

SOME THEOREMS IN AN EXTENDED RENEWAL THEORY, III

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1. Let $X_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$, be a sequence of independent, non-negative, identically distributed random variables and set

$$(1.1) \quad H(t) = E\{N(t)\} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Pr(S_n < t),$$

where $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k, n = 1, 2, \dots$, and $N(t)$ is the number of sums S_1, S_2, \dots which are less than t . Then it holds under some restrictions that

$$(1.2) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} [H(t+h) - H(t)] = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Pr(t < S_n \leq t+h) = \frac{h}{m},$$

where $m = E(X_k) > 0$ and $h > 0$ is a constant. This is known as renewal theorem and discussed by many authors. Extending (1.2) Smith [6], [7], [8] has shown for instance that if (i) $\psi(t)$ is bounded for $t \geq 0$, (ii) $\psi \in L(0, \infty)$, (iii) $\lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \psi(t) = 0$ and (iv) for some n the n -th iterated convolution of $F(x)$ with itself has an absolutely continuous part, where $F(x)$ is the distribution function of X_k , then it holds that

$$(1.3) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t \psi(t-u) dH(u) = \frac{1}{m} \int_0^{\infty} \psi(t) dt.$$

If $X_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$, do not necessarily have the same distribution, (1.2) does not necessarily hold. But assuming that

$$(1.4) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n E(X_k) = m$$

exists, we can see under some additional restrictions that

$$(1.5) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} Pr(t < S_n \leq t+h) dt = \frac{h}{m}.$$

This was proved by Kawata [4] and extended by the author [1], [2], [3]. Recently Kawata [5] has obtained for $X_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$, satisfying (1.4) as the result corresponding to (1.3) that if (i) $a_k, k = 1, 2, \dots$, is a sequence of non-negative real numbers satisfying the restrictions that

$$(1.6) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a$$

exists and is positive, and (ii) $\psi(x)$ is a non-negative function of bounded variation over every finite interval and is bounded and integrable over $(0, \infty)$, then it holds that

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$$(1.7) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T} \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dJ(u) = \frac{\alpha}{m} \int_0^\infty \phi(t) dt$$

under the restrictions on X_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots$, used in [3], where

$$J(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n Pr(S_n \leq t).$$

The purpose of the present paper is to obtain a more extended result of (1.7). In the following discussion we need only the integrability over $(0, \infty)$ as the restriction on ϕ and can show that

$$(1.8) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dK(u) = \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+1)m^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^\infty \phi(t) dt,$$

where

$$K(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^\alpha Pr(S_n \leq t)$$

and α is any non-negative integer. Actually we have considered the case where X_k may take the negative values but for the sake of simplicity we shall restrict ourselves here with non-negative X_k .

2. To show our statement, we need the known following lemma which is found as Theorem 1 in [3].

LEMMA. Let X_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots$, be non-negative independent random variables having finite mean values m_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots$, and

$$(2.1) \quad \lim_{A \rightarrow \infty} \int_A^\infty x dF_n(x) = 0$$

holds uniformly regarding n , $F_n(x)$ being the distribution function of X_n . If

$$(2.2) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n m_k = m, \quad m > 0,$$

exists and the sequence a_k , $k = 1, 2, \dots$, of non-negative real numbers satisfies

$$(2.3) \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a, \quad a > 0,$$

then

$$K(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n n^\alpha Pr(S_n \leq t)$$

is convergent for every t where $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$ and $\alpha = 0, 1, 2, \dots$, and it holds that

$$(2.4) \quad \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{t^{\alpha+1}} K(t) = \frac{\alpha}{(\alpha+1)m^{\alpha+1}} \quad \text{for } \alpha = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

we shall state the following

THEOREM 1. If, in addition to the assumptions of Lemma, we assume

that ϕ is a Baire function integrable over $(0, \infty)$, then we have

$$(2.5) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dK(u) = \frac{a}{(\alpha+1)m^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^\infty \phi(t) dt \quad \text{for } \alpha = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

