

CORRIGENDUM

to the paper

A REMARK ON THE WEIGHTED AVERAGES FOR SUPERADDITIVE PROCESSES (INTERNAT. J. MATH. & MATH. SCI. VOL. 14, NO. 3 (1991) 435-438)

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The proof of Theorem 3.2 in [1] contains an error. It is wrongly stated in [1] that a T -superadditive process is decomposed into the difference of a T -additive process G and a positive, purely T -superadditive process $H = \{H_n\} = \{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h_k\}$, and $h_k = f_k - T^k \delta$. Actually, the equality $h_k = T^k \delta - f_k$ holds for all k , and hence H must be a positive, purely T -subadditive process. Consequently, h_k 's need not be positive, and the inequality

$$\limsup_n |S_n(A, H)| \leq M \limsup_n \frac{1}{n} H_n,$$

which is asserted to be true in [1], need not be valid in general. On the other hand, if h_k 's are nonnegative for all k , then this inequality still holds. Nonetheless, the decomposition results of Section 2 of [1] are still true, with the forementioned corrections, whereas Theorem 3.2 is not true as it stands, but is true if all h_k 's are assumed to be nonnegative. Hence, the corrected statement of Theorem 3.2 should read as:

THEOREM 3.2. Let T be a positive Dunford-Schwartz operator on L_1 , or a positive L_p -contraction for $1 < p < \infty$, and F be a T -superadditive process with $h_k \geq 0$, for all k , where $\{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h_k\}_n$ is the purely subadditive part of the process. Assume also that

T is Markovian and $\sup_n \geq 1 \|\frac{1}{n} F_n\| < \infty$, when $p = 1$, or

$\liminf_n \|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (F_i - F_{i-1})\|_p < \infty$, when $1 < p < \infty$.

If A is a bounded sequence such that (A, T) is Birkhoff, then $\lim_n \frac{1}{n} S_n(F, A)$ exists a.e.

It must be noted here that, when h_k 's are not necessarily nonnegative, $\lim_n \frac{1}{n} S_n(H, A)$ may not exist as the following simple example shows.

EXAMPLE. Let $h_k = (-1)^k$, $k \geq 0$. Then $\{H_n\} = \{\sum_{k=0}^{n-1} h_k\}$ is a subadditive sequence (assuming $H_0 = 0$). Define the sequence $A = \{a_k\}$ of weights as $a_0 = a_1 = 1$, and for $i \geq 0$,

$$a_k = (-1)^k, \text{ when } 3^i \cdot 2 \leq k < 3^{i+1},$$

$$a_k = (-1)^{k+1}, \text{ when } 3^i \cdot 4 \leq k < 3^{i+1} \cdot 2.$$

Then $\frac{1}{n} S_n(H, A) = 0$, when $n = 3^i \cdot 2$, and is equal to $1/2$ when $n = 3^i \cdot 4$, for all $i \geq 0$. Therefore we see that

$$\limsup S_n(H, A) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{whereas } \liminf S_n(H, A) = 0.$$

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