

HÁJEK-RÉNYI-TYPE INEQUALITIES AND LAWS OF LARGE NUMBERS FOR L_q -MIXINGALE ARRAY

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Abstract. In the paper, we get the precise results of maximal inequalities and Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for the partial sums of L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$), which generalize and improve the results of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 in Meng and Lin [8]. We also get the strong law of large numbers, strong growth rate and the integrability of supremum for L_q -mixingale sequence ($q > 1$), which generalize and improve the results of Corollary 1 in the above cited reference and Corollary 2 in Hansen [4]. At last, a weak law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale array ($q \geq 2$) is given.

1. Introduction

Let (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) be a fixed probability space. The following random variables that we deal with are all defined on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) . Let $\{X_{nt} : 1 \leq t \leq k_n \uparrow \infty; n \geq 1\}$ be a triangular array of random variables and $\{\mathcal{F}_t^n : t = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots; n = 1, 2, \dots\}$ be an array of σ -subfields of \mathcal{F} such that $\{\mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ for each $n \geq 1$ is nondecreasing in t . Whenever an expression like $E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_j^n)$ is used, it is assumed that $\|X_{nt}\|_1$ is finite, where $\|X\|_q, q \geq 1$, is defined as $(E|X|^q)^{1/q}$.

DEFINITION 1.1. The triangular array $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ is a triangular L_q -mixingale array, $q \geq 1$, if there exist nonnegative constants $\{c_{nt} : 1 \leq t \leq k_n \uparrow \infty; n \geq 1\}$ and $\{\psi(m) : m \geq 0\}$ such that $\psi(m) \downarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and for all $t = 1, 2, \dots, k_n, n \geq 1$ and $m \geq 0$, we have

- (a) $\|E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t-m}^n)\|_q \leq c_{nt} \psi(m)$,
- (b) $\|X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+m}^n)\|_q \leq c_{nt} \psi(m+1)$.

Similarly we shall give the definition of L_q -mixingale sequence. Let $\{X_n : n \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of random variables defined on the probability space (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) and $\{\mathcal{F}_n : n = \dots, -1, 0, 1, \dots\}$ be a sequence of σ -subfields of \mathcal{F} such that $\{\mathcal{F}_n\}$ is nondecreasing in n .

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DEFINITION 1.2. The sequence $\{X_n, \mathcal{F}_n\}$ is an L_q -mixingale sequence, $q \geq 1$, if there exist nonnegative constants $\{c_n : n \geq 1\}$ and $\{\psi(m) : m \geq 0\}$ such that $\psi(m) \downarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$ and for all $n \geq 1$ and $m \geq 0$, we have

- (a) $\|E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-m})\|_q \leq c_n \psi(m)$,
- (b) $\|X_n - E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n+m})\|_q \leq c_n \psi(m+1)$.

The concept of mixingale was first introduced by McLeish [7]. He proved a maximal inequality and then proved strong laws of large numbers for L_2 -mixingales under the conditions of be square integrable and the mixingale numbers of size $-1/2$. Andrews [1] extended the mixingale concept and established weak laws of large numbers for L_1 -mixingales. In Andrews' theorems the L_1 -mixingale numbers need not decay to zero at any particular rate. But they need the mixingales are uniformly integrable. Andrews pointed out that his conclusions for L_1 -mixingale sequence can be extended to L_q -mixingale ($1 < q \leq 2$) sequence $\{X_n\}$ under the condition that $\{|X_n|^q\}$ is uniformly integrable.

Recently, Meng and Lin [8] obtained two inequalities of the maximum for the partial sums of L_q -mixingale array ($1 < q \leq 2$), a strong law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale sequence and a weak law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale array without the condition of uniform integrability which is needed in Andrews [1].

The main purpose of this paper is to study the maximal inequalities and the Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$). In Section 2, we get the precise results of maximal inequalities and Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for the partial sums of L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$), which generalize and improve the results of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 in Meng and Lin [8]. We also get the strong law of large numbers, strong growth rate and the integrability of supremum for L_q -mixingale sequence ($q > 1$) which generalize and improve the results of Corollary 1 in Meng and Lin [8] and Corollary 2 in Hansen [4]. In Section 3, a weak law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale array ($q \geq 2$) is given.

