



5.3 (Durrett 3.3.1)

Q.) If $\phi(t) = \mathbb{E}(e^{itx})$, then $\mathbb{E}(e^{it(-x)}) = \mathbb{E}(e^{-itx}) = \overline{\phi(t)}$, so
 (with $x \in \mathbb{R}, t \in \mathbb{R}$)

$\overline{\phi}$ is also a characteristic fn.

1.) Now if μ_1 is a prob. distribution on \mathbb{R} with char. fn ϕ
 and μ_2   $\overline{\phi}$

then $\frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{2}$ is also a prob. distr. on \mathbb{R} , with char. fn.

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{itx} d\frac{\mu_1 + \mu_2}{2}(x) = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{itx} d\mu_1(x) + \frac{1}{2} \int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{itx} d\mu_2(x) = \frac{1}{2}\phi(t) + \frac{1}{2}\overline{\phi(t)} = \operatorname{Re}\phi(t).$$

Alternative solution: If X has char. fn ϕ , Y has char. fn $\overline{\phi}$

and $Z := \begin{cases} X & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \\ Y & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$, then

[More precisely, let $S \sim B(\frac{1}{2})$, and let Z independent
 of X and Y , and let $Z = S X + (1-S) Y$ at

Z has char. fn. $\frac{1}{2}\phi + \frac{1}{2}\overline{\phi} = \operatorname{Re}\phi$. \square

[As a special case, $Y = -X$ will do, so $Z = S X + (1-S)(-X) =$
 $= (2S-1)X$ works.]

2.) Let X and Y be independent with $\mathbb{E}(e^{itX}) = \phi(t)$, $\mathbb{E}(e^{itY}) = \overline{\phi(t)}$.

Then $Z := X+Y$ has $\mathbb{E}(e^{itZ}) = \phi(t) \cdot \overline{\phi(t)} = |\phi|^2(t)$ \square

5.7 (Durrett 3.3.11)

Let Ψ_n be the char. fn of S_n . Then $\Psi_n(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_i(t)$.

Now if $S_n \rightarrow S_\infty$ a.s., then $S_n \Rightarrow S_\infty$, so by the continuity theorem S_∞ has char. fn.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{i=1}^n \varphi_i(t) \stackrel{\text{def.}}{=} \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \varphi_i(t) \quad \square$$

5.9 (Durrett 3.3.13)

The char fn of $2 \frac{X_j}{3^j}$ is $\phi_n(t) := \mathbb{E} \left(e^{it 2 \frac{X_j}{3^j}} \right) =$

$$= \frac{1}{2} e^{it \cdot 0} + \frac{1}{2} e^{it \frac{2}{3}} = e^{it/3} \cos\left(\frac{t}{3}\right).$$

$S_n := \sum_{j=1}^n 2 \frac{X_j}{3^j}$. Now $S_n \rightarrow S_\infty$ a.s., so by the

previous homework S_∞ has char. fn.

$$\Psi_{S_\infty}(t) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \phi_j(t) = \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \left[e^{i \frac{t}{3^j}} \cos\left(\frac{t}{3^j}\right) \right] = e^{i t \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^j} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{t}{3^j}\right) =$$

$$= e^{i \frac{t}{2}} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{t}{3^j}\right).$$

$$\text{Now for } t = 3^k \pi, \Psi_{S_\infty}(t) = \frac{e^{i \frac{3^k \pi}{2}}}{(-1)^k} \prod_{j=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{3^k \pi}{3^j}\right) =$$

$$= (-1)^k \prod_{j=1}^k \underbrace{\cos(3^{k-j} \pi)}_{-1} \prod_{j=k+1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3^{j-k}}\right) = (-1)^k \prod_{n=1}^{\infty} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{3^n}\right)$$

$j = k+n$
in the second product

which is indeed independent of k .

5.13 (Durrett 3.4.5) Let $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$. - 12 =

The CLT says that $\frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \Rightarrow \mathcal{N}$. (*)

The LLN says that $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n X_m^2 \Rightarrow E X_m^2 = \sigma^2 \in (0, \infty)$.

Now $x \mapsto \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{x}}$ is continuous on $(0, \infty)$, so Exercise 5.2

says that $\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n X_m^2}} \Rightarrow \frac{\sigma}{\sigma} = 1 \in (0, \infty)$. (**)

Now (*), (**), and Exercise 3.2.14 say that

$$\sum_{m=1}^n X_m / \sqrt{\sum_{m=1}^n X_m^2} = \frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}\sigma} \cdot \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{\frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n X_m^2}} \Rightarrow 1 \cdot \mathcal{N} = \mathcal{N} \quad \square$$