak Law of Large numbers ; W.L.L.N

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E|X_1| < \infty$, $E(X_1) = \mu$ Then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \xrightarrow{P} \mu$

- Lemmas about convergence of real series

- [Cesàro mean] If $x_n \rightarrow x$ then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \rightarrow x$

- [Kronecker's lemma] $0 < a_n \nearrow \infty$. If $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{a_n} x_n$ converges then $\frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{j=1}^n x_j \rightarrow 0$

- Strong Law of Large numbers ; S.L.L.N

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E|X_1| < \infty$, $E(X_1) = \mu$. Then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \rightarrow \mu$ a.s.

- Strong Law holds even if the mean is infinite

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E(X_1^+) = \infty$. $E(X_1^-) < \infty$.
Then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \rightarrow \infty$ a.s.

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E(X_1^+) < \infty$. $E(X_1^-) = \infty$.
Then $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n X_j \rightarrow -\infty$ a.s.

- If $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E|X_1| = \infty$ then

(a) $P(|X_n| \geq n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$ (b) $P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} S_n \text{ exists and finite}) = 0$

- Glivenko Cantelli thm

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. $X_1 \sim F$. Empirical distribution function is defined as $F_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I(X_i \leq x) \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$ for each $n \in \mathbb{N}$
Then $F_n \Rightarrow F$ a.s. i.e. $\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(x) - F(x)| \rightarrow 0$ a.s.

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with $E|X_1| = \infty$.
 $\{a_n\}$ positive real seq s.t. a_n/n is monotone increasing. Then

$$\limsup_n \frac{|S_n|}{a_n} = \begin{cases} 0 & a.s. & \text{if } \sum_n P(|X_1| \geq a_n) < \infty \\ \infty & a.s. & \text{if } \sum_n P(|X_1| \geq a_n) = \infty \end{cases}$$

- Convergence rate of random series

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with mean zero and finite variance. Then

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \quad \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}(\log n)^{\frac{1}{2}+\epsilon}} \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s.$$

- The law of iterated logarithm(L.I.L)

- $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. with mean zero and finite variance σ^2 . Then

$$\limsup_n \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{2n \log \log n} \sigma} = 1 \quad a.s.$$

$$\liminf_n \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{2n \log \log n} \sigma} = -1 \quad a.s.$$

$$\limsup_n \frac{|S_n|}{\sqrt{2n \log \log n} \sigma} = 1 \quad a.s.$$

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \quad P(S_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon)\sigma \sqrt{2n \log \log n} \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

$$P(S_n \leq -(1 + \varepsilon)\sigma \sqrt{2n \log \log n} \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

9 Characteristic function

* Characteristic function

- A char. func. ψ corresponding to a prob. Borel measure μ is

$$\begin{aligned}\psi(t) &= \int e^{itx} d\mu(x) \\ &= \int \cos tx d\mu(x) + i \int \sin tx d\mu(x)\end{aligned}$$

- A char. func. of a r.v. $X \sim \mu$ is $\psi_X(t) = E[e^{itX}] = \int e^{itx} d\mu(x)$

• Elementary properties of characteristic functions

- $\psi(0) = 1$
- $|\psi(t)| \leq 1 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\psi(t+h) - \psi(t)| \rightarrow 0$ as $h \rightarrow 0$. ψ is uniformly continuous
- $\psi_{aX+b}(t) = e^{itb} \psi_X(at) \quad \forall a, b \in \mathbb{R}$
- $\psi(-t) = \overline{\psi(t)}$. If $X \sim \psi$ then $-X \sim \overline{\psi}$

• Additional properties of characteristic functions

- If $X_1 \perp\!\!\!\perp X_2$ and $X_1 \sim \psi_1, X_2 \sim \psi_2$ then $X_1 + X_2 \sim \psi_1 \psi_2$
If X_1, \dots, X_n independent with $X_i \sim \psi_i$ then $\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \prod_{i=1}^n \psi_i$
- If ψ_1, \dots, ψ_n are char. func.s then $\prod_{i=1}^n \psi_i$ is also a char. function.
- If ψ_1, \dots, ψ_n are char. func.s with $\psi_i \sim \mu_i$ then $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i \psi_i$ is also a char. function given $\lambda_i > 0$ and $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i = 1$
- If ψ is a char. func then $Re(\psi)$ and $|\psi|^2$ are also char. functions.

