

Asymptotic results for empirical measures of weighted sums of independent random variables

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Circulant random matrices

Let (X_n) be a sequence of random variables and consider the **symmetric circulant random** matrix

$$A_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \begin{pmatrix} X_1 & X_2 & X_3 & \cdots & X_{n-1} & X_n \\ X_2 & X_3 & X_4 & \cdots & X_n & X_1 \\ X_3 & X_4 & X_5 & \cdots & X_1 & X_2 \\ \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots & \cdots \\ X_n & X_1 & X_2 & \cdots & X_{n-2} & X_{n-1} \end{pmatrix}.$$

Goal. Asymptotic behavior of the empirical spectral distribution

$$F_n(x) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} \mathbf{1}_{\{\lambda_k \leq x\}}.$$



Trigonometric weighted sums

We shall make use of

$$r_n = \left[\frac{n-1}{2} \right]$$

and of the trigonometric weighted sums

$$S_{n,k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^n X_t \cos \left(\frac{2\pi kt}{n} \right),$$

$$T_{n,k} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^n X_t \sin \left(\frac{2\pi kt}{n} \right).$$



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Theorem (Bose-Mitra, 2002)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **iid** random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_1^2] = 1$, $\mathbb{E}[|X_1|^3] < \infty$. Then, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[(F_n(x) - F(x))^2] = 0$$

where F is given by

$$F(x) = \frac{1}{2} \begin{cases} \exp(-x^2) & \text{if } x \leq 0, \\ 2 - \exp(-x^2) & \text{if } x \geq 0. \end{cases}$$

Remark. F is the symmetric Rayleigh CDF.



Empirical periodogram

Let (X_n) be a sequence of random variables and consider the **empirical periodogram** defined, for all $\lambda \in [-\pi, \pi[$, by

$$I_n(\lambda) = \frac{1}{n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^n e^{-it\lambda} X_t \right|^2.$$

At the **Fourier frequencies** $\lambda_k = \frac{2\pi k}{n}$, we clearly have

$$I_n(\lambda_k) = S_{n,k}^2 + T_{n,k}^2.$$

Goal. Asymptotic behavior of the empirical distribution

$$F_n(x) = \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \mathbf{1}_{\{I_n(\lambda_k) \leq x\}}.$$



Theorem (Kokoszka-Mikosch, 2000)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **iid** random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = 0$ and $\mathbb{E}[X_1^2] = 1$. Then, for each $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[(F_n(x) - F(x))^2] = 0$$

where F is the exponential CDF.

Remark. (F_n) also converges uniformly in probability to F .



Almost sure central limit theorem

Let (X_n) be a sequence of **iid** random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[X_n] = 0$ and $\mathbb{E}(X_n^2) = 1$ and denote

$$S_n = \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{t=1}^n X_t.$$

Theorem (Lacey-Phillip, 1990)

The sequence (X_n) satisfies an **ASCLT** which means that for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\log n} \sum_{t=1}^n \frac{1}{t} \mathbf{1}_{\{S_t \leq x\}} = \Phi(x) \quad \text{a.s.}$$

where Φ stands for the standard normal CDF.



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Assumptions

Let $(\mathbf{U}^{(n)})$ be a family of real rectangular $r_n \times n$ matrices with $1 \leq r_n \leq n$, satisfying for some constants $C, \delta > 0$

$$(A_1) \quad \max_{1 \leq k \leq r_n, 1 \leq t \leq n} |u_{k,t}^{(n)}| \leq \frac{C}{(\log(1 + r_n))^{1+\delta}},$$

$$(A_2) \quad \max_{1 \leq k, l \leq r_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^n u_{k,t}^{(n)} u_{l,t}^{(n)} - \delta_{k,l} \right| \leq \frac{C}{(\log(1 + r_n))^{1+\delta}}.$$

Let $(\mathbf{V}^{(n)})$ be such a family and assume that $(\mathbf{U}^{(n)}, \mathbf{V}^{(n)})$ satisfies

$$(A_3) \quad \max_{1 \leq k, l \leq r_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^n u_{k,t}^{(n)} v_{l,t}^{(n)} \right| \leq \frac{C}{(\log(1 + r_n))^{1+\delta}}.$$

Trigonometric weights

(A_1) to (A_3) are fulfilled in many situations. For example, if

$$r_n \leq \left\lfloor \frac{n-1}{2} \right\rfloor$$

and for the trigonometric weights

$$u_{k,t}^{(n)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{n}\right),$$
$$v_{k,t}^{(n)} = \sqrt{\frac{2}{n}} \sin\left(\frac{2\pi kt}{n}\right).$$

