

# Notes of Probability Theory

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## 1: Definitions

- From digits(tree paths) to intervals.
- normal numbers
- A subset  $A$  of  $\mathbb{R}$  is *negligible* if  $\forall \varepsilon > 0$ , there exists a finite or countable collection  $I_1, I_2, \dots$  of (possibly overlapping) intervals satisfying:  $A \subset \bigcup_k I_k$  and  $\sum_k |I_k| < \varepsilon$ .

Every path of the binary tree is a real number in binary form.

Two numbers are equal if there are no paths between: e.g.  $0.010000\dots$  and  $0.0011111\dots$ .

$P(\omega : d(i, \omega) = u_i, i = 1, 2, \dots, n) = 2^{-n}$ .

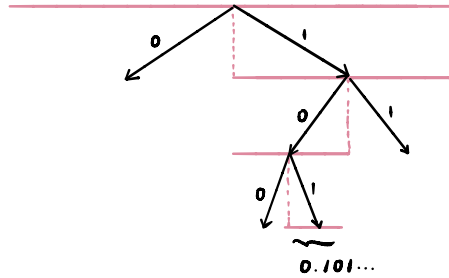


Figure 1: digits to intervals

## 2: Weak Law of Large Numbers

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\omega \in \Omega : \left| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n d_i(\omega)}{n} - \frac{1}{2} \right| \geq \varepsilon) = 0.$$

For each  $n$ , the  $P$  can be calculated by summing up the lengths of every interval that meet the condition.

Let  $r_i(\omega) = 2d_i(\omega) - 1$ .

$r_i(\omega)$  are Orthonormal basis, i.e.

$$\int_{\Omega} r_i(\omega) r_j(\omega) d\omega = \delta_{i,j}.$$

If  $i \neq j$ , say  $i < j$ , there are equal number of intervals that  $r_i(\omega) = 1$  and  $r_j(\omega) = -1$ , resulting in sum 0.

Let  $S_n(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n r_i(\omega)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P[\omega : |S_n(\omega)| \geq 2n\epsilon] &\leq \frac{1}{4n^2\epsilon^2} \int_{\Omega} S_n^2(\omega) d\omega \\ &= \frac{1}{4n^2\epsilon^2} n = \frac{1}{4n\epsilon^2} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Here applied the Chebyshev's Inequality:

$$P[|X - E(X)| \geq b] \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{b^2}.$$

And note that  $r_i(\omega)$  are orthogonal,

$$\text{Var}(S_n(\omega)) = \int_{\Omega} S_n^2(\omega) d\omega = \int_{\Omega} (\sum r_i(\omega))^2 d\omega = \int_{\Omega} r_i^2(\omega) d\omega = n.$$

### 3: Strong Law of Large Numbers

Borel's Normal Number Theorem

The complement of the set of normal numbers to base 2 is uncountable but negligible.

$$\mathcal{N} = \{\omega : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n(\omega)}{n} = 0\}.$$

$\Omega \setminus \mathcal{N}$  is uncountable, but

$$\forall \epsilon > 0, \exists I_1, I_2, \dots, I_n, \dots, \Omega \setminus \mathcal{N} \subseteq \bigcup_i I_i, \sum_i |I_i| < \epsilon.$$

Let  $A_n = [\omega : |\frac{S_n(\omega)}{n}| \geq \epsilon_n]$  where  $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$ . Thus

$$\Omega \setminus \mathcal{N} = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \bigcup_{n=m}^{\infty} A_n.$$

We have

$$\omega \in \mathcal{N} \iff \forall \epsilon > 0, \exists m > 0, \forall n > m, |\frac{S_n}{n}| < \epsilon \iff \omega \notin \bigcup_{n=m}^{\infty} A_n.$$

And show  $|\Omega \setminus \mathcal{N}| < \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} |A_n| < \epsilon_n$

$$\begin{aligned}
P[\omega : |\frac{S_n(\omega)}{n}| \geq \varepsilon_n] &\leq \frac{1}{n^4 \varepsilon_n^4} \int_0^1 S_n^4(\omega) d\omega \\
&= \frac{n + 3n(n-1)}{n^4 \varepsilon_n^4} \leq \frac{3}{n^2 \varepsilon_n^4}.
\end{aligned}$$

Let  $1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1$  for all  $\omega \in A_n$  and be 0 otherwise.

Then  $\forall \omega \in \Omega, 1_{A_n}(\omega) \leq \frac{S_n^4(\omega)}{n^4 \varepsilon_n^4}$ . We can get

$$P[\omega : \omega \in A_n] = \int_{\Omega} 1_{A_n}(\omega) d\omega \leq \int_{\Omega} \frac{S_n^4(\omega)}{n^4 \varepsilon_n^4} d\omega.$$

Similarly,  $S_n^4(\omega) = (\sum_{i=1}^n r_i(\omega))^4$ . Terms with non-zero values are:

- $r_i^4(\omega) = 1$
- $r_i^2(\omega)r_j^2(\omega) = 1$

With sum  $\binom{n}{1} + \binom{n}{2} \cdot \binom{4}{2} = n + 3n(n-1)$ .

$\{e_n\}$  is a sequence with  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e_n = 0$ , we can let  $e_n = n^{-\frac{1}{8}}$ , and

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} |A_n| \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{3}{n^{\frac{3}{2}}}$$

, which is convergent. And intervals of  $\bigcup_{n=m}^{\infty} A_n$  is countable. Thus

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists m > 0, \Omega \setminus \mathcal{N} \subseteq \bigcup_{n=m}^{\infty} A_n, \sum_{n=m}^{\infty} |A_n| < \varepsilon.$$

If we use the inequality in proof of WLLN:  $P[\omega : \omega \in A_n] \leq \frac{1}{n \varepsilon_n^2}$ . In this case, whatever  $\{e_n\}$  we choose, the sum will never be convergent.