# **Chapter 2. Axioms of Probability**

 $\sigma-algebra$ 

- Let  $\Omega$  be abstract space, that is with no special structure.
- Let  $2^{\Omega}$  denotes all subsets of  $\Omega$ , including the empty set denoted by  $\emptyset$ .

With  ${\mathcal A}$  being a subset of  $2^\Omega$  , we consider the following properties:

- 1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$
- 2. If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$  then  $A^C \in \mathcal{A}$  , where  $A^C$  denotes the complement of A
- 3. A is closed under finite unions and finite intersections:
  - $\circ$  that is, if  $A_1,\ldots,A_n$  are all in  $\mathcal A$  , then  $\cup_{i=1}^n A_i$  and  $\cup_{i=1}^n A_i$  are in  $\mathcal A$  as well
  - ullet  $A_1,\ldots,A_n\in\mathcal{A}$   $\Rightarrow$   $ullet_{i=1}^nA_i$  and  $ullet_{i=1}^nA_i\in\mathcal{A}$
- 4. A is closed under countable unions and intersections:
  - $\circ$  that is, if  $A_1,A_2\ldots$  is countable sequence of events in  $\mathcal A$  , then  $\cup_{i=1}^n A_i$  and  $\cap_{i=1}^n A_i$  are both also in  $\mathcal A$

#### **Definition 2.1**

 $\mathcal{A}$  is an **algebra** if it satisfies (1),(2) and (3) above

 $\mathcal{A}$  is an  $\sigma - algebra$  (or a  $\sigma - field$ ), if is satisfies (1),(2) and (4) above

- Under (2), (1) can replaced by either (1'):  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$  or by (1''):  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$
- (1)+(4)  $\Rightarrow$  (3) hence any  $\sigma-algebra$  is an algebra (but there are algebra that are not  $\sigma-algebra$ )

**Exercise 2.17** Suppose that  $\Omega$  is an infinite set (countable or not), and let  $\mathcal A$  be the family of all subsets which are either finite or have a finite complement. Show that  $\mathcal A$  is an algebra, but not a  $\sigma-algebra$ 

#### Solution:

Under the definition, A is the family of subsets which are either finite or have a finite complement.

- 1.  $\emptyset$  is a finite subset  $\Rightarrow \quad \emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$
- 2. if  $A \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A$  is finite or  $A^C$  is finite so  $A^C \in \mathcal{A}$
- 3. if  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}, i=1,2,\ldots,n$   $\Rightarrow$   $A_i$  is finite or  $A^C$  is finite
  - 1. if  $\exists i_0$  so that  $A_{i_0}$  is finite

2. 
$$orall i = (1,2,\ldots,n)$$
 ,  $A_i$  is infinite  $\Rightarrow A_i^C$  is finite

$$egin{pmatrix} \left( \cap_{i=1}^n A_i 
ight)^C = \cup_{i=1}^n A_i^C & ext{finite} \ & ig so & \left( \cap_{i=1}^n A_i 
ight)^C \in \mathcal{A} \end{pmatrix}$$

4.  $\Omega$  is infinite , there exist  $\omega \in \Omega$   $i=1,2,\cdots$ 

记
$$A_i=\{\omega_i\}$$
  $i=1,2,\cdots$   $\Rightarrow$   $A_i\in A$ 

Consider 
$$\cup_{m=1}^{\infty}=\{\omega_{2m},\omega_{2m+2},\cdots\}$$
 is infinite

Moreover , for each fixed  $m=1,2,\cdots$  , we have  $\omega_{2m-1}\in A_{2m}^C$  for every  $m=1,2,\cdots$ 

So  $A_{2m-1}\subset A_{2m}^C$  for every  $m=1,2,\cdots$ 

$$\cup_{m=1}^{\infty}A_{2m-1}\subset A_{2m}^{C}$$

$$\therefore \quad \text{infinite} \quad \cup_{m=1}^\infty A_{2m-1} \subset \cap_{m=1}^\infty A_{2m}^C = \left( \cup_{m=1}^\infty A_{2m}^C \right)^C \quad \text{is infinite}$$

 $\therefore \ \cup_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{2m}$  if infinite

$$\therefore \quad \left( \cup_{m=1}^{\infty} A_{2m} 
ight)^C \quad ext{ is infinite}$$

## **Definition 2.2**

If  $\mathcal{C}\subset 2^\Omega$  , The  $\sigma-algebra$  generated by  $\mathcal{C}$  , and written as  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}).$ 

- $ullet \ 2^\Omega \ ext{is a} \ \sigma-algebra$
- Exercise 2.2 Let  $(\mathcal{G}_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in A}$  be an arbitrary family of  $\sigma algebras$  defined on abstract space  $\Omega$ . Show that  $\mathcal{H} = \cap_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha}$  is also a  $\sigma algebra$ .

