DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS AND ACTUARIAL SCIENCE
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will give a talk
entitled

ACCELERATION OF EMPIRICAL MEANS

Abstract

Let $(X_1, \ldots, X_n)$ be an i.i.d. sequence of random variables in $\mathbb{R}^d$, $d \geq 1$. We show that, for any function $\varphi: \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$, under regularity conditions,

$$n^{1/2} \left( n^{-1} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \frac{\varphi(X_i)}{\hat{f}(X_i)} - \int \varphi(x) dx \right) \overset{P}{\to} 0,$$

where $\hat{f}$ is the classical kernel estimator of the density of $X_1$. This result is striking because it speeds up traditional rates, in root $n$, derived from the central limit theorem when $\hat{f} = f$. We derive upper bounds for the rate of convergence in probability. These bounds depend on the regularity of the functions $\varphi$ and $f$, the dimension $d$ and the bandwidth of the kernel estimator $\hat{f}$.

As an application to regression modeling with random design, we provide the asymptotic normality of the estimation of the linear functionals of a regression function. As a consequence of the above result, the asymptotic variance does not depend on the regression function.

on

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