

1. Consider a sequence of positive random variables  $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  identically distributed (not necessarily independent) with  $\mathbb{E}X_1 < \infty$ .

(a) For each  $\varepsilon > 0$ , prove that

$$\frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} X_k \right) \leq \varepsilon + \mathbb{E}(X_1 \mathbf{1}(X_1 > \varepsilon n)),$$

where  $\mathbf{1}(\dots)$  is the indicator function.

(b) Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \mathbb{E} \left( \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} X_k \right) = 0.$$

(You may use the result of part (a) directly.)

2. Let  $\{X_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  be identically distributed random variables with  $\mathbb{P}(X_1 > x) = e^{-x}$ ,  $x > 0$ , not necessarily independent.

(a) Show that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$  we have

$$\mathbb{P}(X_n > (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.}) = 0.$$

(b) Assume further that  $\{X_i\}_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$  are independent. Show that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{\log n} = 1, \text{ a.s.}$$

3. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be a sequence of i.i.d. random variables with exponential distribution:  $\mathbb{P}(X_n \geq x) = e^{-\alpha x}$ ,  $x \geq 0$ , for some  $\alpha > 0$  fixed. Find a sequence of constants  $\{b_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  such that

$$\max_{i=1, \dots, n} X_i - b_n \Rightarrow X,$$

where the limit random variable  $X$  is not degenerate. Identify the distribution of the  $X$ .

4. Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be a sequence of independent random variables such that

$$\mathbb{P}(X_k = k^{-1/2}) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ and } \mathbb{P}(X_k = -k^{-1/2}) = \frac{1}{2}.$$

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

(a) Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\text{var}(S_n)}{\log n} = 1$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(b) Show that

$$\frac{S_n}{(\log n)^{1/2}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1),$$

where  $N(0, 1)$  denotes the distribution of a standard Gaussian random variable.