We use the same notations as that in Meng and Lin [8]. Let $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ be a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$). Denote

$$W_{t;i,n} = E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n) - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n),$$

$$T_{j;i,n} = \sum_{t=1}^j W_{t;i,n} = \sum_{t=1}^j [E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n) - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)].$$

The main results of this paper depend on the following lemmas.

LEMMA 1.1. For $q > 1$, we have

$$\|W_{t;i,n}\|_q \leq 2c_{nt} \psi(|i|). \tag{1.1}$$

Proof. For $i < 0$, by Minkowski's inequality and Definition 1.1, we can get

$$\begin{aligned} \|W_{t;i,n}\|_q &\leq \|E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n)\|_q + \|E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)\|_q \\ &\leq c_{nt} \psi(-i) + c_{nt} \psi(-i+1) \\ &\leq 2c_{nt} \psi(-i) = 2c_{nt} \psi(|i|), \end{aligned}$$

while for $i \geq 0$,

$$\begin{aligned} \|W_{t,i,n}\|_q &= \|(X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n)) - (X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n))\|_q \\ &\leq \|X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n)\|_q + \|X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)\|_q \\ &\leq c_n \psi(i+1) + c_n \psi(i) \\ &\leq 2c_n \psi(i) = 2c_n \psi(|i|). \end{aligned}$$

Thus for all i , it follows that

$$\|W_{t,i,n}\|_q \leq 2c_n \psi(|i|). \quad \square$$

LEMMA 1.2. (c.f. [3, Doob’s inequality]). *If $\{S_i, \mathcal{F}_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ is a martingale, then for $p > 1$*

$$\left\| \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} |S_i| \right\|_p \leq \frac{p}{p-1} \|S_i\|_p.$$

LEMMA 1.3. (c.f. [3, Burkholder’s inequality]). *Let $\{X_i, \mathcal{F}_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ be a martingale difference sequence and $p > 1$. Denote $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$. Then there exist constants C_1 and C_2 depending only on p such that*

$$C_1 E \left| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \right|^{p/2} \leq E |S_n|^p \leq C_2 E \left| \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 \right|^{p/2},$$

where $C_1^{-1} = (18p^{1/2}q)^p$, $C_2 = (18pq^{1/2})^p$ and $p^{-1} + q^{-1} = 1$.

LEMMA 1.4. (cf. [6, Lemma 1.5]). *Let $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$ be a sequence of random variables. Denote $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ for each $n \geq 1$. Let b_1, b_2, \dots be a nondecreasing unbounded sequence of positive numbers and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots$ be nonnegative numbers. Let r and C be fixed positive numbers. Assume that for each $n \geq 1$*

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq l \leq n} |S_l| \right)^r \leq C \sum_{l=1}^n \alpha_l, \tag{1.2}$$

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_l}{b_l^r} < \infty, \tag{1.3}$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{b_n} = 0 \text{ a.s.}, \tag{1.4}$$

and with the growth rate

$$\frac{S_n}{b_n} = O \left(\frac{\beta_n}{b_n} \right) \text{ a.s.}, \tag{1.5}$$

where

$$\beta_n = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} b_k \nu_k^{\delta/r}, \quad \forall 0 < \delta < 1, \quad \nu_n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_k}{b_k^r}, \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{b_n} = 0. \tag{1.6}$$

And

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq l \leq n} \left| \frac{S_l}{b_l} \right| \right)^r \leq 4C \sum_{l=1}^n \frac{\alpha_l}{b_l^r} < \infty, \tag{1.7}$$

$$E \left(\sup_{l \geq 1} \left| \frac{S_l}{b_l} \right| \right)^r \leq 4C \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_l}{b_l^r} < \infty. \tag{1.8}$$

If further we assume that $\alpha_n > 0$ for infinitely many n , then

$$E \left(\sup_{l \geq 1} \left| \frac{S_l}{\beta_l} \right| \right)^r \leq 4C \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_l}{\beta_l^r} < \infty. \tag{1.9}$$

We point out that (1.4), (1.7) and (1.8) are due to Fazekas and Klesov [2].