#### **Example**

- 1.  $\mathcal{A} = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$  (the trivial  $\sigma algebra$ )
- 2. A is a subset, then  $\sigma(A) = \{\emptyset, A, A^C, \Omega\}$
- 3. if  $\Omega=\mathbb{R}$  (the real numbers) (or more generally if  $\Omega$  is a space with a topology, a case we treat in Chapter 8), the **Borel**  $\sigma-algebra$  is the  $\sigma-algebra$  generated by the open sets (or by the closed sets, which is equivalent)

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Borel  $\sigma - algebra$ 

博雷尔集---由所有开集生成的  $\sigma$  代数,或包含所有闭集生成的 $\sigma$  代数

Wolfram Mathworld: A sigma-algebra which is related to the topology of a set. The Borel sigma-algebra is defined to be the sigma-algebra generated by the open sets (or equivalently, by the closed sets).

## Wikipedia:

- The Borel algebra on X is the smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra containing all open sets (or, equivalently, all closed sets).
- Borel sets are important in measure theory, since any measure defined on the open sets
  of a space, or on the closed sets of a space, must also be defined on all Borel sets of that
  space. Any measure defined on the Borel sets is called a Borel measure. Borel sets and the
  associated Borel hierarchy also play a fundamental role in descriptive set theory.

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**Exercise 2.2** Let  $(\mathcal{G}_{\alpha})_{\alpha \in A}$  be an arbitrary family of  $\sigma - algebras$  defined on abstract space  $\Omega$ . Show that  $\mathcal{H} = \cap_{\alpha \in A} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha}$  is also a  $\sigma - algebra$ .

- $\Omega$  是不是  $\mathcal{H}$
- $\forall B \in \mathcal{H} = \cap_{\alpha \in \Lambda} \mathcal{G}_{\alpha}$

$$orall lpha \in A \quad B \in \mathcal{G}_lpha \quad ext{is sigma algebra}$$
  $ext{so} \quad B^c \in \mathcal{G}_lpha \ B^c \in \cap_{lpha \in \Lambda} \mathcal{G}_lpha = \mathcal{H}$ 

- $\circ$   $2^{\Omega}$  样本空间的最大 $\sigma$  代数
- $\circ$  C 是集合类
- $\circ$   $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  是最小的 $\sigma$  代数

## 相关概念:

1. **内点**: 如果存在  $P_0$  的某一邻域  $U(P_0)$  ,使得  $U(P_0) \subset E$  ,则称  $P_0$  为 E 的内点

2. **外点**: 如果 $P_0$ 是 $E^c$  的内点,则称 $P_0$ 为E 的外点(这里的余集是针对全空间 $R^n$  来作的

3. **界点**:如果 $P_0$  既非 E 的内点又非E 的外点,即: $P_0$  的任一邻域内既有属于E 的点,也有不属于 E 的点

4. **聚点**:设 $E \in \mathbb{R}^n$ 中一点集, $P_0$ 为 $R^n$ 中一定点,如果 $P_0$ 的任一邻域内都含有无穷多个属于E的点,则称 $P_0$ 为E的一个聚点

5. **孤立点**:如果 $P_0$ 属于E但不是E的聚点,则 $P_0$ 为E的孤立点

• **开核**: E 的全体内点所组成的集合,记为 $\mathring{E}$ 

$$\mathring{E} = \{x : \exists U(x) \subset E\}$$

• **导集**: E 的全体聚点所组成的集合,记为E'

$$E' = \{x : \forall U(x), U(x) \cap E \setminus \{x\} 
eq \emptyset \}$$

• **边界**: E 的全体界点所组成的集合,记为 $\partial E$ 

$$\partial E = \{x: orall U(x), U(x) \cap E 
eq \emptyset, U(x) \cap E^c 
eq \emptyset \}$$

• 闭包:  $E \cup E'$  记为E 的闭包,记为  $\overline{E}$ 

$$egin{aligned} \overline{E} &= \{x: orall U(x), U(x) \cap E 
eq \emptyset \} \ &= E \cup \partial E \ &= \mathring{E} \cup \partial E \ &= E' \cup \{E$$
的孤立点 $\} \end{aligned}$ 

