

Probability Theory

- Preliminaries - σ -algebras, Dynkin's π - λ Theorem, independence, Borel-Cantelli lemmas, Kolmogorov's 0-1 Law, Kolmogorov's maximal inequality, strong and weak laws of large numbers
- Central Limit Theorems - weak convergence, characteristic functions, tightness, iid central limit theorem, Lindeberg-Feller central limit theorem
- Conditioning - conditional probability and expectation, regular conditional probabilities
- Martingales - stopping times, upcrossing inequality, uniform integrability, A.S. convergence, Doob's decomposition, Doob's inequality, L^p convergence, L^1 convergence, reverse martingale convergence, optional stopping time, Wald's Identity
- Markov Chains - countable state space, stationary measures, convergence theorems, recurrence and transience, asymptotic behavior

Theorems & Proof Ideas

Chebyshev's Inequality

$$i_A P(X \in A) \leq E \varphi(X)$$

$$a^2 P(|X| \geq a) \leq E |X|^2$$

Proof Idea:

$$E (i_A \mathbb{1}_{X \in A} \leq \varphi(X) \mathbb{1}_{X \in A} \leq \varphi(X))$$

$$i_A = \inf \{ \varphi(x) : x \in A \}$$

iid Weak LLN

$$X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ iid}$$

$$EX_i = \mu \quad \text{Var}(X_i) < \infty$$

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu \text{ in P}$$

Proof Ideas

Chebyshev $P(|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu| > \epsilon) \leq \epsilon^{-2} \text{var}(\frac{S_n}{n}) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2} \rightarrow 0$
 Alt: characteristic functions $\rightarrow e^{i\mu t} = \varphi_{\mu}(t)$.
 and $\Rightarrow \mu$ implies in P μ .
 (If $E|X_i| < \infty$ instead of variance use truncation and triangular arrays)

Borel-Cantelli Lemma

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty \Rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

Proof Idea:

$$N = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{A_k} \quad EN = \sum P(A_n) < \infty$$

$$\text{so } N < \infty \text{ a.s. } \rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = P(N = \infty) = 0$$

Second Borel-Cantelli Lemma

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty \text{ \& } A_n \text{ independent}$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$$

Proof Idea:

$P(\bigcup_{n=1}^M A_n) \rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.})$ as $M \rightarrow \infty$.
 $1 - P(\bigcup_{n=1}^M A_n) = P(\bigcap_{n=1}^M A_n^c) = \prod_{n=1}^M (1 - P(A_n)) \leq \prod_{n=1}^M e^{-P(A_n)} = e^{-\sum_{n=1}^M P(A_n)} \rightarrow 0$
 so $P(\bigcup_{n=1}^M A_n) \rightarrow 1 \forall M$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$. So $P(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n) = 1 \rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$

iid Strong LLN

$$X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ iid}$$

$$EX_i = \mu \quad EX_i^4 < \infty$$

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu$$

Proof Idea:

STP $P(|\frac{S_n}{n}| > \epsilon \text{ i.o.}) = 0$ (assume $EX_i = \mu = 0$).
 By Cheb. $P(|\frac{S_n}{n}| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{E|S_n|^4}{n^4 \epsilon^4} < \frac{C}{n^2}$
 $\rightarrow E|S_n|^4 = n EX_i^4 + 3n^2 EX_i^2 EX_j^2 \leq 3n^2 EX_i^4 \leq Cn^2$
 so $\sum P(\dots) < \infty$ and BC says $P(|\frac{S_n}{n}| > \epsilon \text{ i.o.}) = 0$.
 If $EX = \infty$ $X \geq 0$ take $Y_n = \mathbb{1}_{X_n \leq B} X_n$ apply.

Kolmogorov 0-1 Law

$$X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ independent}$$

$$A \in \mathcal{T}(X_1, X_2, \dots)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A) \in \{0, 1\}$$

Proof Idea:

show A independent from itself so
 $P(A) = P(A \cap A) = P(A)^n \in \{0, 1\}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Theorems & Proof Ideas

Kolmogorov Max Inequality

X_1, X_2, \dots independent
 $EX_i = 0$ $var(X_i) < \infty$
 $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$

$$P(\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} |S_m| \geq x) \leq x^{-2} var(S_n)$$

Inversion Formula for φ

$\int |\varphi(t)| dt < \infty$ μ has bdd density
 $f(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{-ity} \varphi(t) dt$

Continuity Theorem

$\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow \varphi_\infty(t)$ pt wise &
 φ_∞ cts @ $t=0 \Rightarrow \mu_n$ tight
and $\mu_n \Rightarrow \mu_{\text{bdd}}$ (w/ char fun φ_∞)

iid Central Limit Theorem

X_1, X_2, \dots iid $EX_i = \mu$
 $var(X_i) = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$
 $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$

Lindeberg-Feller CLT

$X_{n,m}$ independent $1 \leq m \leq n$ $EX_{n,m} = 0$
(i) $\sum_{m=1}^n E(X_{n,m}^2) \rightarrow \sigma^2 > 0$
(ii) $\forall \epsilon > 0, \sum_{m=1}^n E(|X_{n,m}|^2; |X_{n,m}| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$
 $X_1 + \dots + X_n \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$

Proof Idea:

Break up by $A_k = \{ |S_k| \geq x \text{ first time} \}$.
 $var(S_n) = ES_n^2 \geq \sum_k \int_{A_k} S_k^2 dP \geq \sum_k \int_{A_k} x^2 dP$
 $\geq \sum_k x^2 P(A_k) = x^2 P(\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} |S_m| \geq x)$
clever quadratic rewriting trick.

Proof Idea:

use general inversion formula and
 $\frac{e^{-itx} - e^{-it(x+h)}}{it} = \int_x^{x+h} e^{-ity} dy$ and apply Fubini's.

Proof Idea:

decay of measure near ∞ bounded by
integral of φ near 0 . Continuity sends
this to 0 so no mass loss \rightarrow tightness.

Proof Idea:

$\varphi_x(t) = 1 + itEX - \frac{t^2 EX^2}{2} + O(t^3)$ $EX = 0$
 $= 1 + O - \frac{t^2 \sigma^2}{2} + O(t^3)$
 $\varphi_{\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}}(t) = (1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + O(\frac{t^3}{n}))^n \rightarrow e^{-t^2/2} = \varphi_N(t)$
continuity thm says $\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$

Proof Idea:

$\varphi_{S_n}(t) = \prod \varphi_{n,m}(t) \rightarrow \prod (1 - \frac{t^2 \sigma_{n,m}^2}{2}) \rightarrow \exp(-t^2/2)$
L-F \Rightarrow IID:
 $X_{n,m} = \frac{X_m - \mu}{\sqrt{n}}$ $X_{n,1} + \dots + X_{n,n} = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}}$

Theorems & Proof Ideas

Upcrossing Inequality

X_n submartingale, $a < b$
 $U_n = \#$ of upcrossings by time n
 $(b-a)E U_n \leq E(X_n - a)^+ - E(X_0 - a)^+$

Proof Idea:

$Y_m = a + (X_m - a)^+$ H upcrossing betting
 $(b-a)U_n \leq (H \cdot Y)_n$
 $(1-H \cdot Y)_n$ submartingale
 $(b-a)E U_n \leq (H \cdot Y)_n \leq (H \cdot Y)_n + (1-H \cdot Y)_n = E Y_n - E Y_0$

A.S. Martingale Convergence

X_n submartingale, $\sup E X_n^+ < \infty$
 $\Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} X$ and $E|X| < \infty$

Proof Idea:

upcrossing $E U_n \leq (b-a)^{-1} E(X_n - a)^+ \leq \frac{|a| + E X_n^+}{b-a}$
 Bdd $\sup E X_n^+$ shows $E U_n \uparrow E U < \infty$ ($U < \infty$ a.s.)
 holds for all a,b so always ends up inside a narrow range $\Rightarrow X_n$ conv a.s.

Doob's Decomposition

X_n submartingale, has unique decomposition $X_n = M_n + A_n$
 M_n martingale, A_n inc. pred. seq.

Proof Idea:

$A_n - A_{n-1} = E(X_n | F_{n-1}) - X_{n-1}$ ($A_0 = 0$)
 set $M_n = X_n - A_n$ and check conditions.

Bounded T Optional Stopping

X_n submartingale, T stopping time
 $P(T \leq K) = 1$ for some K
 $\Rightarrow E X_0 \leq E X_T \leq E X_K$

Proof Idea:

$X_{T \wedge n}$ submartingale $E X_0 \leq E X_{T \wedge n} \leq E X_{T \wedge K}$
 $K_n = 1_{N \leq n} \rightarrow (K \cdot X)_n = X_n - X_{N \wedge n}$ submart.
 $E X_K - E X_N = E(K \cdot X)_K \geq E(K \cdot X)_0 = 0$.

Doob's Inequality:

X_n submartingale, $\lambda > 0$
 $\lambda P(\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m^+ \geq \lambda) \leq E X_n^+$

Proof Idea:

$N = \inf \{ m : X_m \geq \lambda \text{ or } m = n \}$
 $\lambda P(\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m^+ \geq \lambda) \leq \frac{E X_N^+ 1_A}{P(N \leq n) = 1} \leq E X_N^+ 1_A \leq E X_N \leq E X_n^+$

Theorems & Proof Ideas

L^p Maximal Inequality

X_n submartingale, $1 < p < \infty$

$$E\left(\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} (X_m^+)^p\right) \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^p E(X_n^+)^p$$

Proof Idea:

Express $E(\max^p)$ as integral, apply Doob's Inequality and some clever calculus.

L^p Convergence Theorem:

X_n submartingale $1 < p < \infty$

$\sup E|X_n|^p < \infty$ then

$X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. and in L^p

Proof Idea:

$E(X_n^+)^p \leq E|X_n|^p$ so get $\sup EX_n^+ < \infty$ and $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. convergence.

$E(\max |X_m|^p) < \infty$ by $\sup EX_n^p < \infty$, $|X_n - X|^p \leq (2 \sup |X_n|)^p + \text{dominated conv}$
 $E|X_n - X|^p \rightarrow 0$ so $X_n \rightarrow X$ in L^p .

L¹ Convergence Theorem:

X_n submartingale TFAE

- (i) X_n uniformly integrable
- (ii) X_n converges in L^1 and a.s.

Martingale $\Rightarrow X_n = E(X|F_n) \forall n$.

Proof Idea:

U.I. $\Rightarrow \sup E|X_n| \leq M+1 < \infty$ so $\sup EX_n^+ < \infty$. gives $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. convergence (k in P).

w/ $E|X_n| < \infty$.

$$\psi_m(x) = \begin{cases} mx & |x| \geq m \\ x & |x| < m \end{cases}$$

cut off after band of m

$$E|X_n - X| \leq E|X_n - \psi_m(X_n)| + E|\psi_m(X_n) - \psi_m(X)| + E|X - \psi_m(X)|$$

$\rightarrow 0$ by U.I. \downarrow since in P \downarrow by U.I. and $E|X| < \infty$

Reverse Martingale Convergence

X_n reverse martingale

$X_n \rightarrow X_\infty$ in L^1 and a.s.

