

Tightness (p130)

A family of prob measures $\{\mu_n: n \geq 1\}$ is said to be tight iff $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists A = [a, b]$, such that for all n , $\mu_n([a, b]) \geq 1 - \epsilon$

Theorem 11.1.10

If $\{\mu_n\}$ is a ^{tight} sequence of prob measures then $\Rightarrow$ subsequence n_k such $\mu_{n_k} \Rightarrow \mu$ for some prob measure μ .

Pf: $F_n(x) = \mu_n((-\infty, x]) \Rightarrow F$ along some subsequence (Helly)

$\therefore$ since $\{\mu_n\}$ is tight

$\{\mu_{n_k}\}$ (n_k subsequence from Helly)

is also tight;

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$

Given $\epsilon > 0, \exists [a, b]$

$\Rightarrow \mu_n([a, b]) \geq 1 - \epsilon \quad \forall n$

$F_{n_k}(b) - F_{n_k}(a) \geq 1 - \epsilon$

$\rightarrow$ choose a, b F-cont. points

$\therefore \lim F_{n_k}(a) = F(a)$

$\lim F_{n_k}(b) = F(b)$

$\therefore \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(x) = 1$

$\geq F(b) - F(a)$

$= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} (F_{n_k}(b) - F_{n_k}(a)) \geq 1 - \epsilon$

Corollary 11.1.11

Lemma 11.1.13

$\{\mu_n\}$ sequence of prob measures

characteristic functions $\phi_n(t) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{itx} \mu_n(dx)$

Suppose $\exists g$, such that

$\phi_n(t) \rightarrow g(t)$ for each t

and g is continuous at 0.

Then $\{\mu_n\}$ is tight

Pf:

$\mu_n((-\infty, -\frac{2}{y}] \cup [\frac{2}{y}, \infty)) = \int_{|x| \geq \frac{2}{y}} \frac{1}{2} \mu_n(dx)$

$\leq 2 \int_{|x| \geq \frac{2}{y}} (1 - \frac{1}{y|x|}) \mu_n(dx)$

$(1 - \frac{1}{y|x|}) \geq \frac{1}{2}$

$\leq 2 \int_{|x| \geq \frac{2}{y}} (1 - \frac{\sin(yx)}{yx}) \mu_n(dx)$

$= \int_{|x| \geq \frac{2}{y}} \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y (1 - \cos(tx)) dt \mu_n(dx)$

$= \int_{-y}^y \frac{1}{y} \int_{|x| \geq \frac{2}{y}} (1 - (\cos(tx) + i \sin(tx))) dt \mu_n(dx)$

$= \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 - e^{itx}) \mu_n(dx) dt$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y (1 - (\cos(tx))^{2n}) dx dt \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} (1 - e^{itx}) \mu_n(dx) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y \int_{x \in \mathbb{R}} (1 - e^{itx}) \mu_n(dx) dt \\
&= \frac{1}{y} \int_{-y}^y (1 - \phi_n(t)) dt
\end{aligned}$$

$$p_n(t) \rightarrow g(t), \quad g \text{ cont at } 0$$

$$\therefore \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ s.t. } |g(t) - g(0)| \leq \epsilon \text{ for all } |t - 0| \leq \delta$$

Take y_0 , $0 < y_0 < \delta$

$$\therefore \mu_n\left(\left(-y_0, \frac{y_0}{2}\right) \cup \left(\frac{y_0}{2}, y_0\right)\right)$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{y_0} \int_{-y_0}^{y_0} |1 - p_n(t)| dt$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{y_0} \cdot 2y_0 \cdot \epsilon = 2\epsilon$$

Continuity Theorem