LEMMA 1.5. (cf. [2, Corollary 2.1] and [5, Corollary 2.1.1]). *Let b_1, b_2, \dots be a nondecreasing unbounded sequence of positive numbers and $\alpha_1, \alpha_2, \dots$ be nonnegative numbers. Denote $\Lambda_k = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 + \dots + \alpha_k$ for $k \geq 1$. Let r be a fixed positive number satisfying (1.2). If*

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \Lambda_l \left(\frac{1}{b_l^r} - \frac{1}{b_{l+1}^r} \right) < \infty, \tag{1.10}$$

$$\frac{\Lambda_n}{b_n^r} \text{ is bounded,} \tag{1.11}$$

then (1.4)–(1.9) hold.

2. Maximal inequalities and Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$)

THEOREM 2.1. *Let $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ be a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$) such that $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \psi(m) < \infty$. Then for all $n \geq 1$,*

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right)^q \leq K^q \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^q, \quad 1 < q \leq 2, \tag{2.1}$$

and

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right)^q \leq K^q \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^2 \right)^{q/2}, \quad q > 2, \tag{2.2}$$

where $K = \frac{36q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(|i|)$.

Proof. Using the standard method, it is easily shown that for fixed $n \geq 1$,

$$X_{nt} = \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} [E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n) - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)] \text{ a.s., } \forall t \geq 1, \tag{2.3}$$

and $\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} [E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n) - E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)]$ converges almost surely (or see Meng and Lin [8]).

Note that for fixed n and i , $\{W_{t;i,n}, \mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n, t \geq 1\}$ is a martingale difference sequence. Indeed, by the property of conditional expectation, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} E(W_{t;i,n}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n) &= E[E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i}^n)|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n] - E[E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n)|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n] \\ &= E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n) - E(X_{nt}|\mathcal{F}_{t+i-1}^n) \\ &= 0 \text{ a.s.} \end{aligned}$$

Now for $1 < q \leq 2$,

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right\|_q &= \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} W_{t;i,n} \right| \right\|_q \\ &\leq \left\| \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j W_{t;i,n} \right| \right) \right\|_q \\ &\leq \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j W_{t;i,n} \right| \right\|_q \leq \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{q}{q-1} \left\| \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} W_{t;i,n} \right\|_q \\ &\leq \frac{q}{q-1} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} 18q \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \left[E \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} W_{t;i,n}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right]^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E |W_{t;i,n}|^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\doteq \tilde{K} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E |W_{t;i,n}|^q \right)^{1/q}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.4}$$

The equality in the first line follows from (2.3). The five inequalities due to the triangle inequality, Minkowski’s inequality, Doob’s inequality, Burkholder’s inequality and C_r inequality, respectively. The final equality sets $\tilde{K} = \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} < \infty$.

Together with Lemma 1.1 and (2.4), it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right\|_q &\leq \tilde{K} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E |W_{t;i,n}|^q \right)^{1/q} \\ &\leq \tilde{K} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} [2c_{nt} \psi(|i|)]^q \right)^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2\tilde{K} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(|i|) \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^q \right)^{1/q} \\
 &\doteq K \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^q \right)^{1/q},
 \end{aligned}$$

Which implies (2.1).

For $q > 2$, similar to the proof of (2.4), we have

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right\|_q &\leq \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[E \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} W_{t;i,n}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right]^{1/q} \\
 &\leq \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left[\left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|W_{t;i,n}\|_{q/2}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right]^{1/q} \\
 &= \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|W_{t;i,n}\|_q^2 \right)^{1/2}.
 \end{aligned}$$

The second inequality above follows from Minkowski’s inequality. Together with Lemma 1.1 and the above inequality, it is easily seen that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\| \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \right\|_q &\leq \frac{18q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} [2c_{nt}\psi(|i|)]^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &\doteq K \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^2 \right)^{1/2},
 \end{aligned}$$

which implies (2.2). The proof is complete. \square

COROLLARY 2.1. *Let $\{X_n, \mathcal{F}_n\}$ be an L_q -mixingale sequence ($1 < q \leq 2$) with respect to nonnegative constants $\{c_n, n \geq 1\}$ and assume that $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \psi(m) < \infty$. Denote $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ for each $n \geq 1$. Let $\{b_n, n \geq 1\}$ be a nondecreasing unbounded sequence of positive numbers. Assume that*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_n^q}{b_n^q} < \infty, \tag{2.5}$$

then (1.4)–(1.9) hold, where $r = q$, $C = K^q$, $\alpha_k = c_k^q$ for $k \geq 1$ and K is defined in Theorem 2.1.

