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Let $\mathbb{Z}_+ = \{0, 1, 2, \dots, n, \dots\}, \{X_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ be the random sequence, and F_a^b be the σ -algebra, generated by the random variables $\{X_a, \ldots, X_b\}$ for $a, b \in \mathbb{Z}_+$ and a < b.

A random sequence $\{X_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ is called *strictly stationary* [1, p. 284] if for any natural number n the distribution of the random vector $(X_{t_1+h}, \ldots, X_{t_n+h})$ does not depend on h where $t_1 + h, \ldots, t_n + h \in \mathbb{Z}_+$.

The stationary sequence $\{X_t, t \in \mathbb{Z}_+\}$ satisfy the uniform mixing condition [1, p. 309] if

$$\phi(\tau) = \sup_{\substack{A \in F_0^t, \\ B \in F_{\tau+\tau}^{t+\tau}}} \frac{|\mathsf{P}(AB) - \mathsf{P}(A) \mathsf{P}(B)|}{\mathsf{P}(A)} \to 0 \qquad (\tau \to \infty).$$

The non-increasing function $\phi(\tau)$ is called the *uniform mixing coefficient*.

$$\xi_r = \sum_{1 \leq j_1 < \ldots < j_r \leq n} I\{X_{j_1} = \cdots = X_{j_r}\}$$

be the number of repetitions of multiplicity r of letters X_1, \ldots, X_n .

Let us formulate the following

Condition A. Let $\{X_1, \ldots, X_n\}$ be the strictly stationary random sequence with values in the set $\{1, \ldots, N\}$ and the stationary distribution $\mathsf{P}\{X_j = k\} = p_k, k =$ $1, \ldots, N$, satisfying uniform mixing condition with the uniform mixing coefficient ϕ .

The properties of the number ξ_r of multiple repetitions are closely related to the problem of random allocations [2], the properties of ξ_r in sequences of a special kind are well studied (for example, in [3, 4, 5] for independent random variables, in [6, 7] for Markov chains) and are used for the analysis of the properties of random sequences [8, 9].

It is known that for a sequence of independent random variables, the condition

$$p_1 = \dots = p_N = 1/N \tag{1}$$

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(i.e., the observed random sequence has an equiprobable stationary distribution) fundamentally affects the limit distribution of the number ξ_r of multiple repetitions of letters. A similar result in the present paper will be obtained for sequences of a more general form, namely, sequences satisfying the uniform mixing condition.

Consider the sequence

$$\left\{u_j = \frac{1}{(r-1)!} \sum_{k=1}^{N} p_k^{r-1} \left(I\{X_j = k\} - p_k\right), \qquad j = 1, \dots, n\right\}$$
(2)

and its sum

$$U_n = \sum_{j=1}^n u_j.$$

It is clear that the sequence (2) satisfies Condition A and $P\{u_j = 0\} = 1$ if and only if the condition (1) holds. Therefore, the properties of the sequence (2) and U_n will be used to formulate and prove limit theorems.

In present paper the following notation is used: $\mathcal{N}(\mathbf{m}; \Sigma)$ for the multivariate normal distribution with mean vector \mathbf{m} and covariance matrix Σ , $\mathcal{N}(0; 1)$ for the standard normal distribution, $\mathcal{L}(\xi)$ for the distribution law of the random variable ξ , \xrightarrow{d} for the convergence in distribution, $C_n^r = \frac{n!}{r!(n-r)!}$ for the Binomial coefficient, and $tr\Sigma$ for the trace of matrix Σ .

Theorem 1. Let Condition A be fulfilled and $n \to \infty$. If the condition (1) is violated and $DU_n \to \infty$, then

$$\xi_r^* = \frac{\xi_r}{n^{r-1}\sqrt{\mathrm{D}U_n}} - \frac{n}{r!\sqrt{\mathrm{D}U_n}} \sum_{k=1}^N p_k^r \xrightarrow{d} \mathcal{N}(0;1).$$

In the proof of the limit theorem in the equiprobable case, we use the additional assumption that the numbers $\varsigma_1, \ldots, \varsigma_N$ of letters in X_1, \ldots, X_n for $n \to \infty$ satisfy the multivariate central limit theorem.

Theorem 2. Let conditions A and (1) be fulfilled and $n \to \infty$. If there exists the number sequence $\{\sigma_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$: $\sigma_n > 0 \quad \forall n \ge 1$, $\lim_{n \to \infty} \sigma_n = \infty$, and

$$\frac{1}{\sigma_n}\left(\varsigma_1-\frac{n}{N},\ldots,\varsigma_N-\frac{n}{N}\right)\xrightarrow{d}(\eta_1,\ldots,\eta_N),$$

where $\mathcal{L}(\eta_1, \ldots, \eta_N) = \mathcal{N}(\mathbf{0}; \Sigma)$ with $tr\Sigma > 0$, then

$$\xi_r^{**} = \frac{N^{r-2}r!\xi_r}{\sigma_n^2 n^{r-2}C_r^2} - \frac{n^2 N^{r-2}}{\sigma_n^2 C_r^2} \sum_{k=1}^N \left(\prod_{j=0}^{r-1} \left(\frac{1}{N} - \frac{j}{n}\right)\right) \xrightarrow{d} \sum_{k=1}^N \eta_k^2.$$

The statements of Theorems 1 and 2 can be easily extended by to the sequences of events considered in [3]–[7]. The results presented in Theorems 1 and 2 can also be used to construct a statistical test for verifying the condition (1).

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