

Probabilities II / Theorems

Strong Law of Large Numbers (SLLN)

Theorem (Strong Law of Large Numbers): Let $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables on (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) with $X_n \in \bar{\mathbb{R}}, n \geq 1$ and $E|X_1| < \infty$. Set $\mu = E(X_1)$ and $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$. Then:

$$\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu$$

Proof

We will assume that $E(X_1^2) < \infty$ (to simplify proof)

$$E(X_1^2) < \infty \Rightarrow V(X_1) < \infty$$

We see $\sigma^2 = V(X_1)$.

Step 1 We prove theorem for $X_n \geq 0$

See $Y_n = \bar{X}_n - \mu, n \geq 1$

$$E(Y_n) = E(\bar{X}_n - \mu) = E(\bar{X}_n) - \mu = E(X_1) - \mu = \mu - \mu = 0$$

$$E(Y_n^2) = V(Y_n) = V(\bar{X}_n) = \frac{V(X_1)}{n} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}, \sigma^2 < \infty$$

Take the subsequence $(Y_{n^k})_{k \geq 1}$ of $(Y_n)_{n \geq 1}$.

$$E\left(\sum_{n \geq 1} Y_{n^k}^2\right) \stackrel{B-L}{=} \sum_{n \geq 1} E(Y_{n^k}^2) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\sigma^2}{n^2} = \sigma^2 \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^2} < \infty \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_1 Y_n^{n^2} < \infty \text{ with prob } 1$$

$$\Rightarrow Y_n^2 \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0 \xrightarrow{\text{CMT}} |Y_n| \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0 \Rightarrow Y_n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{S_{n^2}}{n^2} - \mu \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0 \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{S_{n^2}}{n^2} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu \quad (1)}$$

$$\forall k \geq 1, \text{ set } n(k) = \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor.$$

$$\text{But } \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor \leq \sqrt{k} \leq \lfloor \sqrt{k} \rfloor + 1 \Rightarrow n(k) \leq \sqrt{k} \leq n(k) + 1 \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n(k)+1} \leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{k}} \leq \frac{1}{n(k)} \Rightarrow \boxed{\frac{1}{(n(k)+1)^2} \leq \frac{1}{k} \leq \frac{1}{n^2(k)} \quad (2)}$$

Since $n^2(k) \leq k \leq (n(k)+1)^2$, we have:

$$\boxed{S_{n^2(k)} \leq S_k \leq S_{(n(k)+1)^2} \quad (3)}$$

From (1), (2), we derive:

$$\frac{S_{n^2(k)}}{(n(k)+1)^2} \leq \frac{S_k}{k} \leq \frac{S_{(n(k)+1)^2}}{n^2(k)}$$

But:

$$\frac{S_{n^2(k)}}{(n(k)+1)^2} = \frac{S_{n^2(k)}}{n^2(k)} \left(\frac{n(k)}{n(k)+1} \right)^2 \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \mu \cdot 1 = \mu$$

($n(k) \rightarrow \infty$)
($k \rightarrow \infty$)

$$\frac{S_{(n(k)+1)^2}}{n^2(k)} = \frac{S_{(n(k)+1)^2}}{(n(k)+1)^2} \left(\frac{n(k)+1}{n(k)} \right)^2 \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu \cdot 1 = \mu$$

By sandwich theorem $\Rightarrow \frac{S_k}{k} \xrightarrow[k \rightarrow \infty]{\text{a.s.}} \mu$

Step 2: $X_n \in \bar{\mathbb{R}}$: $X_i = X_i^+ - X_i^-$

σε κάθε περίπτωση για οποιαδήποτε X_i^+, X_i^- θα είναι 0.

$$\frac{S_n}{n} = \frac{X_1^+ + \dots + X_n^+}{n} - \frac{X_1^- + \dots + X_n^-}{n}$$

$X_n = \text{i.i.d.} \rightarrow (X_n^+)_{n \geq 1}$ and $(X_n^-)_{n \geq 1}$ are i.i.d. (and variances)

Also,

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X_i^+ = \max\{0, X_i\} \leq |X_i| \\ X_i^- = \max\{0, -X_i\} \leq |X_i| \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \left. \begin{array}{l} (X_i^+)^2 \leq X_i^2 \\ (X_i^-)^2 \leq X_i^2 \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \begin{array}{l} E(X_i^+)^2 < +\infty \\ E(X_i^-)^2 < +\infty \end{array}$$

So the conditions of S.L hold (i.i.d + second moment finite)

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \frac{X_1^+ + \dots + X_n^+}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E(X_i^+) \in \mathbb{R} \\ \frac{X_1^- + \dots + X_n^-}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E(X_i^-) \in \mathbb{R} \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow \frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E(X_i^+) - E(X_i^-) = E(X_i) = \mu$$

Reminder: The theorem also holds for $E(X) = +\infty$ or $E(X) = -\infty$.

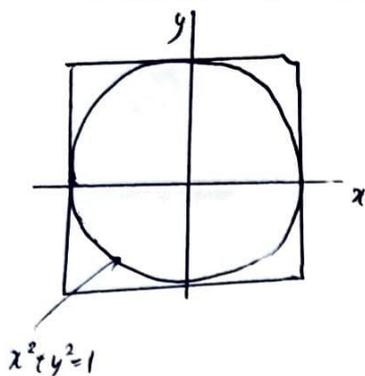
Only exception if $E(X_i^+) = E(X_i^-) = +\infty$

Application (Monte Carlo Integration Method)

It's an integral approximation method, meaning it's a method of approximating the value of an integral, which can be expressed as a mean value of some random variable.

