

ON THE MARCINKIEWICZ–ZYGmund LAW OF LARGE NUMBERS IN BANACH LATTICES

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We strengthen the well-known Marcinkiewicz–Zygmund law of large numbers in the case of Banach lattices. Examples of applications to empirical distributions are presented.

1. Introduction. Main Theorem

Let ξ, ξ_1, ξ_2, \dots be independent identically distributed random variables in \mathbb{R} . In [1], Marcinkiewicz and Zygmund obtained the following generalization of the Kolmogorov law of large numbers: For $1 \leq p < 2$, one has

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i = 0 \quad \text{almost surely (a.s.)}$$

if $\mathbf{E}|\xi|^p < \infty$ and $\mathbf{E}\xi = 0$.

Let (X_i) be a sequence of independent copies of a random element X with values in a separable Banach space B and let

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i.$$

It is known [2, p. 259] that, for Banach spaces of the type p , $1 \leq p < 2$, under the conditions

$$\mathbf{E}\|X\|^p < \infty \tag{1}$$

and $\mathbf{E}X = 0$, the Marcinkiewicz–Zygmund law of large numbers of the form

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \|S_n\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \tag{2}$$

is also true.

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In what follows, B denotes a separable Banach lattice with modulus $|\cdot|$. We set

$$S_n^* = \sup_{k \leq n} |S_k|, \quad n = 1, 2, \dots$$

(here and in what follows, the relation $k \leq n$ means that $1 \leq k \leq n$).

The following question naturally arises: Is it possible to strengthen the law of large numbers (2) in the case of Banach lattices to the equality

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \|S_n^*\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad (3)$$

and what conditions should be imposed on the random element X for this purpose?

Let $1 \leq p, q < \infty$. A Banach lattice B is called p -convex [3, p. 46] if there exists a constant $D^{(p)} = D^{(p)}(B)$ such that, for each n and any elements $(x_i)_1^n \subset B$, one has

$$\left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \right\| \leq D^{(p)} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^p \right)^{1/p},$$

and, similarly, it is called q -concave if, for a certain constant $D_{(q)} = D_{(q)}(B)$, the inverse inequality is true, i.e.,

$$\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|x_i\|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq D_{(q)} \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |x_i|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|.$$

Theorem 1. *Let B be a p -convex ($1 \leq p < 2$) and q -concave ($q < \infty$) Banach lattice and let X be a random element with values in B such that $\mathbf{E}X = 0$. Then condition (1) is equivalent to equality (3).*

Corollary 1. *Let X be a random element with values in the space L_p or ℓ_p for $1 \leq p < 2$ and let $\mathbf{E}X = 0$. Then conditions (1) and (3) are equivalent.*

Remark 1. For general separable Banach lattices, Theorem 1 is not true. However, it was shown in [4] that the Kolmogorov-type law of large numbers

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \|S_n^*\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.},$$

provided that $\mathbf{E}\|X\| < \infty$ and $\mathbf{E}X = 0$.

Recall that a sequence (x_n) of elements of a Banach lattice B is called o -convergent to an element x , which is denoted by

$$x = o\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n,$$

if there exists a sequence of nonnegative elements $v_n \in B$ such that $|x_n - x| \leq v_n$ and $v_n \downarrow 0$, i.e., $v_1 \geq v_2 \geq \dots$ and

$$\inf_{n \geq 1} v_n = 0.$$

For a random element X with values in a Banach lattice (with $\mathbf{E}X = 0$), one can consider the Marcinkiewicz–Zygmund order law of large numbers:

$$o\text{-}\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} S_n = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Remark 2. Under the conditions of Theorem 1, the Marcinkiewicz–Zygmund order law of large numbers is not true. For instance, the counterexample from [5] considered in the space ℓ_p , $1 \leq p < \infty$, satisfies both inequality (1) and the following relation:

$$\left\| \sup_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} |S_n| \right\|_{\ell_p} = \infty \quad \text{a.s.}$$

2. Proof of Theorem 1

First, note that we essentially use here the proof of the Marcinkiewicz–Zygmund law of large numbers in a Banach space presented in [2, pp. 186, 187].

The implication (3) \Rightarrow (1) follows from the results of [2, p. 259]. Therefore, it suffices to establish the opposite implication (1) \Rightarrow (3).

Step 1. We present here several auxiliary lemmas.

