

Limit theorems for the Lorenz-type curves based on dependent data

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Let X_1, X_2, \dots be a φ -mixing sequence of random variables with a common distribution function F . We consider the Lorenz-type curve of the form

$$L(t) = \int_0^t J(y)h(F^{-1}(y))dy, \quad t \in [0, 1],$$

where J is a Lebesgue-integrable function, h is a measurable function and F^{-1} is the quantile function corresponding to the distribution function F . Note that if $J \equiv 1$, $h(x) = x$, then $L(t)$ is a generalized Lorenz curve. The goal of the present report is to investigate the convergence, when $n \rightarrow \infty$, of the empirical Lorenz-type curve

$$L_n(t) = \int_0^t J(y)h(F_n^{-1}(y))dy, \quad t \in [0, 1],$$

to the theoretical one $L(t)$, where F_n^{-1} is the quantile function corresponding to the empirical distribution function F_n . Define the function $H(t) = h(F^{-1}(t))$.

Theorem. *Let $\{X_i\}$ be a φ -mixing sequence with a common distribution function F with $\sum_{n \geq 1} \varphi^{1/2}(2^n) < \infty$. If any of the following three conditions hold:*

- (i) H is continuous and $\int_0^1 |J(t)|dt < \infty$;
 - (ii) $\mathbf{E}|h(X_1)| < \infty$ and $\sup_t |J(t)| < \infty$;
 - (iii) $\mathbf{E}|h(X_1)|^p < \infty$ and $\int_0^1 |J(t)|^q dt < \infty$ ($1 < p < \infty$, $1/p + 1/q = 1$),
- then, as $n \rightarrow \infty$,

$$\sup_{0 \leq t \leq 1} |L_n(t) - L(t)| \rightarrow 0 \quad a.s.$$

In particular, under the assumptions of Theorem, we obtain SLLN for L -statistics:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n c_{ni}h(X_{n:i}) \rightarrow \int_0^1 J(t)H(t)dt \quad a.s.,$$

where $c_{ni} = n \int_{(i-1)/n}^{i/n} J(t)dt$. Note also that Theorem remains valid for the empirical Lorenz-type curve based on stationary and ergodic sequences.