Proof Idea:

Same upcrossing inequality gives $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. martingale gives $X_n = E(X_0|F_n)$ (by reverse) is U.I. collection so converges in L^1 too.

U.I. \Rightarrow Optional Stopping

X_n U.I. submartingale

$$\Rightarrow EX_0 \leq EX_N \leq EX_{\infty}$$

N stopping time

Proof Idea:

$$X_{N \wedge n} \text{ U.I. } \Rightarrow E|X_{N \wedge n}| = E(|X_{N \wedge n}| |X_{N \wedge n}| > m) + E(|X_{N \wedge n}| |X_{N \wedge n}| \leq m) \rightarrow 0 \text{ by U.I.}$$

submartingale $EX_{N \wedge n} \leq EX_n$

$\sup EX_{N \wedge n} \leq \sup EX_n^+ < \infty$ by U.I. so $X_{N \wedge n} \rightarrow X_N$ a.s. and $E|X_N| < \infty$ so $P(|X_N| > M) \rightarrow 0$. U.I. $\Rightarrow X_{N \wedge n} \rightarrow X_N$ in L^1 .

Proof Idea:

$$EX_0 - X_N = EX_0 - X_{N \wedge n} + X_{N \wedge n} - X_N$$

\downarrow add stop time \downarrow L^1 conv.

Show $X_{N \wedge n}$ dominated by int. r.v so is U.I.

$$|X_{N \wedge n}| \leq |X_0| + \sum_{k=1}^n |X_{k+1} - X_k| \mathbb{1}_{N > k}$$

$$E(\sum -) \leq BE(N) < \infty$$

so $EX_0 \leq EX_N$.

"increments" Optional Stopping

X_n submartingale
 $E(|X_{n+1} - X_n| |F_n) \leq B$ a.s.
 $EN < \infty$, N stop time } $X_{N \wedge n}$ U.I. $\Rightarrow EX_0 \leq EX_N$

Theorems & Proof Ideas:

Wald's Equation:

ξ_1, ξ_2, \dots i.i.d $E\xi_i = \mu$
 N st time $EN < \infty$
 $\Rightarrow ES_N = \mu EN$

Proof Idea:

$X_n = S_n - \mu n$ martingale $\rightarrow ES_{N \wedge n} = \mu EN \wedge n$
 $0 \leq N \wedge n \uparrow N$ so monotone convergence of RHS.
 $S_{N \wedge n} \rightarrow S_N$ so $ES_{N \wedge n} \rightarrow ES_N$ also.
 Alt: "increments" optional stopping

Existence of Stat. Meas.

\exists recurrent χ
 $\mu(x, y) = E_x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{T_x-1} 1_{X_n=y} \right)$
 stationary measure

Proof Idea:

$T_x = \inf \{ n \geq 1 : X_n = x \}$
 $E_x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{T_x-1} 1_{X_n=y} \right) =$ Expected # of visits to y in S_0, \dots, T_x-1
 $= \sum_{z \text{ expand}} \mu(x, z) p(z, y) = \sum_{z \neq x} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_x(X_n=z, T_x > n) \cdot p(z, y)$
 $= E_x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{T_x-1} 1_{X_n=y} \right) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_x(X_n=y, T_x > n)$
 $X_0 = X_{T_x} = x \neq y$ ($\mu(x, x) = 1$)

Uniqueness of Stat. Meas.

irreducible & \exists recurrent χ
 \Rightarrow stat meas unique (scaling)

Proof Idea:

v stat., a recurrent $v(z) = v(a) p(a, z) + \sum_{y \neq a} v(y) p(y, z)$
 $\Rightarrow v(z) = v(a) \mu_a(z) + P(-) \geq v(a) \mu_a(z)$
 $v(a) = \sum_x v(x) p(x, a) \geq \sum_x v(a) \mu_a(x) p(x, a) = v(a) \mu_a(a)$
 gives termwise equality since all terms ≥ 0 so
 $v(z) = \frac{v(a) \mu_a(z)}{\mu_a(a)}$
 scaling factor.

Existence of Stat. Dist.

irreducible, TFAE
 (i) \exists positive recurrent state x
 (ii) \exists stat distribution $\pi(x)$

Proof Idea:

(i) \Rightarrow (ii)
 μ_x stat. meas.
 $\sum_y \mu_x(y) = \sum_y \sum_x P(X_n=y, T_x > n) = \sum_x P_x(T_x > n) = E_x T_x < \infty$
 μ_x meas. unique up to scaling so divide by $E_x T_x$ gives stat dist.
 (ii) \Rightarrow (i)
 Every state recurrent so $\mu_y(z)$ stat meas, but unique up to scaling
 $\frac{\mu_x(z)}{E_x T_x} = \pi(z) \mu_\pi(y) = \frac{1}{E_x T_x}$
 $\mu_\pi(y) = 0 \forall y$ so
 $E_x T_x < \infty \forall x$.

Markov Convergence

P irreducible, aperiodic, and stat. dist π then
 $P^n(x, y) \rightarrow \pi(y)$

Proof Idea:

$X_n \times Y_n$ copies of chain, Y starts @ π dist.
 P irred + aperiodic $\Rightarrow \bar{P}(X, Y)$ irreducible to 0.
 π stationary $\rightarrow \bar{\pi}$ stationary $\rightarrow \bar{P}$ all recurrent states.
 (x, x) recurrent $T_{x, x} < \infty$ a.s. $\rightarrow T_{x, y} < T_{x, x} < \infty$ a.s.
 Bound $\sum_n |P^n(x, y) - \pi(y)| \leq 2P(T > n) \rightarrow 0$.

Partition of Recurrent States:

$R = \{ \text{recurrent states} \}$
 $R = \cup R_i$ closed & irreducible

Proof Idea:

$C_x = \{ y : p_{xy} > 0 \}$ show this satisfies equivalence relation on R .
 Each C_x is closed & irreducible by construction.

σ -algebras

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Defns

• σ -algebra
(i) $A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}$

(ii) $\exists A_i \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F}$
(countable unions)

• algebra
(i) $A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^c \in \mathcal{F}$

(ii) $A, B \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A \cup B \in \mathcal{F}$
(finite unions)

• semi-algebra
(i) $A \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A^c = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i, B_i \in \mathcal{F}$

(ii) $A, B \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \mathcal{F}$
(finite intersection)

σ -algebras \subsetneq algebras \subsetneq semi-algebras

Example

$$\Omega = \mathbb{Z}$$

$\mathcal{F} =$ finite or cofinite subsets of \mathbb{Z}

\mathcal{F} is an algebra but not a σ -algebra

$$2\mathbb{Z} = \bigcup_n \{2n, -2n\} \notin \mathcal{F}$$

Example

$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\emptyset\} \cup \{(a, b] : -\infty \leq a < b \leq \infty\}$$

\mathcal{F} is a semi-algebra but $(a, b]^c = (-\infty, a] \cup (b, \infty) \notin \mathcal{F}$.

Random Variables

Defn

- $X: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is \mathcal{F} -measurable if $\forall B \in \mathcal{R}, X^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$. Then X is a random variable.
- $X: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$ is \mathcal{F} -measurable then it is a random vector. ($X = (X_1, \dots, X_d)$) random variables
- $\sigma(X) = \{X^{-1}(B) : B \in \mathcal{R}\}$ is the σ -field generated by X and is smallest σ -field in which X is meas.

Combinations

- compositions of measurable maps are measurable
- X_1, \dots, X_n rand. var then $X_1 + \dots + X_n$ is too (finite sums)

Pf:

$$\{X_1 + X_2 < r\} = \bigcup_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} \{X_1 < r - q\} \cap \{X_2 < q\} \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and induction.}$$

- $\inf X_n, \sup X_n, \liminf X_n, \limsup X_n$ random variables (possibly on extended real line \mathbb{R}^*)

Random Variables

$$\boxed{X}$$

$$X(\omega) = \sup_{w \in (0, 1)} \{y : F(y) < w\}$$

$$X(\omega) = \sup_{w \in (0, 1)} \{y : \mu(-\infty, y] < w\}$$

Distribution Functions

$$F(y) := P(X \leq y)$$

$$\boxed{F}$$

$$F(y) = \mu((-\infty, y])$$

Probability Measures

$$\mu(A) := P(X \in A)$$

$$\text{extend } \mu((-\infty, y]) := F(y)$$

$$\boxed{\mu}$$

Measures and Distribution Functions

Defns

- μ is a measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) if $\mu: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ (i) $\mu(A) \geq \mu(\emptyset) = 0$ for all $A \in \mathcal{F}$ (ii) $A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ countable and disjoint $\mu(\bigcup_i A_i) = \sum_i \mu(A_i)$
- μ is a probability measure if $\mu(\Omega) = 1$.
- X a random variable $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defines its distribution function $F(x) = P(X \leq x) = P(X^{-1}((-\infty, x]))$ its probability measure $\mu(A) = P(X \in A) = P(X^{-1}(A))$.
- If $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y) dy$ then $f(y)$ is the density function of X and makes X absolutely continuous
- μ is σ -finite if $\exists \{A_n\}$ w/ $\mu(A_n) < \infty$ and $\bigcup_n A_n = \Omega$.

Properties

- Distribution functions (i) F is nondecreasing (ii) F is right continuous (iii) $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1, \lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$.

} characterize dist fun so if F satisfies then $X(\omega) = \sup \{y : F(y) \leq \omega\}$ $X: (0,1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is R.V. w/ dist fun F .

- measures $A \subseteq B \Rightarrow \mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ $A \subseteq \bigcup_i A_i \Rightarrow \mu(A) \leq \sum_i \mu(A_i)$ $A_i \uparrow A \Rightarrow \mu(A_i) \uparrow \mu(A)$ $A_i \downarrow A \Rightarrow \mu(A_i) \downarrow \mu(A)$ $\mu(A_i) < \infty$

Integration

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→ μ is σ -finite ←

Simple Functions

$\psi = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}$ for disjoint A_i , with $\mu(A_i) < \infty$

$$\int \psi d\mu := \sum a_i \mu(A_i) \quad [\psi \text{ representation}]$$

Bounded Functions

Take simple $\psi \leq f$ and $\psi \geq f$ then

$$\int f d\mu := \sup_{\psi \leq f} \int \psi d\mu = \inf_{\psi \geq f} \int \psi d\mu$$

Non-negative Functions

$$\int f d\mu := \sup_h \left\{ \int h d\mu : 0 \leq h \leq f, h \text{ bounded } \right\}$$

$\mu(\{x: h(x) \neq 0\}) < \infty$

Integrable Functions

f is integrable if $\int |f| d\mu < \infty$

$$f^+ = \max(f, 0)$$

$$f^- = \min(f, 0)$$

$$f = f^+ - f^-$$

$$\int f d\mu := \int f^+ d\mu - \int f^- d\mu$$

Properties

• $f \geq 0$ a.e. $\Rightarrow \int f d\mu \geq 0$

• $\forall a \in \mathbb{R} \quad \int a f d\mu = a \int f d\mu$

• $\int f + g d\mu = \int f d\mu + \int g d\mu$

• $g \leq f$ a.e. $\Rightarrow \int g d\mu \leq \int f d\mu$
(if $g = f$ a.e. $\Rightarrow \int g d\mu = \int f d\mu$)

• $|\int f d\mu| \leq \int |f| d\mu$

Convergence Theorems

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Monotone Convergence

$$f_n \geq 0 \quad f_n \uparrow f$$

$$\Rightarrow \int f_n d\mu \uparrow \int f d\mu$$

Dominated Convergence

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ a.e.}$$

$$|f_n| \leq g \quad \forall n$$

g integrable

$$(\int |g| d\mu < \infty)$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_n \rightarrow f \text{ a.e.} \\ |f_n| \leq g \quad \forall n \\ g \text{ integrable} \\ (\int |g| d\mu < \infty) \end{array} \right\} \int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$$

Bounded Convergence

$$f_n \rightarrow f \text{ a.e.}$$

$$|f_n| \leq M$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_n \rightarrow f \text{ a.e.} \\ |f_n| \leq M \end{array} \right\} \int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$$

Fatou's Lemma

$$f_n \geq 0$$

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} f_n \geq 0 \end{array} \right\} \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\mu \geq \int \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n d\mu$$

Expected Values

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~~Expected Value~~ Expected Value

$$EX = \int_{\Omega} X dP \quad (\text{Expected Value or mean of } X)$$

X has measure μ

$$E\varphi(X) = \int \varphi(x) \mu(dx)$$

Note:

$EX = EX^+ - EX^-$
so if $EX < \infty$ then $EX^+ < \infty$
and $E|X| < \infty$ too.

