

Chapter 5. part 2.

§ 5.3. Convergence in distribution, Central Limit Theorem.

Definition. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a sequence of r.v.'s with CDF $F_1, F_2, \dots, F_n, \dots$ and let X be a r.v. with CDF F , i.e. $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$, $F_n(x) = P(X_n \leq x)$.

$X_n \rightarrow X$ in distribution, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$, at every continuous point of $F(x)$.

From a fact: distribution of F_n is determined by its Moment generate function $M_n(t)$, $M_n(t) = E(e^{tX_n})$, one has (m.g.f.).

Theorem A. Continuity Theorem.

Let F_n , a sequence of CDF with corresponding M_n . Let F be a CDF with m.g.f. M . If $M_n(t) \rightarrow M(t)$ for all t in an open interval containing zero, then $F_n(t) \rightarrow F(t)$ for all continuity points of F .

Example A. Poisson distribution can be approximated by normal distribution for large λ .

$$\text{i.e. } X_n \sim P(\lambda_n), \quad P(X_n=k) = \frac{\lambda_n^k}{k!} e^{-\lambda_n}, \quad k=0, 1, 2, \dots \quad E(X_n) = \lambda_n \\ \text{Var}(X_n) = \lambda_n.$$

when $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$, $X_n \sim N(\lambda_n, \lambda_n)$

$$\text{or } \frac{X_n - \lambda_n}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \sim N(0, 1). \quad R\text{-demonstration}$$

Next, we show that $Z_n = \frac{X_n - \lambda_n}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \xrightarrow{d} N(0, 1)$ as $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$, using Thm A.

$$\text{idea is to show } M_{Z_n}(t) = E(e^{tZ_n}) \longrightarrow E(e^{tz}) = e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}, \text{ where } Z \sim N(0, 1).$$

Proof. Write $Z_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} X_n - \sqrt{\lambda_n}$, (using $Y = a + bX$, $M_Y(t) = e^{at} M_X(bt)$)

$$\text{thus, } M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{\sqrt{\lambda_n} t} M_{X_n}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} t\right)$$

$$Z_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} X_n - \sqrt{\lambda_n}, \quad a = -\sqrt{\lambda_n}, \quad b = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}$$

Since $X_n \sim P(\lambda_n)$, $M_{X_n}(t) = E(e^{tX_n}) = e^{\lambda_n(e^t - 1)}$ from Chapter 4.

One has $M_{Z_n}(t) = e^{-\sqrt{\lambda_n}t} \cdot \lambda_n(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1)$

$$= e^{-\sqrt{\lambda_n}t + \lambda_n(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1)}.$$

We want to show $M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}$, which is equivalent to show $\log M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow \frac{t^2}{2}$

or (*) $-\sqrt{\lambda_n}t + \lambda_n(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1) \rightarrow \frac{t^2}{2}$, as $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$.

same as $\lambda_n(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1 - \frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}) \rightarrow \frac{t^2}{2}$.

let $u = \frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \rightarrow 0$ $\lim_{\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda_n(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}} - 1 - \frac{t}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}}) = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{tu} - 1 - tu}{u^2} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{te^{tu} - t}{2u}$
 (or $\lambda_n = \frac{t^2}{u^2} \rightarrow \infty$) $= \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{te^{tu} - t}{2u} = \lim_{u \rightarrow 0} \frac{t^2 e^{tu} - t^2}{2u} = \frac{t^2}{2}$.

Thus, we proved that $M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow M_Z(t)$, as $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$.

From Thm A, one has $Z_n = \frac{X_n - \lambda_n}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \rightarrow Z = N(0, 1)$ in distribution.

Therefore $P(Z_n \leq x) \rightarrow P(Z \leq x)$

or $P\left(\frac{X_n - \lambda_n}{\sqrt{\lambda_n}} \leq x\right) = P(X_n \leq \lambda_n + \sqrt{\lambda_n} \cdot x) \rightarrow P(Z \leq x) = \Phi(x)$.

