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# Asymptotically $\lambda$ -invariant statistical equivalent sequences of fuzzy numbers

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#### Abstract

This paper presents the following definition which is a natural combination of the definitions for asymptotically equivalent  $\lambda$ -statistical convergence and  $\sigma$ -convergence of fuzzy numbers. Two sequences X and Y of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically  $\lambda$ -invariant statistical equivalent of multiple L provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

 $\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right| = 0, \text{ uniformly in } m$   $\left( \text{denoted by } X \xrightarrow{S_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)} Y \right) \text{ and simply asymptotically } \lambda \text{-invariant statistical equivalent if } L = \overline{1}.$ 

**Keywords:**  $\lambda$ -statistical convergence,  $\sigma$ -convergence, Fuzzy numbers

#### Introduction

Let  $\sigma$  be a one-to-one mapping of the set of positive integers into itself such that  $\sigma^k(m) = \sigma(\sigma^{k-1}(m))$ ,  $k = 1, 2, 3, \ldots$  The generalized de la Vallee-Pousin mean is defined by

$$t_n(x) = \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} x_k,$$

where  $(\lambda_n)$  is a non-decreasing sequence of positive numbers such that  $\lambda_{n+1} \leq \lambda_n + 1, \lambda_1 = 1$ , and  $\lambda_n \to \infty$  as  $n \to \infty$  and  $I_n = [n - \lambda_n + 1, n]$ . A sequence  $x = (x_k)$  is said to be  $(V, \lambda)$ -summable to a number L if  $t_n(x) \to L$  as  $n \to \infty$  [1].  $(V, \lambda)$ -summability reduces to (C, 1)-summability when  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n \in N$ .

Let *D* denote the set of all closed and bounded intervals on  $\mathbb{R}$ , the real line. For *X*, *Y*  $\in$  *D*, we define

$$d(X, Y) = \max(|a_1 - b_1|, |a_2 - b_2|),$$

where  $X = [a_1, a_2]$  and  $Y = [b_1, b_2]$ . It is known that (D, d) is a complete metric space. A fuzzy real number X is a fuzzy set on  $\mathbb{R}$ , i.e., a mapping  $X : \mathbb{R} \to I (= [0, 1])$  associating each real number t with its grade of membership X(t).

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The set of all upper semicontinuous, normal, and convex fuzzy real numbers is denoted by  $\mathbb{R}(I)$ . Throughout the paper, by a fuzzy real number *X*, we mean that  $X \in \mathbb{R}(I)$ .

The  $\alpha$ -cut or  $\alpha$ -level set  $[X]^{\alpha}$  of the fuzzy real number X, for  $0 < \alpha \le 1$ , is defined by  $[X]^{\alpha} = \{t \in \mathbb{R} : X(t) \ge \alpha\}$ ; for  $\alpha = 0$ , it is the closure of the strong 0-cut, i.e., closure of the set  $\{t \in \mathbb{R} : X(t) > 0\}$ . The linear structure of  $\mathbb{R}$  (I) induces the addition X + Y and the scalar multiplication  $\mu X, \mu \in \mathbb{R}$ , in terms of  $\alpha$ -level sets, defined by

$$[X + Y]^{\alpha} = [X]^{\alpha} + [Y]^{\alpha}, \ [\mu X]^{\alpha} = \mu [X]^{\alpha}$$

for each  $\alpha \in (0, 1]$ .

Let  $d : \mathbb{R}(I) \times \mathbb{R}(I) \to \mathbb{R}$  be defined by

$$\overset{-}{d}(X,Y) = \sup_{0 \le \alpha \le 1} d\left( [X]^{\alpha}, [Y]^{\alpha} \right).$$

Then, *d* defines a metric on  $\mathbb{R}(I)$ . It is well known that  $\mathbb{R}(I)$  is complete with respect to  $\overline{d}$ .

A sequence  $(X_k)$  of fuzzy real numbers is said to be convergent to the fuzzy real number  $X_0$  if, for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

there exists  $n_0 \in N$  such that  $d(X_k, X_0) < \varepsilon$ , for all  $k \ge n_0$ . Let c(F) denote the set of all convergent sequences of fuzzy numbers.



