

### 1. Decaying variance

Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be i.i.d.<sup>1</sup> random variables with finite mean and variance. Define aggregated process as

$$X_k^{(m)} = \frac{1}{m}(X_{km-m+1} + \dots + X_{km}).$$

Prove that for  $X_K^{(m)}$  it holds

$$V[X_K^{(m)}] \sim \frac{a}{m},$$

where  $a$  is some constant. (Process is said to have slowly decaying variance if  $V[X_K^{(m)}] \sim am^{-\beta}, 0 < \beta < 1$  as  $m \rightarrow \infty$ )

### 2. Heavy-tailed distributions

Let random variable  $X$  follow Pareto-distribution that is

$$P\{X > x\} = \left(\frac{k}{x}\right)^\alpha, \quad x \geq k > 0 \text{ and } 0 < \alpha.$$

Prove that

- (a) mean of  $X$  is infinite if  $\alpha \leq 1$
- (b) variance of  $X$  is also infinite if  $\alpha < 2$

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<sup>1</sup>independent identically distributed