1. **开集**:设 $E \subset R^n$  ,如果 E 的每一个点都是E 的内点,则称E 为开集

2. **闭集**:设 $E \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,如果 E 的每一个聚点都属于E,则称E 为闭集开集与闭集的对偶性:

E为开集,则 $E^c$ 为闭集

## Theorem 2.1

The Borel  $\sigma-algebra$  of  $\mathbb R$  is generated by intervals of the form  $(-\infty,a]$ , where  $a\in\mathbb Q$ 

$$(\mathbb{Q} = rationals)$$

Proof.

Let  $\mathcal C$  denote all open intervals. Since every open set in  $\mathcal R$  is the countable union of open intervals, we have  $\sigma(\mathcal C)=$  the Borel  $\sigma-algebra$  of  $\mathbb R$ 

Let  $\mathcal{D}$  denote all intervals of the form  $(-\infty, a]$ , where  $a \in \mathbb{Q}$ .

Let 
$$(a,b)\in\mathcal{C}$$

Let  $(a_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of rationals decreasing to a

Let  $(b_n)_{n\geq 1}$  be a sequence of rationals increasing strictly to b.

Then

$$egin{aligned} (a,b) &= \cup_{n=1}^\infty (a_n,b_n] \ &= \cup_{n=1}^\infty \left( (-\infty,b_n] \cap (-\infty,a_n]^c 
ight) \end{aligned}$$

Therefore ,  $\mathcal{C} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{D})$ , where  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subset \sigma(\mathcal{D})$ 

However, since each element of  $\mathcal{D}$  is a closed set, it is also a Borel set, and therefore  $\mathcal{D}$  is contained in the Borel sets  $\mathcal{B}$ , Thus we have

$$\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subset \sigma(\mathcal{D}) \subset \mathcal{B}$$

and hence  $\sigma(\mathcal{D}) = \mathcal{B}$ 

这个定理给出了更容易验证  $Borel\sigma-algebra$  的一种方法,给出了验证博雷尔集的一个充要条件

## **Definition 2.3**

A probability measure defined on a  $\sigma-algebra$   $\mathcal A$  of  $\Omega$  is a function  $P:\mathcal A\to [0,1]$  that satisfies:

- $P(\Omega) = 1$  规范性
- For every countable sequence  $(A_n)_{n\geq 1}$  of elements of  $\mathcal{A}$ , pairwise disjoint (that is,  $A_n\cap A_m=\emptyset$  Whenever  $n\neq m$ ), one has:

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty}A_{n}\right)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}P\left(A_{n}
ight)$$

Axiom 2 above is called **countable additivity**; the number P(A) is called the probability of the event A

- 有限可加 additivity
- 可列可加 countable additivity

概率是 A 到  $\Omega$  上的一个映射, 是任何一个样本空间的子集

Remark: In definition 2.3 one might imagine a more naive condition than 2, namely

$$A, B \in \mathcal{A}, A \cap B = \emptyset \quad \Rightarrow \quad P(A \cup B) = P(A) + P(B)$$

This property is called additivity (or "finite additivity") and, by an elementary induction, it implies that for every finite  $A_1, \dots, A_m$  of pairwise disjoint events  $A_i \in \mathcal{A}$  we have

$$P\left(\cup_{n=1}^m A_N
ight) = \sum_{n=1}^\infty P(A_n)$$

## Theorem 2.2

If P is a probability measure on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A})$ , then:

i. We have  $P(\emptyset) = 0$ 

ii. P is additive

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Proof.

If in Axiom (2) we take  $A_n = \emptyset$  for all n, we see that the number  $a = P(\emptyset)$  is equal to an infinite sum of itself;

Since  $0 \le a \le 1$ , this is possible only if a = 0, and we have (i).

For (ii) if suffices to apply Axiom (2) with  $A_1 = A$  and  $A_2 = B$  and  $A_3 = A_4 = \cdots = \emptyset$ , plus the fact that  $P(\emptyset) = 0$ , to obtain the additivity of P.