© 2012 Esi; licensee Springer. This is an Open Access article distributed under the terms of the Creative Commons Attribution License (http://creativecommons.org/licenses/by/2.0), which permits unrestricted use, distribution, and reproduction in any medium, provided the original work is properly cited. A sequence  $(X_k)$  of fuzzy real numbers is said to be bounded if the set  $\{X_k : k \in N\}$  of fuzzy numbers is bounded. We denote by  $\ell_{\infty}(F)$  the set of all bounded sequences of fuzzy numbers. In [2], it was shown that c(F)and  $\ell_{\infty}(F)$  are complete metric spaces.

A subset *E* of *N* is said to have density (asymptotic or natural)  $\delta$  (*E*) if

$$\delta(E) = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \varkappa_{E}(k) \text{ exists,}$$

where  $\varkappa_E$  is the characteristic function of *E*. The definition of statistical convergence was introduced by Fast [2] and studied by several authors [3-9]. The sequence *x* is statistically convergent to *s* if for each  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n\to\infty}\frac{1}{n}\left|\left\{k\leq n:|x_k-s|\geq\epsilon\right\}\right|=0,$$

where |A| denotes the number of elements in A. Schoenberg [10] studied statistical convergence as a summability method and listed some of the elementary properties of statistical convergence.

Nuray and Savaş [11] defined the notion of statistical convergence for sequences of fuzzy real numbers and studied some properties. A fuzzy real number ( $X_k$ ) is said to be statistically convergent to the fuzzy real number  $X_0$  if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\delta\left(\left\{k\in N: \overline{d}(X_k, X_0) \geq \varepsilon\right\}\right) = 0.$$

Fuzzy sequence are spaces studied by several authors such as [12-19].

In 1993, Marouf [20] presented definitions for asymptotically equivalent sequences of real numbers and asymptotic regular matrices. In 2003, Patterson [21] extended these concepts by presenting an asymptotically statistical equivalent analog of these definitions and natural regularity conditions for nonnegative summability matrices. In 2006, Savaş and Başarir [22] introduced and studied the concept of  $(\sigma, \lambda)$ -asymptotically statistical equivalent sequences. In 2008, Esi and Esi [23] introduced and studied the concept of asymptotically equivalent difference sequences of fuzzy numbers. In 2009, Esi [24] introduced and studied asymptotically equivalent sequences for double sequences. For sequences of fuzzy numbers, Savaş [25,26] introduced and studied the concepts of strongly  $\lambda$ -summable  $\lambda$ -statistical convergence and asymptotically  $\lambda$ -statistical equivalent sequences, respectively . Recently, Braha [27] defined asymptotically generalized difference lacunary sequences. The goal of this paper is to extend the idea on asymptotically equivalent and  $\lambda_{\sigma^F}$ -statistical convergence of fuzzy numbers.

#### Methods

#### **Definitions and notations**

**Definition 1.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be  $\sigma^F$ -asymptotically equivalent if

$$\lim_{k} \vec{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, \vec{1} \right)$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \stackrel{\sigma^{F}}{\sim} Y \right).$ 

**Definition 2.** A sequence of fuzzy numbers,  $X = (X_k)$ , is said to be  $S_{\sigma,\lambda}^L(F)$ -statistically convergent or  $S_{\sigma^F}^{\lambda}$ -convergent to the fuzzy number *L* if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \overline{d} \left( X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right| = 0, \text{ uniformly in } m.$$
  
In this case, we write  $S_{\sigma^{F}}^{\lambda} - \lim X = L \text{ or } X_{k} \to L \left( S_{\sigma^{F}}^{\lambda} \right).$ 

Following this result, we introduce two new notions asymptotically  $S_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)$ -statistical equivalent of multiple L and strong  $V_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)$ -asymptotically equivalent of multiple L.

The next definition is a natural combination of Definitions 1 and 2.