- Characteristic function of $X \sim N(0, 1)$ is $\exp(-\frac{1}{2}t^2)$ $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma)$ is $\exp(i\mu t - \frac{1}{2}\sigma^2 t^2)$
Characteristic function of $X \sim Poi(\lambda)$ is $\exp(\lambda(e^{it} - 1))$

• The Inversion formula

- If ψ is a char. func. corresponding to a distribution μ , then whenever $a < b$, the equation below holds true.

$$\frac{1}{2} \{ \mu(a, b] + \mu[a, b) \} = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-T}^T \frac{e^{-ita} - e^{-itb}}{it} \psi(t) dt$$

- If two distributions μ and ν corresponds to same characteristic function, then μ and ν are indeed the same distributions. In this sense, characteristic functions uniquely determine the distribution.
- Suppose ψ is a char. func. corresponding to $\mu \sim F$.
If $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} |\psi(t)| dt < \infty$ then F is diff.able and the density f is derived as

$$f(x) = F'(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-itx} \psi(t) dt$$

- Suppose ψ is a char. func. corresponding to μ . For each $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\mu(\{x_0\}) = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T e^{-itx_0} \psi(t) dt$$

- Suppose ψ is a char. func. corresponding to μ .

$$\sum_x [\mu(\{x\})]^2 = \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2T} \int_{-T}^T |\psi(t)|^2 dt$$

- Suppose ψ is a char. func. corresponding to $\mu \sim F$. If F is diff.able with density f then $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \psi(t) = 0$

□ If a distribution μ has a density f where $\mu \sim F$ and $f = F'$ then μ has no point mass. i.e. $\mu(\{x\}) = 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \# 3.3.3$

- Lemma for continuity thm

– μ : a sub prob. Borel measure. $\psi(t) = \int e^{itx} d\mu(x)$. Then $\forall \delta > 0$,

$$\mu[-\delta, \delta] \geq \frac{\delta}{2} \left| \int_{-2/\delta}^{2/\delta} \psi(t) dt \right| - 1$$

- Levy's Continuity thm

- let $\{\mu_n\}$ be a seq. of distributions and $\mu_n \sim \psi_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.
If $\psi_n \rightarrow \psi$ pointwise and ψ is continuous at zero,
then ψ is a char. func. corresponding to μ and $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$
- let $\{\mu_n\}$ be a seq. of distributions and $\mu_n \sim \psi_n \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$.
If $\mu_n \xrightarrow{w} \mu$ and $\mu \sim \psi$ then $\psi_n \rightarrow \psi$ pointwise.

- Suppose X, Y i.i.d. with mean zero, variance one.

If $X + Y \perp\!\!\!\perp X - Y$ then X, Y are normal r.v.'s.

- Suppose $\{X_n\}$ and $\{Y_n\}$ are independent and $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$.

If $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ and $Y_n \xrightarrow{D} Y$ then $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{D} X + Y \quad \# 3.3.8$

10 Central Limit Theorem

- Lemma about convergence of sequence and exponential

- $(1 + \frac{a_n}{n})^n \rightarrow e^a$ if $a_n \rightarrow a \quad (1 + c_n)^n \rightarrow e^c$ if $nc_n \rightarrow c$
- $(1 + \frac{a_n}{\lambda_n})^{\lambda_n} \rightarrow e^a$ if $a_n \rightarrow a, \quad 0 < \lambda_n \nearrow \infty$
 $(1 + c_n)^{\lambda_n} \rightarrow e^c$ if $\lambda_n c_n \rightarrow c, \quad 0 < \lambda_n \nearrow \infty$

- Lemma about Taylor expansion error term of e^{ix}

$$\left| e^{ix} - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(ix)^k}{k!} \right| \leq \min \left\{ \frac{|x|^{n+1}}{(n+1)!}, \frac{2|x|^n}{n!} \right\} \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R} \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

- Lemma about Taylor expansion of characteristic function

i. If $E|X|^n < \infty$ then

$$\left| E \left[e^{itx} - \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{(itx)^k}{k!} \right] \right| \leq |t|^n E[\min\{|t||X|^{n+1}, 2|X|^n\}]$$

$$\psi(t) = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{i^k E(X^k)}{k!} t^k + o(|t|^n) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

ii. Especially if $E[X] = 0$ and $E[X^2] = \sigma^2 < \infty$, then

$$\psi(t) = 1 - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2 + o(t^2) \quad \text{as } t \rightarrow 0$$

