

On Komlós-Révész estimation problem for random variables without variances

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Let $\{X_n\} \subset L_p(\mathbf{P})$, $1 < p \leq 2$, $q = p/(p - 1)$, be a sequence of martingale differences. We prove that the Komlós-Révész type weighted averages $\frac{\sum_{k=1}^n X_k / \|X_k\|_p^q}{\sum_{k=1}^n 1 / \|X_k\|_p^q}$ converge a.s. and in the L_p -norm, and the limit is 0 if and only if $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 / \|X_n\|_p^q = \infty$. We show also that convergence need not hold when we deal with a centered uncorrelated sequence (whether the series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 1 / \|X_n\|_2^2$ convergence or not). Furthermore, for $1 < p < 2$ all the results of Komlós-Révész are extended to symmetric independent p -stable random variables.