

Stat581: Fall 2004: Week 1 Quiz: solns

1 [4 pts]. $E(U^c) = \int_0^1 u^c du$ if the integral converges. The indefinite integral of u^c is $u^{c+1}/(c+1)$ if $c \neq -1$ and $\log(u)$ if $c = -1$. So $E(U^c)$ is finite iff $c > -1$ and then is $1/(c+1)$.

2 [3 pts].

2(a) Let F_n be cdf of V_n and F be cdf of V , then $F_n(v) \rightarrow F(v)$ at all $v \in \mathfrak{R}$ at which F is continuous.

2(b) For all $\epsilon > 0$, $\Pr(|V_n - V| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

3 [4 pts] For small ϵ , $\int_0^\epsilon (x(1-x))^{-1+1/n} dx \geq (1/2) \int_0^\epsilon x^{-1+1/n} dx = n\epsilon^{1/n}/2 \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, so the normalizing const of this density $\rightarrow 0$. Hence $\Pr(\epsilon < X_n < 1 - \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$. By symmetry $\Pr(X_n < \epsilon) = \Pr(X_n > 1 - \epsilon)$, $\forall n$. So $F_n(x) \rightarrow 1/2 = F(x)$ for $0 < x < 1$, as required.

4 [6 pts]. Note here we are given the joint dsn, since all are defined in terms of the single r.v. U .

4(a) $\Pr(Y_n = 0) = 1 - 1/n$, so Y_n converges in probability to 0.

4(b) Hence it also converges in dsn to 0.

4(c) $e_n = 1$ for all n .

So $\lim(E(Y_n)) = 1 > 0 = E(\lim(Y_n))$ —an example of strict inequality in Fatou's lemma.

5 [2 pts]. If $X_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ are i.i.d with $E(X_i) = \mu$ and $\text{var}(X_i) = \sigma^2 < \infty$, and $\bar{X}_n = n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, then $\sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - \mu)$ converges in distribution to $N(0, \sigma^2)$.

6 [6 pts]

6(a) $T_n \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$.

6(b) W_n converges in probability to p (Weak Law of Large Numbers).

6(c) $\sqrt{n}(W_n - p)$ converges in dsn to $N(0, p(1-p))$, by CLT, see #5.

6(d) Direct computation of Fisher information gives lower bound as $p(1-p)/n$ — hence W_n is MVUE of p