We shall make use of the sequences of weighted sums

$$S_{n,k} = \sum_{t=1}^n u_{k,t}^{(n)} X_t \quad \text{and} \quad T_{n,k} = \sum_{t=1}^n v_{k,t}^{(n)} X_t.$$



Uniform strong law

Theorem (Bercu-Bryc, 2007)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **independent** random variables such that $\mathbb{E}[X_n] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_n^2] = 1$, $\sup \mathbb{E}[|X_n|^3] < \infty$. If (A_1) and (A_2) hold, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \mathbf{1}_{\{S_{n,k} \leq x\}} - \Phi(x) \right| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

In addition, under (A_3) , we also have for all $(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \mathbf{1}_{\{S_{n,k} \leq x, T_{n,k} \leq y\}} = \Phi(x)\Phi(y) \quad \text{a.s.}$$



Corollary

The result of Bose and Mitra on empirical spectral distributions of **symmetric circulant random matrices** holds with probability one

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(x) - F(x)| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Corollary

The result of Kokoszka and Mikosch on empirical distributions of **periodograms at Fourier frequencies** holds with probability one if $\sup \mathbb{E}[|X_n|^3] < \infty$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{x \geq 0} |F_n(x) - (1 - \exp(-x))| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

In all the sequel, we only deal with **trigonometric weights**. We shall make use of Sakhanenko's strong approximation lemma.

Definition. A sequence (X_n) of independent random variables satisfies Sakhanenko's condition if $\mathbb{E}[X_n] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_n^2] = 1$ and for some constant $a > 0$,

$$(S) \quad \sup_{n \geq 1} a \mathbb{E}[|X_n|^3 \exp(a|X_n|)] \leq 1.$$

Remark. Sakhanenko's condition is stronger than Cramér's condition as it implies for all $|t| \leq a/3$

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[\exp(tX_n)] \leq \exp(t^2).$$



A keystone lemma

Lemma (Sakhanenko, 1984)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **independent** random variables satisfying **(S)**. Then, one can construct a sequence (Y_n) of **iid** $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ random variables such that, if

$$S_n = \sum_{t=1}^n X_t \quad \text{and} \quad T_n = \sum_{t=1}^n Y_t$$

then, for some constant $c > 0$,

$$\mathbb{E} \left[\exp \left(ac \max_{1 \leq t \leq n} |S_t - T_t| \right) \right] \leq 1 + na.$$



Theorem (Bercu-Bryc, 2007)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **independent** random variables satisfying (S). Suppose that $(\log n)^2 r_n^3 = o(n)$. Then, for all $x \in \mathbb{R}$,

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{r_n}} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} (\mathbf{1}_{\{S_{n,k} \leq x\}} - \Phi(x)) \xrightarrow{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{N}(0, \Phi(x)(1 - \Phi(x))).$$

In addition, we also have

$$\sqrt{r_n} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} \left| \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \mathbf{1}_{\{S_{n,k} \leq x\}} - \Phi(x) \right| \xrightarrow[n \rightarrow +\infty]{\mathcal{L}} \mathcal{K}$$

where \mathcal{K} stands for the Kolmogorov-Smirnov distribution.



Remark. \mathcal{K} is the distribution of the supremum of the absolute value of the Brownian bridge. For all $x > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}(\mathcal{K} \leq x) = 1 + 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} (-1)^k \exp(-2k^2 x^2).$$

Remark. One can observe that the CLT also holds if (S) is replaced by the assumption that for some $p > 0$

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[|X_n|^{2+p}] < \infty,$$

as soon as

$$r_n^3 = o(n^{p/(2+p)}).$$



Relative entropy

We are interested in the **large deviation principle** for the random empirical measure

$$\mu_n = \frac{1}{r_n} \sum_{k=1}^{r_n} \delta_{S_{n,k}}.$$

The **relative entropy** with respect to the standard normal law with density ϕ is given, for all $\nu \in \mathcal{M}_1(\mathbb{R})$, by

$$I(\nu) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \log \frac{f(x)}{\phi(x)} f(x) dx$$

if ν is absolutely continuous with density f and the integral exists and $I(\nu) = +\infty$ otherwise.



Theorem (Bercu-Bryc, 2007)

Assume that (X_n) is a sequence of **independent** random variables satisfying (S). Suppose that $\log n = o(r_n)$, $r_n^4 = o(n)$. Then, (μ_n) satisfies an **LDP** with speed (r_n) and good rate function I ,

- **Upper bound:** for any closed set $F \subset \mathcal{M}_1(\mathbb{R})$,

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{r_n} \log \mathbb{P}(\mu_n \in F) \leq - \inf_{\nu \in F} I(\nu).$$

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