Lemma 1 [4]. *Let Y be a random element with values in a finite-dimensional subspace E of a Banach lattice and let (Y_i) be its independent copies. Suppose that $1 < p \leq 2$, $\mathbf{E}\|Y\|^p < \infty$, and $\mathbf{E}Y = 0$. Then*

$$\frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \left\| \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k Y_i \right| \right\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Lemma 2 [6]. *Let B be a q -concave ($q < \infty$) Banach ideal space and let $X = (X(t), t \in T)$ be a random element with values in B . Then*

$$(\mathbf{E}\|X\|^q)^{1/q} \leq D_{(q)} \left\| (\mathbf{E}|X(t)|^q)^{1/q} \right\|.$$

Lemma 3 [2, p. 179]. *Let (X_n) and (X'_n) be independent sequences of random variables in a Banach space such that*

$$\|X_n - X'_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad \text{and} \quad \|X_n\| \xrightarrow{P} 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then

$$\|X_n\| \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s.$$

The lemma presented below is similar to the known Prokhorov’s result in \mathbb{R} [7]. Assume that a number sequence a_n is such that $a_n \uparrow \infty$ and there exist a subsequence $(b_m) = (a_{n_m})$ and constants $C > c > 1$ such that $C \geq a_{n_{m+1}} / a_{n_m} \geq c$ for sufficiently large m . (If, e.g., $a_{n+1}/a_n \rightarrow 1$, then this subsequence exists [8, p. 330].)

Let (X_n) be a sequence of independent random elements with values in a Banach lattice B . As in the introduction, we determine S_n and S_n^* for the sequence (X_n) . We set $J_m = \{n_{m-1} + 1, \dots, n_m\}$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$, and

$$U_m = \sup_{n \in J_m} |S_n - S_{n_{m-1}}|.$$

Lemma 4. *The following relations are equivalent:*

(i) $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{a_n} \|S_n^*\| = 0 \quad a.s.;$

(ii) $\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b_m} \|U_m\| = 0 \quad a.s.;$

(iii) $\forall \delta > 0: \sum_{m \geq 1} \mathbf{P} \left\{ \frac{1}{b_m} \|U_m\| > \delta \right\} < \infty.$

Proof. It suffices to prove the equivalence of relations (i) and (ii) because the equivalence of relations (ii) and (iii) follows from the Borel–Cantelli lemma.

If condition (i) is satisfied, then

$$\frac{1}{b_m} \|U_m\| \leq \frac{1}{b_m} \left\| \sup_{n \in J_m} |S_n| \right\| + \frac{\|S_{n_{m-1}}\|}{b_{m-1}} \frac{b_{m-1}}{b_m} \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s. \quad \text{as } m \rightarrow \infty.$$

Assume, on the contrary, that condition (ii) is satisfied. Then, for $n \in J_m$, we have

$$|S_n| = \left| S_n - S_{n_{m-1}} + \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} (S_{n_i} - S_{n_{i-1}}) \right| \leq \sum_{i=1}^m U_i.$$

Hence,

$$\frac{1}{a_n} \|S_n^*\| \leq \frac{C}{b_m} \sum_{i=1}^m \|U_i\|. \tag{4}$$

It follows from the properties of the sequence (b_m) that

$$\sum_{i=1}^m b_i \leq \frac{b_m}{1 - 1/c}. \quad (5)$$

Finally, we use the following elementary number relation (see Lemma 9 in [8, p. 327]):

$$\frac{1}{a_n} \sum_{i=1}^n b_i y_i \rightarrow 0$$

if

$$a_n = \sum_{i=1}^n b_i \uparrow \infty \quad \text{and} \quad y_n \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This relation, condition (ii), and estimates (4) and (5) yield relation (i).

The lemma is proved.

Remark 3. We set

$$T_m = |S_{n_m} - S_{n_{m-1}}|$$

and consider the following conditions:

$$(ii') \quad \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{b_m} \|T_m\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.};$$

$$(iii') \quad \forall \delta > 0: \sum_{m \geq 1} \mathbf{P} \left\{ \frac{1}{b_m} \|T_m\| > \delta \right\} < \infty.$$

If $B = \mathbb{R}$ and the random elements X_n are symmetric in the conditions of Lemma 4, then conditions (ii) and (iii) can be replaced by (ii') and (iii').

Step 2. First, we establish a weakened version of the implication (1) \Rightarrow (3), namely, we show that convergence in probability holds in (3).