It requires the possibility of simulation from the distribution of the random variable.

Example: Approximation of $\pi \approx 3,1415, \dots$



$$\text{Area} = \pi \cdot r^2 \stackrel{r=1}{=} \pi$$

$$\pi = \iint_{x^2+y^2 \leq 1} 1 \, dx \, dy = \iint_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \mathbb{1}_{\{x^2+y^2 \leq 1\}} \, dx \, dy$$

Idea: (X, Y) such that $X, Y \sim \text{Unif}(-1, 1)$ and X independent of $Y \Rightarrow f_{(X, Y)} = \frac{1}{4}$ ($|x|, |y| \leq 1$).

$$\text{Rewrite } \pi = 4 \cdot \frac{\pi}{4} = 4 \cdot \iint_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \mathbb{1}_{\{x^2+y^2 \leq 1\}} \cdot \frac{1}{4} \, dx \, dy =$$

$$= 4 \cdot E[\mathbb{1}_{\text{Disk}}(X, Y)], \text{Disk} = \{(x, y) \in \mathbb{R}^2 : x^2 + y^2 \leq 1\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{\pi}{4} = E[\underbrace{\mathbb{1}_{\text{Disk}}(X, Y)}_{g(X, Y)}]$$

Approximation via Monte-Carlo

Draw $X_1, \dots, X_n \sim \text{Unif}(-1, 1)$

$Y_1, \dots, Y_n \sim \text{Unif}(-1, 1)$

i.i.d. (from your favorite simulator)

Then $Z_1 = \mathbb{1}_{\text{Disk}}(X_1, Y_1), Z_2 = \mathbb{1}_{\text{Disk}}(X_2, Y_2), \dots, Z_n = \mathbb{1}_{\text{Disk}}(X_n, Y_n)$

are i.i.d. with $Z_n \sim \text{Ber}(p)$, $p = P(Z_n = 1) = P(X_n^2 + Y_n^2 \leq 1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$.

Take $\bar{Z}_n = \frac{Z_1 + \dots + Z_n}{n} \xrightarrow[\text{SLLN}]{\text{a.s.}} \frac{\pi}{4}$ (For large n : $\pi \approx 4 \cdot \bar{Z}_n$)

percentage of points inside disk.

Corollary (Weak Law of Large Numbers): Let $(X_n)_{n \geq 1}$ i.i.d. random variables with $E|X_1| < +\infty$. Then:

$$\bar{X}_n = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \xrightarrow{P} \mu = E(X_1).$$

Proof

From SLLN we have: $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} \mu$.

However $\xrightarrow{a.s.} \rightarrow \xrightarrow{P} \Rightarrow \bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$.

Alternatively:

With $E(X_1^2) < +\infty$, let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then:

$$P(|\bar{X}_n - \mu| > \varepsilon) = P(|\bar{X}_n - E(\bar{X}_n)| > \varepsilon) \stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} \frac{\text{Var}(\bar{X}_n)}{\varepsilon^2} = \frac{\text{Var}(X_1)}{n\varepsilon^2} \xrightarrow{n} 0$$

Therefore: $\bar{X}_n \xrightarrow{P} \mu$.

Exercise 22.6: Let $(U_i)_{i \geq 1}$ i.i.d. random variables with $U_i \sim U(0,1)$.

Show that:

a) $(U_1 \cdots U_n)^{1/n} \xrightarrow{a.s.} e^{-1}$

b) $U_1 \cdots U_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} 0$

c) $\frac{U_1^a + \dots + U_n^a}{n} \xrightarrow{a.s.} \begin{cases} \frac{1}{1+a}, & a > -1 \\ +\infty, & a \leq -1 \end{cases}$

Proof

a) $(U_1 \cdots U_n)^{1/n} = e^{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log U_i}$

It's easy to show that $-\log U \sim \text{Exp}(1)$ if $U \sim U(0,1)$ (hw)

So:

$$E[-\log U] = E[\text{Exp}(1)] \Rightarrow E[\log U] = -1 \xrightarrow{\text{SLLN}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log U_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E[\log U] = -1 \xrightarrow{\text{CMT}}$$

$$\Rightarrow e^{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log U_i} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} e^{-1}$$

$$b) U_1 \cdots U_n = e^{\sum_{i=1}^n \log U_i} = e^{n \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \log U_i} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} e^{-n} = 0$$

\downarrow
 a.s.
 -1

x) $E[U^a] \forall a \in \mathbb{R}$.

