

CONVOLUTION PRODUCTS OF PROBABILITY MEASURES ON FINITE COMPLETELY SIMPLE SEMIGROUPS

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Theorem 1. *Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a discrete completely simple semigroup. Let $(\mu_n) \in P(S)$. Then $\mu_n(Sx)$ converges for all x as $n \rightarrow \infty$ iff $\mu_{k,n}$ converges as $n \rightarrow \infty$ on the set of all H -classes of S .*

Proof. Let $\mu_{k,n_i} \rightarrow v_k$, $\mu_{k,p_i} \rightarrow v'_k$ weakly. Now

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{k,n_i}(Hx) &= \mu_k(xS)\mu_{n_i}(Sx) \\ \mu_{k,p_i}(Hx) &= \mu_k(xS)\mu_{p_i}(Sx).\end{aligned}$$

Since $\mu_n(Sx)$ converges for all x , as $i \rightarrow \infty$, $v_k(Hx) = v'_k(Hx)$. Hence, for each k , all the limit points of μ are identical on the H -classes of S , therefore on S' .

Now consider

$$v_k * v_k(Hx) = \int v_k[(Hx)z^{-1}]v_k(dz).$$

Notice that

$$\begin{aligned}(Hx)z^{-1} &= (xS \quad \text{if } z \in Sx \\ &= (\emptyset \quad \quad \quad z \notin Sx.\end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}v_k * v_k(Hx) &= v_k(xS)v_k(Sx) \\ &= \mu_k(xS) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(Sx) \\ &= v_k(Hx)\end{aligned}$$

since

$$v_k(xS) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{k,n}(xS) = \mu_k(xS)$$

and

$$v_k(Sx) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_{k,n}(Sx) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_n(Sx).$$

Now suppose $\mu_{k,n}(Hx)$ converges for all k

$$\begin{aligned}\mu_{k,n}(Hx) &= \int \mu_{k,n-1}(Hx)z^{-1}\mu_n(z) \\ &= \mu_{k,n-1}(xS)\mu_n(Sx) \\ &= \mu_k(xS)\mu_n(Sx).\end{aligned}$$

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Theorem 2. *Let $(\mu_n) \subset P(S)$, where $S = X \times G \times Y$ is a finite completely simple semigroup. Suppose $\mu_{k,n} \rightarrow v_k$ weakly for some k . Then there does not exist a normal subgroup G' of G such that $YX \subset G'$ with $S\mu_i \subset X \times g_i G' \times Y$ where $g_i \in G - G'$ infinitely often.*

Proof. Suppose there did exist a normal subgroup $G' \subset G$ that satisfied the above property. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \text{supp}(\mu_i * \mu_{i+1}) &= \text{supp}(\mu_i) \text{supp}(\mu_{i+1}) \\ &\subset (X \times g_i G' \times Y)(X \times g_{i+1} G' \times Y) \\ &= X \times g_i g_{i+1} G' \times Y \end{aligned}$$

and in general,

$$\text{supp}(\mu_{i,n}) \subset X \times \prod_{k=i+1}^n g_k G' \times Y.$$

Now assume that for some k , $\mu_{k,n} \rightarrow v_k$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Consider $\prod_{j=k}^{\infty} g_j$. This product can not converge since for all j , $e \neq g_j \in G - G'$. (In a discrete group $\prod_{j=1}^{\infty} g_j$ converges iff there exists an N such that for all $n > N$, $g'_j = e$). Hence, there exists limit points $h, h', h \neq h'$. Thus for infinitely many n , $\text{supp}(\mu_{k,n}) \subset X \times h G' \times Y$, and for infinitely many n , $\text{supp}(\mu_{k,n}) \subset X \times h' G' \times Y$. But if $\mu_{k,n}$ converges, this is impossible. \square

We will now construct a quotient structure on S and define a type of convergence relative to this structure. Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a finite completely simple semigroup and suppose G' is a normal subgroup of G . Assume also that $YX \subset G'$. Consider the set $S/G' = (X \times g G' \times Y : g \in G)$. Let g', g'' be elements of G . Then

$$\begin{aligned} (X \times g' G' \times Y)(X \times g'' G' \times Y) &= (X \times g' G' (YX) g'' G' \times Y) \\ &= (X \times g' G' g'' G' \times Y) && \text{since } G'(YX) = G' \\ &= (X \times g' g'' G' \times Y) && \text{since } G' \text{ is normal} \end{aligned}$$

but this is an element of S/G' . In a similar manner one can show that the operation is associative. In fact, it is clear that $X \times G' \times Y$ serves as an identity for the set and given an element $X \times g G' \times Y$, $X \times g^{-1} G' \times Y$ is its inverse. Thus the set of elements forms a group. We will say that $X_k X_{k+1} \dots X_n$ converges mod G' with probability one iff the sequence converges in S/G' pointwise with probability one.