Proof. It is easily seen that Theorem 2.1 is also true for L_q -mixingale sequence ($1 < q \leq 2$). Therefore,

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \right)^q \leq K^q \sum_{k=1}^n c_k^q = C \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k, \tag{2.6}$$

and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_n}{b_n^q} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{c_n^q}{b_n^q} < \infty. \tag{2.7}$$

One can get (1.4)–(1.9) immediately by (2.6), (2.7) and Lemma 1.4. The desired result is obtained. \square

COROLLARY 2.2. (Marcinkiewicz strong law of large numbers). *Let $\{X_n, \mathcal{F}_n\}$ be an L_q -mixingale sequence ($q > 2$) with respect to nonnegative constants $\{c_n, n \geq 1\}$ and assume that $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \psi(m) < \infty$. $1 \leq p < 2$. Denote $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$ and $Q_n = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} c_k^q$ for each $n \geq 1$. $Q_0 = 0$. Assume that*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Q_n}{n^{1+q(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{2})}} < \infty, \tag{2.8}$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = 0 \text{ a.s.}, \tag{2.9}$$

and with the growth rate

$$\frac{1}{n^{1/p}} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = O\left(\frac{\beta_n}{n^{1/p}}\right) \text{ a.s.}, \tag{2.10}$$

where

$$\beta_n = \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} k^{1/p} v_k^{\delta/q}, \forall 0 < \delta < 1, v_n = \sum_{k=n}^{\infty} \frac{\alpha_k}{k^{q/p}}, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\beta_n}{n^{1/p}} = 0, \\ \alpha_k = K^q (k^{q/2} Q_k - (k-1)^{q/2} Q_{k-1}), k \geq 1, K = \frac{36q^2}{q-1} \left(\frac{q}{q-1}\right)^{1/2} \sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} \psi(|i|). \tag{2.11}$$

And (1.7)–(1.9) hold with $C = 1$.

Proof. Denote $b_n = n^{1/p}$ and $\Lambda_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k, n \geq 1$. It is easily seen that Theorem 2.1 is also true for L_q -mixingale sequence ($q > 2$). Therefore,

$$E \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \right)^q \leq K^q \left(\sum_{k=1}^n c_k^2 \right)^{q/2} \leq K^q n^{q/2} Q_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha_k = \Lambda_n. \tag{2.12}$$

By (2.8), it follows that

$$\sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \Lambda_l \left(\frac{1}{b_l^q} - \frac{1}{b_{l+1}^q} \right) = K^q \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} l^{q/2} Q_l \left(\frac{1}{l^{q/p}} - \frac{1}{(l+1)^{q/p}} \right) \\ \leq \frac{qK^q}{p} \sum_{l=1}^{\infty} \frac{Q_l}{l^{1+q(\frac{1}{p}-\frac{1}{2})}} < \infty. \tag{2.13}$$

That is to say (1.10) holds. By Remark 2.1 in Fazekas and Klesov [2], (1.10) implies (1.11). Therefore, the desired results follow from Lemma 1.5 immediately. \square

THEOREM 2.2. *Let $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ be a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$) such that $\sum_{m=1}^\infty \psi(m) < \infty$. Suppose that $\{b_t, t \geq 1\}$ is a nondecreasing sequence of positive numbers. Then for all $n \geq 1$ and for any $\varepsilon > 0$,*

$$P\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{2^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \frac{c_{nt}^q}{b_t^q}, \quad 1 < q \leq 2, \tag{2.14}$$

and

$$P\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{2^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \frac{c_{nt}^2}{b_t^2}\right)^{q/2}, \quad q > 2, \tag{2.15}$$

where K is defined in Theorem 2.1.

