

The sequence of discrete random variables X_n , with mass functions f_n , is said to converge in total variation to X with mass function f if

$$\sum_x |f_n(x) - f(x)| \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Suppose that $X_n \rightarrow X$ in total variation and $u : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded. Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[u(X_n)] \rightarrow E[u(X)]$$