When the random variable is well defined, from SLLN (U_i^a , $i \geq 1$, iid random variables):

$$\frac{U_1^a + \dots + U_n^a}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E[U^a], \quad U \sim U(0,1)$$

$$E[U^a] = \int_0^1 u^a \cdot 1 \, du = \begin{cases} \left[\frac{u^{a+1}}{a+1} \right]_0^1, & a \neq -1 \\ [\log u]_0^1, & a = -1 \end{cases} =$$

$$= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a+1} - \frac{1}{a+1} \lim_{n \rightarrow 0^+} u^{a+1}, & a \neq -1 \\ +\infty, & a = -1 \end{cases} = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{a+1}, & a > -1 \\ +\infty, & a = -1 \\ \infty, & a < -1 \end{cases}$$

Fourier Transformation of Probability Measure

Let $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ be a measure space and $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ Borel-measurable. Then $f = \operatorname{Re}(f) + i\operatorname{Im}(f)$, where $\operatorname{Re}(f), \operatorname{Im}(f): \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ Borel-measurable

We define

$$\int f d\mu = \int \operatorname{Re}(f) d\mu + i \int \operatorname{Im}(f) d\mu \in \mathbb{C} \quad \text{if } \int |\operatorname{Re}(f)| d\mu, \int |\operatorname{Im}(f)| d\mu < \infty$$

Properties

$$(1) \quad \left| \int f d\mu \right| \leq \int |f| d\mu$$

$$(2) \quad \int \bar{f} d\mu = \overline{\int f d\mu}, \quad \text{where } |f|, \bar{f} \text{ measure and conjugate complex functions}$$

Proof

$$(1) \quad \text{Firstly: } \int f d\mu \stackrel{\substack{\text{polar representation} \\ \text{of complex} \\ \text{numbers}}}{=} e^{i\theta} \left| \int f d\mu \right| \Rightarrow (z = |z|e^{i\theta}, \theta \in [0, 2\pi))$$

$$\rightarrow \underbrace{\left| \int f d\mu \right|}_{\in \mathbb{R}} = e^{-i\theta} \int f d\mu =$$

$$= \int e^{-i\theta} f d\mu = \int \operatorname{Re}(e^{-i\theta} f) d\mu + i \int \operatorname{Im}(e^{-i\theta} f) d\mu \stackrel{\operatorname{Re}(z) \leq |z|}{\leq}$$

$$\leq \int |e^{-i\theta} f| d\mu \leq \int |e^{-i\theta}| |f| d\mu =$$

$$= \int |f| d\mu$$

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} e^{i\theta} = \cos\theta + i\sin\theta \\ |e^{i\theta}| = 1, \forall \theta \end{array} \right)$$

(2) Obvious

Definition (Fourier transformation of a probability measure): Let μ be a probability measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$. We call Fourier transformation of μ , the function $\hat{\mu}: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ such that $(e^{itx} = \cos tx + i \sin tx)$

$$\hat{\mu}(t) = \int e^{itx} d\mu(x) = \int \cos(tx) d\mu(x) + i \int \sin(tx) d\mu(x).$$

Theorem: Let μ be a probability measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$. Then

i) $|\hat{\mu}(t)| \leq 1 \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

ii) $\hat{\mu}(0) = 1$

iii) $\hat{\mu}(t)$ is uniformly continuous function

Proof

i) $|\hat{\mu}(t)| = \left| \int e^{itx} d\mu(x) \right| \stackrel{Pl}{\leq} \int \underbrace{(e^{itx})}_{1} d\mu(x) = \int 1 d\mu(x) = \mu(\mathbb{R}) = 1$

ii) $|\hat{\mu}(0)| = \int e^{i0x} d\mu(x) = \int 1 d\mu(x) = \mu(\mathbb{R}) = 1$

iii) It suffices to show that

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\hat{\mu}(t+h) - \hat{\mu}(t)| \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0.$$

Indeed,

$$|\hat{\mu}(t+h) - \hat{\mu}(t)| = \left| \int e^{i(t+h)x} d\mu(x) - \int e^{itx} d\mu(x) \right| =$$

$$= \left| \int e^{itx} (e^{ihx} - 1) d\mu(x) \right| \leq \int \underbrace{|e^{itx}|}_{1} |e^{ihx} - 1| d\mu(x) =$$

$$= \int |e^{ihx} - 1| d\mu(x) \rightarrow \sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |\hat{\mu}(t+th) - \hat{\mu}(t)| \leq \int |e^{ihx} - 1| d\mu(x)$$

Remark: We observe that:

$$i) |e^{ihx} - 1| \xrightarrow{h \rightarrow 0} 0 \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$ii) |e^{ihx} - 1| \leq (|e^{ihx}| + 1) = 2 = g(x) \quad \forall x \in \mathbb{R}$$

$$iii) \int g(x) d\mu(x) = \int 2 d\mu(x) = 2\mu(\mathbb{R}) = 2 < \infty \quad \text{Apa:}$$

(g. OK)

$$\int |e^{ihx} - 1| d\mu(x) \rightarrow \int 0 d\mu(x) = 0$$

Χαρακτηριστικές συναρτήσεις (Eigenfunction)

Definition: Let X be a real random variable in probability space (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) . We call eigenfunction of X the function:

$$\varphi_X: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{C} : \varphi_X(t) = E(e^{itX})$$

Remark: $\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itX}] = \int e^{itx} dP \stackrel{(T.A.M.)}{=} \int e^{itx} dP_X(t) = \hat{P}_X(t)$

Therefore the eigenfunction of a random variable X is the Fourier transformation of a probability measure P , or in other words the of the distribution of X .