Axiom (1):  $P(\Omega) = 1$  规范性

Axiom (2):

For every countable sequence  $(A_n)_{n\geq 1}$  of elements of  $\mathcal A$ , pairwise disjoint (that is,  $A_n\cap A_m=\emptyset$  Whenever  $n\neq m$ ), one has:

$$P\left( \cup_{n=1}^{\infty}A_{n}
ight) =\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}P\left( A_{n}
ight)$$

## Remark

Conversely, countable additivity is not implied by additivity.

In fact, in spite of its intuitive appeal, additivity is not enough to handle the mathematical problems of the theory, even in such a simple example as tossing a coin, as we will see later.

## Theorem 2.3

Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a  $\sigma - algebra$ .

Suppose that  $P:\mathcal{A} \to [0,1]$  satisfies (1) and is additive.

Then the following are equivalent:

i. Axiom (2) of Definition 2.3 (i.e. P is countable additivity)

ii. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_n \downarrow \emptyset$ , then  $P(A_n) \downarrow 0$ 

iii. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_n \downarrow A$ , then  $P(A_n) \downarrow P(A)$ 

iv. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_n \uparrow \Omega$ , then  $P(A_n) \uparrow 1$ 

v. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_n \uparrow A$ , then  $P(A_n) \uparrow P(A)$ 

## Proof.

The notation  $A_n \downarrow A$  means that  $A_{n+1} \subset A_n$ , each n, and  $\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A$ .

The notation  $A_n \uparrow A$  means that  $A_n \subset A_{n+1}$ , each n, and  $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = A$ 

Note that is  $A_n \downarrow A$ , then  $A_n^c \uparrow A^c$ , and by the finite additivity axiom  $P(A_n^c) = 1 - P(A_n)$ .

Therefore (ii) is equivalent to (iv) and similarly (iii) is equivalent to (v).

Moreover by choosing A to be  $\Omega$  we have that (v) implies (iv)

只要证明了 (ii) ,就可以推出 (iv);只要证明了 (iii),就可以推出 (v);在 (v) 里面,取  $A \to \Omega$ ,则能证明 (iv)。

Suppose now that we have (iv).

Let 
$$A_n \in \mathcal{A}$$
 with  $A_n \uparrow A$ .

Set  $B_n = A_n \cup A^c$ .

Then  $B_n$  increase to  $\Omega$ , hence  $P(B_n)$  increase to 1

Since  $A_n \subset A$  we have  $A_n \cap A^c = \emptyset$ . Thus

$$1=\lim_{n o\infty}P(B_n)=\lim_{n o\infty}\left\{P(A_n)+P(A^c)
ight\}$$

hence  $\lim_{n \to \infty} P(A_n) = 1 - P(A^c) = P(A)$ , and we have (v) (It means (iv)  $\to$  (v))

It remains to show that (i)  $\Leftrightarrow$  (v)

#### Suppose we have (v).

Let  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  be pairwise disjoint:

that is, if  $n \neq m$ , then  $A_n \cap A_m = \emptyset$ 

Define  $B_n = \cup_{1 \leq k \leq n} A_k$  and  $B = \cup_{k=1}^n P(A_k)$ 

Then by the definition of a Probability Measure we have  $P(B_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n P(A_k)$  which increase with n to  $\sum_{k=1}^n P(A_n)$ , and also  $P(B_n)$  increases to P(B) by (v)

We deduce  $\lim_{n\to\infty}P(B_n)=P(B)$  and we have

$$P(B)=P(\cup_{n=1}^{\infty}A_n)=\sum_{n=1}^{\infty}P(A_n)$$

and thus we have (i)

## Finally assume we have (i), and we wish to establish (v)

Let  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ , with  $A_n$  increasing to A.

We construct a new sequence as follows:

$$B_1 = A_1 \ B_2 = A_2 - A_1 = A_2 \cap A_1^c \ dots \ B_n = A_n - A_{n-1}$$

Then  $\cup_{n=1}^\infty B_n = A$  and the events  $(B_n)_{n\geq 1}$  are pairwise disjoint.

Therefore by (i) we have

$$P(A) = \lim_{n o \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n P(B_k)$$

But also  $\sum_{k=1}^n P(B_k) = P(A_n)$ , hence we deduce  $\lim_{n \to \infty} P(A_n) = P(A)$  and we have (v)

Remark: 示性函数

If  $A \in 2^{\Omega}$  , we define the indicator function by

$$1_A(\omega) = egin{cases} 1 & if \ \omega \in A \ 0 & if \ \omega 
otin A \end{cases}$$

We often do not explicitly write the  $\omega$ , and just write  $\mathbf{1}_A$ 

We can say that  $A_n\in\mathcal{A}$  converges to A (we write  $A_n\to A$ ) if  $\lim_{n\to\infty}1_{A_n}(\omega)=1_A(\omega)$  for all  $\omega\in\Omega$ 

Note it also tends to A in the above sense.