Theorem 3. *Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a finite completely simple semigroup. Let (X_n) be a sequence of independent random variables with values in S and with distributions $(\mu_n) \subset P(S)$. Let G' be a normal subgroup of G such that $YX \subset G'$. Then $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$ converges mod G' iff $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n [S - (X \times G' \times Y)] < \infty$.*

Proof. Let X, Y, G' be as above and suppose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n [S - (X \times G' \times Y)] < \infty$. Consider $A = \{w : X_n(w) \in S - (X \times G' \times Y) \text{ i.o.}\}$. Then by the Borel-Cantelli lemma $P(A) = \emptyset$. Thus for $w \in A$ there exists $N(w)$ such that $X_n(w) \in X \times G' \times Y$ for $n > N(w)$. Now $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i(w) = \prod_{i=1}^{N-1} X_i(w) \prod_{i=N}^{\infty} X_i(w)$. Since $YX \subset G'$, $\prod_{i=N}^{\infty} X_i(w) \subset X \times G' \times Y$. Also $\prod_{i=1}^{N-1} X_i(w) = (x, g, y) \subset X \times g'G' \times Y$ for some g' belonging to G . Hence, $\prod_{i=N}^{\infty} X_i(w) \in (X \times g'G' \times Y)(X \times G' \times Y) = X \times g'G' \times Y \in S/G'$. Thus $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$ converges mod G' with probability one. Now suppose $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n [S - (x \times G' \times Y)] = \infty$. This implies that $P(A) = 1$ where A is defined as above. Then if $w \in A$, there exists (n_i) such that $X_{n_i}(w) \in S - (X \times G' \times Y)$ for all i . Thus for each i , $x_i(w) \in X \times g_i G' \times Y$ for some g_i in $S - G'$. Now $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} X_i(w) \in X \times \left(\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} g_i G' \right) \times Y$ and since $g_i \notin G'$ and S is discrete, $\prod_{i=1}^{\infty} g_i$ cannot converge. Thus $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$ does not converge mod G' . \square

Theorem 4. *Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a completely simple semigroup. Suppose H is a subgroup of G such that $Y'X' \subset H$. Then the following results are true.*

- a) *If $z \in X \times H \times Y$, then $(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1} = X \times H \times Y'$*
- b) *If $z \notin X \times H \times Y$, then $(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1} \subset X \times H^c \times Y$.*

Proof. Suppose $z \in X \times H \times Y$; $z = (x, h, w)$, $h \in H$. Let $y \in (X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}$, $y = (y_1, y_2, y_3)$. Then $yz \in X \times H \times Y$. For $z \in S' = X' \times H' \times Y'$, $(X' \times H' \times Y')z^{-1} = X' \times H' \times Y$ if $YX \subset H'$. $X_1 \times H \times Y$, $yz \in X_1 \times H \times Y$, $(y_1 y_2 y_3)(z_1 z_2 z_3) y_2 y_3 z_1 \in H$, $y_2(y, z_1)z_2 \in H$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies (y_1, y_2, y_3)(x, h, w) \in X \times H \times Y \\ &\implies y_2(y_3 x)h \in H \\ &\implies y_2 \in H \\ &\implies y \in X \times H \times Y. \end{aligned}$$

Thus $(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1} \subset X \times H \times Y$ for z belonging to $X \times H \times Y$. The converse is true since $X \times H \times Y$ is a subsemigroup. Therefore (a) above has been proved.