Proposition: If X, Y real random variables in (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) and $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$

then $\forall t \in \mathbb{R}$:

$$i) \varphi_X(-t) = \overline{\varphi_X(t)}$$

$$ii) \varphi_{aX+b}(t) = e^{itb} \cdot \varphi_X(at)$$

iii) If X, Y independent random variables, $\varphi_{X+Y}(t) = \varphi_X(t) \cdot \varphi_Y(t)$

Proof

$$\begin{aligned} e^{i\vartheta} &= \overline{\cos\vartheta + i\sin\vartheta} = \cos\vartheta - i\sin\vartheta = e^{-i\vartheta} \\ &= \cos(-\vartheta) + i\sin(-\vartheta) \end{aligned}$$

$$i) \varphi_X(-t) = E[e^{i(-t)X}] = E[e^{-itX}] = E[\overline{e^{itX}}] = \overline{E[e^{itX}]} = \overline{\varphi_X(t)}$$

$$\begin{aligned} ii) \varphi_{aX+b}(t) &= E[e^{it(aX+b)}] = E[e^{itb} \cdot e^{iatX}] = e^{itb} E[e^{i(at)X}] = \\ &= e^{itb} \varphi_X(at) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} iii) \varphi_{X+Y}(t) &= E[e^{it(X+Y)}] = E[\underbrace{e^{itX}}_{g(X)} \cdot \underbrace{e^{itY}}_{g(Y)}] \stackrel{X, Y \text{ independent}}{=} \\ &= E[e^{itX}] \cdot E[e^{itY}] = \varphi_X(t) \cdot \varphi_Y(t) \end{aligned}$$

Example: (Calculation of eigenfunction):

$$i) X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = (pe^{it} + (1-p))^n$$

Proof

$$\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itX}] = \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \cdot P(X=k) =$$

$$= \sum_{k=0}^n e^{itk} \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} = \sum_{k=0}^n \binom{n}{k} \underbrace{(pe^{it})^k}_a \underbrace{(1-p)^{n-k}}_b =$$

$$= (pe^{it} + 1-p)^n$$

Alternatively:

$$X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow X = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i, \quad X_i \sim \text{Ber}(p), \text{ independent.}$$

$$\varphi_X(t) = \varphi_{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}(t) \stackrel{\text{independent}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_{X_i}(t) \stackrel{X_i \sim \text{Ber}(p)}{=} \varphi_{X_1}^n(t) =$$

$$= E^n[e^{tX_1}] = [pe^t + (1-p) \cdot 1]^n$$

$$\text{ii) } X \sim U(-a, a) \Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin(at)}{at}, & t \neq 0 \\ 1, & t = 0. \end{cases}$$

Proof

$$\text{If } X \sim U(-a, a), \text{ then } f_X(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2a}, & x \in (-a, a) \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$\varphi_Y(t) = E[e^{itX}] = \int_{-a}^a e^{itx} \cdot \frac{1}{2a} dx = \frac{1}{2a} \int_{-a}^a e^{itx} dx =$$

\downarrow
 $\cos(tx) + i\sin(tx)$

$$= \frac{1}{2a} \int_{-a}^a \cos(tx) dx + \frac{i}{2a} \int_{-a}^a \sin(tx) dx$$

even function
in symmetric
interval around 0

odd function
in symmetric interval around 0

$$= \frac{2}{2a} \int_0^a \cos(tx) dx = \frac{1}{a} [\sin tx]_0^a = \frac{1}{a} \sin(at),$$

Alternatively: $\varphi_X(t) = \frac{1}{2a} \int_{-a}^a e^{itx} dx = \frac{1}{2ait} [e^{itx}]_{-a}^a \quad \underline{\underline{(e^{itx})' = ite^{itx}}}}$

$$= \frac{1}{2ait} (e^{ita} - e^{-ita}) = \frac{1}{2ait} 2i \operatorname{Im}(e^{ita}) =$$

$$= \frac{1}{ait} \sin(ta) = \frac{\sin(ta)}{at} \quad (z - \bar{z} = 2i \operatorname{Im}(z))$$

Remark: i) If $X \sim \operatorname{Bin}(n, p) \Rightarrow M_X(t) = (pe^t + (1-p))^n$

ii) If $X \sim U(-a, a) \Rightarrow M_X(t) = \frac{1}{2at} (e^{at} - e^{-at}), t \neq 0$

Proof

i) $t \rightarrow it \Rightarrow M_X(it) = (pe^{it} + (1-p))^n = \varphi_X(t)$.

It's $M_X(t) = E[e^{tx}]$

$$\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itx}].$$

We will see when it's possible to get $\varphi_X(t) = M_X(it)$ after we have calculated $M_X(t)$.

ii) hw: replace "t" with "it" and get the eigenfunction

iii) If $X \sim N(0, 1)$, then $M_X(t) = e^{t^2/2}, \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Assume that $\varphi_x(t) = M_x(it)$ holds. Then:

$$\varphi_x(t) = e^{(it)^2/2} = e^{-t^2/2}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Fourier Transformation in \mathbb{R}^n

Notation: $\langle x, y \rangle := \sum_{k=1}^n x_k y_k$, $x = (x_1, \dots, x_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$
 $y = (y_1, \dots, y_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$

Definition: Let μ be a probability measure in $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$. We call Fourier transformation of μ the function $\hat{\mu}: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ with

$$\hat{\mu}(u) = \int e^{i\langle u, x \rangle} d\mu(x) = \int \cos(\langle u, x \rangle) d\mu(x) + i \int \sin(\langle u, x \rangle) d\mu(x) \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Properties

1) $|\hat{\mu}(u)| \leq 1$

2) $\hat{\mu}(0) = 1$

3) $\hat{\mu}(u)$ is uniformly distributed function.