补几个概念:

**数列极限**:数列  $\{a_n\}$  收敛于 a 的定义:

对于每一个给定的  $\varepsilon>0$  ,存在 N ,使得对满足条件 n>N 的每个自然数 n ,成立不等式  $|a_n-a|<\varepsilon$ 

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists N, \forall n > N \quad \Rightarrow \quad | \ a_n - a \ | < \varepsilon$$

**函数收敛**: 函数 F(x) 在 x 趋于 a 时以 A 为极限:

设  $a,A\in\mathbb{R}$  ,函数 f 在点 a 的一个邻域中有定义,若对每一个给定的  $\varepsilon>0$  ,存在  $\delta>0$  ,使得当  $x\in O_\delta(a)-\{a\}$  (即 $0<|x-a|<\delta$ ) 时,成立  $|f(x)-A|<\varepsilon$ 

$$orall arepsilon > 0, \exists \delta > 0, orall x \in O_\delta(a) - \{a\} \quad \Rightarrow \quad \mid f(x) - A \mid < arepsilon$$

**函数的一致连续性**:函数 f 在区间I 上为一致连续:

如果对每一个 arepsilon>0 ,存在  $\delta>0$  ,使得当 $x',x''\in I$  且  $|x'-x''|<\delta$  时,成立  $|f(x')-f(x'')|<\delta$ 

**函数列的一致收敛**:设一个函数列  $\{f_n\}$  在数集 E 上收敛于其极限函数 f(x). 称  $\{f_n\}$  于 E 上一致收敛:

如果对于每个正数  $\varepsilon>0$ ,存在 N, 使得对每个正整数 n>N ,和每个  $x\in E$ ,均成立  $|f_n(x)-f(x)|<\varepsilon$ 

$$egin{aligned} &for\ any\ fix\ x\in E\ orall arepsilon>0, \exists N, orall n>N\ &\downarrow \ &\mid f_n(x)-f(x)\mid$$

#### Theorem 2.4

Let P be a probability measure

Let  $A_n$  be a sequence of events in  $\mathcal{A}$  which converges to A

Then.

$$A\in \mathcal{A} \quad and \quad \lim_{n o\infty} P(A_n) = P(A)$$

Proof.

#### Let us define

$$\limsup_{n o\infty}A_n=\cap_{n=1}^\infty\cup_{m\geq n}A_m$$

$$\liminf_{n o\infty}A_n=\cup_{n=1}^\infty\cap_{M\geq n}A_m$$

$$\Leftrightarrow B_n = \cup_{m \geq n} A_m \quad C_n = \cap_{m \geq n} A_m$$
 
$$\exists \omega \in \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} \cap_{m \geq n} A_m = \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n$$

一定存在一个 
$$n_0$$
 , 使得  $\omega \in C_{n_0} = \cap_{m \geq n_0} A_m$ 

则对每个  $m \geq n_0$  , 有  $\omega \in A_m$ 

则

$$\omega \in \cup_{m \ge 1} A_m = B_1$$

$$\omega \in \cup_{m \ge 2} A_m = B_2$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\omega \in \cup_{m \ge n} A_m = B_n$$

$$\mathbb{M}\ \omega\in\cap_{n=1}^{\infty}B_n=\cap_{n=1}^{\infty}\cup_{m\geq n}A_m$$

说明

$$\liminf_{n\to\infty}A_n=\cup_{n=1}^\infty\cap_{M\geq n}\,A_m\qquad \subset \qquad \limsup_{n\to\infty}A_m=\cap_{n=1}^\infty\cup_{m\geq n}\,A_m$$

## Since A is a $\sigma$ -algebra, we have

$$\limsup_{n o\infty}A_n\in\mathcal{A} \qquad \liminf_{n o\infty}A_n\in\mathcal{A}$$

这一步是由于上面上极限和下极限的定义,可以看出  $A_m$  是  $\sigma$ -代数,则其集合的运算也是  $\sigma$ -代数

By hypothesis  $A_n$  converges to  $A_n$  which means  $\lim_{n\to\infty} 1_{A_n} = 1_A$  for all  $\omega$ .