It is known that the set of simple random elements is dense in $L_p(B)$ (see, e.g., Exercise 3 in [9, p. 97]). Therefore, for any $\epsilon > 0$, there exists a simple (i.e., finite-dimensional) random element Y such that

$$\left(\mathbf{E} \|X - Y\|^p \right)^{1/p} < \epsilon.$$

Since

$$\|\mathbf{E}Y\| \leq \|\mathbf{E}(Y - X)\| + \|\mathbf{E}X\| \leq \left(\mathbf{E} \|X - Y\|^p \right)^{1/p} < \epsilon,$$

using $Y - \mathbf{E}Y$ instead of Y we can assume that $\mathbf{E}Y = 0$. We set $R = X - Y$. It is clear that

$$\mathbf{E}R = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \left(\mathbf{E}\|R\|^p\right)^{1/p} < \epsilon. \quad (6)$$

For independent copies X_n , $n \geq 1$, of X , we write $X_n = Y_n + R_n$, where Y_n are independent copies of Y and R_n are independent copies of R . We set

$$S'_n = \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k Y_i \right| \quad \text{and} \quad S''_n = \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k R_i \right|.$$

It is obvious that

$$\|S_n^*\| \leq \|S'_n\| + \|S''_n\|. \quad (7)$$

By virtue of Lemma 1, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \|S'_n\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad (8)$$

We now estimate $\|S''_n\|$ from above. Note that a separable σ -complete Banach lattice is order isometric to a certain Banach ideal space [3, p. 25] (in [3], the similar term ‘‘Köthe functional space’’ was used). Since a q -concave Banach lattice is σ -complete [3] (Theorem 1.a.5), we can assume, without loss of generality, that B is a separable, p -convex, q -concave Banach ideal space defined on a certain measurable space (T, Λ, μ) . Let

$$X_n = X_n(t), \quad S''_n = S''_n(t), \quad R_n = R_n(t),$$

and let $\tilde{R}_n = \tilde{R}_n(t)$, $t \in T$, be an independent copy of R_n . Using the symmetrization procedure, we get [9, p. 222] (Lemma 3.4)

$$\mathbf{E}\|S''_n\| \leq \mathbf{E} \left\| \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k (R_i - \tilde{R}_i) \right| \right\|.$$

We can assume that $R_n - \tilde{R}_n = \varepsilon_n \hat{R}_n$, where ε_n are independent symmetric Bernoulli random variables and \hat{R}_n are independent copies of $R - \tilde{R}$ (\tilde{R} is an independent copy of R) that do not depend on (ε_n) . Using the last inequality and Lemma 2, we get

$$\mathbf{E}\|S''_n\| \leq D_{(q)} \mathbf{E} \left\| \left(\hat{\mathbf{E}} \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon_i \hat{R}_i(t) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \right\|, \quad (9)$$

where $\hat{\mathbf{E}}\varphi(\varepsilon_n \hat{R}_n)$ denotes the mathematical expectation of the random variable $\varphi(\varepsilon_n \hat{R}_n)$ for fixed values of the random variable (\hat{R}_n) . Further, for fixed values of \hat{R}_n , we successively use the Lévy moment inequality for symmetric random variables in \mathbb{R} [2, p. 48]

$$\mathbf{E} \max_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_1^k \xi_i \right|^q \leq 2 \mathbf{E} \left| \sum_1^n \xi_i \right|^q$$

and the well-known Kahane inequality [3] (Theorem 1.e.13)

$$\left(\hat{\mathbf{E}} \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon_i \hat{R}_i(t) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq \left(2 \hat{\mathbf{E}} \left| \sum_1^n \varepsilon_i \hat{R}_i(t) \right|^q \right)^{1/q} \leq C_K \left(\hat{\mathbf{E}} \left| \sum_1^n \varepsilon_i \hat{R}_i(t) \right|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C_K \left(\sum_1^n |\hat{R}_i(t)|^p \right)^{1/p},$$

where $C_K = C_K(p, q)$ depends on the constant in the Kahane inequality.

Using estimate (9), the last inequality, and the p -convexity of B , we obtain (for certain absolute constants C_1 and C)

$$\mathbf{E} \|S_n''\| \leq C_1 \mathbf{E} \left\| \left(\sum_{i=1}^n |\hat{R}_i|^p \right)^{1/p} \right\| \leq C \mathbf{E} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n \|\hat{R}_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C n^{1/p} \left(\mathbf{E} \|\hat{R}_i\|^p \right)^{1/p} \leq C n^{1/p} \varepsilon. \quad (10)$$

In the last inequality, we have also used the inequality from (6).

