

Homework 6: Due 10/19/2017

1. Problem 121 on Page 85 Shao 2003.

Convergence in probability together with uniformly bounded implies convergence in moment.

2. The closure of a set A is defined as $\bar{A} = A \cup \{\lim_n a_n : a_n \in A\}$. If $\bar{A} = \mathbb{R}$, we say the set A dense in \mathbb{R} .

(a) Prove that if a sequence of c.d.f. $\{F_n\}$ converges to a c.d.f F for all points in a dense set, then $F_n \xrightarrow{w} F$.

(b) Let F and G be two c.d.f.s. Prove, if $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = F(x)$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_n(x) = G(x)$ for all common continuous points x of F and G , then $F = G$. In another word, the limiting c.d.f. is unique.

(c) In statistics, we often need to show the limiting distribution of $Y_n = \frac{X_n - b_n}{a_n}$, for some $a_n > 0$ and $a_n, b_n \in \mathbb{R}$. Note the c.d.f. of Y_n can be written as $G_n(t) = F_{X_n}(a_n t + b_n)$. Suppose $Y_n \xrightarrow{D} Y$ and $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ with nondegenerate c.d.f. G and F , respectively. Show that $a_n \rightarrow \sigma > 0$, $b_n/a_n \rightarrow \mu \in \mathbb{R}$, and $G(t) = F(\sigma t + \mu)$, for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$. (We say F and G are **of the same type**.)

Remark: As a special case of part (c), let $X_n \sim N(\mu_n, \sigma_n^2)$ and $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. Then $X_n \xrightarrow{D} X$ iff $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu$ and $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma$.

3. Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables.

(a) If $E|X_n| = O(a_n)$, for some nonnegative $a_n \in \mathbb{R}$, then $X = O_p(a_n)$.

(b) If $X_n \xrightarrow{a.s} X$, then $\sup_n |X_n| = O_p(1)$.

4. Let $U_i \stackrel{\text{iid}}{\sim} U[0, 1]$.

(a) Let $Y_n = (\prod_{i=1}^n U_i)^{-1/n}$. Show that $\sqrt{n}(Y_n - e) \xrightarrow{D} N(0, e^2)$.

(b) Let $Z_n = n(1 - U_{(n-1)})$, where $U_{(k)}$ is the k th smallest U_i (k th order statistics) for $k = 1, \dots, n$. Find the distribution of Z_n .

5. Let $X_n \sim \text{Bin}(p_n, n)$, $0 < p_n < 1$.

(a) If $E(X_n) = np_n \rightarrow \theta > 0$, derive the limiting distribution of X_n .

(b) If $Y_n = X_n/n$ and $p_n \equiv p$, prove that $Y_n \xrightarrow{p} p$.

(c) Note that $E(X_n) = np_n$ and $\text{Var}(X_n) = np_n(1 - p_n)$. Given $p_n \rightarrow p$, prove that $(X_n - np)/\sqrt{np(1-p)} \xrightarrow{D} N(0, 1)$.