Proof. The proof is similar to that of Theorem 2 in Meng and Lin [8]. Meng and Lin have shown that

$$\left\{ \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon \right\} \subseteq \left\{ \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j \frac{X_{nt}}{b_t} \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right\}. \tag{2.16}$$

Since $b_t > 0$ for all $t \geq 1$, $\{X_{nt}/b_t, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ is also a triangular L_q -mixingale array with nonnegative constant sequences $\{c_{nt}/b_t\}$ and $\{\psi(m) : m \geq 0\}$ by the definition of L_q -mixingale array. By (2.16) and Markov’s inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon\right) &\leq P\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j \frac{X_{nt}}{b_t} \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{2^q}{\varepsilon^q} E\left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \sum_{t=1}^j \frac{X_{nt}}{b_t} \right|\right)^q. \end{aligned} \tag{2.17}$$

Therefore, (2.14) and (2.15) follow from (2.1) and (2.2), respectively. \square

THEOREM 2.3. *Let $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ be a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$) such that $\sum_{m=1}^\infty \psi(m) < \infty$. Suppose that $\{b_n, n \geq 1\}$ is a nondecreasing sequence of positive numbers. Then for any $\varepsilon > 0$ and for any positive integers $m < k_n$,*

$$P\left(\max_{m \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{2^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \left(\sum_{t=1}^m \frac{c_{nt}^q}{b_m^q} + 2^q \sum_{t=m+1}^{k_n} \frac{c_{nt}^q}{b_t^q}\right), \quad 1 < q \leq 2, \tag{2.18}$$

and

$$P\left(\max_{m \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{\sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt}}{b_j} \right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{2^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \left[\left(\sum_{t=1}^m \frac{c_{nt}^2}{b_m^2}\right)^{q/2} + 2^q \left(\sum_{t=m+1}^{k_n} \frac{c_{nt}^2}{b_t^2}\right)^{q/2}\right], \quad q > 2, \tag{2.19}$$

where K is defined in Theorem 2.1.

Proof. Observe that

$$\max_{m \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{1}{b_j} \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \leq \left| \frac{1}{b_m} \sum_{t=1}^m X_{nt} \right| + \max_{m+1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{1}{b_j} \sum_{t=m+1}^j X_{nt} \right|,$$

thus

$$\begin{aligned} P \left(\max_{m \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{1}{b_j} \sum_{t=1}^j X_{nt} \right| \geq \varepsilon \right) &\leq P \left(\left| \frac{1}{b_m} \sum_{t=1}^m X_{nt} \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \\ &+ P \left(\max_{m+1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{1}{b_j} \sum_{t=m+1}^j X_{nt} \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \doteq I + II. \end{aligned} \tag{2.20}$$

(i) If $1 < q \leq 2$, then by Markov’s inequality and (2.1), we have

$$I \leq \frac{2^q}{\varepsilon^q b_m^q} E \left| \sum_{t=1}^m X_{nt} \right|^q \leq \frac{2^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \sum_{t=1}^m \frac{c_{nt}^q}{b_m^q}. \tag{2.21}$$

For II , we will apply Theorem 2.1 to $\{X_{m+i}, 1 \leq i \leq k_n - m\}$ and $\{b_{m+i}, 1 \leq i \leq k_n - m\}$. Noting that

$$\max_{m+1 \leq j \leq k_n} \left| \frac{1}{b_j} \sum_{t=m+1}^j X_{nt} \right| = \max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n - m} \left| \frac{1}{b_{m+j}} \sum_{t=1}^j X_{n,m+t} \right|. \tag{2.22}$$

Thus, by (2.22) and (2.14), we can get

$$\begin{aligned} II &= P \left(\max_{1 \leq j \leq k_n - m} \left| \frac{1}{b_{m+j}} \sum_{t=1}^j X_{n,m+t} \right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{2^q K^q}{(\varepsilon/2)^q} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n - m} \frac{c_{n,m+t}^q}{b_{m+t}^q} = \frac{4^q K^q}{\varepsilon^q} \sum_{t=m+1}^{k_n} \frac{c_{nt}^q}{b_t^q}. \end{aligned} \tag{2.23}$$

Therefore, the desired result (2.18) follows from (2.20)–(2.23) immediately.

(ii) For $q > 2$, the proof of (2.19) is similar to that of (2.18), so we omit it. We complete the proof of the theorem. \square

REMARK 2.1. (2.1) and (2.14) have been studied by Meng and Lin [8]. But we get the precise results of maximal inequalities and Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for the partial sums of L_q -mixingale array ($q > 1$). Therefore, the results of maximal inequalities and Hájek-Rényi-type inequalities for the partial sums of L_q -mixingale array generalize and improve the results of Theorem 1 and Theorem 2 in Meng and Lin [8].

