

Supplement to the solution of Exercise 18, (a)

For the given derivation of the delta method in (7), first we need to show:

$$r_{\mu}(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} 0 \quad \text{for } n \rightarrow \infty$$

To that aim, let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $\gamma > 0$. Then, we have to show that there exists some $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with:

$$(S1) \quad P(\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon) < \gamma \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

(Here, we use the same symbol $\|\cdot\|$ for the Euclidean norms in \mathbb{R}^p and \mathbb{R}^q .)

By (2), for the given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists some $\delta > 0$ with

$$(S2) \quad \|r_{\mu}(x)\| \leq \varepsilon \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}^p \text{ with } \|x - \mu\| \leq \delta$$

Further, according to (6), there exists some $n_0 \in \mathbb{N}$ with

$$(S3) \quad P(\|X_n - \mu\| > \delta) < \gamma \quad \forall n \geq n_0$$

Let $n \geq n_0$. Then, we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} & P(\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon) \\ &= \underbrace{P(\{\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon\} \cap \{\|X_n - \mu\| \leq \delta\})}_{= 0} + P(\{\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon\} \cap \{\|X_n - \mu\| > \delta\}) \end{aligned}$$

since, by (S2) $\|X_n - \mu\| \leq \delta \Rightarrow \|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| \leq \varepsilon$

and thus, the two events

$\{\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon\}$ and $\{\|X_n - \mu\| \leq \delta\}$ are disjoint

$$= P(\{\|r_{\mu}(X_n)\| > \varepsilon\} \cap \{\|X_n - \mu\| > \delta\}) \leq P(\|X_n - \mu\| > \delta) < \gamma$$

by (S3) since $n \geq n_0$.

Thus, we have shown (S1).