X has density $f(x)$

$$E\varphi(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \varphi(x) f(x) dx$$

$$E|X| = \int P(|X| > x) dx \quad \text{or} \quad \sum_n P(|X| \geq n)$$

$$E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$$

$$E(aX+b) = aE(X) + b$$

k^{th} moment

$$EX^k$$

if k even
or $X \geq 0$ $\Rightarrow EX^k = \int_0^{\infty} k y^{k-1} P(|X| > y) dy$

variance

$$E(X - \mu)^2 = EX^2 - (EX)^2 = EX^2 - \mu^2$$

Chebyshev's Inequality

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General form

$$\psi \geq 0 \quad I_A = \inf \{ \psi(y) : y \in A \}$$

$$I_A P(X \in A) \leq \underbrace{E(\psi(X); X \in A)}_{\int_A \psi(x) dP} \leq E\psi(X)$$

Common Form

$$P(|X| \geq a) \leq a^{-2} \text{var}(X)$$

$$P(|X|^2 = X^2 \geq a^2)$$

$$\psi(x) = x^2 \quad A = \{x : |x| \geq a\} \quad I_A = a^2 \quad \begin{array}{l} \text{when } EX = 0 \\ E\psi(X) = \text{var}(X) \end{array}$$

Jensen's Inequality

ψ convex (e.g. $x^2, |x|$)

$$\psi\left(\int f d\mu\right) \leq \int \psi(f) d\mu$$

$$\psi(EX) \leq E\psi(X)$$

Example: $(EX^2)^2 \leq EX^4$

Holder's Inequality

$$p, q \in [1, \infty] \quad \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$$

$$E|XY| \leq (E|X|^p)^{1/p} (E|Y|^q)^{1/q}$$

$$\int |fg| d\mu \leq \left(\int |f|^p d\mu \right)^{1/p} \left(\int |g|^q d\mu \right)^{1/q}$$

Cauchy-Schwarz Inequality

$p=q=1/2$ Holder's.

$$E|XY| \leq \sqrt{EX^2} \sqrt{EY^2}$$

Note: since $XY \leq |XY|$, we have $(EXY)^2 \leq EX^2 EY^2$.

Fubini's Theorem

Fubini's Theorem

μ_1, μ_2 σ -finite

$f \geq 0$ OR $\int |f| d\mu < \infty$

then
$$\iint_{X \times Y} f d\mu_1 d\mu_2 = \int_{X \times Y} f d\mu_{\mu_1 \times \mu_2} = \int_Y \int_X f d\mu_2 d\mu_1$$

Counterexample ($f \not\equiv 0$)

$f: \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \{0, \pm 1\}$

	0	0	1	-1	...
↑	0	1	-1	0	...
↑	1	-1	0	0	...
	$n \rightarrow$				

$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} f(n,m) = \int f d\mu$ counting measure

$\sum_m \sum_n f(n,m) = \sum_m 0 = 0$ X

$\sum_n \sum_m f(n,m) = (\sum_{n>0} 0) + 1 = 1$

Counterexample (μ not σ -finite)

$X = Y = (0, 1)$

μ_1 Lebesgue, μ_2 counting meas.

$f(x,y) = \begin{cases} 1 & x=y \\ 0 & x \neq y \end{cases}$

$\int_X \int_Y f d\mu_2 d\mu_1 = \int_X 1 d\mu_1 = 1$ #

$\int_Y \int_X f d\mu_1 d\mu_2 = \int_Y 0 d\mu_2 = 0$

Application

$E|X| = \int_{\Omega} |X| d\mu = \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{x \leq |X|\}} dx d\mu$

Fubini \rightarrow

$= \int_0^{\infty} P(|X| > x) dx$

Dynkin's π - λ Theorem

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\mathcal{P} a π -system
($A, B \in \mathcal{P} \Rightarrow A \cap B \in \mathcal{P}$)

\mathcal{L} a λ -system
($\emptyset \in \mathcal{L}, A, B \in \mathcal{L} \Rightarrow A - B \in \mathcal{L}$
 $A_i \in \mathcal{L} \Rightarrow \cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{L}$)

$$\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{L} \Rightarrow \sigma(\mathcal{P}) \subseteq \mathcal{L}$$

S a σ -algebra $\iff S$ π, λ system

Significance

Lifting properties from π -system to its σ -alg

EX: $\mathcal{L} = \{A: \mu_1(A) = \mu_2(A)\}$

show $\mu_1 = \mu_2$ on $\mathcal{P} \subseteq \mathcal{L}$ then

$\mu_1 = \mu_2$ on $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$.

Types of Convergence

$X_n \xrightarrow{L^r} X$ (in mean, r-mean)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(|X_n - X|^r) = 0$$

$X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ (in probability, in P)

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) = 0 \quad \forall \epsilon > 0$$

$X_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} X$ (almost sure)

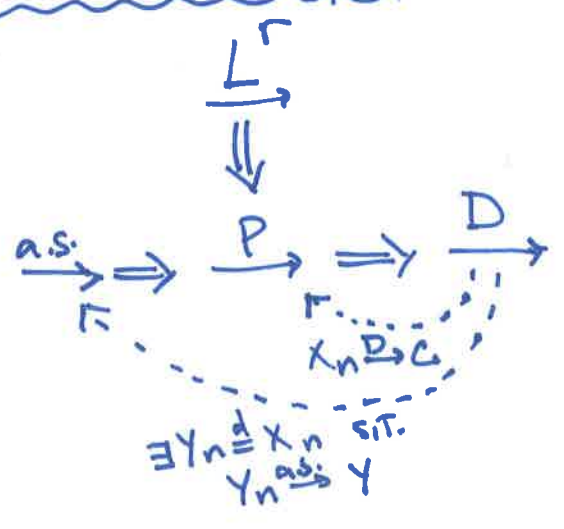
$$Pr(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = X) = 1. \quad \left(\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad Pr(|X_n - X| > \epsilon \text{ i.o.}) = 0 \right)$$

$X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ (in distribution) ($X_n \Rightarrow X$)

Distribution functions F_n and F

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(y) = F(y) \text{ for all } y \text{ where } F \text{ cts @ } y.$$

Relationships



Examples

- $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X, X_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} X$
 $X_n = I_{A_n}$, A_n shrinking rotating intervals on $(0,1)$.

- $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X, X_n \not\xrightarrow{L^r} X$
 $X_n = n \mathbb{1}_{[0, 1/n]}$ $\xrightarrow{P} 0$
 but $E|X_n|^r = n^{r-1} \not\rightarrow 0$ ($r \geq 1$)

- $X_n \Rightarrow X, X_n \not\xrightarrow{P} X$
 $X_n(\omega) = \begin{cases} \omega & n \text{ even} \\ 1-\omega & n \text{ odd} \end{cases}$ $F_n(y) = y$ on $(0,1) \forall n$.

Types of Convergence (cont.)

a.s. \Rightarrow in P

$$P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\lim X_n \neq X) \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} 0$$

$L^p \Rightarrow$ in P

$$P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \leq \frac{E^p |X_n - X|^p}{\epsilon^p} \xrightarrow{L^p \text{ conv}} 0$$

Chebyshev

in P \Rightarrow weak conv.

$$P(X \leq a) \leq P(B \in a + \epsilon) + P(|X - B| > \epsilon)$$

$$F_n(a) \leq F(a + \epsilon) + P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$$

$$F(a - \epsilon) \leq F_n(a) + P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon)$$

$$F(a - \epsilon) \leq \lim F_n(a) \leq F(a + \epsilon)$$

Let $\epsilon \rightarrow 0$, at cts pts $\lim F_n(a) = F(a)$ ✓

$X_n \Rightarrow C \Rightarrow X_n \rightarrow C$ in P

$$F_c(y) = \begin{cases} 1 & y \geq c \\ 0 & y < c \end{cases} \quad \text{cts @ } \mathbb{R} - \{c\}$$

$$P(|X_n - C| > \epsilon) = F_n(C - \epsilon) + 1 - F_n(C + \epsilon)$$

$$\rightarrow F(C - \epsilon) + 1 - F(C + \epsilon) = 0$$

$X_n \xrightarrow{\text{in P}} X \iff$ every X_m has subseq $X_{m_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$.

Choose $\epsilon_k \rightarrow 0$ and m_k s.t.
 $P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k) \leq 2^{-k}$. By BC
 $\sum P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k) < \infty \rightarrow P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k \text{ i.o.}) = 0$
 so $X_{m_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$.

$X_n \xrightarrow{\text{in P}} X$ f cts $\Rightarrow f(X_n) \xrightarrow{\text{in P}} f(X)$

$X_n \rightarrow X$ every seq X_m has subseq $X_{m_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$ and so $f(X_{m_k}) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} f(X)$.
 but then hold for all seq so $f(X_n) \xrightarrow{\text{in P}} f(X)$.

$F_n \Rightarrow F_\infty$ implies $\exists Y_n \sim F_n, Y_\infty \sim F_\infty$
 s.t. $Y_n \rightarrow Y_\infty$ a.s.

$X_n \Rightarrow X_\infty \iff \forall$ bdd cts function g
 $Eg(X_n) \rightarrow Eg(X_\infty)$.

