

Ergodic Theorem.

(1) Definitions:

Def: X_0, X_1, \dots is said to be stationary seq. if

$$(X_0, X_1, \dots) \sim (X_k, X_{k+1}, \dots) \text{ for } \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

ex. (X_k) is i.i.d.

prop. Any stationary seq $(X_k)_{k \geq 0}$ can be embedded in a two-side stationary seq $(Y_n)_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$.

Pf: Set $p(Y_{-m} \in A_0, \dots, Y_n \in A_{m+n}) = p(X_0 \in A_0, \dots, X_{m+n} \in A_{m+n})$ is finite dimension list, satisfies consistency.

By Kolmogorov. $\exists P$ on $(S^{\mathbb{Z}}, \mathcal{B}^{\mathbb{Z}})$ ✓

Thm. For stationary seq $(X_k)_{k \geq 0}$, $g: \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^1$ is measurable. Then: $Y_k = g(X_k, X_{k+1}, \dots)$ is stationary seq.

Pf: For $x \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Let $g_k(x) = g(X_k, X_{k+1}, \dots)$

$$p((Y_0, \dots) \in B) = p((X_0, \dots) \in A)$$

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$$A = \{x \in \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \mid (g_0(x), g_1(x), \dots) \in B\}, B \in \mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}}}$$

Def: i) For prob. space: $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{F}, P)$, $\varphi: \mathcal{X} \rightarrow \mathcal{X}$ measurable

is measure preserving if $p(\varphi^{-1}(A)) = p(A), \forall A \in \mathcal{G}$.

ii) For measure preserving map φ on $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{G}, p)$, $A \in \mathcal{G}$ is invariant if $\varphi^{-1}(A) = A$. p.n.s.

Prmk: i) $X_n(\omega) = X(\varphi^n \omega)$ is a stationary seq. where φ is measure preserving.

Pf: $p(\{\omega \mid (\omega_k, \dots, \omega_{k+n}) \in B\}) = p(\{\varphi^k \omega \mid \omega \in A\})$
 $= p(\omega \in A) = p(\{\omega \mid (\omega_0, \dots, \omega_n) \in B\})$

ii) The collection of invariant events w.r.t φ is σ -algebra. Denote by \mathcal{I} .

Pf: $\varphi^{-1}(U A_n) = U \varphi^{-1}(A_n), \varphi^{-1}(A \cap B) = \varphi^{-1}(A) \cap \varphi^{-1}(B)$

prop. $X \in \mathcal{I} \Leftrightarrow X$ is invariant. i.e. $X \circ \varphi = X$. n.s.

Pf: $\varphi^{-1}(\{X \in A\}) = \{X \in A\} \Leftrightarrow \{X \circ \varphi \in A\} = \{X \in A\}$.
for $\forall A \in \mathcal{B}_\mathbb{R}$. in. n.s. sense. so $X \circ \varphi = X$. n.s.

Def: Measure preserving map φ on $(\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{G}, p)$ is ergodic if \mathcal{I} is trivial: $\forall A \in \mathcal{I}, p(A) \in \{0, 1\}$.

Prmk: If φ isn't ergodic. Then $\exists A \in \mathcal{G}$, st. $\mathcal{A} = A \cup A^c$.
 $p(A), p(A^c) > 0, \varphi(A) = A, \varphi(A^c) = A^c$ (not irred)

Pf: $\exists A \in \mathcal{I}$. st. $p(A) \in (0, 1)$. Note: $A^c \in \mathcal{I}$

prop. If φ is shift operator on (S, \mathcal{S}, p) . S is countable. Besides all states is recurrent. Then:

φ is ergodic $\Leftrightarrow p$ is irreducible.

Pf: (\Rightarrow) If p isn't irred. Then $S = \cup R_i$. Decompose.

Note: $\{X_0 \in R_i\}$ is invariant, but not trivial.

