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Law of large numbers

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✓ Law of large

number is used to established the
consistency of results

Detail :-

In probability theory, law of large number is a theorem that describe the results of performing same experiment a large number of times.

According to this law the average of results obtained from a large number of trials should be closed to expected value of results and will tends to become closer as more trials are performed

∴ Law of large no. also called
law of average

These are two types of law of large number

1) weak law of large number (WLLN) :-

2) strong law of large number (SLLN) :-

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1) Weak law of large numbers:-

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n

are independent trials with expected value of X_i $[E(X_i)] = \mu$ and finite variance σ^2 . Let $S_n =$ Sum of indep. trials $= X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$. Then for any arbitrary value $\epsilon > 0$ the WLLN states that the sample average $(\frac{S_n}{n})$ converges in probability towards the expected value.

Mathematically:-

$$\checkmark P\left[\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| > \epsilon\right] = 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\because \frac{S_n}{n} = \bar{x} \quad \checkmark P\left[\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| \leq \epsilon\right] = 1 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\because \mu = E(\bar{x})$$

$$\bar{x} \xrightarrow{P} \mu$$

Here P means "converges in probability".

2) Strong law of large number:-

Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n are

the independent trials with $E(X_i) = \mu$

and finite variance σ^2 . $S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$

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then for any no. $\epsilon > 0$ the strong law of large numbers states that the sample average converges almost surely to the expected value

Mathematically :-

$$\frac{S_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \mu$$

\therefore a.s. = almost surely
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✓ Q:- State and prove law of large numbers.

Statement :-

Let S_n be a sequence of independent random variables with finite μ and finite variance σ^2 . Then for any number $\epsilon > 0$

$$P \left\{ \left[\frac{S_n}{n} - E\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) \right] > \epsilon \right\} \xrightarrow{P} 0 \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P \left\{ \left[\frac{S_n}{n} - E\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) \right] > \epsilon \right\} \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

Proof :-

$$S_n = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$$

then

$$\frac{S_n}{n} = \bar{x}_n$$

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$$E(\bar{x}_n) = E\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right)$$

$$= E\left(\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} (E(X_1) + E(X_2) + \dots + E(X_n))$$

$$= \frac{1}{n} (\mu + \mu + \dots + \mu)$$

$$= \frac{n\mu}{n} = \mu$$

$$V(\bar{x}_n) = V\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n^2} V(S_n)$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \{V(X_1) + V(X_2) + \dots + V(X_n)\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^2} \{\sigma^2 + \sigma^2 + \dots + \sigma^2\} = \frac{n\sigma^2}{n^2} = \frac{\sigma^2}{n}$$

According to Chebyshev's inequality

$$P\left\{\left|\bar{x}_n - E(\bar{x}_n)\right| > \epsilon\right\} \leq \frac{V(\bar{x}_n)}{\epsilon^2} \checkmark$$

$$P\left[(\bar{x}_n - \mu) > \epsilon\right] \leq \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2}$$

Applying limit on both sides

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left[(\bar{x}_n - \mu) > \epsilon\right] \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sigma^2}{n\epsilon^2}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left[(\bar{x}_n - \mu) > \epsilon\right] \leq 0$$