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Behaviour of Sequential Predictors of Binary Sequences

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1 Introduction

2 Deterministic Predictors

Consider the set of 2^n sequences $\Theta = (\Theta_1, \Theta_2, \dots, \Theta_n) \in 0, 1^n$. At stage k, after the observation $\Theta_1, \Theta_2, \dots, \Theta_{k-1}$, the prediction 1 or 0 will be made with probability p_k and $1 - p_k$ respectively.

Definition 2.1 (Sequential Predictor)

A sequential predictor is a sequence of functions p_1, p_2, \ldots, p_n taking values in [0, 1].

Thus, a sequential predictor on $0, 1^n$ will be completely specified by the set of functions $p_1, p_2(\Theta_1), p_3(\Theta_1, \Theta_2), \dots$ taking values in [0, 1].

- 3 Sequential Betting Systems
- 4 Random Predictors
- 5 Conclusions