(\Leftarrow) For $A \in \mathcal{Z}$. Then $I_A \circ \theta_n = I_A$.

$$S_0 = E_n(I_A | \mathcal{I}_n) = E_{X_n}(I_A) =: h(X_n)$$

$\Rightarrow h(X_n) \nearrow I_A \in \{0, 1\}$. But $X_n = \eta$, i.e. $\forall \eta \in S$

To guarantee the converge $\Rightarrow h(x) \equiv 0$ or 1 .

$$S_0 = E_n(I_A) = P_m(A) = E_m(h(X_n)) \in \{0, 1\}.$$

Remark: It shows \mathcal{Z} and \mathcal{Z} may be different:

Set $n > 0$. if p is irred. $\lambda > 1$. Then:

\mathcal{Z} is trivial. But $\mathcal{Z} = \sigma(\{X_0 \in S_1\})$ not!

(2) Birkhoff's Ergodic Thm:

Suppose φ is measure-preserving on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, p)

① Lemma: (Maximum ergodic)

$$X_j(\omega) = X(\varphi^j \omega), \quad X \in L^1, \quad S_k(\omega) = \sum_0^{k-1} X_i(\omega).$$

$$M_k(\omega) = \max\{0, S_1(\omega), \dots, S_k(\omega)\}. \quad \text{Then: } E(X I_{\{M_k > 0\}}) \geq 0.$$

Pf: $M_k(\varphi \omega) \geq S_j(\varphi \omega), \quad \forall j \leq k. \quad S_0 =$

$$X(\omega) + M_k(\varphi \omega) \geq X(\omega) + S_j(\varphi \omega) = S_{j+1}(\omega).$$

$$S_0 \quad X(\omega) \geq \max_{1 \leq j \leq k} \{S_j(\omega)\} - M_k(\varphi \omega)$$

$$\Rightarrow E(X I_{\{M_k > 0\}}) \geq \int_{\{M_k > 0\}} M_k(\omega) - M_k(\varphi \omega) dP$$

$$\geq \int M_k - M_k dP = 0 \quad (\varphi \text{ is m.p.})$$

Cor. (Wiener's Maximal Inequality)

Set $A_k = S_k/k$. $D_k = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} |A_i|$. Then: for $\alpha > 0$

$$P(D_k > \alpha) \leq E|X|/\alpha.$$

Pf. Set $X^* = X - \alpha \in L'$. $\{D_k > \alpha\} = \{M_k^* > 0\}$.

$$M_k^* = \max_{1 \leq i \leq k} S_i^*/k. \quad \{M_k^* > 0\} = \{\max\{0, S_1^*, \dots, S_k^*\} > 0\}$$

$$\text{So } E(X - \alpha) I_{\{D_k > \alpha\}} \geq 0.$$

Thm. For $\forall X \in L'$. $\frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} X(\varphi^n \omega) \rightarrow E(X|\mathcal{Z})$ a.s. and L' .

Remark: When φ is ergodic $\Rightarrow E(X|\mathcal{Z}) = E(X)$. ($P(A|A) = 0$)

Pf. $E(X|\mathcal{Z}) \in \mathcal{Z}$. So it's invariant. Set $X' = X - E(X|\mathcal{Z})$

So: WLOG. set $E(X|\mathcal{Z}) = 0$

1') $S_n/n \rightarrow 0$ a.s.

Set $\bar{X} = \lim S_n/n$. $\varepsilon > 0$. $D = \{\omega \mid \bar{X}(\omega) > \varepsilon\}$.

Note: $\bar{X}(\varphi^n \omega) = \bar{X}(\omega)$. So $D \in \mathcal{Z}$. Prove: $P(D) = 0$.

Denote: $X^*(\omega) = (X(\omega) - \varepsilon) I_D(\omega)$. $S_n^*(\omega) = \sum_1^n X^*(\varphi^{k-1} \omega)$

$M_n^*(\omega) = \max\{0, \dots, S_n^*(\omega)\}$. $F_n = \{M_n^*(\omega) > 0\}$.

$$F = \bigcup F_n = \left\{ \sup_{k \geq 1} S_k^*/k > 0 \right\}$$

$$= \left\{ \sup_{k \geq 1} S_k/k > \varepsilon \right\} \cap D = D$$

By Lemma: $0 \leq E(X^* I_{F_n}) \uparrow E(X^* I_F)$. ($X^* \in L'$)

$$\text{So: } 0 \leq E(E(X|\mathcal{Z})) - \varepsilon P(D). \text{ Since } D = F.$$

2') For L' part:

It's not a good idea to check a.i.