Now suppose $z \notin X \times H \times Y$. Then $z = (x', h', w)$ where $h' \notin H$. Let $y \in (X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}$.

$$\begin{aligned} &\implies y_2(y_3 x)h' \in H \text{ but } (y_3 x) \in H \\ &\implies (y_3 x)h' \notin H \\ &\implies y_2 \notin H \\ &\implies (X \times H \times Y)z^{-1} \subset X \times H^c \times Y \end{aligned}$$

and (b) is proven. \square

Theorem 5. *Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a completely simple semigroup. Let (X_i) be independent random variables with values in S and with distributions $(\mu_i) \subset P(S)$. Let $\mu_{k,n} \rightarrow \nu_k$; $\nu_k \rightarrow \pi_\infty$. Then if $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$ converges mod G' , $S_{\pi_\infty} \subset X \times G' \times Y$. This is true for any subsemigroup also. Therefore $\sum \mu_n(S - S') < \infty \implies S_{\pi_\infty} \subset S'$.*

Proof. Suppose $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$ converges mod G' with probability one. Then $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n[S - (X \times G' \times Y)] < \infty$. Now by the Borel-Cantelli lemma $P(A) = 0$, where $A = \{w : X_n(w) \in S - (X \times G' \times Y) \text{ i.o.}\}$. Thus $P(B) = 1$ where $B = A^c = \{w : X_n(w) \in X \times G' \times Y \text{ eventually}\}$. Now let $B_i = \{w : X_i(w), X_{i+1}(w), \dots \in X \times G' \times Y\}$. Then $B_i \subset B_{i+1}$ and $B = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i$. Notice that if

$$\begin{aligned} w \in B_k &\implies X_k(w), x_{k+1}(w) \dots \in X \times G' \times Y && \mu_{kn_i} \rightarrow \nu_k \\ &\implies X_k X_{k+1} X_{k+2} \dots \in X \times G' \times Y && \nu_{n_i} \rightarrow \pi_\infty \\ &\implies P(B_k) \leq \nu_k(X \times G' \times Y) && \text{for all } k \\ &\text{but } P(B_k) \uparrow 1 \text{ as } k \rightarrow \infty && \text{thus } \pi_\infty(X \times G' \times Y) = 1 \\ &\implies S_{\pi_\infty} \subset X \times G' \times Y. \end{aligned}$$

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Theorem 6. *Let $S = X \times G \times Y$ be a finite completely simple semigroup. Let $(\mu_n) \subset P(S)$. Suppose $\mu_{k,n} \rightarrow \nu_k$ for all k and let $\nu_{n_i} \rightarrow \pi_\infty = \pi_\infty^2 = (\lambda_1, w_H, \lambda_2)$ where $H \subset G$. Suppose $YX \subset H$, then*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n[S - (X \times H \times Y)] < \infty$$

and for all proper subgroups $H' \subset H$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu_n[S - (X \times H' \times Y)] = \infty.$$

Proof. Suppose $\mu_{k,n} \rightarrow \nu_k$ for all k . Then there exists a subsequence (n_i) such that $\nu_{n_i} \rightarrow \pi_\infty = (u_1, w_H, u_2)$. Suppose $YX \subset H$. Now $S_{\pi_\infty} \subset X \times H \times Y$, thus given $e/4 > 0$ there exists I such that for $i > I$,

$$\nu_{n_i}(X \times H \times Y) > 1 - (e/4).$$

Now $\mu_{n_i,n} \rightarrow \nu_{n_i}$, hence we can also find K such that

$$k > K \implies \mu_{n_i,k}(X \times H \times Y) > 1 - (e/4).$$

Let $k > K$, then $v_{n_i} = \mu_{n_i, k} * v_k$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 1 - (e/4) &< v_{n_i}(X \times H \times Y) \\
 &= \int \mu_{n_i, k}[(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}]v_k(dz) \\
 &= \int_{X \times H \times Y} \mu_{n_i, k}[(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}]v_k(dz) \\
 &\quad + \int_{X \times H^c \times Y} \mu_{n_i, k}[(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}]v_k(dz) \\
 &\leq \mu_{n_i, k}(X \times H \times Y)v_k(X \times H \times Y) + (X \times H^c \times Y) \\
 &\leq \mu_{n_i, k}(X \times H \times Y)v_k(X \times H \times Y) + e/4.
 \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\mu_{n_i, k}(X \times H \times Y)v_k(X \times H \times Y)1 - (e/2) \\
 &\quad \implies v_k(X \times H \times Y)1 - (e/2).
 \end{aligned}$$

Now for $n > k$, $v_k = \mu_{k, n} * v_n$. Then it can be shown, as above,

$$1 - (e/2) < v_k(X \times H \times Y) \int \mu_{k, n}[(X \times H \times Y)z^{-1}]v_n(dz)$$

and eventually, for $k > K$ and $n > k$

$$\mu_{k, n}(X \times H \times Y) > 1 - e.$$

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