Independence

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$$P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B)$$

Independent σ -fields

$\mathcal{F}_1, \mathcal{F}_2, \dots$

any choice $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i$

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(A_i)$$

Independent variables

$\sigma(X_1), \sigma(X_2), \dots, \sigma(X_n)$ independent

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \quad P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n \{X_i \in A_i\}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i \in A_i)$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \forall x_1, x_2, \dots \quad P(X_i < x_i \forall i=1, \dots, n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(X_i < x_i)$$

Dynkin π - λ

$x_i \geq 0$
or $E|X_i| < \infty$

independence \Rightarrow uncorrelated \Rightarrow variance adds
 $E(XY) = EXEY$ $\text{var}(X_1 + \dots + X_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n \text{var}(X_i)$

$$\text{var}(cX) = c^2 \text{var}(X).$$

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Weak Law of Large Numbers

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iid version WLLN

X_1, X_2, \dots iid

finite variance
(or just $E|X_i| < \infty$)

$$\mu = EX_1$$

$$S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$$

$$\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{P} \mu \text{ (in probability)}$$

Pf Sketch (finite variance)

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0$$

$$P\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| > \varepsilon\right) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} \varepsilon^{-2} E\left(\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right)^2 = \varepsilon^{-2} \text{var}\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) = \frac{\sigma^2}{n\varepsilon^2} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Extension to $E|X_i| < \infty$ uses truncation & triangle arrays.

Alt Pf (characteristic functions)

$\varphi_X(t)$ ch. f. for X .

$$\text{Taylor Series } \varphi_X(t) = E e^{itX} = 1 + itEX + \underbrace{O(t^2)}$$

$$\varphi_{\frac{S_n}{n}}(t) = (\varphi_X(t))^n = \varphi_X\left(\frac{t}{n}\right)^n = \left(1 + i\mu \frac{t}{n} + O\left(\frac{t^2}{n^2}\right)\right)^n$$

$$\text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad O\left(\frac{t^2}{n^2}\right) \rightarrow 0 \text{ fast so } \varphi_{\frac{S_n}{n}}(t) \rightarrow e^{i\mu t} = \varphi_\mu(t)$$

so $\frac{S_n}{n} \Rightarrow \mu$ but μ constant so $\frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu$ in probability

Borel-Cantelli Lemma

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Borel-Cantelli Lemma

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$ then

$$P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{m=n}^{\infty} A_m) = P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

"infinitely often"

Second Borel-Cantelli Lemma

$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty$ and A_n independent.

$$P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{m=n}^{\infty} A_m) = P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$$

Note: BC2 is a partial converse of BC1.

If A_n not independent $A_n = (0, 1/n)$

$$\sum P(A_n) = \sum 1/n = \infty \text{ but } P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = P(\emptyset) = 0 \neq 1.$$

Applications

Thm $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ if and only if every subsequence X_m has subsequence $X_{m_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$.

Pf choose m_k s.t. $P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k) \leq 2^{-k}$ then
 $\sum P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k) \leq \sum 2^{-k} < \infty$ so $P(|X_{m_k} - X| > \epsilon_k \text{ i.o.}) = 0$
so $X_{m_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$.

Thm $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$, f cts $\implies f(X_n) \xrightarrow{P} f(X)$
also f bounded $\implies E f(X_n) \rightarrow E f(X)$

Pf use equivalent characterization of \xrightarrow{P} above.

Strong Law of Large Numbers

iid version SLLN

$$\left. \begin{array}{l}
 X_1, X_2, \dots \text{ iid (pairwise iid suff)} \\
 EX_i = \mu \text{ (or } EX_i^+ = \infty, EX_i^- < \infty) \\
 EX_i^4 < \infty \text{ (sufficient)} \\
 (E|X_i| < \infty)
 \end{array} \right\} \frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu$$

Pf Sketch ($EX_i^4 < \infty$)

Take $\mu = 0$ ($X \mapsto X - \mu$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 ES_n^4 &= \sum_{i,j,k,l} EX_i X_j X_k X_l \stackrel{\text{independence}}{=} \sum_i EX_i^4 + \sum_{i \neq j} EX_i^2 EX_j^2 \\
 &= n EX_i^4 + 2n^2 (EX_i^2)^2 \\
 &\stackrel{\text{Jensen's Inequality}}{\leq} C n^2 EX_i^4 \leq C' n^2
 \end{aligned}$$

$$P(|S_n| > n\varepsilon) \leq (n\varepsilon)^{-4} ES_n^4 \leq C'/n^2 \varepsilon^4$$

A_n
 Borel-Cantelli $\Rightarrow P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$, let $\varepsilon \rightarrow 0$

so $\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0 = \mu$.

Extension

$X_i \geq 0$ and $EX_i = \infty$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Pf: } Y_n &= X_n \mathbb{1}_{(X \leq B)} \\
 Y_n &\leq X_n \text{ so } \frac{Y_1 + \dots + Y_n}{n} \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\leq} \frac{S_n}{n} \\
 &\xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \infty \text{ so } \frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \infty \\
 &\text{then } \frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \infty \\
 &\frac{Y_1 + \dots + Y_n}{n} \rightarrow EY_1 \\
 &EY_1 \rightarrow EX_1 = \infty
 \end{aligned}$$

Kolmogorov 0-1 Law

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tail σ -field

\mathcal{T} depends on X_1, X_2, \dots

where $A \in \mathcal{T} \iff A$ immune to finite changes to X_i .

$$\mathcal{T} = \bigcap_n \sigma(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots)$$

Example 5

$\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n \text{ exists} \} \in \mathcal{T}$

$\{ \limsup S_n > 0 \} \notin \mathcal{T}$ [Think $X_2 = X_3 = \dots = 0$
then $S_n = X_1 = \begin{cases} 0 \\ 1 \end{cases}$]

$\{ \text{An i.o.} \} \in \mathcal{T}$

Kolmogorov's 0-1 Law

If X_1, X_2, \dots independent
 $A \in \mathcal{T}$

$$P(A) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

Pf Idea: Show A independent from itself, so then

$$P(A) = P(\bigcap_n A) = P(A)^n \longrightarrow 0 \text{ or } 1.$$

Kolmogorov Maximal Inequality

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Kolmogorov Max Inequality

X_1, X_2, \dots independent

$$E X_i = 0 \quad \text{var}(X_i) < \infty$$

$$S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$$

$$P(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \geq x) \leq x^{-2} \text{var}(S_n)$$

Note: Chebyshev's says only $P(|S_n| \geq x) \leq x^{-2} \text{var}(S_n)$.

Pf Idea: Break space into first time $|S_k| \geq x$
 $A_k = \{ |S_k| \geq x \text{ but } |S_j| < x \forall j < k \}$

Split $E S_n^2$ integral by A_k (disjoint)
clever rewriting of quadratic & simplification

Characteristic Functions

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Defn

X a random variable

$$\varphi(t) = E(e^{itX}) = E(\cos(tX)) + iE(\sin(tX))$$

$$\hookrightarrow = \int e^{itx} f(x) dx \text{ if } X \text{ has density } f$$

Properties

- $\varphi(0) = 1$
- $\varphi(-t) = \overline{\varphi(t)}$
- $\varphi_{aX+b}(t) = E e^{it(aX+b)} = e^{itb} \varphi(at)$
- X_1, X_2 independent $\implies \varphi_{X_1+X_2}(t) = \varphi_{X_1}(t) \varphi_{X_2}(t)$

Inversion Formula

- If $\varphi(t) = \int e^{itx} d\mu$ (μ is measure for X - for example)

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

- "can express distribution in terms of characteristic functions"
- If $\int |\varphi(t)| dt < \infty$ then μ has bdd cts density $f(y) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int e^{-ity} \varphi(t) dt$

Tightness

Weak convergence

$F_n \Rightarrow F_\infty, \mu_n \Rightarrow \mu_\infty$ or $X_n \Rightarrow X_\infty$ means

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(y) = F(y)$ whenever F cts @ y

$X_n \Rightarrow X_\infty \iff$
 \forall bdd cts $g, E g(X_n) \rightarrow E g(X_\infty)$
pf: by a.s. char. of weak conv.

Helly's Selection Thm (vague convergence)

F_n sequence of distribution functions
 $\exists F_{n_k}$ subsequence s.t.

$F_{n_k} \Rightarrow G \leftarrow$
• right continuous
• nondecreasing
(may not satisfy $G(x) \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow -\infty$
 $G(x) \rightarrow 1$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$)

Tight

F_n are tight if
 $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists M \exists \delta$ s.t.

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1 - F_n(M_\epsilon) + F_n(-M_\epsilon)}{\mu([M_\epsilon, M_\epsilon]^c)} \leq \epsilon$$

Thm: F_n tight \iff Helly's G is a distribution function

Continuity Theorem

μ_1, μ_2, \dots probability measures
 $\varphi_1, \varphi_2, \dots$ corresponding characteristic functions

(i) $\mu_n \Rightarrow \mu_\infty$ implies $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow \varphi_\infty(t) \forall t$

(ii) $\varphi_n(t) \rightarrow \varphi_\infty(t)$ pointwise and φ_∞ continuous at 0

then μ_n are tight and $\mu_n \Rightarrow \mu_\infty$ for μ_∞ w/ char f. φ_∞ .

Pf Idea: Decay of measure at ∞ bounded by integral with φ near 0, so continuity sends integral to 0 and mass loss too, meaning the μ_n 's are tight. And (i) b/c $\varphi(t) = E g(X)$ for $g(t) = e^{itx}$ bdd and continuous.

IID Central Limit Theorem

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iid CLT

X_1, X_2, \dots iid

$EX_i = \mu$

$\text{Var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$

$$\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{X} = \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$$

Pf sketch:

goes to 0 faster than t^2 as $t \rightarrow 0$

Take $\mu = 0$ and φ char. fun. for X .

Taylor Series $\varphi(t) = 1 + itEX - \frac{t^2 EX^2}{2} + \mathcal{O}(t^2)$

so $\varphi_{\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}}(t) = 1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{t^2}{n}\right) \sim \varphi_{\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}}(t) = \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + \mathcal{O}\left(\frac{t^2}{n}\right)\right)^n$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$ $\mathcal{O}(t^2/n) \rightarrow 0$ so $\varphi_{\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}}}(t) \rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(1 + \frac{-t^2/2}{n}\right)^n = e^{-t^2/2} = \varphi_{\mathcal{X}}(t)$

so by continuity theorem $\frac{S_n}{\sigma\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ as desired.

convergence type

only weak convergence holds because $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}}$ does not converge in probability (and hence not a.s.)

$$Y_n = \frac{S_{2n}}{\sqrt{2n}} - \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}$$

Assume $EX = 0$

If $\frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}$ conv in P then $Y_n \rightarrow 0$ in probability (and $Y_n \Rightarrow 0$)

$Y_n = \frac{Y_n'}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{Y_n''}{\sqrt{2}} \rightarrow \mathcal{L} \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{C}\mathcal{X}$ by CLT so $Y_n \Rightarrow \mathcal{X}$

but $\mathcal{X} \neq 0$ contradiction.