Example B. $X \sim P(100)$, i.e. $P(X=k) = \frac{100^k}{k!} e^{-100}$. $\lambda=100$.

from above discussion, $X \sim N(100, 100) = N(100, 10^2)$.

$$P(X \leq 110) = \sum_{k=0}^{110} \frac{100^k}{k!} e^{-100} = 0.8528627 \quad (= ppois(110, 100) \text{ in R})$$

Using normal approximation. $P(X \leq 110) \approx P(W \leq 110)$ where $W \sim N(100, 10^2)$

$$= pnorm(110, 100, 10) = 0.8463447. \quad (\text{compare exact value } 0.8528627).$$

Central Limit Theorem

X_1, X_2, \dots is a sequence of i.i.d. r.v.'s with $\mu = E(X_1)$ and $\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_1)$.

Let $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$, then $E(S_n) = n\mu$, $\text{Var}(S_n) = n\sigma^2$.

$$\text{let } Z_n = \frac{S_n - E(S_n)}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}$$

Theorem B. Central Limit Theorem (CLT)

$$Z_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \xrightarrow{\text{in distribution}} N(0, 1) = Z$$

$$\text{or } P(Z_n \leq x) = P\left(\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \leq x\right) \xrightarrow{\text{in distribution}} P(Z \leq x) = \Phi(x).$$

An application. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{10} be i.i.d. $\sim U(0, 1)$. Calculate an approximation to $P\left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i > 6\right)$.

Ans. $S_{10} = \sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i$, from $E(X_i) = 0.5$, $\text{Var}(X_i) = \frac{1}{12}$, one has $\mu = 0.5$, $\sigma^2 = \frac{1}{12}$, $\sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{From CLT. } P\left(\sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i > 6\right) &= P(S_{10} > 6) = P\left(\frac{S_{10} - 10 \cdot 0.5}{\sqrt{10} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}}} > \frac{6 - 10 \cdot 0.5}{\sqrt{10} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{12}}}\right) \\ &\approx P\left(Z > \frac{6 - 5}{\sqrt{10/12}}\right) = P\left(Z > \sqrt{1.2}\right) = 1 - \Phi(\sqrt{1.2}) = 0.1367. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Proof: } Z_n &= \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \mu)}{\sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot \text{Var}(X_i - \mu)} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X'_i}{\sqrt{n} \cdot \sqrt{n} \cdot \text{Var}(X'_i)}, \quad \text{where } X'_i = X_i - \mu, \\ &\quad (\text{note } \text{Var}(X_i) = \text{Var}(X_i - \mu)) \end{aligned}$$

thus, we only provide a proof for CLT with $E X_i = 0$.

i.e. We show $Z_n = \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \xrightarrow{\text{in distribution}} N(0, 1)$, where X_1, \dots, X_n i.i.d., $E(X_i) = 0$, $\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2$.

$$\text{The idea is to show } M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow M_Z(t) = e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}, \text{ where } M_{Z_n}(t) = E(e^{tZ_n}) = E\left(e^{\frac{tS_n}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}}\right) = E\left(e^{t\frac{\sum X_i}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}}\right) = E\left(e^{\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{tX_i}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}}\right) = E\left(\prod_{i=1}^n e^{\frac{tX_i}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}}\right)$$

$$\text{independent } \prod_{i=1}^n E\left(e^{\frac{tX_i}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}}\right) \stackrel{\substack{\text{same} \\ \text{distribution}}}{=} \left[E\left(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}X_1}\right)\right]^n \quad (**)$$

Now, let $M_{X_1}(t) = E(e^{tX_1})$, m.g.f. for r.v. X_1 . $E(X_1) = M'_{X_1}(0)$, from $E(X_1) = 0$, one has $M'_{X_1}(0) = 0$. From $E(X_1^2) = M''_{X_1}(0)$, one has $M''_{X_1}(0) = \text{Var}(X_1) = \sigma^2$.
 and $\text{Var}(X_1) = E(X_1^2) - (EX_1)^2 = E(X_1^2) = \sigma^2$, $EX_1 = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Now, } M_{X_1}(s) &= M_{X_1}(0) + M'_{X_1}(0)(s-0) + \frac{M''_{X_1}(0)}{2}(s-0)^2 + \varepsilon_s \quad (\text{Taylor expansion for } M_{X_1}(s) \text{ around } s=0.) \\ &= 1 + 0 \cdot s + \frac{\sigma^2}{2}s^2 + \varepsilon_s, \quad (\text{where } M_{X_1}(0) = E(e^{0 \cdot X_1}) \equiv 1, \\ &= 1 + \frac{\sigma^2 s^2}{2} + \varepsilon_s. \quad \text{and } \frac{\varepsilon_s^2}{s^2} \xrightarrow{s \rightarrow 0} 0, \text{ as } s \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{From above (**), one has } M_{Z_n}(t) = \left[E\left(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}X_1}\right)\right]^n$$