**Definition 3.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically  $\lambda$ -invariant statistical equivalent of multiple *L* provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \overset{S_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply asymptotically  $S_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)$ -statistical equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

**Example 1.** Let  $\lambda_n = n$  and  $\sigma(m) = m+1$  for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider the sequences of fuzzy numbers  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  defined by  $X_n = \overline{n^{-2}}$  and  $Y_n = \overline{n^{-1}}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
$$= \lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \in [1, n] : \ \overline{d} \left( \overline{n^{-1}}, \overline{0} \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right| = 0.$$

If we take  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the above definition reduces to following definition:

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**Definition 4.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically invariant statistical equivalent of multiple *L* provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \le n : \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m$  (denoted by  $X \stackrel{S_{\sigma}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$ )

and simply asymptotically  $S_{\sigma}(F)$ -statistical equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

**Definition 5.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be strong  $V_{\sigma,\lambda}^L(F)$ -asymptotically equivalent of multiple *L* provided that

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \sum_{k \in I_{n}} \bar{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right)$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \overset{V_{\sigma_{\lambda}}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply strong  $V_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)$ -asymptotically statistical equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

**Example 2.** Let  $\lambda_n = n$  and  $\sigma(m) = m+1$  for all  $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$ . Consider the sequences of fuzzy numbers  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  defined by  $X_n = \overline{n^{-2}}$  and  $Y_n = \overline{n^{-1}}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Then,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \sum_{k \in I_{n}} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, \overline{0} \right) = \lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \overline{d} \left( \frac{\overline{n^{-2k}}}{\overline{n^{-k}}}, \overline{0} \right)$$
$$= \lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{1}{n^{k}} < \infty.$$

If we take  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the above definition reduces to the following definition:

**Definition 6.** Two sequences *X* and *Y* of fuzzy numbers are said to be strong Cesaro  $C_{\sigma}^{L}(F)$ -asymptotically equivalent of multiple *L* provided that

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right)$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \overset{C_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply strong Cesaro  $C_{\sigma}(F)$ -asymptotically equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

If we take  $\sigma$  (*m*) = *m* + 1, the above definitions reduce the following definitions:

**Definition 7.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically almost equivalent if

$$\begin{split} &\lim_{k} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{k+m}}{Y_{k+m}}, \overline{1} \right) \\ &= 0 \text{ , uniformly in } m \left( \text{denoted by } X \stackrel{\widehat{F}}{\sim} Y \right). \end{split}$$

**Definition 8.** A sequence of fuzzy numbers  $X = (X_k)$  is said to be  $\lambda_{\widehat{F}}$ -statistically almost convergent or  $S_{\widehat{F}}^{\lambda}$ -convergent to the fuzzy number *L* if for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \overline{d} \left( X_{k+m}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right| = 0 \text{ uniformly in } m.$$
  
In this case, we write  $S_{\widehat{F}}^{\lambda} - \lim X = L \text{ or } X_{k} \to L \left( S_{\widehat{F}}^{\lambda} \right).$ 

**Definition 9.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically almost  $\lambda$ -statistical equivalent of multiple *L* provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{k+m}}{Y_{k+m}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \stackrel{S_{\lambda}^{L}(\widehat{F})}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply asymptotically *almost*  $\lambda$ -statistical equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

If we take  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the above definition reduces to the following definition:

**Definition 10.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be asymptotically *almost* statistical equivalent of multiple *L* provided that for every  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \le n : \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{k+m}}{Y_{k+m}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \overset{S^{L}(\widehat{F})}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply asymptotically *almost* statistical equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

**Definition 11.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be strong asymptotically almost  $\lambda$ -equivalent of multiple *L* provided that

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \sum_{k \in I_{n}} \bar{d} \left( \frac{X_{k+m}}{Y_{k+m}}, L \right)$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \stackrel{V_{\lambda}^{L}(\widehat{F})}{\sim} Y \right)$   
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and simply strong asymptotically almost  $\lambda$ -equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

If we take  $\lambda_n = n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the above definition reduces to following definition.

**Definition 12.** Two sequences  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  of fuzzy numbers are said to be strong asymptotically almost equivalent of multiple *L* provided that

$$\lim_{n} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{n} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{k+m}}{Y_{k+m}}, L \right)$$
  
= 0, uniformly in  $m \left( \text{denoted by } X \overset{C^{L}(\widehat{F})}{\sim} Y \right)$ 

and simply strong asymptotically almost equivalent if  $L = \overline{1}$ .