Lindeberg-Feller CLT

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Lindeberg-Feller Central Limit Theorem

$X_{n,m}$ independent for $1 \leq m \leq n$

$$EX_{n,m} = 0$$

$$(i) \sum_{m=1}^n E(X_{n,m}^2) \rightarrow \sigma^2 > 0$$

$$(ii) \forall \epsilon > 0 \sum_{m=1}^n E(|X_{n,m}|^2; |X_{n,m}| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

If $S_n = X_{n,1} + \dots + X_{n,m}$

$$S_n \Rightarrow \sigma X \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Pf Idea $\varphi_{S_n}(t) = \prod_{m=1}^n \varphi_{X_{n,m}}(t) \rightarrow \prod_{m=1}^n (1 - \frac{t^2 \sigma_{n,m}^2}{2}) \rightarrow \exp(-t^2 \sigma^2 / 2)$

Lindeberg-Feller \Rightarrow iid

X_1, X_2, \dots iid $EX_i = \mu$

$\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$ (iid CLT set up)

$X_{n,m} = \frac{X_m - \mu}{\sqrt{n}}$ so that (i) $\sum E X_{n,m}^2 = \sigma^2$ and

$$(ii) \sum E(|X_{n,m}|^2; |X_{n,m}| > \epsilon) = \sum E(|X_m|^2; |X_m| > \epsilon \sqrt{n}) \rightarrow 0$$

by dominated convergence and Chebyshev's inequality
($\int |X_m|^2 \cdot \mathbb{1}_{A_n} \rightarrow \int |X_m|^2 \cdot \mathbb{1}_A$) $\xrightarrow{P(A)=0}$ by ($P(|X_m| > \epsilon \sqrt{n}) < \epsilon^{-2} n^{-1} \text{var}(X) \rightarrow 0$)

so $X_{n,1} + \dots + X_{n,n} = \frac{S_n - n\mu}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow \sigma X$ as desired.

Poisson Convergence

Thm

$X_{n,m}$ independent Bernoulli Events for $1 \leq m \leq n$
with $P(X_{n,m} = 1) = p_{n,m} = 1 - P(X_{n,m} = 0)$.

(i) $\sum_{m=1}^n p_{n,m} \rightarrow \lambda \in (0, \infty)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$

(ii) $\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} p_{n,m} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ ("Law of Rare Events")

Then $S_n = X_{n,1} + \dots + X_{n,n} \Rightarrow \text{Poisson}(\lambda) \rightarrow P(=k) = \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^k}{k!}$

Pf Idea $\varphi_{S_n}(t) = E e^{itS_n} \rightarrow \exp(\lambda(e^{it} - 1)) = \varphi_{\text{Poi}(\lambda)}(t)$

Intuition: Divide interval into n subintervals with at most 1 event (likely) per interval. Probability for each mini interval represented by Bernoulli trial.

Generalization (Poisson Processes)

$P(X_{n,m} = 1) = p_{n,m}$ but $P(X_{n,m} \geq 2) = \varepsilon_{n,m}$ $X_{n,m} \in \mathbb{Z}^+$
and $\sum_{m=1}^n \varepsilon_{n,m} \rightarrow 0$ then $S_n \Rightarrow \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$ too.

Example

$S_n = \#$ of babies born of a fixed day

for small enough time interval, at most 1 baby born.
equally distributed births gives

$P(X_{n,m} = 1) = P(\text{a baby born in } \frac{1}{n} \text{ interval of the particular day}) = \frac{1}{n \cdot 365} = p_{n,m}$

$\sum p_{n,m} = 1/365 = \lambda$
 $\max p_{n,m} = \frac{1}{n \cdot 365} \rightarrow 0$ so $S_n \Rightarrow \text{Poisson}(1/365)$.

Random Vector CLT

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Defns

- $X_n \Rightarrow \vec{X}$ weak convergence when $E f(\vec{X}_n) \rightarrow E f(\vec{X}) \forall$ bdd cts f
- Distribution functions $F(\vec{X} \leq \vec{y}) = P(X_1 \leq y_1, \dots, X_d \leq y_d)$.
and $X_n \Rightarrow \vec{X}$ implies $F_n(y) \rightarrow F(y)$ for cts pts of F .
- F_n are tight if $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists M_\epsilon$ s.t. $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n([M, M]^d) \geq 1 - \epsilon$
- characteristic functions $\varphi(\vec{t}) = E e^{i\vec{t}\vec{X}} = E e^{i(t_1 X_1 + \dots + t_d X_d)}$
 - still have an inversion formula
 - $X_n \Rightarrow \vec{X}$ if and only if $\varphi_n(\vec{t}) \rightarrow \varphi(\vec{t})$

Central Limit Theorem in \mathbb{R}^d

X_1, X_2, \dots iid random vectors, $E X_i = \vec{\mu}_i \in \mathbb{R}^d$
and finite covariance, $\Gamma_{ij} = E (X_i - \mu_i)(X_j - \mu_j) < \infty$.

Then

$$\frac{S_n - n\vec{\mu}}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}_d(0, \Gamma) \quad \text{multivariate Gaussian w/ mean 0 covariance } \Gamma.$$

Conditional Expectation

14.1

Defns

- If $E|X| < \infty$, $E(X|F)$ is a random variable such that
(i) $E(X|F) \in F$ (is F measurable) } is the conditional expectation of X given F
(ii) $\forall A \in F \int_A X dP = \int_A E(X|F) dP$

This exists (by Radon-Nikodym derivatives) and is uniquely defined up to a.e.

(idea: F is some potential information, $E(X|F)$ is best guess)

- $P(A|F) = E(\mathbb{1}_A|F)$
 $P(A|B) = P(A \cap B) / P(B)$
 $E(X|Y) = E(X|\sigma(Y))$

Properties

- $E(aX + Y|F) \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{=} aE(X|F) + E(Y|F) \quad \forall X, Y$ where $E(\cdot|F)$ exists (i.e. $E|X|, E|Y| < \infty$)
- (monotonicity) $X \leq Y \Rightarrow E(X|F) \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\leq} E(Y|F)$
- $X_n \geq 0, X_n \uparrow X, EX < \infty \Rightarrow E(X_n|F) \uparrow E(X|F)$ (monotone convergence)
 $Y_n \downarrow Y, E|Y_1|, E|Y| < \infty \Rightarrow E(Y_n|F) \downarrow E(Y|F)$
- (Jensen's) φ convex, $E|X|, E|\varphi(X)| < \infty \Rightarrow \varphi(E(X|F)) \leq E(\varphi(X)|F)$
- "smaller field wins" $F_1 \subset F_2 \Rightarrow E(E(X|F_2)|F_1) = E(X|F_1) \quad \forall i, j \in \{1, 2\} (i \neq j)$
- If $X \in F, E|X|, E|XY| < \infty$ then $E(XY|F) = XE(Y|F)$.
- $E(E(X|F)) = EX$

Examples

- $X \in F \rightarrow E(X|F) = X$, specifically $E(C|F) = C$ for any constant.
- X, F independent $\rightarrow E(X|F) = EX$
- $\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \dots$ disjoint partition of Ω
 $E(X|\sigma(\Omega_1, \Omega_2, \dots)) = \frac{E(X \mathbb{1}_{\Omega_i})}{P(\Omega_i)}$ on each Ω_i .

Regular Conditional Probabilities

14.2

Defns

(Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) probability space, $G \subset \mathcal{F}$

$X: (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (S, \mathcal{S})$ measurable

- $\mu: \Omega \times S \rightarrow [0, 1]$ is a regular conditional ~~probability~~ distribution if
 - (i) $\forall A \in \mathcal{S} \quad \omega \mapsto \mu(\omega, A)$ is a version of $P(X \in A | G)$
 - (ii) a.e. $\omega, A \mapsto \mu(\omega, A)$ is a probability measure on (S, \mathcal{S})
- $\mu: S \times S \rightarrow [0, 1]$ ~~is~~ is a regular conditional probability if
 - (i) $\forall A \in \mathcal{S} \quad \omega \mapsto \mu(\omega, A)$ version of $P(A | G)$
 - (ii) a.e. $\omega, A \mapsto \mu(\omega, A)$ is a probability measure on (S, \mathcal{S})

Motivation: Tool for computing $E(f(X) | \mathcal{F})$
 $\mu(\omega, A)$ r.c.d. for X given $\mathcal{F}, f: (S, \mathcal{S}) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$
 $E|f(X)| < \infty$ then

$$E(f(X) | \mathcal{F}) = \int \mu(\omega, dx) f(x) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Martingales

4.3

Defns

- $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{F}_1 \subset \dots \subset \mathcal{F}_n \subset \dots$ of σ -fields is a filtration \mathcal{F}_n
- X_n sequence of rand. var. with $X_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$ is adapted to \mathcal{F}_n
- X_n is a martingale if (submartingale) (supermartingale)
 - (i) $E|X_n| < \infty \forall n$
 - (ii) $X_n \in \mathcal{F}_n \forall n$
 - (iii) $E(X_{n+1} | \mathcal{F}_n) = X_n \forall n$

$$\begin{array}{ccc} & \downarrow & \downarrow \\ & E \geq X_n & E \leq X_n \end{array}$$

Properties

- $\forall n > m \quad E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_m) \begin{matrix} \geq \\ = \\ \leq \end{matrix} X_m$ if X_n is
 submartingale
 martingale
 supermartingale

• X_n submartingale $\iff -X_n$ supermartingale

• X_n (sub)martingale (w.r.t \mathcal{F}_n)
 ψ (increasing) convex function
 $E|\psi(X_n)| < \infty \forall n$ } $\psi(X_n)$ is submartingale w.r.t. \mathcal{F}_n

Examples: X_n subM $\rightarrow (X_n - a)^+$ submart.

X_n mart $\rightarrow |X_n|^p$ submart.
 $E|X_n|^p < \infty$

Examples:

- ξ_1, ξ_2, \dots iid
- $S_n = c + \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$
- $\mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(\xi_1, \dots, \xi_n)$
 (Random Walk)

$\mu = E\xi_i = 0 \rightarrow S_n$ martingale

$\mu = E\xi_i \leq 0 \rightarrow S_n$ supermartingale

$\mu = E\xi_i \geq 0 \rightarrow S_n$ submartingale

- Polya's Urn - r red, g green. Each time, pick 1, add c of picked color
 $X_n =$ fraction of greens @ time n is martingale

Predictable Sequences

Defn: H_n is a predictable sequence (w.r.t F_n) if $H_n \in F_{n-1} \forall n$.
(idea: H_n is a betting scheme, bets can only be decided based on information before the betting round)

$$(H \cdot X)_n = \sum_{m=1}^n H_m (X_m - X_{m-1}) \leftarrow \text{if } X_n = \text{net money betting a dollar each round then this is net earnings at time } n \text{ w/ } H_n \text{ betting}$$

Examples:

• $H_n = \mathbb{1}_{A_n}$ only bet when some A_n condition is met

• Classic Martingale Betting

$$H_n = \begin{cases} 2^k H_{n-1} \\ 1 \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} X_{n-1} - X_{n-2} &= -1 \text{ (lost last bet)} \\ X_{n-1} - X_{n-2} &= 1 \text{ (won last bet)} \end{aligned}$$

• Double or Nothing

$$H_n = \begin{cases} -X_{n-1} \\ 0 \end{cases} \quad \begin{aligned} X_{n-1} < 0 & \text{ (Either doubles losses} \\ & \text{or recovers debt} \\ X_{n-1} \geq 0 & \text{ to "nothing".)} \end{aligned}$$

Facts

• If X_n is (sub/super)martingale, $H_n \geq 0$ and each H_n bounded, and H_n is a predictable sequence, then

$(H \cdot X)_n$ is a (sub/super)martingale.