REMARK 2.2. In Corollary 2.1, we not only get the strong law of large numbers, but also give the strong growth rate and the integrability of supremum for L_q -mixingale sequence ($1 < q \leq 2$). Therefore, our results improve the results of Corollary 1 in Meng and Lin [8] and Corollary 2 in Hansen [4].

3. Weak law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale array ($q \geq 2$)

Andrews [1] established a weak law of large numbers for L_1 -mixingale array as follows:

THEOREM A. *Suppose the triangular array $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ is a uniformly integrable L_1 -mixingale. If $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt} < \infty$, then $E|\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt}| \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and in consequence $\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

Meng and Lin [8] extended the weak law of large numbers for L_1 -mixingale array to the case of L_q -mixingale array ($1 < q \leq 2$) by weakening the condition of uniform integrability, and obtained the following result:

THEOREM B. *Suppose $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ is a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($1 < q \leq 2$) such that the following conditions are satisfied:*

- (a) $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt} < \infty$,
- (b) $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_n^2} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^2 = 0$.

Then for any $r \in (1, q)$, $\|\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt}\|_r \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and in consequence $\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

In this section, we will extend the weak law of large numbers for L_q -mixingale array ($1 < q \leq 2$) to the case of $q \geq 2$ without the condition of uniform integrability. We get the following result:

THEOREM 3.1. *Suppose $\{X_{nt}, \mathcal{F}_t^n\}$ is a triangular L_q -mixingale array ($q \geq 2$) such that the conditions (a) and (b) in Theorem B are satisfied. Then $\|\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt}\|_q \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and in consequence $\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.*

Proof. Firstly, for each i , we will prove

$$\left\| \frac{1}{k_n} T_{k_n; i, n} \right\|_q \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \tag{3.1}$$

Indeed

$$\begin{aligned} \left\| \frac{1}{k_n} T_{k_n; i, n} \right\|_q &= \frac{1}{k_n} \left\| \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} W_{t; i, n} \right\|_q \\ &\leq \frac{18q}{k_n} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \left[E \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} W_{t; i, n}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right]^{1/q} \\ &\leq \frac{18q}{k_n} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \left[\left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|W_{t; i, n}\|_{q/2}^2 \right)^{q/2} \right]^{1/q} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{18q}{k_n} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|W_{t;i,n}\|_q^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &\leq \frac{18q}{k_n} \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \left(\sum_{t=1}^{k_n} [2c_{nt}\psi(|i|)]^2 \right)^{1/2} \\
 &\leq 36q \left(\frac{q}{q-1} \right)^{1/2} \psi(0) \left(\frac{1}{k_n^2} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}^2 \right)^{1/2}. \tag{3.2}
 \end{aligned}$$

The four inequalities above due to Burkholder’s inequality, Minkowski’s inequality, Lemma 1.1 and $\psi(m) \downarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$, respectively. Therefore, (3.1) follows from (3.2) and the condition (b) immediately.

For fixed integer $M \geq 1$, it is easy to check that

$$\sum_{i=1-M}^{M-1} T_{k_n;i,n} = \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+M-1}^n) - \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t-M}^n). \tag{3.3}$$

Hence

$$\frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} = \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{i=1-M}^{M-1} T_{k_n;i,n} + \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} (X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+M-1}^n)) + \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t-M}^n).$$

By Minkowski’s inequality and Definition 1.1, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left\| \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \right\|_q &\leq \sum_{i=1-M}^{M-1} \left\| \frac{1}{k_n} T_{k_n;i,n} \right\|_q + \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|X_{nt} - E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t+M-1}^n)\|_q \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} \|E(X_{nt} | \mathcal{F}_{t-M}^n)\|_q \\
 &\leq \sum_{i=1-M}^{M-1} \left\| \frac{1}{k_n} T_{k_n;i,n} \right\|_q + \frac{2}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt} \psi(M).
 \end{aligned}$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, by (3.1), we can see that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\| \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \right\|_q \leq 2\psi(M) \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} c_{nt}. \tag{3.4}$$

Since $\psi(m) \downarrow 0$ as $m \rightarrow \infty$, we can get

$$\left\| \frac{1}{k_n} \sum_{t=1}^{k_n} X_{nt} \right\|_q \rightarrow 0, \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

by condition (a) and setting $M \rightarrow \infty$ in (3.4). The desired result is obtained. \square

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