

Friday September 22nd, 2023, Time: 1 hour and 30 minutes

If you use a result proven in class then please state it clearly and verify the hypothesis while using the same.

1. (20 points) Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ be a Probability space and X be any random variable. Assume the formula

$$\mathbb{E}[|X|] = \int_0^\infty \mathbb{P}(|X| \geq t) dt$$

- (a) Using the above formula evaluate the expectation when $X \sim \text{Exponential}(10)$
 (b) Suppose we know that $\mathbb{E}[|X|] < \infty$ and X, X_1, X_2, \dots are i.i.d. random variables. Consider the n -th order statistic $X_{(n)}^n = \max\{X_1, \dots, X_n\}$. Show

$$\mathbb{P}(|X_{(n)}^n| > t) \leq n\mathbb{P}(|X| > t)$$

and

$$\frac{1}{n}\mathbb{E}(|X_{(n)}^n|) \rightarrow 0.$$

2. (20 points) Consider

$$\Omega = \left\{ \omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots) : \omega_i \in \{0, 1\} \right\}$$

equipped with probability \mathbb{P} such that

$$\mathbb{P}(X_k = 0) = \mathbb{P}(X_k = 1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

where for $1 \leq k$, $X_k : \Omega \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ be given by $X_k(\omega) = \omega_k$. Suppose for $1 \leq n$, let $S_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be given by $S_n(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k(\omega)$ and $S_0 = 0$. Show that for $a < \frac{1}{2}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \log \mathbb{P}(S_n \leq an) = \begin{cases} -\log(2) - a \log(a) - (1-a) \log(1-a) & \text{if } 0 < a < \frac{1}{2} \\ -\infty & \text{if } a < 0 \end{cases}$$

3. (20 points) Let $N \in \mathbb{N}$. Consider

$$\Omega_N = \left\{ \omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots, \omega_N) : \omega_i \in \{-1, +1\} \right\}$$

equipped with the uniform distribution, denoted by $\mathbb{P} \equiv \mathbb{P}_N$.

For $1 \leq k \leq N$, let $X_k : \Omega_N \rightarrow \{-1, 1\}$ be given by $X_k(\omega) = \omega_k$ and

for $1 \leq n \leq N$, let $S_n : \Omega_N \rightarrow \mathbb{Z}$ be given by $S_n(\omega) = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k(\omega)$ and $S_0 = 0$.

- (a) For $1 \leq n \leq N$, show that the mode of S_n is $\{0, 1\}$ that is

$$\max \{ \mathbb{P}(S_n = a) : a \in \mathbb{Z} \} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{P}(S_{2k} = 0) & \text{if } n = 2k, k \in \mathbb{N} \\ \mathbb{P}(S_{2k-1} = 1) & \text{if } n = 2k-1, k \in \mathbb{N} \end{cases} = \binom{2k}{k} \frac{1}{2^{2k}}$$

- (b) For $a < b, a, b \in \mathbb{Z}, 1 \leq n \leq N$ show that

$$\mathbb{P}(a \leq S_n \leq b) \leq (b-a+1)\mathbb{P}(S_n \in \{0, 1\})$$

and conclude that $\lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(a \leq S_N \leq b) = 0$.

- (c) Let $\tau_N = \min\{\sigma_a, \sigma_b, N\}$. Show that τ_N is a Stopping time.