Definition: Let X be a random variable in a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{A}, P) with values in \mathbb{R}^n . We call eigenfunction of X , the function:

$$\varphi_x: \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{C} \text{ such that: } \varphi_x(u) = E[e^{i\langle u, X \rangle}]$$

Proposition: i) $\varphi_x(-u) = \overline{\varphi_x(u)} \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n$

$$\text{ii) } \varphi_{AX+b}(v) = e^{i \langle v, b \rangle} \cdot \varphi_X(A^T v), \quad A \in \mathbb{R}^{m \times n}$$

$$b \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

$$u \in \mathbb{R}^n, v \in \mathbb{R}^m$$

iii) If X, Y independent n -dimensional random variables, then:

$$\varphi_{X+Y}(u) = \varphi_X(u) \varphi_Y(u)$$

Uniqueness Theorem: Let μ, ν probability measures in $(\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^n))$.

Then $\hat{\mu}(u) = \hat{\nu}(u) \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mu = \nu$.

Corollary: If $X, Y \in \mathbb{R}^n$ random variables, then:

$$\varphi_X(u) = \varphi_Y(u), \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n \Rightarrow P_X = P_Y \quad (X \stackrel{d}{=} Y)$$

Corollary: Let $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n) \in \mathbb{R}^n$ random variable. Then:

$$(X_j)_{1 \leq j \leq n} \text{ independent random variables} \Leftrightarrow \varphi_X(u_1, \dots, u_n) =$$

$$= \varphi_{X_1}(u_1) \cdots \varphi_{X_n}(u_n) \quad \forall u \in \mathbb{R}^n$$

Applications

i) If $X \sim \text{Bin}(n, p)$, $Y \sim \text{Bin}(m, p)$ and X, Y independent \Rightarrow

$$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Bin}(n+m, p)$$

ii) If $X \sim \text{Gamma}(a_1, \theta)$, $Y \sim \text{Gamma}(a_2, \theta)$ $\xrightarrow[\text{independent}]{X, Y}$

$$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim \text{Gamma}(a_1+a_2, \theta), \quad a_1, a_2, \theta > 0$$

iii) If $X \sim N(\mu_x, \sigma_x^2)$, $Y \sim N(\mu_y, \sigma_y^2)$ $\xrightarrow[\text{independence}]{X, Y}$ $X+Y \sim N(\mu_x + \mu_y, \sigma_y^2 + \sigma_x^2)$

Proof

i), ii) Homework

iii) $Z \sim N(0, 1) \rightarrow \varphi_Z(t) = e^{-t^2/2} \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$.

If $X \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2) \rightarrow X = \mu + \sigma Z$, where $Z \sim N(0, 1)$,

So: $\varphi_X(t) = \varphi_{\mu + \sigma Z}(t) \stackrel{\text{Properties}}{=} e^{it\mu} \varphi_Z(\sigma t) = e^{it\mu} \cdot e^{-\frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2} = e^{it\mu - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 t^2}$

Therefore:

$$\varphi_{X+Y}(t) = \varphi_X(t) \cdot \varphi_Y(t) = e^{it\mu_x - \frac{\sigma_x^2}{2} t^2} \cdot e^{it\mu_y - \frac{\sigma_y^2}{2} t^2} =$$

$$= e^{it(\mu_x + \mu_y) - \frac{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2}{2} t^2} = e^{it\mu - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} t^2} = \quad , \text{ where } \begin{matrix} \mu = \mu_x + \mu_y \\ \sigma^2 = \sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2 \end{matrix}$$

= eigenfunction of $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$

$\Rightarrow X+Y \sim N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ (From Uniqueness Theorem)

Homework (eigenfunctions)

• $X_i \sim P(\lambda_i)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, independent $\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim P(\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i)$

• $X_i \sim \text{Geo}(p)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, independent $\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Neg Bin}(n, p)$

• $X_i \sim \text{Exp}(\theta)$, $1 \leq i \leq n$, independent $\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i \sim \text{Erlang}(n, \theta)$

• $\chi = \sum_{i=1}^n z_i^2$, where $z_i \sim N(0, 1)$, $1 \leq i \leq n \rightarrow \chi \sim \chi_n^2 \in G(\frac{n}{2}, \frac{1}{2})$

Moment generation functions (Πορογεννήτριες)

Definition: If X real random variable, we call moment generating function the function:

$$M_X: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty] \text{ with } M_X(t) = E(e^{tX})$$

Lemma: i) If $\epsilon > 0$ and $M_X(\epsilon) < \infty \Rightarrow M_X(t) < \infty \forall t \in [0, \epsilon]$

Additionally: $E[X^k] < \infty \forall k \geq 1$.

ii) If $\epsilon > 0$ and $M_X(-\epsilon) < \infty \Rightarrow M_X(t) < \infty \forall t \in [-\epsilon, 0]$

and $E[X^k] < \infty, \forall k \geq 1$

Proof

i) We will show that: $M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] < \infty, \forall t \in [0, \epsilon]$

If $\omega: X(\omega) > 0$ then for $t \in [0, \epsilon]$ we have:

$$tX(\omega) \leq \epsilon \cdot X(\omega) \Rightarrow e^{tX(\omega)} \leq e^{\epsilon X(\omega)} < e^{\epsilon X(\omega)} + 1$$

If $\omega: X(\omega) < 0$ then for $t \in [0, \epsilon]$ we have:

$$tX(\omega) \leq 0 \Rightarrow e^{tX(\omega)} \leq e^0 = 1 < 1 + e^{\epsilon X(\omega)}$$