Since ε is arbitrary, using (7), (8), and (10) we establish that

$$\frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \|S_n^*\| \xrightarrow{P} 0. \quad (11)$$

Step 3. We now pass to the proof of the implication (1) \Rightarrow (3).

By virtue of Lemma 3 and relation (11), we can restrict ourselves to the case of symmetric random elements X_n . By analogy with Step 2, we represent them in the form

$$X_n = \varepsilon_n X'_n = \varepsilon_n (Y_n + R_n),$$

where the symmetric Bernoulli random variables ε_n are independent of X'_n . We set

$$S'_n = \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon_i Y_i \right|, \quad S''_n = \sup_{k \leq n} \left| \sum_{i=1}^k \varepsilon_i R_i \right|.$$

It is clear that S'_n and S''_n satisfy inequality (7), and S'_n satisfies equality (8). Thus, to prove Theorem 1 it remains to show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \|S_n''\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad (12)$$

For each $m \in \mathbb{N}$, we denote $J_m = \{2^{m-1} + 1, \dots, 2^m\}$. For each $j \in J_m$, we set

$$V_j = \varepsilon_j R_j \mathbb{I}(\|R_j\| \leq 2^{m/p}),$$

where $\mathbb{I}(A) = 1$ if the event A takes place, and $\mathbb{I}(A) = 0$ otherwise. The random element R_j satisfies condition (6). Therefore,

$$\sum_{m \geq 1} \mathbf{P}\{\exists j \in J_m, V_j \neq \varepsilon_j R_j\} \leq \sum_{m \geq 1} 2^m \mathbf{P}\{\|R\| > 2^{m/p}\} < \infty.$$

According to the Borel–Cantelli lemma, this means that, almost surely, the inequality $V_j \neq \varepsilon_j R_j$ holds finitely many times. Thus, equality (12) is true if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \left\| \sup_{k \leq n} \left\| \sum_{i=1}^k V_i \right\| \right\| = 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

Using Lemma 4 for $a_n = n^{1/p}$ and $n_m = 2^m$, we establish that the last equality is equivalent to the condition

$$\forall \delta > 0 : \sum_{m \geq 1} \mathbf{P}\{\|U_m\| > \delta 2^{m/p}\} < \infty, \tag{13}$$

where

$$U_m = \sup_{j \in J_m} \left| \sum_{i=2^{m-1}+1}^j V_i \right|.$$

Using estimate (10), we get

$$\mathbf{E}\|U_m\| \leq C 2^{m/p} \epsilon.$$

Taking $\epsilon = \delta/(2C)$, we establish that the condition

$$\forall \delta > 0 : \sum_{m \geq 1} \mathbf{P}\{\|U_m\| - \mathbf{E}\|U_m\| > \delta 2^{(m/p)-1}\} < \infty \tag{14}$$

is sufficient for (13).

To estimate the m th term of sum (14), we use a modification of the Yurinskii method [10] for sums of independent random elements in Banach spaces. For every $j \in J_m$, we denote

$$U_{m,j} = \sup_{i \in J_m} \left| \sum_{s \in J_m, s < i, s \neq j} V_s \right|,$$

$$\zeta_j = \mathbf{E}_j \|U_m\| - \mathbf{E}_{j-1} \|U_m\|,$$

$$\mathbf{E}_j \eta = \mathbf{E}(\eta | \mathcal{F}_j),$$

where \mathcal{F}_j is the σ -algebra spanned by the random elements $V_i : i \in J_m, i \leq j$, and $\mathcal{F}_{2^{(m-1)}}$ is the trivial σ -algebra. Then the following martingale representation takes place:

$$\|U_m\| - \mathbf{E}\|U_m\| = \sum_{j \in J_m} \zeta_j. \tag{15}$$

Since ζ_j can be represented in the form

$$\zeta_j = (\mathbf{E}_j - \mathbf{E}_{j-1})(\|U_m\| - \|U_{m,j}\|),$$

using the inequality

$$\|U_m\| - \|U_{m,j}\| \leq \|V_j\|$$

we obtain

$$|\zeta_j| \leq \|V_j\| + \mathbf{E}\|V_j\|. \tag{16}$$

However, (ζ_j) is a sequence of martingale differences. Therefore, according to estimate (16), we have

$$\mathbf{E} \left| \sum_{j \in J_m} \zeta_j \right|^2 \leq \sum_{j \in J_m} \mathbf{E} |\zeta_j|^2 \leq C \sum_{j \in J_m} \mathbf{E} \|V_j\|^2 \leq C 2^m \mathbf{E} \|V_j\|^2.$$