Set: $X'_n(\omega) = X I_{\{X \neq 0\}}$. $X''_n(\omega) = X(\omega) - X'_n(\omega)$.

By BDT. and i) : $E \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} X_m'(\psi^k w) - E(X_m' | \mathcal{Z}) \right| \rightarrow 0$

With : $E \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} X_m''(\psi^k w) - E(X_m'' | \mathcal{Z}) \right| \leq 2 E |X_m''| \rightarrow 0$.

Rmk: If $X \in L^p$, $p > 1$. Then apply Minkowski inequality. The converge occurs in L^p .

Cor. i) If $g_n(w) \rightarrow g(w)$ n.s. $\sup_k |g_k(w)| \in L^1$.

Then. $\frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} g_n(\psi^m w) \rightarrow E(g | \mathcal{Z})$ n.s.

ii) If $g_n(w) \xrightarrow{L^1} g(w) \in L^1$. Then we have:

$\frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} g_m(\psi^m w) \rightarrow E(g | \mathcal{Z})$ in L^1 .

Pf: i) $h_m(w) = \sup_{k \geq m} |g_k(w) - g(w)| \Rightarrow h_m \in L^1$.

$$\therefore \lim_n \left| \frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} [g_m(\psi^m w) - g(\psi^m w)] \right| \leq$$

$$\lim_n \frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} h_m(\psi^k w) = E(h_m | \mathcal{Z}), \forall m \in \mathbb{Z}^+.$$

By DCT $\Rightarrow E(h_m | \mathcal{Z}) \searrow 0$ ($m \rightarrow \infty$).

$$ii) E|0| \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_0^{n-1} E|g_m(\psi^m w) - g(\psi^m w)| + E \left| \frac{\sum_0^{n-1} g(\psi^m w)}{n} - E(g | \mathcal{Z}) \right|$$

② Ergodicity:

Consider $([0,1), B_{[0,1)}), \psi: w \rightarrow \theta + w \pmod{1}, \theta \in [0,1)$.

Thm. If θ is irrational. Then ψ is ergodic.

Pf: For $f \in L^2([0,1))$, $f = \sum_k c_k e^{2\pi i k x}$ by F-expansion.

$$f \circ \psi = \sum_k c_k e^{2\pi i k(\theta + x)} = f \Leftrightarrow c_k (e^{2\pi i k \theta} - 1) = 0.$$

$\Leftrightarrow c_k = 0, \forall k \neq 0$, since $\theta \notin \mathbb{Q}$. So $f = \text{const.}$

Set $f = I_A, A \in \mathcal{Z} \Rightarrow I_A \in [0,1]$ n.s.

Rmk: Note \mathbb{Z} is trivial. Set $X(w) \in L'$.

By ergodic Thm: $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n I_{\{Y^m w \in A\}} \rightarrow |A|$ a.s.

Thm: If $A = [a, b)$. Then: $\frac{1}{n} \sum I_{\{Y^m w \in A\}} \rightarrow |A|$ pointwise.

Pf: Set $A_k = [a + \frac{1}{k}, b - \frac{1}{k})$. $b - a > \frac{2}{k}$. Then:

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum I_{A_k}(Y^m w) \rightarrow b - a - \frac{2}{k}, \forall w \in A_k, p(A_k) = 1.$$

Set $G = \cap A_k$. Then: $p(G) = 1$. So G is dense.

$\forall x \in [0, 1)$, $\exists w_k \in G$. $|x - w_k| < \frac{1}{k}$. $\forall k$ large enough.

$S_0 = Y^m w_k \in A_k \Rightarrow Y^m x \in A$. Then:

$$\lim \frac{1}{n} \sum I_A(Y^m x) \geq \lim \frac{1}{n} \sum I_{A_k}(Y^m w_k) = b - a - \frac{2}{k} \xrightarrow{k \rightarrow \infty} b - a.$$

Conversely, apply above on $A^c = [0, a) \cup [b, 1)$.