Therefore: $e^{tX} \leq 1 + e^{\epsilon X}$

$$M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] \leq 1 + E[e^{\epsilon X}] = 1 + M_X(\epsilon) < \infty$$

< ∞ (assumption)

• If $\omega: X(\omega) > 0 \Rightarrow X^T(\omega) = X(\omega)$. Therefore:

$$\frac{E^k (X^T(\omega))^k}{k!} = \frac{E^k X^k(\omega)}{k!} \leq e^{\varepsilon X(\omega)}$$

If $\omega: X(\omega) < 0 \Rightarrow X^T(\omega) = 0 \Rightarrow$ the above inequality also holds

So:

$$E^k \frac{(X^+)^k}{k!} \leq e^{\varepsilon X} \Rightarrow (X^+)^k \leq \frac{k!}{\varepsilon^k} e^{\varepsilon X} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow E[(X^+)^k] \leq \frac{k!}{\varepsilon^k} E[e^{\varepsilon X}] = \frac{k!}{\varepsilon^k} M_X(\varepsilon) < +\infty \quad \forall k > 1$$

$< +\infty$ (assumption)

ii) Homework.

Corollary: Let $D_X = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : M_X(t) < +\infty\}$. Therefore:

i) D_X is an interval with $0 \in D_X$

ii) $E(X^+) = E(X^-) = +\infty$ (when the mean value cannot be defined) \Rightarrow

$\Rightarrow D_X = \{0\}$.

Proposition: If $\exists \varepsilon > 0 : M_X(\varepsilon) < +\infty, M_X(-\varepsilon) < +\infty$, then:

i) $M_X(t) < +\infty, \forall t \in [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$

ii) $E|X|^k < +\infty, \forall k \geq 1$ (moment function of k -rank ^{exist} $\forall k \geq 1$)

iii) $M_X(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{E(X^k)}{k!} t^k$ (with radius of convergence at least ε)

$$iv) E[X^k] = M_X^{(k)}(0)$$

Proof

$$i) \left. \begin{array}{l} \exists \varepsilon > 0 : M_X(\varepsilon) < +\infty \xrightarrow{\text{Prop}} M_X(t) < +\infty \quad \forall t \in [0, \varepsilon] \\ \exists \varepsilon > 0 : M_X(-\varepsilon) < +\infty \xrightarrow{\text{Prop}} M_X(t) < +\infty \quad \forall t \in [-\varepsilon, 0] \end{array} \right\} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow M_X(t) < +\infty \quad \forall t \in [-\varepsilon, \varepsilon]$$

$$ii) |X| = \begin{cases} x, & x \geq 0 \\ -x, & x < 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow |x|^k = \begin{cases} x^k, & x \geq 0 \\ (-x)^k, & x < 0 \end{cases} \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow |X|^k = X^k \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq 0\}} + (-X)^k \mathbb{1}_{\{X < 0\}} =$$

$$= X^k \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq 0\}}^k + (-X)^k \mathbb{1}_{\{X < 0\}} =$$

$$= (X \mathbb{1}_{\{X \geq 0\}})^k + (-X \mathbb{1}_{\{X < 0\}})^k = (X^+)^k + (X^-)^k$$

(especially for $k=1$, we get: $|X| = X^+ + X^-$)

$$\Rightarrow |X|^k = (X^+)^k + (X^-)^k$$

$$\text{Because: } M_X(\varepsilon) < +\infty \xrightarrow{\text{Prop.}} E(X^+)^k < +\infty \quad \forall k$$

$$M_X(-\varepsilon) < +\infty \xrightarrow{\text{Prop.}} E(X^-)^k < +\infty \quad \forall k.$$

$$\text{So: } E|X|^k = \underbrace{E|X^+|^k}_{< +\infty} + \underbrace{E|X^-|^k}_{< +\infty} < +\infty \quad \forall k.$$

$$\text{iii) } M_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = E\left[\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tX)^k}{k!}\right] \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{E(X^k)}{k!} t^k$$

We will apply Beppo-Levi (for extended functions) if $E(|\cdot|) < \infty$

if this switch can be justified

$$E\left|\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{(tX)^k}{k!}\right| \leq E\left(\sum_{k=0}^{\infty} \frac{|tX|^k}{k!}\right) = E(e^{|tX|}) \leq E(e^{tX} + e^{-tX})$$

Calculation of eigenfunction from moment generating function
(where applicable)

Example: $M_X(t) = e^{-t^2/2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$ when $X \sim N(0, 1)$

We would like $\varphi_X(t) = M_X(it) = e^{-t^2/2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

" $E(e^{itX})$ } the domain is \mathbb{R} , it $\notin \mathbb{R}$ (generally)

Problem: The domain of $M_X(t)$ needs to be extended and contain it. Observe that: $e^{-z^2/2}$ and $e^{-|z|^2/2}$ can be defined in \mathbb{C} and for $z = t \in \mathbb{R}$.

So two different complex functions coincide in \mathbb{R} . We need to find an extension to satisfy our needs.