Stopping Times

4.5

Defn A random variable s.t. $\{N=n\} \in \mathcal{F}_n \cdot \forall n < \infty$
(idea: decision to stop computable using information at the time of stopping)

Examples:

• $N = \inf \{n : \text{some condition on } X_n\}$ ← stopping time because $\{N=n\} = \{X_k \text{ fails for } k \leq n \text{ but } X_n \text{ holds}\}$ and so lies in $\mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$.

• $N = \inf \{n : X_n = 0\}$

• $N = \inf \{m : X_m \geq \lambda \text{ or } m = n\}$ ← stops early if some X_m exceeds λ .

$$\hookrightarrow P(\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m \geq \lambda) = P(X_N \geq \lambda)$$

Facts:

• N stopping time, then $\{N > n\} = (\bigcup_{k \leq n} \{N=k\})^c \in \mathcal{F}_n$ too.

• X_n (sub/super)martingale $\Rightarrow X_{N \wedge n}$ is (sub/super)martingale
↳ $\min(N, n)$

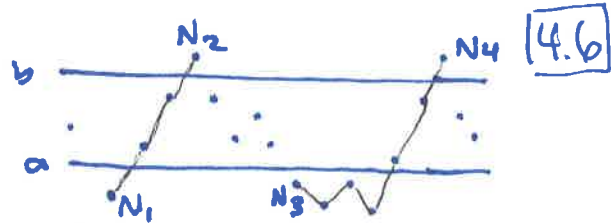
Pf:

$H_n = 1_{N \geq n} \in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ so H_n predictable $\rightarrow (H \cdot X)_n$ is (sub/super)martingale and $(H \cdot X)_n = X_{N \wedge n} - X_0$

and adding back X_0 preserves martingale properties.

$$\mathcal{F}_N = \{A : A \cap \{N=n\} \in \mathcal{F}_n \forall n\}$$

Upcrossing Inequality



Set Up:

X_n submartingale $a < b$

$\{N_{2k-1}\}$ indicates next time $X_n \leq a$ after last time $X_n \geq b$ $= \inf \{m > N_{2k-2} : X_m \leq a\}$

$\{N_{2k}\}$ indicates next time $X_n \geq b$ after last time $X_n \leq a$ $= \inf \{m > N_{2k-1} : X_m \geq b\}$

$H_m = \begin{cases} 1 & N_{2k-1} < m \leq N_{2k} \text{ for some } k \\ 0 & \text{else} \end{cases}$ is predictable and 1 between "upcrossings".

$U_n = \sup \{k : N_{2k} \leq n\}$ counts (completed) upcrossings up to time n .

Thm X_n submartingale

$$(b-a)E U_n \leq E(X_n - a)^+ - E(X_0 - a)^+$$

Pf: shift to $Y_m = a + (X_m - a)^+$ (same # of upcrossings, no losses)

$(b-a)E U_n \leq (H \cdot Y)_n$ by picture.

$(1-H \cdot Y)_n$ also submartingale $\Rightarrow E(1-H \cdot Y)_n \geq E(1-H \cdot Y)_0 = 0$

so $E(H \cdot Y)_n \leq E(H \cdot Y)_n + E(1-H \cdot Y)_n = E(Y_n - Y_0)$

$$(b-a)E U_n \leq \dots \leq \dots \leq E(X_n - a)^+ - E(X_0 - a)^+$$

A.S. Martingale Convergence

4.7

Result of upcrossing inequality...

Thm

X_n submartingale } $\Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$
 $\sup E X_n^+ < \infty$ } with $E|X| < \infty$.

Pf:

upcrossing inequality $\Rightarrow E U_n \leq \frac{E X_n^+ + |a|}{b-a} < \infty$

so $E U_n \uparrow E U < \infty$ so far any $a < b$ only fin. many cross.

Then on $P=1$ set $\liminf X_n = \limsup X_n = \lim X_n =: X$

so converges a.s. to X .

Fatou's lemma + $\sup E X_n^+ < \infty$ gives $E X_n^-, E X_n^+ < \infty$.

special case: X_n supermartingale } $\Rightarrow X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s.
 $X_n \geq 0$ } and $E X \leq E X_0$

Key Example (not L^1 -conv):

$S_n = 1 + \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$ $P(\xi_i = \pm 1) = 1/2$ iid

$N = \inf \{n : S_n = 0\}$

$X_n = S_{N \wedge n}$ is martingale and $X_n \geq 0$

so $X_n \rightarrow X_\infty$ a.s. must be 0 by $E|X_n| = E X_n = E X_0 = 1$

so $X_n \not\rightarrow X_\infty = 0$ in L^1 .

Bounded Increments

Thm: X_1, X_2, \dots martingale

$$|X_{n+1} - X_n| \leq M < \infty$$

(bounded increments)

$$P(C \cup D) = 1.$$

$$C = \{ \lim X_n \text{ exists \& finite} \}$$

$$D = \{ \liminf X_n = -\infty \text{ and } \limsup X_n = +\infty \}$$

Pf: $N = \inf \{ n : X_n \leq -K \}$ $X_{n \wedge N}$ martingale

$X_{n \wedge N} + K + M \geq 0$ so converges a.s., ~~1~~.

so $X_{n \wedge N} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$ and on $\{N = \infty\}$ $X_{N \wedge n} = X_n$

so $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$ too.

QA $\{ \liminf X_n > -\infty \}$ then letting $K \rightarrow \infty$ eventually we have $\{N = \infty\}$ also. same holds for $\{ \limsup X_n < \infty \}$.

Dood's Decomposition

14.9

Thm: X_n submartingale

unique decomposition $X_n = M_n + A_n$

M_n martingale

A_n predictable increasing sequence ($A_0 = 0$)

Pf:

$E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) \geq X_{n-1}$ so define A_n (increasing A_n)

$$A_n - A_{n-1} = E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) - X_{n-1} \geq 0 \quad (A_0 = 0)$$

$\in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ (predictable)

$M_n = X_n - A_n$ check martingale

$$E(M_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) = E(X_n - A_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) = E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) - A_n$$
$$= A_n - A_{n-1} + X_{n-1} - A_n = X_{n-1} - A_{n-1} = M_{n-1}$$

Application: 2nd Borel-Cantelli II

Thm: \mathcal{F}_n filtration ($\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$)

$B_n \in \mathcal{F}_n$ for $n \geq 1$

$$\{B_n \text{ i.o.}\} = \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(B_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) = \infty \right\}$$

Pf: $X_n = \sum_{m=1}^n 1_{B_m}$ submartingale

By decomposition $M_n = \sum_{m=1}^n 1_{B_m} - P(B_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1})$

and $|M_{n+1} - M_n| \leq 1$ is bounded.

Evaluate both sums on C and D

C: $\sum 1_{B_m} = \infty \iff \sum P(B_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1}) = \infty$

D: $\sum 1_{B_m} = \infty$ and $\sum P(B_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1}) = \infty$
(only positive) (only negative)

Doob's Inequality

14.10

Thm:

X_n submartingale
 N stopping time
 $P(N \leq k) = 1$
(for some k)

$$EX_0 \leq EX_N \leq EX_k$$

Pf:

$X_{N \wedge n}$ submartingale $\rightarrow EX_0 \leq EX_{N \wedge 0} \leq EX_{N \wedge k} = EX_N$
 $K_n = \mathbb{1}_{N < n}$ predictable

$(K \cdot X)_n = X_n - X_{N \wedge n}$ submartingale
 $EX_k - EX_N = E(K \cdot X)_k \geq E(K \cdot X)_0 = 0 \checkmark$

Doob's Inequality:

X_n submartingale } $\lambda P(\underbrace{\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m^+}_{= A} \geq \lambda) \leq EX_n^+$
 $\lambda > 0$

Pf: $N = \inf \{m : X_m \geq \lambda \text{ or } m = n\}$ on $\{\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m^+ \geq \lambda\}$, $X_N \geq \lambda$

$$\lambda P(\max X_m^+ \geq \lambda) \leq EX_N \mathbb{1}_A \leq EX_n \mathbb{1}_A \leq EX_n \leq EX_n^+$$

Application (Random Walks + Kolmogorov Max Ineq.)

$S_n = \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$ $E\xi_m = 0$ (independent)

$$\sigma_m^2 = E\xi_m^2 < \infty$$

$\rightarrow X_n = S_n^2$ is martingale

$$\lambda = x^2 > 0$$

Doob's Inequality $\rightarrow x^2 P(\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} |S_m| \geq x) \leq ES_n^2 = \text{var}(S_n)$
which is Kolmogorov's Inequality.

L^p convergence (Martingales)

using integration properties/tricks applied to Doob's inequality $\lambda P(\max X_m^+ \geq \lambda) \leq EX_n^+$, we get

Thm (L^p Maximal Inequality)

X_n submartingale
 $1 < p < \infty$

$$E(\max_{0 \leq m \leq n} X_m^+)^p \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^p E(X_n^+)^p$$

↳ depends only on $p!$

This with a.s. martingale convergence gives

Thm (L^p convergence)

X_n martingale
 $\sup E|X_n|^p < \infty$
 $p > 1$

then $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. and in L^p .

PF:

$\sup E|X_n|^p < \infty \Rightarrow \sup EX_n^+ < \infty$ so $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s.

L^p max ineq gives $E(\max X_m^+)^p \leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^p E|X_n|^p$ (|| instead of + by double app to X_n and $-X_n$)

$$\leq \left(\frac{p}{p-1}\right)^p \sup E|X_n|^p < \infty$$

Taking $n \rightarrow \infty$ and monotone convergence $\sup |X_n| \in L^p$.
Since $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. $|X_n - X|^p \leq (2 \sup |X_n|)^p$ and dominated convergence then shows $E|X_n - X|^p \rightarrow 0$.

Note: There is no L^1 maximal inequality so L^1 convergence comes about in a different way.

Uniform Integrability

4.12

Defn

collection X_n is uniformly integrable if

$$\lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E(|X_n|; |X_n| > M) \right) = 0$$

$$\begin{matrix} E(|X_n|; |X_n| \leq M) \\ \swarrow \\ E(|X_n|; |X_n| > M) \end{matrix}$$

if $M \gg 0$ s.t. $\sup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} E(|X_n|) \leq M + 1 < \infty$.

Example: $X \in L^1$ then $\{E(X|F)\}$ is uniformly integrable.
This helps show $X_n = E(X_0 | F_n)$ for backwards martingales.

Sufficient Condition

$\psi \geq 0$ with $\frac{\psi(x)}{x} \rightarrow \infty$ as $x \rightarrow \infty$ (e.g. $\psi(x) = x^p$)

$E \psi(|X_i|) \leq C$ for all i and fixed constant C

then $\{X_i\}$ are uniformly integrable.