$$\text{where } E\left(e^{\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}\sigma}X_1}\right) = E(e^{sX_1}) = M_{X_1}(s), \text{ with } s = \frac{t}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{thus } M_{Z_n}(t) &= \left[M_{X_1}(s)\right]^n = \left[1 + \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \frac{t^2}{n\sigma^2} + \varepsilon_n\right]^n, \quad \left| \begin{array}{l} \text{where } \frac{\varepsilon_n}{\frac{t^2}{n\sigma^2}} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{or } \frac{\sigma^2 n \cdot \varepsilon_n}{t^2} \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \\ \text{or } n \cdot \varepsilon_n \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{array} \right. \\ &= \left[1 + \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{t^2}{2} + n\varepsilon_n\right)\right]^n. \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{Now, using } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{a_n}{n}\right)^n \rightarrow e^a \text{ if } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = a,$$

We have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_{Z_n}(t) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[1 + \frac{\frac{t^2}{2} + n\varepsilon_n}{n}\right]^n \rightarrow e^{\frac{t^2}{2}}, \text{ from } \frac{t^2}{2} + n\varepsilon_n \rightarrow \frac{t^2}{2}.$$

Thus, we proved that $M_{Z_n}(t) \rightarrow e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} = M_Z(t)$, i.e., $Z_n = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \rightarrow N(0, 1)$ in distribution.

Simulation study

Let $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \exp(\lambda)$, $n=5$, $\lambda=2$. $\mu = E(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda} = 0.5$

$$\text{distribution of } Z_n = \frac{\bar{X}_n - n \cdot \mu}{\sqrt{n \sigma^2}} = \frac{\bar{X}_n - n \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{n \cdot \frac{1}{4}}} = \frac{\bar{X}_n - 0.5}{\sqrt{\frac{n}{4}}}$$

$$\sigma^2 = \text{Var}(X_i) = \frac{1}{\lambda^2} = \frac{1}{4}$$

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> n<-5
> K<-1000
> Z<-rep(0, K)
> for(i in 1:K){
+ X<-rexp(n, 2)
+ Z[i]<-(sum(X)-n*(1/2))/sqrt(n/4)}
> hist(Z, prob=T, xlim=c(-4, 4))
> t<-seq(-4, 4, 0.01)
> lines(t, dnorm(t, 0, 1), lwd=2)