Using this result and equality (15), we establish that the series in (14) can be estimated from above as follows:

$$\frac{C}{\delta^2} \sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^{2m/p}} \sum_{j \in J_m} \mathbf{E} \|V_j\|^2 \leq \frac{C}{\delta^2} \sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^{m(2/p-1)}} \mathbf{E} (\|R\|^2 \mathbb{I}(\|R\| \leq 2^{m/p})). \tag{17}$$

It is known (see the proof of Theorem 7.9 in [2, p. 187]) that, for a random variable ξ in \mathbb{R} , under the condition $\mathbf{E}|\xi|^p < \infty, 1 \leq p < 2$, one has

$$\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^{m(2/p-1)}} \mathbf{E} (\xi^2 \mathbb{I}(|\xi|^p \leq 2^m)) < \infty.$$

Since the random variable $\|R\|$ satisfies condition (6), we conclude that series (17) converges, and, hence, series (14) also converges.

The theorem is proved.

3. Examples of Application to Empirical Distributions

1. Sampling in \mathbb{R} . For independent identically distributed random variables ξ, ξ_1, ξ_2, \dots in \mathbb{R} with distribution function $F(t)$, we introduce the empirical distribution function

$$F_n^*(t) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{(-\infty, t)}(\xi_i), \quad t \in \mathbb{R},$$

where $I_{(-\infty, t)}(\xi) = 1$ if $\xi < t$, and $I_{(-\infty, t)}(\xi) = 0$ if $\xi \geq t$.

According to the known Glivenko–Cantelli theorem, we have

$$\sup_{t \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n^*(t) - F(t)| \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{a.s.}$$

We consider the random processes

$$X_n(t) = I_{(-\infty, t)}(\xi_n) - F(t), \quad t \in \mathbb{R}, \quad (18)$$

as random elements with values in the space $L_p(\mathbb{R})$, $1 \leq p < \infty$ (of course, this is true only under certain restrictions on the random variables ξ [4]). For the random elements X_n defined by (18) and satisfying the condition

$$\mathbf{E} \|X_n\|_{L_p(\mathbb{R})}^p < \infty, \quad (19)$$

the law of large numbers (2) in the space $L_p(\mathbb{R})$ can be rewritten in the following form:

$$\frac{1}{n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} n^p |F_n^*(t) - F(t)|^p dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (20)$$

Theorem 1 enables us to strengthen the last relation as follows: If condition (19) is satisfied, then

$$\frac{1}{n} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \max_{k \leq n} k^p |F_k^*(t) - F(t)|^p dt \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{a.s.} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

On the other hand, equalities (20) and (21) can be regarded as certain versions of the Glivenko–Cantelli theorem in the space $L_p(\mathbb{R})$.

Corollary 2. For $1 \leq p < 2$, the empirical distribution function $F_n^*(t)$ satisfies the law of large numbers (21) if and only if

$$\mathbf{E}|\xi| < \infty. \tag{22}$$

Remark 4. It is known [4] that, under the condition $\mathbf{E}|\xi|^{1/p} < \infty$, the random element X_n belongs almost surely to $L_p(\mathbb{R})$. Therefore, condition (22) guarantees that X_n belongs to all $L_p(\mathbb{R})$ simultaneously.

Corollary 2 follows directly from Theorem 1 if the equivalence (19) \Leftrightarrow (22) is established. This can easily be verified. Indeed,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E}\|X_n\|_{L_p(\mathbb{R})}^p &= \mathbf{E} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(|1 - F(t)|^p \mathbb{I}(\xi < t) + |F(t)|^p \mathbb{I}(\xi \geq t) \right) dt \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(|1 - F(t)|^p F(t) + |F(t)|^p (1 - F(t)) \right) dt. \end{aligned}$$

The last integral is bounded if and only if

$$\int_0^{\infty} (1 - F(t)) dt + \int_{-\infty}^0 F(t) dt < \infty.$$

It is known (see Lemma 2 in [11, p. 179]) that the last inequality is equivalent to condition (22).

