AN INVARIANCE PRINCIPLE FOR THE EMPIRICAL PROCESS WITH RANDOM SAMPLE SIZE

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Let C = C[0, 1] be the space of continuous functions on [0, 1] with the uniform topology, that is the distance between two points x and y (two functions x and y of $t \in [0, 1]$) is defined by

$$\rho(x, y) = \sup_{t} |x(t) - y(t)|.$$

Let & be the σ -field of Borel sets of C.

Let $(\Omega, \mathfrak{A}, P)$ be some probability space and W be the Wiener measure on (C, \mathfrak{B}) with the corresponding Wiener process $\{W_t(\omega): 0 \le t \le 1\}$, $\omega \in \Omega$; that is W_t has values in C and is specified by $E(W_t) = 0$ and $E(W_sW_t) = s$ if $s \le t$. Let W^0 be the Gaussian measure on (C, \mathfrak{B}) constructed by setting $W_t^0 = W_t - tW_1$. Then $W_t^0 \in C$, $E(W_t^0) = 0$ and $E(W_s^0W_t^0) = s(1-t)$ if $s \le t$. Also $W_0^0 = W_1^0 = 0$ with probability 1 and $\{W_t^0: 0 \le t \le 1\}$ is called the tied down Wiener process or the Brownian bridge.

Let $S_n = \xi_1 + \cdots + \xi_n$, $S_0 = 0$, $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ be the partial sum sequence of random variables $\{\xi_n\}$ defined on (Ω, Ω, P) . Define a random element X_n of C by

(1)
$$X_n(t, \omega) = W_n(t, \omega) + (nt - [nt])\xi_{[nt]+1}(\omega)/n^{1/2} - tW_n(1, \omega)$$

where $W_n(t, \omega) = S_{[nt]}(\omega)/n^{1/2}$. The following theorem is an immediate consequence of L. Breiman's analysis of §§13.5 and 13.6 in his book [3].

THEOREM B. Suppose the random variables ξ_1, ξ_2, \cdots are independent and identically distributed with mean zero and variance 1. Then the random functions X_n defined by (1) satisfy

$$(2) X_n \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} W^0.$$

Here (2), and also similar relations later on, are interpreted in accordance with (4.5) and (4.7) of Billingsley's book [2], depending on

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whether W^0 is construed as a random function or as a measure in the spirit of [2, p. 65]; the meaning is the same for the two interpretations. Since $h(x) = \sup_t |x(t)|$ with x(t) = w(t) - tw(1) is a continuous function on C in the sup-norm metric, (2) implies

$$\sup_{t} |X_{n}(t)| \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup_{t} |W_{t}^{0}|,$$

an invariance principle, as statements like this are often called. Similarly,

$$\sup_{t} X_{n}(t) \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup_{t} W_{t}^{0}, \qquad \inf_{t} X_{n}(t) \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \inf_{t} W_{t}^{0}.$$

For each n, let ν_n be a positive-integer-valued random variable defined on the same probability space as the ξ_n . Define X_n , a random element of C, as in (1), and Y_n , another random element of C, by

$$(3) Y_n(t, \omega) = X_{\nu_n(\omega)}(t, \omega).$$

THEOREM 1. Suppose the random variables $\xi_1, \, \xi_2, \, \cdots$ are independent and identically distributed with mean zero and variance 1. If

$$(4) v_n/n \xrightarrow{P} v,$$

where v is a positive random variable, and

(5)
$$\xi_{[\nu_n t]}(\omega)/(\nu_n(\omega))^{1/2} \xrightarrow{P} 0$$
, for every fixed t,

then the random functions Y_n defined by (3) satisfy

$$(6) Y_n \stackrel{\mathfrak{D}}{\to} W^0.$$

COROLLARY 1. Under the same assumptions as in Theorem 1 (6) implies

$$\sup_{t} |Y_n(t)| \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup_{t} |W_t^0|,$$

$$\sup_{t} Y_n(t) \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup_{t} W_t^0,$$

$$\inf_{t} Y_n(t) \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \inf_{t} W_t^0.$$