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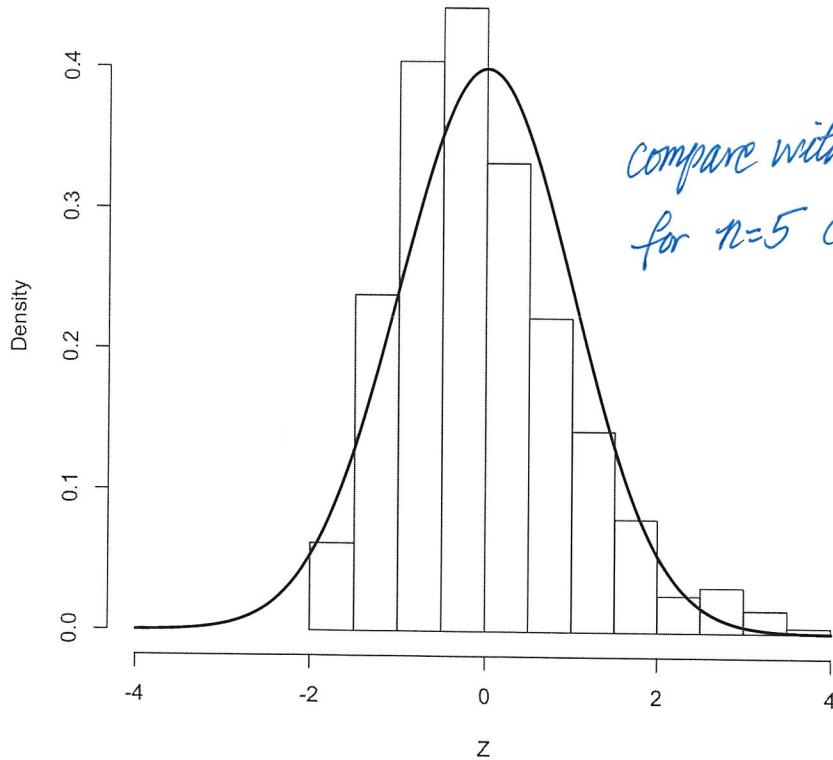
generate $X_1, X_2, X_3, X_4, X_5 \sim \exp(2)$

$Z[i] = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^5 X_i - 5 \cdot \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{n \cdot \frac{1}{4}}}$, repeat this process
 $K=1000$ times.

one obtains $Z_1, Z_2, \dots, Z_{1000}$.

sampling distribution of Z_n based on 1000 sample values.

