Independent Normal Distribution Variable Sequence

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Problem 1 (Exercise 4.5 of Chapter E)

Background:

A random variable G has a normal N(0, 1) distribution, then for x > 0,

$$P(G > x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^{2}} dy$$

Note that this property only is all we need regarding random variable with normal distribution in this problem.

1. Prove that

$$P(G>x)\leqslant \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}}e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^2}$$

2. Let $X_1, X_2, ...$ be a sequence of independent N(0,1) variables. Prove that with probability 1, $L \leq 1$, where

$$L := \lim \sup (\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2logn}})$$

Proof:

1. This is proven by manipulating the integral.

$$P(G > x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^{2}} dy$$

$$\leq \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{x} \cdot \int_{x}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^{2}} \cdot y \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{\frac{1}{2}x^{2}}^{\infty} e^{-y} \cdot dy$$

$$= \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}} (-e^{-y}) \Big|_{\frac{1}{2}x^{2}}^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}x^{2}}$$

2. Let E_n denote the event that $\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2\log n}} > \sqrt{1+\epsilon}$.

$$\begin{split} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(E_i) &= \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2logn}} > \sqrt{1+\varepsilon}) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} P(X_n > (\sqrt{1+\varepsilon})\sqrt{2logn}) \\ &= \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{(\sqrt{1+\varepsilon})\sqrt{2logn}}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}y^2} dy \\ &\leqslant \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{1+\varepsilon})\sqrt{2logn}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}((\sqrt{1+\varepsilon})\sqrt{2logn})^2} \\ &= \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{(\sqrt{1+\varepsilon})\sqrt{2logn}\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-(1+\varepsilon)logn} \\ &< \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{2\sqrt{(1+\varepsilon)\pi}} \cdot \frac{1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} \end{split}$$

 $\sum_{i\in\mathbb{N}}\frac{1}{n^{1+\epsilon}}$ converges, thus

$$\sum_{\mathfrak{i}\in\mathbb{N}}P(E_{\mathfrak{i}})<\infty$$

By First Borel-Cantelli Lemma(BC1), we have

$$P(E_n, i.o.) = 0$$

, thus

$$P(E_n^c, ev) = P(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2\log n}} \le \sqrt{1+\epsilon}, ev) = 1$$

Finally,

$$\begin{split} P(L \leqslant 1) &= P(\lim \sup(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2logn}}) \leqslant 1) = P(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2logn}} \leqslant 1, ev) \\ &= \lim_{\varepsilon \to 0} P(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2logn}} \leqslant \sqrt{1 + \varepsilon}, ev) \\ &= 1 \end{split}$$