Proof. Since $\phi(t-u)$ is absolutely integrable over the two-dimensional set $\{(u, t); 0 \leq u \leq t, 0 \leq t \leq T\}$ with respect to the product measure $dK(u) \times dt$, we have that

$$(2.6) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dK(u) \\ &= \int_0^T dK(u) \int_u^T \phi(t-u) dt = \int_0^T dK(u) \int_0^{T-u} \phi(v) dv \\ &= K(T) \cdot \int_0^\infty \phi(v) dv - \int_0^T dK(u) \int_{T-u}^\infty \phi(v) dv. \end{aligned}$$

For any small number $\varepsilon > 0$, we can choose a positive number ξ such that

$$\int_\tau^\infty |\phi(v)| dv < \varepsilon \quad \text{for } \tau \geq \xi.$$

Then, if $T > \xi$, we have

$$(2.7) \quad \begin{aligned} & \int_0^T dK(u) \int_{T-u}^\infty \phi(v) dv \\ &= \int_0^{T-\xi} dK(u) \int_{T-u}^\infty \phi(v) dv + \int_{T-\xi}^T dK(u) \int_{T-u}^\infty \phi(v) dv \\ &= I + J, \quad \text{say,} \end{aligned}$$

and

$$|I| \leq \varepsilon \int_0^{T-\xi} dK(u) = \varepsilon K(T-\xi),$$

because $K(u)$ is a monotone non-decreasing function of u . So we have

$$(2.8) \quad \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} |I| \leq \varepsilon \cdot \frac{a}{(\alpha+1)m^{\alpha+1}}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$|J| \leq \int_0^\infty |\phi(v)| dv \cdot [K(T) - K(T-\xi)]$$

and so

$$(2.9) \quad \overline{\lim}_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} |J| = 0$$

by (2.4) in the above Lemma. Summing up (2.4), (2.6), (2.7), (2.8) and (2.9), we get (2.5) which was to be proved.

Now we shall note to be able to obtain a more extended result in some sense. We set the following assumptions:

(i) $X_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); Y_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); \dots; Z_k (k = 1, 2, \dots)$ are non-negative mutually independent random variables,

(ii) $X_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); Y_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); \dots; Z_k (k = 1, 2, \dots)$ have finite means $a_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); b_k (k = 1, 2, \dots); \dots; c_k (k = 1, 2, \dots)$, respectively and there exists a positive constant L such that $a_k \geq L, b_k \geq L, \dots$, and $c_k \geq L$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

(iii) there exists a positive constant K such that $\text{Var}(X_k) \leq K, \text{Var}(Y_k) \leq K, \dots, \text{Var}(Z_k) \leq K$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots$,

(iv) the limits

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k = a, \quad \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n b_k = b, \quad \dots, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n c_k = c$$

exist,

(v) $\phi(x, y, \dots, z)$ is monotone non-decreasing,

(vi) there exists a positive constant γ such that

$$\phi(x, y, \dots, z) \geq \gamma \min(x, y, \dots, z) \quad \text{for sufficient large } x, y, \dots, z$$

and

(vii)
$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \phi(xn, yn, \dots, zn)$$

exists for all x, y, \dots, z and is equal to a continuous function $\Phi(x, y, \dots, z)$.

Then, setting

$$V_n = \phi\left(\sum_{k=1}^n X_k, \sum_{k=1}^n Y_k, \dots, \sum_{k=1}^n Z_k\right)$$

we have

$$(2.10) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\alpha} Pr(V_n \leq T) = \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)\Phi(a, b, \dots, c)^{\alpha+1}} \quad \text{for } \alpha=0, 1, 2, \dots$$

This was proved in Theorem 3 and Theorem 5 of [2]. By making use of this fact, we get again the following

THEOREM 2. *If, in addition to the assumptions (i)~(vii), we assume that ϕ is a Baire function integrable over $(0, \infty)$, then we have*

$$(2.11) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dQ(t) = \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)\Phi(a, b, \dots, c)^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^{\infty} \phi(t) dt$$

where

$$Q(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\alpha} Pr(V_n \leq t)$$

and α is any non-negative integer.

COROLLARY. *Under the assumption of Theorem 2, we have*

$$(2.12) \quad \lim_{T \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{T^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^T dt \int_0^t \phi(t-u) dQ_1(u) = \frac{1}{(\alpha+1)\alpha^{\alpha+1}} \int_0^{\infty} \phi(t) dt$$

where

$$Q_1(t) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{\alpha} Pr(S_n \leq t), \quad S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$$

and α is any non-negative integer.

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