

100. A Note on Sums and Maxima of Independent, Identically Distributed Random Variables

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§ 1. Introduction. Let X_1, X_2, \dots be i.i.d. (independent, identically distributed) random variables and put $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$, and $M_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Chow-Teugels [2] studied the joint limiting distributions of (S_n, M_n) as $n \rightarrow \infty$ after suitable normalizations. In this note we will consider this problem using the theory of point processes and generalize the result of [2] to a functional limit theorem for the sums and the maxima of triangular arrays of i.i.d. random variables.

§ 2. Main theorem. Let $\{\xi_{nk}\}_{k=1}^\infty$ be i.i.d. random variables with distribution function $F_n(x)$, $n = 1, 2, \dots$. Throughout this paper we assume that for suitably chosen constants A_n , $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and a nondegenerate distribution function $F(x)$ we have

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P[\sum_{j=1}^n \xi_{nj} - A_n \leq x] = F(x) \text{ at all continuity points of } F(x).$$

The characteristic function $\phi(\theta)$ of $dF(x)$ has the following representation.

$$(2.2) \quad \phi(\theta) = \exp \left[\gamma \theta - \frac{1}{2} \sigma^2 \theta^2 + \int \{e^{i\theta x} - 1 - i\theta x I(|x| \leq \delta)\} \mu(dx) \right]$$

where $\gamma \in \mathbf{R}$, $\sigma^2 \geq 0$, $\int \min(1, x^2) \mu(dx) < \infty$ and $\delta > 0$ is chosen so that $\mu\{\pm \delta\} = 0$.

It is well known that (2.1) implies a functional limit theorem; the process

$$(2.3) \quad \hat{\xi}_n(t) = \sum_{j \leq nt} \xi_{nj} - A_n[nt]/n$$

converges in law to the Lévy process $\xi(t)$ with characteristic (2.2) over the Skorohod function space $D([0, \infty); \mathbf{R})$ endowed with the J_1 -topology (see [5] for the definition). We also assume that there exist constants $B_n > 0$, C_n , $n = 1, 2, \dots$ and nondegenerate distribution function $G(x)$ such that

$$(2.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P[B_n \max_{k \leq n} \xi_{nk} - C_n \leq x] = G(x) \text{ at all continuity points of } G(x)$$

(see Lemma 4.1.).

(As we will see later, if $\mu(0, \infty) > 0$ then this condition is automatic from (2.1) with $B_n = 1$, $C_n = 0$.) It is also well known that (2.4) implies a functional limit theorem: Define