Pf: $E(|X_i|; |X_i| > M) \leq \sup_{x > M} \frac{x}{\psi(x)} E(\psi(|X_i|); |X_i| > M) \leq C \sup_{x > M} \frac{x}{\psi(x)} \rightarrow 0$

Connection to L^1

$E|X_n| < \infty \forall n$
 $X_n \rightarrow X$ in P

TFAE:
(i) $\{X_n\}$ are uniformly integrable
(ii) $X_n \rightarrow X$ in L^1
(iii) $E|X_n| \rightarrow E|X| < \infty$

Pf:

$$\psi_M(x) = \begin{cases} x & |x| \leq M \\ \pm M & |x| > M \end{cases}$$

$$E|X_n - X| \leq \underbrace{E|X_n - \psi_M(X_n)|}_{\downarrow 0 \text{ since } X_n \rightarrow X \text{ in } P} + \underbrace{E|\psi_M(X_n) - \psi_M(X)|}_{\downarrow 0 \text{ since } E|X| < \infty \text{ from U.I.}} + E|\psi_M(X) - X| \rightarrow 0.$$

$$E(|X_n|; |X_n| > M)$$

$\downarrow 0$
since U.I.

$$E(|X|; |X| > M)$$

$\downarrow 0$
Since $E|X| < \infty$ from U.I.
so choose large M .

L¹ convergence (Martingales)

Thm X_n submartingale TFAE

- (i) X_n is uniformly integrable
- (ii) X_n converges in L^1 and a.s.
- (iii) X_n converges in L^1
- (iv) If X_n martingale, $\exists X$ s.t. $X_n = E(X | F_n)$

Pf:

(i) \Rightarrow (ii)
uniform int. gives $\sup E|X_n| < \infty$ so $\sup E X_n^+ < \infty$ gives a.s. conv.
and martingale-ness gives $E|X_n| < \infty$, a.s. \Rightarrow in P so U.I. $\rightarrow L^1$ conv.

(iii) \Rightarrow (i)
 $L^1 \rightarrow$ conv in P and $E|X_n| < \infty$ by martingale-ness so equiv to U.I.

(iii) \Rightarrow (iv)
if $X_n \rightarrow X$ in L^1 then $X_n = E(X | F_n)$ ~~by~~ ^{b/c} $E(X_n | A) \rightarrow E(X | A)$
and for $A \in F_n$ and $m > n$ the martingale property gives
 $E(X_m | A) = E(X_n | A)$ so $X_n = E(X | F_n) \quad \forall n$.
 \downarrow
 $E(X | A)$

Thm
 $F_n \uparrow F_\infty$ (F_n increasing, $F_\infty = \sigma(\cup_n F_n)$)
 $E(X | F_n) \rightarrow E(X | F_\infty)$ a.s. and in L .

Cor/Thm:
 $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. ($X_n \leq Z$ with $EZ < \infty$ and $F_n \uparrow F_\infty$)
 $E(X_n | F_n) \rightarrow E(X | F_\infty)$ a.s.

Pf Idea: Use triangle inequality & bound 3 parts.

Reverse Martingale Convergence

4.14

Defn

- X_n for $n \leq 0$ adapted to \mathcal{F}_n filtration is a backwards/reversed martingale if $E(X_{n+1} | \mathcal{F}_n) = X_n$ $n \leq -1$

Thm:

X_n backwards martingale $\rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} X_n = X_{-\infty}$ exists a.s. and L^1 .

Pf:

upcrossings gives $E|U_\infty| < \infty$ so converges in a.s.

Martingale property gives $X_n = E(X_0 | \mathcal{F}_n)$ which is

a uniformly integrable collection, so converges in L^1 .

Furthermore, if $\mathcal{F}_{-\infty} = \bigcap_n \mathcal{F}_n$, then $X_{-\infty} = E(X_0 | \mathcal{F}_{-\infty})$ by checking conditional expectation properties.

Optional Stopping Theorems

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_n \text{ submartingale} \\ N \text{ stopping time} \end{array} \right\} E(X_0) = E(X_{N \wedge 0}) \leq E(X_{N \wedge n})$$

Q: when does it hold that $E X_0 \leq E X_N$?

Non-Example

X_n random walk on \mathbb{Z} , $X_0 = 1$

$N = \inf \{n: X_n = 0\}$

$X_{N \wedge n}$ martingale $\rightarrow E(X_{N \wedge n}) = E X_0 = 1$

But $E X_N = 0 \neq E X_0$.

Recall $P(N \leq k) = 1$ implies $E X_0 \leq E X_N$.

Lemma:

X_n submart U.I.
 $\Rightarrow X_{N \wedge n}$ U.I.

Pf:

U.I. $\rightarrow \sup E X_{N \wedge n} < \infty$
 so conv a.s., $E |X_N| < \infty$.
 Then split U.I. term
 by N and show each
 goes to 0.

Thm: X_n U.I. $\Rightarrow E X_0 \leq E X_N \leq E X_\infty$.

Pf: submartingale

$X_{N \wedge n}$ is U.I. by lemma and so $X_{N \wedge n} \rightarrow X_N$ a.s. and in L^1 .

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_0 - X_N) &= E(X_0 - X_{N \wedge n} + X_{N \wedge n} - X_N) \quad \forall n \\ &\leq \underbrace{E(X_0 - X_{N \wedge n})}_{\leq 0} + \underbrace{E|X_{N \wedge n} - X_N|}_{\rightarrow 0} \leq 0 \end{aligned}$$

≤ 0 because $N \wedge n$ is bounded stopping time

Thm: X_n submartingale $\left. \begin{array}{l} E(|X_{n+1} - X_n| | \mathcal{F}_n) \leq B \text{ a.s.} \\ E N < \infty \end{array} \right\} X_{N \wedge n} \text{ U.I.} \Rightarrow E X_0 \leq E X_N$.

Pf: $|X_{N \wedge n}| \leq |X_0| + \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} |X_{m+1} - X_m| 1_{N > m} \rightarrow E(\sum) \leq B E N < \infty$

so $X_{N \wedge n}$ dominated by integrable rand var, so is U.I.
 and so $E X_0 \leq E X_N$.

Wald's Identity (Random Walks)

4.16

Thm: (Wald's Equation)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \xi_1, \xi_2, \dots \text{ iid} \\ E \xi_i = \mu \\ S_n = \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n \\ N \text{ stopping time} \\ EN < \infty \end{array} \right\} ES_N = \mu EN$$

Pf: $X_n = S_n - \mu n$
 satisfies optional stopping? $E(|X_{n+1} - X_n| | F_n) = E|\xi_i - \mu| < \infty \checkmark$
 $EN < \infty$ by assumption \checkmark

so $0 = EX_0 = ES_N = ES_N - \mu EN$.

Application (simple symmetric random walk)

$S_0 = 0$ $S_n = \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$ $P(\xi_i = \pm 1) = 1/2$

Probability $S_n = -a$ before b ?

$N = \inf \{n: S_n = -a \text{ or } b\}$

Claim: $EN < \infty$

$EN = \infty \cdot P(N = \infty) + \sum_k P(N > k)$

$P(N > m(a+b)) \leq (1 - 2^{-(a+b)})^m$

so $P(N = \infty) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P(N > k) = 0$

and bound sum by geometric series.

Claim: optional stopping holds

$E(|S_{n+1} - S_n| | F_n) = E(|S_{n+1}| | F_n) = E|S_{n+1}| < \infty$

so $0 = ES_0 = ES_N$.

$= aP(S_N = -a) + bP(S_N = b)$
 $= 1 - P(S_N = -a)$

so solve for $P(S_N = -a) = \frac{b}{a+b}$

Claim: $EN = ab$

$X_n = S_n^2 - \sigma^2 n = S_n^2 - n$ mart.

If opt. stop. $0 = EX_0^2 = ES_N^2 - EN \Rightarrow a^2 P(S_N = -a) + b^2 P(S_N = b) = EN = ab$.

opt. stop. Holds for $N \wedge n$ and $S_{N \wedge n}^2$ bounded and $N \wedge n$ is bounded by geometric random variable so is integrable.

Countable State Space

Defn Markov Property

- $P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i_n, \dots, X_0 = i_0) = P(X_{n+1} = j \mid X_n = i_n) = p(i_n, j)$
has no effect "memoryless"
- Absorbing States have $p(x, x) = 1$ (can never leave)

Examples

- Random Walk $X_n = \xi_1 + \dots + \xi_n$, $\xi_i \in \mathbb{Z}$ with dist μ
 $p(i, j) = P(\xi_n = j - i) = \mu(\xi_{j-i})$

- Ehrenfest Chain $S = \{0, 1, \dots, r\}$ r balls split between two chamber.
 $X_n \rightarrow X_{n+1}$: pick ball and move it over
 $X_n = \#$ of balls in a particular side.
 $p(k, k+1) = \frac{r-k}{r}$ $p(k, k-1) = \frac{k}{r}$ $p(i, j) = 0$ else.

Markov Properties

5.2

Defn

• A transition probability $p: S \times S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ satisfies:

(i) $A \mapsto p(x, A)$ Probability measure

(ii) $x \mapsto p(x, A)$ measurable function

• A Markov chain X_n (w.r.t. \mathcal{F}_n) and trans. prob p satisfies:

$$P(X_{n+1} \in B | \mathcal{F}_n) = P(X_n \in B)$$

• The Markov Property states that if $m < n$

$$P(X_n \in B | \mathcal{F}_m) = P(X_n \in B | X_m).$$

• The Strong Markov Property extends this to stopping times. Let T be a stopping time,

$$P(X_{T+n} \in B | \mathcal{F}_T) = P(X_{T+n} \in B | X_T) \text{ on } \{T < \infty\}$$

$\hookrightarrow \{A \in \mathcal{F} : \forall n, \{n \geq T\} \cap A \in \mathcal{F}_n\}$.

Recurrence and Transience

Defns

- $T_y^0 = 0$, $T_y^k = \inf \{ n > T_y^{k-1} : X_n = y \}$ time of k^{th} visit to y (excluding X_0)
any visit, i.e. T_y^1
- $p_{xy} = P_x(T_y < \infty)$ probability x goes to y at some point
- x is recurrent if $p_{xx} = 1$
 x is transient if $p_{xx} < 1$
- C is closed if $x \in C, p_{xy} > 0 \Rightarrow y \in C$ ($P_x(X_n \in C) = 1$)
- C is irreducible if $x, y \in C \Rightarrow p_{xy} > 0$

Facts

• $N(y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1_{X_n=y}$ = # of (positive) visits to y

y recurrent $\Leftrightarrow E_y N(y) = \infty$.

Pf: $E_x N(y) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_x(N(y) \geq k) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} P_x(T_y^k < \infty) = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p_{xy} p_{yy}^{k-1} = \frac{p_{xy}}{1-p_{yy}}$

using strong Markov & induction.

so $E_y N(y) = \frac{p_{yy}}{1-p_{yy}}$
 recurrent $\Rightarrow E_y N(y) = \frac{1}{1-1} = \infty$
 trans $\Rightarrow E_y N(y) = \frac{0}{1-0} = 0$

"recurrence is contagious" x recurrent, $p_{xy} > 0 \Rightarrow p_{yx} = 1$. y recurrent

Pf:

• take minimal chain $x \rightarrow y$, if $p_{yx} < 1$ then

$0 = P_x(T_x = \infty) \geq p(x, y) \dots p(y, x) (1 - p_{yx})$ so $1 - p_{yx} = 0 \Rightarrow p_{yx} = 1$

x recurrent. way to get to y from x prob never get back

• choose L s.t. $p^L(y, x) > 0$.

