

Mathematical Foundations of Infinite-Dimensional Statistical Model

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- **Definition 3.7.22** Let $X(t), t \in T$, be a bounded process whose finite-dimensional laws correspond to the finite-dimensional projections of a tight Borel probability measure on $l_\infty(T)$, and denote by \tilde{X} a measurable version of X with separable range. Let $X_n(t), t \in T$, be bounded processes. Then we say that X_n converge in law to X in $l_\infty(T)$, or uniformly in $t \in T$, or that

$$X_n \rightarrow_L X, \text{ in } l_\infty(T)$$

if

$$E^* H(X_n) \rightarrow EH(\tilde{X})$$

for all functions $H: l_\infty(T) \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ bounded and continuous, where E^* denotes outer expectation.

► **Theorem 3.7.23** Let $X_n(t)$, $t \in T$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$ be a sequence of bounded process. Then the following statements are equivalent:

- (a) The finite-dimensional distributions of the processes X_n converges in law, and there exists a pseudo-metric d on T such that (T, d) is totally bounded, and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Pr^* \left\{ \sup_{d(s,t) \leq \delta} |X_n(t) - X_n(s)| > \epsilon \right\} = 0$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$

- (b) There exists a process X whose law is a tight Borel probability measure on $l_\infty(T)$ and such that

$$X_n \rightarrow_L X \text{ in } l_\infty(T)$$

- **Theorem 3.7.25** Let $(\Omega_n, \mathcal{A}_n, \mathcal{Q}_n) \mapsto l_\infty(T), n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \{\infty\}$, be probability spaces, an let $X_n : \Omega_n \mapsto l_\infty(T)$ be bounded processes such that X_∞ is Borel measurable and has separable range in $l_\infty(T)$. Then $X_n \rightarrow_L X_\infty$ in $l_\infty(T)$ if and only if there exists a probability space $(\tilde{\Omega}, \tilde{\mathcal{A}}, \tilde{\mathcal{Q}})$ and perfect maps $\phi_n : \tilde{\Omega} \mapsto \Omega_n$ such that $\mathcal{Q}_n = \mathcal{Q} \circ \phi_n^{-1}, n \leq \infty$, and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \|\tilde{X}_n - \tilde{X}_\infty\|_T^* = 0$ $\tilde{\mathcal{Q}}$ -a.s as $n \rightarrow \infty$ where $\tilde{X}_n = X_n \circ \phi_n$

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Let X_i be an S -valued random variable with law P . In this section, we assume that \mathcal{F} consists of P -square integrable functions and that

$$\sup_{f \in \mathcal{F}} |f(x) - Pf| < \infty, \quad \forall x \in S \quad (1)$$

With this condition, the centred empirical process based on $\{X_i\}$ and indexed by \mathcal{F} .

$$f \mapsto (P_n(\omega) - P)(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (f(X_i(\omega)) - Pf)$$

is a bounded map $\mathcal{F} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$; that is, the centred empirical process $P_n - P$ has all its sample paths bounded, and the results from the preceding section apply to it.

$\nu_n(f) := \sqrt{n}(P_n - P)(f)$, $f \in \mathcal{F}$ converges in law to the corresponding finite-dimensional distributions $(G_p(f_1), \dots, (G_p(f_k)))$ of centred Gaussian process $\{(G_p(f) : f \in \mathcal{F})\}$ with covariance that of $f(X) - Pf$, $f \in \mathcal{F}$, that is,

$$\mathcal{L}\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{i=1}^n (f_1(X_i) - Pf_1, \dots, f_k(X_i) - Pf_k)\right) \rightarrow_w \mathcal{L}(G_p(f_1), \dots, G_p(f_k)), f_i \in \mathcal{F}, k \in \mathbb{N}$$

where $G_p(f)$, $f \in \mathcal{F}$ is a centred Gaussian process with the same covariance as the process $\{f(X) : f \in \mathcal{F}\}$,

$$E(G_p(f)G_p(g)) = E[(f(X) - Pf)(g(X) - Pg)] = P[(f - Pf)(g - Pg)]$$

We may refer to G_p as the P -bridge process indexed by \mathcal{F}

- ▶ **Definition 3.7.26** The class of functions \mathcal{F} **P -pre-Gaussian** if the P -bridge process $G_P(f), f \in \mathcal{F}$, admits a version whose sample paths are all bounded and uniformly continuous for its intrinsic L^2 -distance $d_P^2(f, g) = P(f-g)^2 - (P(f-g))^2, f, g \in \mathcal{F}$
- ▶ If \mathcal{F} is P -pre-Gaussian, then the pseudo-metric space (\mathcal{F}, d_P) is totally bounded, and the law of G_P is a tight Borel probability measure on the Banach space $C_u(\mathcal{F}, d_P)$
(By Proposition 2.1.5 and Sudakov's theorem(Cor. 2.4.13))

- ▶ **Definition 3.7.29** The class of functions $\mathcal{F} \subset L^2(S, \mathcal{S}, P)$ satisfying the boundedness condition (1) is a P -Donsker class or that \mathcal{F} satisfies the central limit theorem for P , $\mathcal{F} \in CLT(P)$ for short, if \mathcal{F} is P -pre-Gaussian and the P -empirical processes indexed by \mathcal{F} , $\nu_n(f) = \sqrt{n}(P_n - P)(f)$, $f \in \mathcal{F}$, converge in law in $l_\infty(\mathcal{F})$ to the Gaussian process G_P as $n \rightarrow \infty$

► **Theorem 3.7.31** Assume that $\mathcal{F} \subset L^2(S, \mathcal{S}, P)$ and satisfies condition (1). Then the following conditions are equivalent:

- (a) \mathcal{F} is a P -Donsker class.
- (b) The pseudo-metric space (\mathcal{F}, d_P) is totally bounded, and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Pr^* \left(\sup_{f, g \in \mathcal{F}, d_P(f, g) \leq \delta} |\sqrt{n}(P_n - P)(f - g)| > \epsilon \right) = 0$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$

- (c) There exists a pseudo-distance e on \mathcal{F} such that (\mathcal{F}, e) is totally bounded, and

$$\lim_{\delta \rightarrow 0} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Pr^* \left(\sup_{f, g \in \mathcal{F}, e(f, g) \leq \delta} |\sqrt{n}(P_n - P)(f - g)| > \epsilon \right) = 0$$

for all $\epsilon > 0$

- **Proposition 3.7.32** Let $\mathcal{F} \subset L^2(P)$ be a P-Donsker class satisfying the conditions (2) and let F be its measurable cover. Then.

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^2 Pr\{F > t\} = 0$$

. If the P-Donsker class \mathcal{F} only satisfies condition (1), and \bar{F} is the measurable cover of the centred class $\{f - Pf: f \in \mathcal{F}\}$, then

$$\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^2 Pr\{\bar{F} > t\} = 0$$

- ▶ **Proposition 3.7.33** If \mathcal{F}_1 and \mathcal{F}_2 are P-Donsker classes of functions, then so is $\mathcal{F}_1 \cup \mathcal{F}_2$
- ▶ **Proposition 3.7.34** If \mathcal{F} is P-Donsker, So is $H(\mathcal{F}, P)$
where $H(\mathcal{F}, P) = \{g : S \mapsto \mathbb{R} : g(x) = \lim_n g_n(x) \forall x \in S \text{ and } \lim_n P(g_n - g)^2 = 0, g_n \in sco(\mathcal{F})\}$