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ANNOUNCEMENTS OF NEW RESULTS

ON ESTIMATING THE DIFFUSION COEFFICIENT

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Consider the diffusion process ξ defined on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) by

$$d\xi_t = a(\xi_t, \vartheta)dt + b(\xi_t, \vartheta)dW_t, \quad \xi_0 = x_0, \quad t \in [0, T],$$
 $\vartheta \in \Theta$, where Θ is an open subset of real line, $\{W_t, t \in [0, T]\}$ is a standard Wiener process. Suppose that $a(x, \vartheta), b(x, \vartheta)$ are real-valued functions, continuous on $R \times \Theta$, $b(x, \vartheta) > 0$ for all $(x, \vartheta) \in R \times \Theta$ and such that $a', a'', \dot{a}, \dot{a}', b', b'', b''', \dot{b}, \dot{b}', \dot{b}''$ are continuous on $R \times \Theta$ (here the stroke and the dot denote derivative with respect to x and ϑ respectively). Denote $g(x, \vartheta) = \dot{b}(x, \vartheta)/b(x, \vartheta)$.

The chain $\{X_k\}_{k=0}^n$ of observations of the process ξ_t at discrete sampling points $0=t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n=T$ is the Markov chain which generates on $(\Omega^n, \mathcal{G}(X_1, \dots, X_n))$ the probability measure P_{ϑ}^n . Local asymptotic mixed normality (LAMN). The families $\{P_{\vartheta}^n, \vartheta \in \Theta\}_{n \geq 1}$ satisfy the LAMN condition in some $\vartheta_0 \in \Theta$.

The minimax theorem. For any sequence $\{T_n\}_{n \geq 1}$ of estimators based on $X_k, k=0, 1, \dots, n$, of unknown parameter ϑ_0 holds

$$\lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{|h| < \varepsilon} E_{\vartheta_{n,h}}^n (1(\sqrt{n}(T_n - \vartheta_{n,h}))) \geq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int 1\left(\frac{z}{\sqrt{w}}\right) e^{-\frac{1}{2}z^2} dz dG(w),$$

where $\vartheta_{n,h} = \vartheta_0 + h/\sqrt{n}$, $l(x)$ is a loss function and $G(w)$ is the distribution function of $\Gamma(\vartheta_0) = \frac{2}{T} \int_0^T g^2(\xi_t, \vartheta) dt$.

The lower bound is obtained only if

$$(T_n - \vartheta_0) \rightarrow \left[\sum_{k=0}^{m-1} g(X_k, \vartheta_0) (n(\sigma^2 W_k)^2 - 1) \right] \cdot \left[2 \sum_{k=0}^{m-1} g^2(X_k, \vartheta_0) \right]^{-1}$$

in $P_{\vartheta_0}^n$ -probability as $n \rightarrow \infty$, where $\sigma^2 W_k = W_{k+1} - W_k$.

In particular, if $l(x) = x^2$, then for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and for sufficiently large T

$$\lim_{\varepsilon \rightarrow \infty} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{|h| < \varepsilon} n E_{\vartheta_{n,h}}^n (T_n - \vartheta_{n,h})^2 \geq [\mu(g^2)] - \varepsilon,$$

where μ is the invariant measure of ξ .

ON A CLASS OF WEAK ASPLUND SPACES WHICH HAS SOME PERMANENCE PROPERTIES

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Real Banach spaces, X, Y, \dots are considered. The set of all

linear bounded functionals on X is denoted by X^* .

Let U be the unit ball of X and let $B_c X^*$ be the polar of U .

Let us consider the collection $\mathcal{C} = \{n^{-1}B : n = 1, 2, \dots\}$. Then the following condition C1 is fulfilled.

C1 For each weak* neighbourhood W of the point $0 \in X^*$ there exists $E \in \mathcal{C}$ with the property $B \cap E \subset W$.

If, moreover, X is an Asplund space then, according to [1, Lemma 3], it holds

C2 For each nonempty set $M \subset (1/2)B$ and for each $E \in \mathcal{C}$ there exists a relatively weak* open nonempty subset G of the set M so that $G - G \subset E$.

We now define \mathcal{K} to be the class of all Banach spaces X of which duals X^* have the following property: there exist a weak* compact barrel $B_c X^*$ and a countable collection \mathcal{C} of weak* closed absolutely convex subsets of X^* so that the conditions C1 and C2 are satisfied.

The main result of this note is expressed by the following assertions (i) - (v).

(i) If $X \in \mathcal{K}$ and $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous linear operator with dense range then $Y \in \mathcal{K}$.

(ii) If $Y \in \mathcal{K}$ and $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous linear operator having the property $T^* Y^* = X^*$ then $X \in \mathcal{K}$.

(iii) The Cartesian product of two spaces from \mathcal{K} belongs again to \mathcal{K} .

(iv) Every Asplund space and every weakly compactly generated Banach space is in \mathcal{K} .

(v) Every space from \mathcal{K} is a weak Asplund space.

From (iv), (i), (ii) and (v) it immediately follows

Theorem (Christensen, Kenderov, [2]). Suppose that X is an Asplund space and $T: X \rightarrow Y$ is a continuous linear operator with dense range. Then every closed linear subspace of Y is a weak Asplund space.

In connection with [3] it is stated that \mathcal{K} is a subclass of the class S .

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WIDTH COMPACTNESS THEOREM AND WELL-QUASI-ORDERING INFINITE GRAPHS

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Robertson and Seymour [1] introduced the following concept of a (tree-)width:

Definition. A tree-decomposition of a graph G is a couple (T, X) , where T is a tree and $X = (X_t, t \in V(T))$ such that