REMARK 1. Let D be the space D of Chapter 3 of P. Billingsley's book [2]. Define random elements X_n^* , Y_n^* of D by

(7)
$$X_n^*(t,\omega) = W_n(t,\omega) - tW_n(1,\omega),$$

$$(8) Y_n^*(t,\omega) = X_{\nu_n(\omega)}^*(t,\omega)$$

with $W_n(t, \omega)$ as in (1). Then Theorem B holds for X_n^* of (7) and, omitting condition (5), Theorem 1 holds for Y_n^* of (8). Also, in defining Y_n of (3) and Y_n^* of (8) it is not essential that the random variables $\{\xi_n\}$ involved should be independent and identically distributed with unit variance. We have stated Theorem 1 here for random elements of C and for independent identically distributed random variables having unit variance only because it is, as will be shown later, directly applicable in this form to prove the random-sample-size Kolmogorov-Smirnov theorems. More general versions of Theorem 1 and detailed proofs of them will appear in [4]. We also note that for Y_n of (3) one postulates (5), for it is not true in general that $\xi_{[nt]}/n^{1/2}$ \underline{F} , 0 and (4) imply (5).

For the proof of Theorem 1 we use Theorem B, Theorems 7.7, 8.1, 8.2 of P. Billingsley's book [2] and results of A. Rényi [7] and J. Mogyoródi [5]. First we show that for a single time point $s \{X_n^*(s)\}$ is mixing with the normal distribution function N(0, s(1-s)) in the sense of A. Rényi's definition of mixing sequences of events [7] and that it also satisfies the tightness condition of F. J. Anscombe [1]. Then, using Theorem B, Theorem 7.7 of [2] and Theorem 2 of [5], we show that the finite-dimensional distributions of Y_n of (3) converge to those of W^0 . Next it is verified that the sequence $\{Y_n\}$ is tight in the sense of Theorem 8.2 of [2] and then Theorem 1 follows from Theorem 8.1 of [2]. Details of this proof will appear in [4].

Let U_1, \dots, U_n be independent random variables uniformly distributed on [0, 1]. The order statistics are defined as follows: $U_1^{(n)}$ is the smallest, and so forth; $U_n^{(n)}$ is the largest. Let

$$F_n(t) = \text{(the number of the } U_i \leq t)/n, \quad t \in [0, 1].$$

Define the Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistics

$$\begin{split} D_n^+ &= n^{1/2} \sup_t (F_n(t) - t) = n^{1/2} \max_{k \le n} (k/n - U_k^{(n)}), \\ D_n^- &= n^{1/2} \inf_t (F_n(t) - t) = n^{1/2} \min_{k \le n} (k/n - U_k^{(n)}), \\ D_n &= n^{1/2} \sup_t \left| t - F_n(t) \right| = n^{1/2} \max_{k \le n} \left| U_k^{(n)} - k/n \right|, \end{split}$$

and the random-sample-size Kolmogorov-Smirnov statistics Δ_n^+ = $D_{\nu_n}^+, \Delta_n^- = D_{\nu_n}^-, \Delta_n = D_{\nu_n}$.

THEOREM 2. Under condition (4) of Theorem 1 we have

$$\Delta_n^+ \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup W_t^0, \qquad \Delta_n^- \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \inf W_t^0, \qquad \Delta_n \xrightarrow{\mathfrak{D}} \sup |W_t^0|.$$

PROOF OF THEOREM 2. Let $S(n) = \zeta_1 + \cdots + \zeta_n$, $n = 1, 2, \cdots$ be the partial sum sequence of independent exponential random variables $\{\zeta_n\}$ with mean 1. L. Breiman [3, §13.6] obtained the following representation of D_n