#### **Results and discussion**

**Theorem 1.** Let  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  be two fuzzy real valued sequences. Then, the following conditions are satisfied:

(i) If 
$$X \xrightarrow{V_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)} Y$$
, then  $X \xrightarrow{S_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)} Y$ .

(ii) If  $X \in \ell_{\infty}(F)$  and  $X \stackrel{S^{L}_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$ , then  $X \stackrel{V^{L}_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$ ; hence,  $X \stackrel{C^{L}_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$ . (iii)  $X \stackrel{S^{L}_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y \cap \ell_{\infty}(F) = X \stackrel{V^{L}_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y \cap \ell_{\infty}(F)$ 

(iii) 
$$X \stackrel{S_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y \cap \ell_{\infty}(F) = X \stackrel{V_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y \cap \ell_{\infty}(F)$$
.  
*Breaf* (i) If  $c > 0$  and  $X \stackrel{V_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$  then

Proof. (i) If 
$$\varepsilon > 0$$
 and  $X \xrightarrow{\tau_{\sigma,\lambda}(x)} Y$ , then  

$$\sum_{k \in I_n} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right) \ge \sum_{\substack{k \in I_n \\ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon} \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right)$$

$$\ge \varepsilon \left| \left\{ k \in I_n : \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|.$$

Therefore,  $X \stackrel{S^L_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$ .

(ii) Suppose that  $X = (X_k)$  and  $Y = (Y_k)$  are in  $\ell_{\infty}(F)$ and  $X \stackrel{S^L_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$ . Then, we can assume that

$$\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}},L\right) \leq T$$
, for all  $k$  and  $m$ .

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$\frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{k \in I_n} \bar{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right) = \frac{1}{\lambda_n} \sum_{\substack{k \in I_n \\ \bar{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon}} \bar{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^k(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^k(m)}}, L \right)$$

$$+\frac{1}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{\substack{k\in I_{n}\\\bar{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}L\right)<\varepsilon}}\bar{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right)$$
$$\leq \frac{T}{\lambda_{n}}\left|\left\{k\in I_{n}: \ \bar{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right)\geq\varepsilon\right\}\right|+\varepsilon.$$

Therefore,  $X \stackrel{V^L_{\sigma,\lambda}(F)}{\sim} Y$  . Further, we have

$$\frac{1}{n}\sum_{k=1}^{n}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) = \frac{1}{n}\sum_{k=1}^{n-\lambda_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) + \frac{1}{n}\sum_{k\in I_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) \\
\leq \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{k=1}^{n-\lambda_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{k\in I_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) \\
\leq \frac{2}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{k\in I_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) + \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{k\in I_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right) \\
\leq \frac{2}{\lambda_{n}}\sum_{k\in I_{n}}\overline{d}\left(\frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}},L\right).$$
Hence,  $X \stackrel{C_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$  since  $X \stackrel{V_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$ .
  
(iii) Follows from (i) and (ii).

In the next theorem, we prove the following relation:

**Theorem 2.** 
$$X \stackrel{S_{\sigma}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$$
 implies  $X \stackrel{S_{\sigma,\lambda}^{L}(F)}{\sim} Y$  if  $\liminf\left(\frac{\lambda_{n}}{n}\right) > 0.$  (1)

*Proof.* For a given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , we have

$$\left\{ k \leq n : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\}$$
$$\supset \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \geq \varepsilon \right\}.$$

Therefore,

$$\frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \le n : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
$$\ge \frac{1}{n} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|$$
$$\ge \frac{\lambda_{n}}{n} \cdot \frac{1}{\lambda_{n}} \left| \left\{ k \in I_{n} : \ \overline{d} \left( \frac{X_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}{Y_{\sigma^{k}(m)}}, L \right) \ge \varepsilon \right\} \right|.$$
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Taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$  and using Equation 1, we get the desired result. This completes the proof.

#### Conclusions

The concept of asymptotic equivalence was first suggested by Marouf [20] in 1993. After that, several authors introduced and studied some asymptotically equivalent sequences. The results obtained in this study are much more general than those obtained earlier.

#### **Competing interests**

The author declares that he has no competing interests.

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