(3) Recurrence:

Suppose X_1, \dots, X_k, \dots stationary seq. take values in \mathbb{R}^d . φ is shift

$S_k = \sum_{i=1}^k X_i$. Set: $A = \{S_k \neq 0, \forall k \geq 1\}$. $R_n = \# \{S_k\}_1^n$. $\mathbb{Z} = \mathbb{Z}(\varphi)$.

Rmk: $R_n = \sum_{k=0}^n I_{\{S_i \neq 0, \forall k+1 \leq i \leq n\}} \leq n$. Note: (X_k) is

stationary. Then: $\overline{E}(R_n) = \sum_{m=1}^n g_m$. $g_m = P(S_i \neq 0, 1 \leq i \leq m)$

Thm: $R_n/n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \overline{E}(I_A | \mathbb{Z})$ a.s. (\mathbb{Z} is n.r.t φ shift operator)

Pf: Consider $W = (W_n) = (X_n(w)) \in (\mathbb{R}^d)^{\mathbb{N}}$. φ is its shift operator. Note: $R_n = \# \{k \mid S_k \neq 0, k+1 \leq i \leq n\}$.

$$R_n \geq \sum_{k=1}^n I_A(Y^m w) = \# \{m \mid 1 \leq m \leq n, S_k \neq 0, \forall k \geq m+1\}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n/n \geq E(I_A | \mathcal{Z}) \text{ a.s.}$$

Conversely, $A_k = \{S_i \neq 0, 1 \leq i \leq k\}$. Then, we obtain:

$$R_n \leq k + \sum_{m=1}^{n-k} I_{A_k}(Y_m^W) = k + \#\{m \mid 1 \leq m \leq n-k, S_m \neq 0, m+1 \leq m+k\}.$$

$$\Rightarrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n/n \leq E(I_{A_k} | \mathcal{Z}) \downarrow E(I_A | \mathcal{Z}) \text{ a.s.}$$

Then X_1, X_2, \dots stationary seq take value in \mathbb{Z} . $X_k \in L' \forall k$.

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i. A = \{n \mid S_k \neq 0, \forall k \geq 1\}. \text{ Then:}$$

$$i) E(X_1 | \mathcal{Z}) = 0 \Rightarrow P(A) = 0$$

$$ii) P(A) = 0 \Rightarrow P(S_n = 0, i.o.) = 1.$$

Rmk: i) It means: Zero mean \Rightarrow recurrence

ii) $E(X_1 | \mathcal{Z}) = 0$ is to rule out that has mean 0.

but are combination of seq. with positive and negative means.

$$\text{Pf. } i) E(X_1 | \mathcal{Z}) = 0 \Rightarrow S_n/n \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} (|S_k|/n) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \max_{k \leq kn} |S_k|/n \leq \max_{k \leq kn} |S_k|/k \downarrow 0$$

$$S_0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\max_{1 \leq k \leq n} \frac{|S_k|}{n} \right) = 0.$$

$$\text{Since: } R_n \leq 1 + 2 \max_{1 \leq k \leq n} |S_k| \Rightarrow R_n/n \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

$$\Rightarrow E(I_A | \mathcal{Z}) = 0 \Rightarrow P(A) = 0.$$

$$ii) \text{ Let: } F_j = \{S_i \neq 0, 1 \leq i \leq j, S_j = 0\}. A^c = \cup F_j \Rightarrow \sum P(F_j) = 1.$$

$$G_{j,k} = \{S_{j+i} - S_j \neq 0, 1 \leq i \leq k, S_{j+k} - S_j = 0\} \Rightarrow P(G_{j,k}) = P(F_k)$$

$$\text{Note: } G_{j,k} \text{ disjoint for fix } j. \Rightarrow \sum_k G_{j,k} = A^c \text{ a.s.}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_k P(F_j \cap G_{j,k}) = P(F_j). \sum_k \sum_j P(F_j \cap G_{j,k}) = 1.$$

On $F \cap G_{j,k}$, $S_j = S_{j+k} = 0 \Rightarrow p(S_n = 0 \text{ at least twice}) = 1$.

Repeat by replace A^c by $\{S_n = 0 \text{ at least 2 times}\}$.

Decompose $= \cup F_{j,k}$. $F_{j,k} = \{S_i \neq 0, 1 \leq i < j, j+1 \leq i < k, S_j = S_k = 0\}$.