Histogram of Z

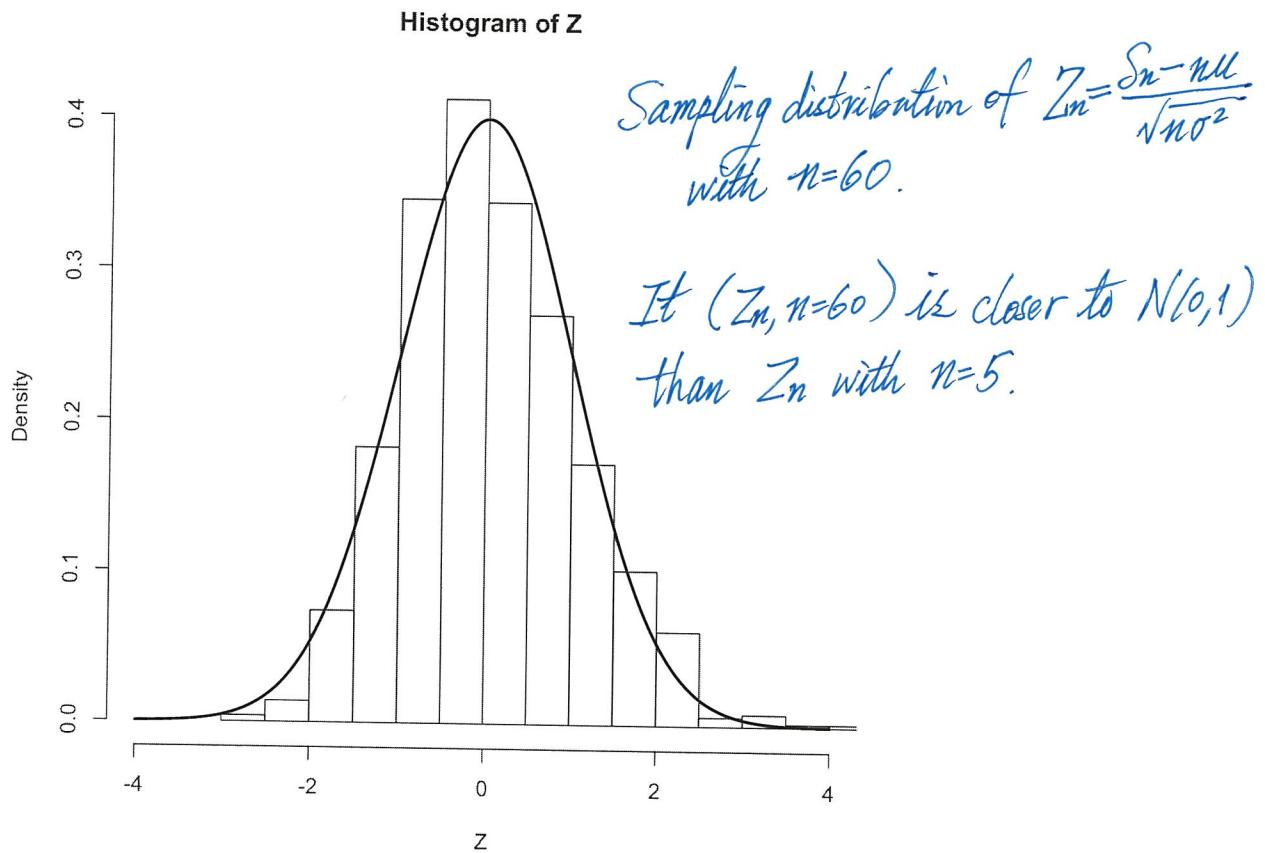


compare with $N(0, 1) = Z$ distribution
for $n=5$ case.

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> n<-60
> K<-1000
> Z<-rep(0, K)
> for(i in 1:K){
+ X<-rexp(n, 2)
+ Z[i]<-(sum(X)-n*(1/2))/sqrt(n/4)}
> hist(Z, prob=T, xlim=c(-4, 4))
> t<-seq(-4, 4, 0.01)
> lines(t, dnorm(t, 0, 1), lwd=2)

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Example D. $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n \sim \exp(1)$, i.e. $X \sim f(x) = \begin{cases} e^{-x}, & x > 0 \\ 0, & x \leq 0. \end{cases}$

Compare with $X \sim P(\alpha, \lambda)$ with p.d.f. $f(x) = \frac{\lambda^x}{P(\alpha)} e^{-\lambda x}$, $x > 0$.

one sees $\exp(1) = P(1, 1)$. From $P(\alpha, \lambda) + P(\beta, \lambda) \sim P(\alpha + \beta, \lambda)$, one has

$$S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n = P(n, 1). \quad (*)$$

From $X \sim P(\alpha, \lambda)$, $E(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda}$, $\text{Var}(X) = \frac{\alpha}{\lambda^2}$, one obtains

$$E(S_n) = \frac{n}{1} = n, \quad \text{Var}(S_n) = \frac{n}{1^2} = n.$$

Therefore, from C.L.T. $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim N(E(S_n), \text{Var}(S_n))$,

$$\text{i.e. } S_n \sim N(n, n) \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

From (*), one also has $S_n \sim P(n, 1)$, which is the exact distribution.

Next, we plot CDF (cumulative distribution function) for $N(0, 1)$ and standardize gamma distribution for $n=5, 10$, and 30 .

For gamma $P(n, 1)$, standardized distribution is

$$\begin{aligned} F_n(t) &= P\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \leq t\right) = P(S_n \leq n + \sqrt{n}t) \\ &= P(P(n, 1) \leq n + \sqrt{n}t) = \text{pgamma}(n + \sqrt{n}t, n, 1). \end{aligned}$$

For standard normal dist., $\Phi(t) = P(Z \leq t) = \text{pnorm}(t, 0, 1)$.

Example D.

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t<-seq(-4, 4, 0.01)
Phit<-pnorm(t, 0,1)  $\leftarrow P(Z \leq t) = \Phi(t).$ 
plot(t, Phit, type="l")
n1<-5
n2<-10
n3<-30
Fn1<-pgamma(n1+sqrt(n1)*t, n1,1)  $\leftarrow F_{n_1}(t) = P(P(n_1) \leq n_1 + \sqrt{n_1}t)$ 
lines(t, Fn1, lty=1, col="red")  $= pgamma(n_1 + \sqrt{n_1}t, n_1, 1)$ 
Fn2<-pgamma(n2+sqrt(n2)*t, n2,1)  $\leftarrow F_{n_2}(t), n_2=10$ 
lines(t, Fn2, lty=2, col="blue")
Fn3<-pgamma(n3+sqrt(n3)*t, n3,1)
lines(t, Fn3, lty=3, col="green")  $\leftarrow F_{n_3}(t), n_3=30.$ 

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