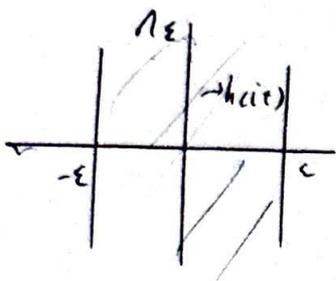
Proposition: Let X be a random variable with a moment generating function M_X . If $\exists \varepsilon > 0$:

i) $M_X(t) < \infty \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$

ii) \exists analytical function $h: \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$ where:

$h(t) = M_X(t) \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ where $\mathcal{A}_\varepsilon = \{z \in \mathbb{C} : |\operatorname{Re}(z)| < \varepsilon\}$ then

$$\varphi_X(t) = h(it).$$



$$M_X(t) = E(e^{tX})$$

Proof

Let $g(z) = E[e^{zX}] \quad \forall z \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$ και $g: \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon \rightarrow \mathbb{C}$.

We will show that g is well defined and analytical in \mathcal{A}_ε .

g well defined (επι νόημα η έκφραση $t \in \mathbb{C}$)

It must hold that:

$$E[e^{zX}] < +\infty.$$

Then obviously $E[e^{zX}] \in \mathbb{C}$.

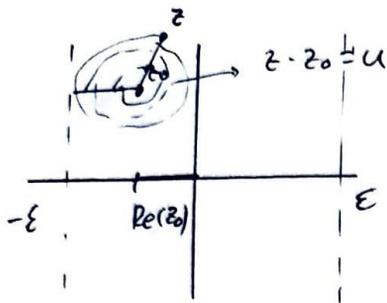
$$E[e^{zX}] = E[e^{(\operatorname{Re}(z) + i\operatorname{Im}(z))X}] = E[e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)X} \cdot e^{i\operatorname{Im}(z)X}] \quad \underline{\underline{|e^{i\operatorname{Im}(z)X}| = 1}}$$

$$= E[e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)X}] = E[e^{\operatorname{Re}(z)X}] = M_X(\operatorname{Re}(z)) < +\infty$$

From assumption i), because $|\operatorname{Re}(z)| < \varepsilon \Rightarrow \operatorname{Re}(z) \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$

$g(z)$ analytical

Let $z_0 \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$



I must be able to write

$$g(z) = g(z_0 + u) = \sum_{k \geq 0} a_k u^k \quad \left(a_k = \frac{g^{(k)}(z_0)}{k!} \right)$$

and this will hold for $\forall u \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$, with $u \in \varepsilon - |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)|$
circle radius

$$\begin{aligned} g(z) &= g(z_0 + u) = E[e^{(z_0 + u)X}] = E[e^{z_0 X} \cdot e^{uX}] = E\left[e^{z_0 X} \cdot \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{(uX)^k}{k!}\right] = \\ &= E\left[\sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{e^{z_0 X} \cdot X^k}{k!} u^k\right] \stackrel{?}{=} \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{E[e^{z_0 X} \cdot X^k]}{k!} u^k = \sum_{k \geq 0} a_k u^k, \quad \mu \in \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$a_k = \frac{E[e^{z_0 X} X^k]}{k!}$$

Apres:

$$E\left[\sum_{k=0}^{+\infty} \left| \frac{e^{z_0 X} \cdot (uX)^k}{k!} \right|\right] < +\infty$$

$$E\left[\sum_{k \geq 0} |e^{z_0 X}| \cdot \frac{|uX|^k}{k!}\right] = E\left[|e^{z_0 X}| \cdot \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{|uX|^k}{k!}\right] = E\left[|e^{z_0 X}| e^{|uX|}\right] =$$

$$= E\left[|e^{\operatorname{Re}(z_0)X}| \underbrace{|e^{i \operatorname{Im}(z_0)X}|}_1 \cdot e^{|uX|}\right] = E\left[e^{\operatorname{Re}(z_0)X} \cdot e^{|uX|}\right] \leq$$

$$\leq E\left[e^{|\operatorname{Re}(z_0)||X|} + |u||X|\right] = E\left[e^{(|\operatorname{Re}(z_0)| + |u|)|X|}\right] = E\left[e^{u^* X}\right] \leq$$

$$\leq E\left[e^{u^* X} + e^{-u^* X}\right] = \mathcal{M}_X(u^*) + \mathcal{M}_X(-u^*)$$

where $u^* = |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)| + |u|$, $|u| < \varepsilon - |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)|$

$$u^* = |u| + |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)| < \varepsilon - |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)| + |\operatorname{Re}(z_0)| < \varepsilon \rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow -\varepsilon < -u^* < u^* < \varepsilon \Rightarrow M_X(u^*), M_X(-u^*) \stackrel{\text{assumpt}}{<} \infty \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow E[\Sigma' | \cdot] < \infty.$$

We conclude that $g(z)$ is analytical in \mathcal{A}_ε . ■

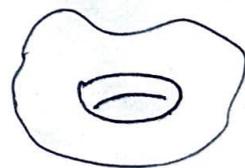
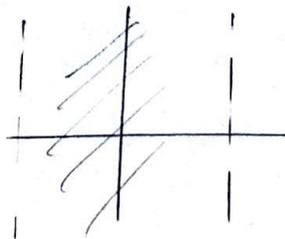
From our assumption ii) we have that h is also analytic in \mathcal{A}_ε and that $h(t) = M_X(t)$. Additionally, g is analytic in \mathcal{A}_ε and $g(t) = E[e^{tx}] = M_X(t) \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$, so from analytic continuity principle, if g and h are defined in a region (open and connected subset of \mathbb{C}) and they ~~are~~ ^{coincide} ~~equal~~ in an arc within that region, then $g=h$, when they are analytic in that region.

