

Math 830 Assignment Three Group Work

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1. We wish to show $(E | X |^s)^{\frac{1}{s}} \leq (E | X |^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$. By the Holder inequality, we have $E(|XY|) \leq (E | X |^q)^{\frac{1}{q}} (E | Y |^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}$. Let $Y = 1$ with probability $P(Y = 1) = 1$. Then we have will have

$$E | X | \leq (E | X |^p)^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

For $1 < s < p$,

$$E | X |^s \leq (E | X |^{ps})^{\frac{1}{p}}.$$

Letting $r = ps > s$ yields $E | X |^s \leq (E | X |^r)^{\frac{s}{r}}$, which leads to

$$(E | X |^s)^{\frac{1}{s}} \leq (E | X |^r)^{\frac{1}{r}}.$$

Therefore

$$\|X\|_s \leq \|X\|_r.$$

Hence, if X_n converges to X in L_r , then X_n converges to X in L_s as $E | X_n - X |^s \leq E | X_n - X |^r \rightarrow 0$.

Alternate Proof: (See work handed in class)

2. Assume $X_n \xrightarrow{L_1} X$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Then

$$P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{E(|X_n - X|)}{\epsilon},$$

by Markov's Theorem. Therefore

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{E(|X_n - X|^p)}{\epsilon^p} = 0,$$

by convergence in L_1 .

3. a) Define X_n as follows:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{ll} n & \text{with probability } = n^{-\frac{s+r}{2}} \\ 0 & \text{with probability } = 1 - n^{-\frac{s+r}{2}}. \end{array} \right\}$$

Then

$$E | X_n |^s = |n|^s n^{-\frac{s-r}{2}} = n^{\frac{s-r}{2}} \quad (1)$$

$$E | X_n |^r = |n|^r n^{-\frac{s+r}{2}} = n^{\frac{r-s}{2}} \quad (2)$$

Clearly (1) converges to 0 when $n \rightarrow \infty$, however (2) converges to ∞ when $n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore $X_n \xrightarrow{L_s} X$, but X_n does not converge to X in L_r space.

b) Define

$$X_n = \left\{ \begin{array}{ll} n^2 & \text{with probability} = n^{-1} \\ 0 & \text{with probability} = 1 - n^{-1}. \end{array} \right\}$$

Clearly, $P(|X_n - 0| \geq \epsilon) = 0 \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, but $E|X_n| = n^2 \frac{1}{n} = n \rightarrow \infty$. Therefore $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$, but X_n does not converge in L_1 space to X .