SOME LIMIT THEOREMS CONCERNING WITH THE RENEWAL NUMBERS

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Let $\{X_i\}$ be a sequence of independent random variables and let $\{a_i\}$ be a sequence of real numbers. Denoting as $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$, we shall interest the weighted mean of renewal numbers in the interval (a, x+h), which is defined by

(1)
$$A(x, h) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n P(x < S_n \le x + h).$$

If both $\{E(X_i)\}$ and $\{a_i\}$ are stable sequences¹⁾ with average m and a, respectively, and if some further conditions are satisfied, then it is known that $A(x, h) \rightarrow ah/m$ $(x \rightarrow \infty)$ by Cox and Smith [1].

But when $\{E(X_i)\}$ is not stable, A(x, h) is not necessarily convergent to a finite limit as $x \to \infty$. In this case, instead of A(x, h), the variable

$$\bar{A}_h(X) = \frac{1}{X} \int_0^X A(x, h) \, dx$$

will converge to ah/m as $X \to \infty$, under suitable conditions. This fact was shown by the analogous argument of [2] by Prof. T. Kawata.

From a practical problem it was necessary to us to find the distribution of A(x, h) or $\overline{A}_{h}(X)$ when $\{a_{i}\}$ is a sequence of independent random variables having the mean a. We shall treat in the present paper this problem when a_{i} are the random variables identically distributed and obeying the exponential distribution.

First of all, we shall prepare the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1. Let X_i $(i = 1, 2, \cdots)$ be independent random variables having the distribution function $F_i(x)$ such that $E(X_i) = m_i > 0$. Suppose that the following conditions are satisfied:

(2)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{0} e^{-sx} dF_i(x) < \infty \quad for \quad 0 \leq s \leq s_0,$$

(3)
$$\lim_{A\to\infty}\int_{A}^{\infty}x\,dF_i(x)=0,$$

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1) Cox and Smith [1] gave the following

DEFINITION. A sequence $\{\mu_i\}$ such that $\lim_{p\to\infty} \frac{1}{p+1} \sum_{i=n}^{n+p} \mu_i = \mu$, uniformly in *n*, will be called *stable* with average μ .