The g and h are analytic in the ~~the~~ region \mathcal{A}_ε and we have:

$$g(t) = h(t) \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \subset \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$$

(arc)

Therefore: $g=h$



Therefore: $\varphi_X(t) \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} E[e^{itx}] = g(it) = h(it)$

Applications

1) If $X \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = e^{-t^2/2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution

We have: $X \sim N(0, 1) \Rightarrow M_X(t) = e^{t^2/2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$. Then:

i) $M_X(t) < +\infty \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

ii) $h(z) = e^{z^2/2}$ is analytic in \mathbb{C} and $h(t) = M_X(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

Proposition $\Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = h(it) = e^{(it)^2/2} = e^{-t^2/2} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

2) If $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta) \Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = \frac{\theta}{\theta - it}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

Solution

If $X \sim \text{Exp}(\theta), \theta > 0 \Rightarrow M_X(t) = \frac{\theta}{\theta - t}, \quad \forall t < \theta \quad (\theta > 0)$.

i) $M_X(t) < +\infty \quad \forall t \in (-\theta, \theta)$ (θ -nearness)

ii) $h(z) = \frac{\theta}{\theta - z}$, is analytic in \mathcal{A}_θ .

and $h(t) = M_X(t) \quad \forall t \in (-\theta, \theta)$

Proposition $\Rightarrow \varphi_X(t) = h(it) = \frac{\theta}{\theta - it}, \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$

Theorem: Let X, Y be real random variables. If $\exists \varepsilon > 0$:

$M_X(t) = M_Y(t) < +\infty, \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$ then $X \stackrel{d}{=} Y$.

Proof

It suffices to show that: $\varphi_X(t) = \varphi_Y(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \xrightarrow[\text{characteristic function}]{\text{d.f.}} X \stackrel{d}{=} Y.$

From ~~the~~ previous proposition proof we have that:

$g_X(z) = E[e^{zX}]$ is well defined and analytic in \mathcal{A}_ε (bes of assumption i)).

Respectively: $g_Y(z) = E[e^{zY}]$ is well defined and analytic in \mathcal{A}_ε .

However, $g_X(t) = E[e^{tX}] = M_X(t) \stackrel{\text{assump.}}{=} M_Y(t) = E[e^{tY}] = g_Y(t) \quad \forall t \in (-\varepsilon, \varepsilon)$

Because of $(-\varepsilon, \varepsilon) \subset \mathcal{A}_\varepsilon$ we conclude from the analytic continuity principle that $g_X = g_Y$ in \mathcal{A}_ε .

$$\varphi_X(t) = E[e^{itX}] = g_X(it) \stackrel{\substack{\text{they coincide} \\ \text{in the imaginary} \\ \text{axis}}}{=} g_Y(it) = E[e^{itY}] = \varphi_Y(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

Exercise 13.3: If X a real random variable such that $E|X| < \infty$ (\exists mean value of X), then show that φ_X is differentiable in (\mathbb{R}) and $\varphi_X'(0) = iE[X]$.

Proof

Let $t \in \mathbb{R}$. We want to find $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_X(t+ih) - \varphi_X(t)}{h}$.

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\varphi_X(t+ih) - \varphi_X(t)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} E \left(\frac{e^{i(t+ih)X} - e^{itX}}{h} \right) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} E \left[e^{itX} \frac{e^{ihX} - 1}{h} \right] \stackrel{?}{=} i$$

$$= E \left[\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} e^{itX} \left(\frac{e^{ihX} - 1}{h} \right) \right]$$

We will apply the Generalized Theorem of Dominant Convergence

$$i) \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(e^{ix} \cdot \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right) = e^{ix} \cdot \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h}$$

We set $g(t) = e^{itx} \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$g'(x) = ix e^{ix} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{g(x+h) - g(x)}{h} = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{i(h+x)x} - e^{ix}}{h} =$$

$$= e^{ix} \cdot \left[\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right] \approx ix \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \left(e^{ix} \cdot \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right) = ix \cdot e^{ix}$$

$$ii) \left| e^{ix} \cdot \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right| = \underbrace{|e^{ix}|}_1 \cdot \left| \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right| \stackrel{?}{\leq} |x|$$

It suffices to show that $|e^{i\theta} - 1| \leq |\theta|$ because if that holds

$$|e^{ihx} - 1| \leq |h| \cdot |x| \Rightarrow \left| \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right| \leq |x| \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^\theta e^{it} dt = \frac{1}{i} [e^{it}]_0^\theta = \frac{1}{i} (e^{i\theta} - e^0) = \frac{1}{i} (e^{i\theta} - 1) \Rightarrow e^{i\theta} - 1 = i \int_0^\theta e^{it} dt \Rightarrow$$

$$\Rightarrow |e^{i\theta} - 1| = \underbrace{|i|}_1 \cdot \left| \int_0^\theta e^{it} dt \right| \leq \int_0^\theta \underbrace{|e^{it}|}_1 dt = \theta \Rightarrow \boxed{|e^{i\theta} - 1| \leq \theta}$$

iii) $\varepsilon |x| < \delta$ from assumption, therefore: the generalized

Dominant Convergence Theorem:

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} E \left(e^{ix} \cdot \frac{e^{ihx} - 1}{h} \right) \stackrel{i)}{=} E \left[\underbrace{ix \cdot e^{ix}}_{g'(x)} \right]$$

\Rightarrow differentiable
 $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$

Especially for $t=0$:

$$\varphi_x'(0) = E[it \cdot e^{i \cdot 0 \cdot X}] = iE(X).$$