$$A_n \in \mathcal{A}$$
 converges to  $A$  if  $\lim_{n o \infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1_A(\omega)$  for all  $\omega \in \Omega$ 

This is equivalent to saying that

$$A=\limsup_{n o\infty}A_n=\liminf_{n o\infty}A_n$$

用极限逼近的思想去证明

$$orall \omega \in A$$
  $1_A(\omega) = 1$ 

$$\lim_{n o\infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1_A(\omega) = 1$$

$$egin{align} \exists n_0 \quad s.t. \quad n \geq n_0 \quad 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1 \ so. \quad \omega \in A_n, n \geq n_0 \ \omega \in \cap_{n \geq n_0} A_n \subset \cup_{n_0 \geq 1} \cap_{n \geq n_0} A_n = \liminf_{n o \infty} A_n \ \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow A \subset \liminf_{n o \infty} A_n$$

$$orall \omega \in A^c \qquad 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 0$$

$$\lim_{n\to\infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1_A(\omega) = 0$$

$$egin{aligned} \exists n_1 \quad s.t. \quad n \geq n_1 \quad 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 0 \ so. \quad \omega \in A_n^c, n \geq n_1 \ \omega \in \cap_{n \geq n_0} A_n^c \subset \cup_{n_0 \geq 1} \cap_{n \geq n_0} A_n^c = (\cap_{n_1 \geq 1} \cup_{n \geq n_1} A_n)^c \ = (\limsup_{n o \infty} A_n)^c \end{aligned}$$

$$so. \quad A^c \subset (\limsup_{n o \infty} A_n)^c$$

$$\Rightarrow \liminf_{n \to \infty} A_n \subset A$$

 $\limsup A_n \subset A \subset \liminf A_n$ 

SO

$$A=\limsup_{n o\infty}A_n=\liminf_{n o\infty}A_n$$

Therefore  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ 

Now, let 
$$B_n = \cup_{m \geq n} A_m$$
  $C_n = \cap_{m \geq n} A_m$ 

Then

 $B_n$  decreases to  $A:B_n$  是并集,随着 n 的增大,并集的个数减小,所以  $B_n$  会减小到 A  $C_n$  increases to  $A:C_n$  是交集,随着 n 的增大,交集的个数减小,所以  $C_n$  会增大到 A

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Thus (by theorem 2.3)

$$\lim_{n o \infty} P(B_n) = \lim_{n o \infty} P(C_n) = P(A)$$

However  $C_n \subset A_n \subset B_n$  , therefore

$$P(C_n) \leq P(A_n) \leq P(B_n)$$

So.

$$\lim_{n o\infty}P(A_n)=P(A)$$

## **Exercise 2.6**

Let  ${\mathcal A}$  be a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of  $\Omega$ 

Let  $B \in \mathcal{A}$ 

- 1. Show that  $\mathcal{F} = \{A \cap B : A \in \mathcal{A}\}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of subsets of B.
- 2. Is it still true when B is a subset of  $\Omega$  that does not belong to  $\mathcal A$

Proof.

1. 证明空集和全集(此时全集为B)在F上

$$\emptyset = \emptyset \cap B \quad \emptyset \in \mathcal{A} \quad \Rightarrow \emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$$
 $B = B \cap B \quad B \in \mathcal{A} \quad \Rightarrow B \in \mathcal{F}$ 

2. 证明对于任意的集合 C 在  $\mathcal F$  里面,它的补集也在  $\mathcal F$  里面

$$orall C \in \mathcal{F} \quad \exists A \in \mathcal{A} \quad s.t. \ C = AB$$
 $B - C = B \cap C^c = B \cap (A \cap B)^c$ 
 $= B \cap (A^c + B^c)$ 
 $= BA^c + BB^c$ 
 $= BA^c$ 
 $\therefore A \in \mathcal{A} \quad \therefore A^c \in \mathcal{A}$ 
 $\therefore C^c = B - C \in \mathcal{F}$ 

3. 证明对于可数并和可数交,其仍在  $\mathcal{F}$  里面

$$if\ C_n \in \mathcal{F} \quad \exists A_n \in \mathcal{A} \quad s.\ t.\ C_n = A_n B \ \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n = \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} (A_n B) = \left( \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right) B \ \therefore \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{A} \ \therefore \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} C_n \in \mathcal{F}$$

**Exercise 2.7** 

Exercise 以前讲过

Chapter 3 以后补。。。