

# Winter Lab Meeting – Fall 20/21

## Kronecker Lemma and its Application

## Statement: Kronecker Lemma

If sequences  $a_n \uparrow \infty$  and  $\{\sum_{n=1}^m x_n/a_n\}_{m=1}^\infty$  converges,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^n x_m \rightarrow 0$ .

Take  $a_0 = b_0 = 0$  and for  $m \geq 1$ ,  $b_m := \sum_{k=1}^m x_k/a_k$ . Then  $x_m = a_m(b_m - b_{m-1})$ , so  $a_n^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^n x_m = a_n^{-1} \left\{ a_n b_n + \sum_{m=2}^n a_m b_m - \sum_{m=2}^n a_m b_{m-1} \right\} = b_n - \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} b_{m-1}$

It suffices to show  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} b_{m-1} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n =: b_\infty$ . Take  $B := \sup |b_n|$ . For  $\epsilon > 0$ , as  $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} b_m = b_\infty$ ,  $\exists M \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t.  $|b_m - b_\infty|, \forall m \geq M$ . As  $a_n \uparrow \infty$ ,  $\exists N > M$  s.t.  $a_n > 4B a_m / \epsilon, \forall n \geq N$  (Equivalently,  $a_M/a_n < \epsilon/(4B)$ ).

Noticing that  $\sum_{m=1}^k (a_m - a_{m-1}) = a_k - a_0 = a_k$  holds for all  $k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then whenever

$$n \geq N, \left| \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} b_{m-1} - b_\infty \right| \stackrel{a_{m+1} \geq a_m}{\leq} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} |b_{m-1} - b_\infty|$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} |b_{m-1} - b_\infty| + \sum_{m=M+1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} |b_{m-1} - b_\infty|$$

$$= \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} (2B) + \sum_{m=1}^M \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} \left( \frac{\epsilon}{2} \right) < \left( \frac{\epsilon}{4B} \right) (2B) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{-1} \sum_{m=1}^n x_m = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{m=1}^n \frac{a_m - a_{m-1}}{a_n} b_{m-1} = b_\infty - b_\infty = 0.$$

# Generalization of Kronecker Lemma

## Kronecker Lemma for Double Series

Let  $\{a_{ij}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}^+}$  be a double sequence of positive number s.t.

- $a_{i+1,j} - a_{ij} \geq 0$  and  $a_{i,j+1} - a_{ij} \geq 0$  for all  $i, j$ .
- $a_{i+1,j+1} - a_{i+1,j} - a_{i,j+1} + a_{ij}$  is of constant sign.
- $a_{ij} \rightarrow \infty$  as  $\min(i, j) \rightarrow \infty$ .

If  $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} x_{ij}/a_{ij}$  converges, then  $a_{mn}^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^m \sum_{j=1}^n x_{ij} \rightarrow 0$  as  $\min(i, j) \rightarrow \infty$ .

### Remark:

- ① Potentially useful to handling rectangular partial sums in research problems related to spatial setting.
- ② In the above statement, the convergence of  $\{a_{ij}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}^+}$  is defined as following:  
 $\{a_{ij}\}_{i,j \in \mathbb{N}^+}$  converges to  $a$  iff  $\exists a$  s.t.  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $\exists N \in \mathbb{N}$  s.t. whenever  $\min(i, j) \geq N$ ,  $|a_{ij} - a| < \epsilon$ .
- ③ Refer to [The Kronecker lemmas for multiple series and some applications](#) for further generalizations

# Applications of Kronecker Lemma

- 1 Establish SLLN for Martingales.

## Kolmogorov's Variance Criterion

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be independent, then (1)  $\mathbb{E}(X_n) = 0$  for all  $n$  and (2)  $\sum_n \mathbb{E}(X_n^2) < \infty$  together implies  $\sum_n X_n$  converges a.s.

- 2 Take  $a_n = n^c$  in Kronecker Lemma for some  $c > 0$ . By Variance Criteria,  $\mathbb{E}(X_n) = 0$  for all  $n$  and  $\sum_n \mathbb{E}(n^{-2c} X_n^2) < \infty$  implies  $\sum_n n^{-c} X_n$  converges a.s. By Kronecker Lemma, it further implies that  $n^{-c} \sum_{k=1}^n X_k \rightarrow 0$  a.s.  
*Remark:* Tune the non-decreasing sequence  $a_n$  to obtain desired constraint.