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## Approximation of stationary sequences by independent r.v.s and its application

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Let  $\{\varepsilon_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  be i.i.d. r.v.s. and let  $f : \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{Z}} \to \mathbb{R}$  be measurable and such that

$$y_k = f(\dots, \varepsilon_{k-1}, \varepsilon_k, \varepsilon_{k+1}, \dots)$$
(1)

is well defined. Sequences  $\{y_k, k \in \mathbb{Z}\}$  which may be represented as in (1) form a very important class of stationary and ergodic processes. E.g. many well known time series models can be representent in such a way. Due to the generic form of the  $y_k$  there are different methods (e.g. coupling) to obtain *m*-dependent r.v.s  $y_{km}$  which approximate  $y_k$  very well. The purpose of the talk is to show on the basis of several examples that the approximation error  $|y_{km} - y_k|$  is typically easy to compute. If the error is small in some sense this can be used to deduce very sharp asymptotic results avoiding the usually difficult verification of mixing conditions.