- Central Limit Thm

– $\{X_n\}$ i.i.d. random seq. $E[X_1] = \mu, \text{Var}(X_1) = \sigma^2 < \infty$. Then

$$\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1) \quad \text{i.e.} \quad \frac{S_n - E[S_n]}{\sqrt{\text{Var}(S_n)}} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$$

- * Lindberg's condition

– $\{X_{nk} : k = 1, \dots, r_n\}$: row-wise independent double array of r.v.'s with mean zero and finite variance. $\{X_{nk}\}$ is said to be satisfying Lindberg's condition if

$$\epsilon > 0, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_n^2} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \int_{(|X_{nk}| \geq \epsilon \mathcal{D}_n)} X_{nk}^2 dP = 0$$

where $S_n = X_{n1} + \dots + X_{nr_n}$ and $\mathcal{D}_n^2 = \text{Var}(S_n) = \sigma_{n1}^2 + \dots + \sigma_{nr_n}^2$

- Lemma about complex numbers

i. $|\prod_{i=1}^n z_i - \prod_{i=1}^n w_i| \leq \sum_{i=1}^n |z_i - w_i|$ if $|z_i|, |w_i| \leq 1$

ii. $|e^z - (1+z)| \leq \frac{1}{2} e^c |z|^2$ whenever $|z| \leq c$
Especially, $|e^z - (1+z)| \leq |z|^2$ if $|z| \leq 1/2$

iii. $|e^z| = e^{\text{Re}(z)} \leq e^{|z|} \quad \forall z \in \mathbb{C}$

iv. For $\{z_n\} \in \mathbb{C}$, $e^{z_n} \rightarrow e^z \Rightarrow e^{\text{Re}(z_n)} \rightarrow e^{\text{Re}(z)}$

- Feller's Thm

– $\{X_{nk} : k = 1, \dots, r_n\}$: row-wise independent double array of r.v.'s with mean zero and finite variance. $S_n = X_{n1} + \dots + X_{nr_n}$ and $\mathcal{D}_n^2 = \text{Var}(S_n) = \sigma_{n1}^2 + \dots + \sigma_{nr_n}^2$

Lindberg's condition is satisfied if and only if

(a) $S_n/\mathcal{D}_n \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$ (b) $\frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_n^2} \max_{1 \leq k \leq r_n} \sigma_{nk}^2 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

* Lyapunov condition

- $\{X_{nk} : k = 1, \dots, r_n\}$: row-wise independent double array of r.v.'s with mean zero.
 $\{X_{nk}\}$ is said to be satisfying Lyapunov condition if $\exists \delta > 0$ s.t.

- i. $E|X_{nk}|^{2+\delta} < \infty$
- ii. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\mathcal{D}_n^{2+\delta}} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} E|X_{nk}|^{2+\delta} = 0$

- Lyapunov condition is stronger than Lindberg's condition
- Poisson approximation of binomial random variable

- i. $\{X_{nk} : k = 1, \dots, n\}$: row-wise independent double array of Bernoulli r.v.'s.
 $p_{nk} = P(X_{nk} = 1)$. If (a) $\sum_{k=1}^n p_{nk} \rightarrow \lambda$ where $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$ and (b) $\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_{nk} \rightarrow 0$
then $S_n = X_{n1} + \dots + X_{nn} \xrightarrow{D} Poi(\lambda)$
- ii. $\{X_{nk} : k = 1, \dots, n\}$: row-wise independent double array of r.v.'s having nonnegative integer values. $p_{nk} = P(X_{nk} = 1)$ and $\epsilon_{nk} = P(X_{nk} \geq 2)$
If (a) $\sum_{k=1}^n p_{nk} \rightarrow \lambda$ where $\lambda \in (0, \infty)$ (b) $\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} p_{nk} \rightarrow 0$
and (c) $\sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon_{nk} \rightarrow 0$ (which means X_{nk} is nearly Bernoulli r.v.)
then $S_n = X_{n1} + \dots + X_{nn} \xrightarrow{D} Poi(\lambda)$