$E_y N(y) \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n(y, y) \geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^{n+L}(y, y) = p^L(y, x) p^L(x, y) \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n(x, x) = E_x N(x) = \infty$

so $E_y N(y) = \infty \Rightarrow y$ is recurrent.

Irreducibility

5.4

Defns

- C is closed if $x \in C, p_{xy} > 0 \Rightarrow y \in C$
- C is irreducible if $x, y \in D \Rightarrow p_{xy} > 0$.

Thm:

closed + finite $\Rightarrow \exists$ recurrent state
(+ irreducible) \Rightarrow (all states recurrent)

Pf:
if not, $p_{yy} < 1 \forall y \in C$. And $E_x N(y) = \frac{p_{xy}}{1 - p_{yy}} < \infty$
since C finite
 $\infty > \sum_{y \in C} E_x N(y) = \sum_{y \in C} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} p^n(x, y) \stackrel{\text{Fubini}}{=} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{y \in C} p^n(x, y) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 = \infty$
and since recurrence is class property, irreducible $\Rightarrow \forall$ recurrence.

Decomposition Theorem:

$R = \{ \text{all recurrent states} \}$ then $R = \cup_i R_i$; each R_i ^{closed} irreducible.

Pf: Partition R into "equivalence classes" $C_x = \{ y : p_{xy} > 0 \}$.

Reflexive by recurrence \checkmark

Symmetric by "contagion" proof \checkmark

Transitive?

$y \in C_x (p_{xy} > 0)$ and $z \in C_y (p_{yz} > 0)$

then

$p_{xz} \geq p_{xy} p_{yz} > 0$ so $z \in C_x \checkmark$

Each C_x is ~~irreducible~~ closed by construction, and irreducible by trans.

Stationary Measures

Defns

- a stationary measure satisfies $\mu(y) = \sum_x \mu(x) p(x, y)$
(this implies by expansion $\mu(y) = \sum_x \mu(x) p^n(x, y)$ also)
- a stationary distribution is also prob. meas. ($\sum_x \mu(x) = 1$)
- a reversible measure satisfies $\mu(x) p(x, y) = \mu(y) p(y, x)$
Detailed Balance Condition

Examples

- stat. meas. (not dist) on simple sym random walk $\mu(x) = 1$
so that $\mu(y) = \sum_x \mu(x) p(x, y) = 2\mu(y \pm 1) p(y \pm 1, y) = 2 \cdot \frac{1}{2} = 1$
but $\sum_n \mu(n) = \infty$ so not stat. dist.
- Ehrenfest chain has stat dist $\mu(x) = 2^{-r} \binom{r}{x}$
$$\mu(x) = 2^{-r} \binom{r}{x} = 2^{-r} \binom{r}{x+1} p(x+1, x) + 2^{-r} \binom{r}{x-1} p(x-1, x)$$

"x+1" "r-(x-1)"

Results

- reversible \implies stationary (sum condition over all x)
 - Existence of Stationary Meas.
 \exists recurrent state $x \implies \exists$ stat meas
- "cycle trick"

$$\mu_x = E_x \left(\sum_{n=0}^{T_x-1} 1_{X_n=y} \right)$$

$$T_x = \inf \{ n \geq 1 : X_n = x \}$$
- # of visits to y in $\{0, \dots, T-1\}$
- Pf Idea: shift by a step
- $$\sum_z \mu(z) p(z, y) = \# \text{ visits to } y \text{ in } \{1, \dots, T\}$$
- $$= \# \text{ visits to } y \text{ in } \{0, \dots, T-1\} = \mu_x(y)$$

- Uniqueness of Stationary Meas.
irreducible & \exists recurrent state \implies stat. meas unique up to scaling.

Pf Idea: expand at a

$$1) \nu(z) = \sum_y \nu(y) p(y, z) = \nu(a) p(a, z) + \sum_{y \neq a} \nu(y) p(y, z) \longrightarrow \nu(a) \mu_a(z) + \dots \geq \nu(a) \mu_a(z)$$

$$2) \nu(a) = \sum_x \nu(x) p(x, a) \geq \sum_x \nu(a) \mu_a(x) p(x, a) = \nu(a) \mu_a(a) = \nu(a)$$

irreducible $\implies \exists$ st $p^n(x, a) > 0$ where $p^n(x, a) > 0$ gives term by term =

Stationary Distributions

Defns

- $T_x = \inf \{n \geq 1 : X_n = x\}$ $P_{xx} = P_x(T_x < \infty)$
- x is recurrent if $P_{xx} = P_x(T_x < \infty) = 1$.
- x is null recurrent if $E_x T_x = \infty$ and positive recurrent if $E_x T_x < \infty$

Results

- irred + \exists stat dist $\pi \implies \pi(x) = 1/E_x T_x$.

Pf:

1] \exists some $y, \pi(y) > 0$ (since dist). First show y is recurrent by expressing $\sum_x \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \pi(x) P^n(x,y)$ two ways:

1) $\sum_x \pi(x) = \infty$

2) $\sum_x \pi(x) \frac{P_{xy}}{1-P_{yy}} \leq \frac{1}{1-P_{yy}}$

$\implies P_{yy} = 1$ recurrent.

2] μ_y is a stat. meas and these are unique up to scaling,
 $\sum_x \mu_y(x) = \sum_x E_y \left(\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{X_n=y} \right) = \sum_x \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_y(X_n=x, T_y > n) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} P_y(T_y > n) = E_y T_y$

so $\pi(y) = \frac{\mu_y(y)}{E_y T_y} = \frac{1}{E_y T_y}$

irreducible \rightarrow all states are recurrent so true for all x .

- If irred, TFAE
 - (i) \exists positive recurrent state x
 - (ii) \exists stationary distribution π
 - (iii) all states are positive recurrent

Pf: irred makes pos a class property so (i) \iff (iii)
 (i) \implies (ii) irred + (pos) rec gives μ_x and $\sum_y \mu_x(y) = E_x T_x < \infty$
 so can normalize to get a stat. dist.

(ii) \implies (iii) π stat dist & irred $\rightarrow \pi(y) = 1/E_y T_y$ where $\pi(y) > 0$

so this implies $E_y T_y < \infty$.

and irred implies $\pi(y) > 0$ for all y .

Asymptotic Behavior

Defns

• the total variation distance of measures is

$$\|\mu - \nu\| = \frac{1}{2} \sum_x |\mu(x) - \nu(x)|$$

which defines a metric and $\mu_n \rightarrow \nu \iff \|\mu_n - \nu\| \rightarrow 0$.

(Markov chain convergence is convergence $p^n(x,y) \rightarrow \pi(y)$)

• If x is recurrent, its period, d_x , is $\gcd\{n \geq 1 : p^n(x,x) > 0\}$ and it is a class property, i.e. $p_{xy} > 0 \implies d_y = d_x$.

• a chain is aperiodic if it is irreducible w/ $d_x = 1$.

Facts

• periodicity can prevent convergence of $p^n(x,y)$.

Pf by Example:

Ehrenfest chain - x_n even/odd $\implies x_{n+1}$ odd/even so

$p^n(x,x) = 0$ if n odd, so \forall odd n :

$$\sum_y |p^n(x,y) - \pi(y)| = |\pi(x)| + \sum_{y \neq x} |p^n(x,y) - \pi(y)| \geq |\pi(x)| > 0$$

so cannot $\rightarrow 0$ over n .

• class property of period ($p_{xy} > 0 \implies d_x = d_y$)

Pf:

$$p^k(x,y) > 0 \quad p^L(y,x) > 0 \implies p^{L+k}(y,y) \geq p^L(y,x) p^k(x,y) > 0$$

so $d_y | L+k$.

For any $n \in I_x$, $p^n(x,x) > 0 \implies p^{L+k+n}(y,y) \geq p^L(y,x) p^n(x,x) p^k(x,y) > 0$

so $d_y | L+k+n$ so $d_y | n \rightsquigarrow d_y | d_x$ (by sym $d_x = d_y$).

• If $d_x = 1$ then $\exists m_0$ s.t. $\forall m \geq m_0 \quad m \in I_x$ i.e. $p^m(x,x) > 0$.

Pf:

$k, k+1 \in I_x$ closed under + $\rightsquigarrow 2k, 2k+1, 2k+2 \rightsquigarrow (k-1)k, (k+1)k+1, \dots, (k-1)k+k-1$

$$\gcd = 1 \quad 1 = a_1 i_1 + \dots + a_n i_n = \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I_x} b_k i_k}_{=k} - \underbrace{\sum_{i \in I_x} c_j i_j}_{=k+1} \rightsquigarrow \sum b_k i_k = \sum c_j i_j + 1$$

Markov Convergence

Theorem

If p is irreducible, aperiodic ($d_x=1$) w/ stat dist π
 then $p^n(x, y) \rightarrow \pi(y)$ } i.e. the chain converges to its stationary dist.

Proof:

X_n copy of chain w/ $p^n(x, y)$ distribution (starting at X_0)

Y_n copy of chain w/ π distribution

$T = \text{stopping time of } X=Y = \inf\{m \geq 1 : X_m = Y_m\}$

Define chain on $S \times S$ w/ $\bar{p}((x, y), (a, b)) = p(x, a)p(y, b)$.

Claim: \bar{p} irred & recurrent

p irred & aperiodic $\Rightarrow \bar{p}$ irred:

Take any $(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$. Since p irred $\exists k, L$ s.t. $p^k(x_1, x_2) > 0$
 $p^L(y_1, y_2) > 0$

And aperiodic says $\exists M_1, M_2$ s.t. $\forall m_i > M_i$ $p^{m_i}(\cdot, \cdot) > 0$.

Then $M = \max(M_1, M_2)$

$$\bar{p}^{L+K+M}((x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)) = p^{L+K+M}(x_1, x_2) p^{L+K+M}(y_1, y_2) > 0 \text{ as desired.}$$

π stationary $\Rightarrow \bar{p}$ recurrent

$\bar{\pi}(a, b) = \pi(a)\pi(b)$ is stationary \Rightarrow all $\bar{\pi}(y) > 0$ recurrent & irred \Rightarrow all y $\bar{\pi}(y) > 0$.

Claim: $T < \infty$ a.s.

Well $T < T_{(x, x)}$ and (x, x) recurrent so $P_{(x, x)}(T_{(x, x)} < \infty) = 1 \xrightarrow{\text{irred}} T_{(x, x)} < \infty$ a.s. $\Rightarrow T < \infty$ a.s.

Claim: $p^n \rightarrow \pi$

$P(X_n=y, T \leq n) = P(Y_n=y, T \leq n)$ by Markov (strong) Property

$$P(X_n=y) = P(X_n=y, T \leq n) + P(X_n=y, T > n) = P(Y_n=y, T \leq n) + P(X_n=y, T > n) \leq P(Y_n=y) + P(X_n=y, T > n)$$

$$\Rightarrow |P(X_n=y) - P(Y_n=y)| \leq P(X_n=y, T > n) + P(Y_n=y, T > n)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_y |p^n(x, y) - \pi(y)| = \sum_y |P(X_n=y) - P(Y_n=y)| \leq 2P(T > n) \rightarrow 0 \text{ so } p^n \rightarrow \pi.$$