(9)
$$D_{n} \stackrel{\mathfrak{D}}{=} n^{1/2} \max_{k \leq n} \left| \frac{S(k)}{S(n+1)} - \frac{k}{n} \right| \\ \stackrel{\mathfrak{D}}{=} \frac{n}{S(n+1)} \max_{k \leq n} \left| \frac{S(k) - k}{n^{1/2}} - \frac{k}{n} \frac{S(n+1) - n}{n^{1/2}} \right|,$$

with analogous expressions for D_n^+ and D_n^- . Here $\stackrel{\mathfrak{D}}{=}$ means that the random variables in question have the same distribution. Put $\xi_n = \zeta_n - 1$, $S_k = S(k) - k$ and $W_n(t, \omega) = S_{[nt]}(\omega)/n^{1/2}$. Then

(10)
$$D_n \stackrel{\mathfrak{D}}{=} \sup_{t} \left| X_n^*(t, \omega) \right|, \quad \text{for } n \text{ large,}$$
$$= \sup_{t} \left| X_n(t, \omega) \right|, \quad \text{for } n \text{ large,}$$

where X_n^* and X_n are respectively defined in terms of the above ξ_n and W_n via (7) and (1). Analogous asymptotic representations hold for D_n^+ and D_n^- . The first asymptotic representation of (10) for D_n is true because $E(\zeta_n) = \sigma^2(\zeta_n) = 1$ and hence $n/S(n+1) \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 1$ and $\zeta_{n+1}/n^{1/2} \xrightarrow{P} 0$, while the second asymptotic representation of (10) is the consequence of $\xi_{\lfloor nt\rfloor+1}/n^{1/2} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ uniformly in t. The X_n of (10) satisfy the conditions of Theorem B and the usual Kolmogorov-Smirnov theorems follow. For Δ_n we have (9) with n replaced by ν_n on both sides. Now we show

(11)
$$\Delta_{n} = \sup_{t} |Y_{n}^{*}(t, \omega)|, \quad \text{for } n \text{ large,}$$
$$= \sup_{t} |Y_{n}(t, \omega)|, \quad \text{for } n \text{ large,}$$

where Y_n^* and Y_n are respectively defined in terms of the above ξ_n and W_n via (8) and (3); we also have the analogous asymptotic expressions for Δ_n^+ and Δ_n^- . It is true in general that if $\{Z_n\}$ is a sequence of random variables such that $Z_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} Z$ and $\{\nu_n\}$ is a sequence of

positive-integer-valued random variables such that $\nu_n \stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow} + \infty$, then $Z_{\nu_n} \stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow} Z$. Now condition (4) of Theorem 1 implies $\nu_n \stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow} + \infty$ and we have $n/S(n+1) \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\longrightarrow} 1$. Consequently, $\nu_n/S(\nu_n+1) \stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow} 1$. Using the fact that the ζ_n are exponential random variables with mean 1 and that $\nu_n \stackrel{P}{\longrightarrow} + \infty$, it can be easily shown that $\zeta_{\nu_n+1}/\nu_n^{1/2}$ and $\xi_{\lfloor \nu_n t \rfloor+1}/\nu_n^{1/2}$ both converge in probability to zero, the latter one uniformly in t. Hence both asymptotic representations of (11) are true. Also, given condition (4), the Y_n of (11) satisfy the conditions of Theorem 1 and hence $Y_n \stackrel{D}{\longrightarrow} W^0$. The statements of Theorem 2 now follow from Corollary 1.

REMARK 2. Theorem 2 with $\nu=1$ in (4) was proved by R. Pyke [6] in an interesting and different way, utilizing results about stochastic processes with two-dimensional parameter sets. We should also note that proving appropriate versions of Theorem 1, random-sample-size versions of the Kolmogorov-Smirnov theorems with weight functions like

$$f(t) = 1/t$$
, $1/(1-t)$ and $1/[t(1-t)]^{1/2}$,

which are important in applications, can also be proved in a similar way as well as two or more-sample random-sample-size versions. Statements and proofs for these results will also appear in [4].

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