2. Sampling in \mathbb{R}^m . Let

$$\langle \bar{b}, \bar{c} \rangle = \sum_{i=1}^m b_i c_i$$

be the scalar product of elements $\bar{b} = (b_1, \dots, b_m)$ and $\bar{c} = (c_1, \dots, c_m)$ from \mathbb{R}^m , let $\|\bar{c}\| = \langle \bar{c}, \bar{c} \rangle^{1/2}$, and let $\bar{\xi}, \bar{\xi}_1, \bar{\xi}_2, \dots$ be independent identically distributed random variables in \mathbb{R}^m . Out of several possible definitions of an empirical distribution function in \mathbb{R}^m , we choose the following:

$$F_n^*(\bar{c}, t) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n I_{(-\infty, t)}(\langle \bar{\xi}_i, \bar{c} \rangle), \quad \langle \bar{c}, t \rangle \in D,$$

where $D = \mathbb{S}^m \times \mathbb{R}$ and \mathbb{S}^m is the identity sphere of the m -dimensional Euclidean space. On D , we introduce a measure in a natural way as the product of the (normalized) spherical Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{S}^m and the ordinary Lebesgue measure in \mathbb{R} .

We set

$$F(\bar{c}, t) = \mathbf{P}\left\{\langle \bar{\xi}_i, \bar{c} \rangle < t\right\}$$

and consider the random functions

$$X_n(\bar{c}, t) = I_{(-\infty, t)}(\langle \bar{\xi}_n, \bar{c} \rangle) - F(\bar{c}, t), \quad (\bar{c}, t) \in D,$$

as random elements X_n with values in the (separable) Banach lattice of numerical functions $L_p(D)$, $1 \leq p < \infty$.

Applying Theorem 1 to the random elements X_n , we obtain the following corollary:

Corollary 3. *If*

$$\mathbf{E} \|\bar{\xi}\| < \infty, \tag{23}$$

then, for any $1 \leq p < 2$, one has

$$\frac{1}{n} \int_{\mathbb{S}^m} d\bar{c} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \max_{k \leq n} k^p |F_n^*(\bar{c}, t) - F(\bar{c}, t)|^p dt \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s. \quad as \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{24}$$

To prove Corollary 3, it suffices to verify condition (19). We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{E} \|X_n\|_{L_p(D)}^p &= \mathbf{E} \int_{\mathbb{S}^m} d\bar{c} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(|1 - F(\bar{c}, t)|^p \mathbb{I}(\langle \bar{\xi}, \bar{c} \rangle < t) + |F(\bar{c}, t)|^p \mathbb{I}(\langle \bar{\xi}, \bar{c} \rangle \geq t) \right) dt \\ &= \int_{\mathbb{S}^m} d\bar{c} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(|1 - F(\bar{c}, t)|^p F(\bar{c}, t) + |F(\bar{c}, t)|^p |1 - F(\bar{c}, t)| \right) dt \\ &\leq 2 \int_{\mathbb{S}^m} d\bar{c} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (1 - F(\bar{c}, t)) F(\bar{c}, t) dt \\ &\leq 2 \int_{\mathbb{S}^m} d\bar{c} \left(\int_0^{\infty} (1 - F(\bar{c}, t)) dt + \int_{-\infty}^0 F(\bar{c}, t) dt \right). \end{aligned}$$

Estimating the last two one-dimensional integrals, we get

$$\int_0^{\infty} |1 - F(\bar{c}, t)| dt \leq \int_0^{\infty} \mathbf{P}\left\{|\langle \bar{\xi}, \bar{c} \rangle| \geq t\right\} dt = \mathbf{E} |\langle \bar{\xi}, \bar{c} \rangle| \leq \mathbf{E} \|\bar{\xi}\|$$

and

$$\int_{-\infty}^0 F(\bar{c}, t) dt = \int_{-\infty}^0 \mathbf{P}\{\langle \bar{\xi}, -\bar{c} \rangle > -t\} dt = \int_0^{\infty} \mathbf{P}\{\langle \bar{\xi}, -\bar{c} \rangle > t\} dt \leq \mathbf{E} \|\bar{\xi}\|.$$

Combining the last estimates and condition (23), we obtain (19).

The corollary is proved.

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