$\Rightarrow p(S_n = 0 \text{ at least } k \text{ times}) = 1, \forall k$. Let $k \rightarrow \infty$.

Cor. Under the condition above, if $p(X_i > 1) = 0$.

$E(X_i) > 0$, (X_n) is ergodic (i.e. shift on $\Omega = (\omega_n) \in$

\mathbb{Z}^2 is). Then $p(A) = E(X_1)$.

Pf: $p(X_i > 1) = 0 \Rightarrow \max_{1 \leq m \leq n} S_m \leq R_n \leq \max_{1 \leq m \leq n} S_m - \min_{1 \leq m \leq n} S_m$.

$\frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow E(X_1)$ a.s. $\Rightarrow S_n \rightarrow +\infty$ a.s.

So $\min_{m \leq n} S_m > -\infty$ a.s. $\min_{m \leq n} S_m/n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$ a.s.

Besides, $\lim_n \max_{m \leq n} S_m/n \leq \max_{k \geq 1} \frac{S_k}{k} \rightarrow \lim_n \frac{S_n}{n}$ (a.s.)

Thm. (Kac's)

If X_0, X_1, \dots stationary seq. take value in (S, \mathcal{S}) .

$A \in \mathcal{S}$. Set $T_0 = 0$ and $T_n = \inf \{m > T_{n-1} \mid X_m \in A\}$.

St. $p(T_i < \infty) = 1$. Then: under $p(\cdot \mid X_0 \in A)$, we have:

$t_n = T_n - T_{n-1}$ is stationary seq with $E(t_i \mid X_0 \in A) = \frac{1}{p(X_0 \in A)}$

Pf: 1°) Show: $p(t_1 = m, t_2 = n \mid X_0 \in A) = p(t_2 = m, t_3 = n \mid X_0 \in A)$

Firstly, extend $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 0}$ to $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{Z}}$.

$C_k = \{X_i \notin A, 1-k \leq i \leq -1, X_{-k} \in A\}$.

$(\bigcup_{i=1}^m C_k)^c = \{\exists k, 1 \leq k \leq m, X_{-k} \in A\}^c = \{\forall -m \leq k \leq -1, X_k \notin A\}$.

has same prob. as $\{\forall 1 \leq k \leq m, X_k \notin A\}$.

\Rightarrow let $m \rightarrow \infty$, $p(\bigcup C_k) = 1$.

$$\text{Set } I_{j,k} = \{i \in [j, k] \mid X_i \in A\}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} p(t_2=m, t_3=n, X_0 \in A) &= \sum_l p(X_0 \in A, t_1=l, t_2=m, t_3=n) \\ &= \sum_l p(I_{0, l+m+n} = \{0, l, l+m, l+m+n\}) \\ &= \sum_l p(I_{-l, m+n} = \{-l, 0, m, m+n\}) \\ &= \sum_l p(C_l, X_0 \in A, t_1=m, t_2=n) \\ &= p(t_1=m, t_2=n, X_0 \in A) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2') E(t_i | X_0 \in A) &= \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} p(t_i \geq k | X_0 \in A) = \sum p(t_i \geq k, X_0 \in A) / p(X_0 \in A) \\ &= \sum p(X_0 \in A, t_i \leq k) / p(X_0 \in A) = \frac{\sum p(C_k)}{p(X_0 \in A)} = \frac{1}{p(X_0 \in A)} \end{aligned}$$

Rmk: It's generalization of $E_x(T_x) = 1/\lambda(x)$ where

$A = \{x\}$. X_n is Markov chain. We generalize to $\forall A \in \mathcal{S}$. Drop " X_n is Markov chain".

Cor: If $p(X_n \in A \text{ at least once}) = 1$. $A \cap B = \emptyset$.

$$\text{Then: } E\left(\sum_{1 \leq k \leq T_1} I_{\{X_k \in B\}} \mid X_0 \in A\right) = p(X_0 \in B) / p(X_0 \in A)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf: LHS} &= \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} p(X_0 \in A, X_1 \sim X_m \notin A, X_m \in B) / p(X_0 \in A) \\ &= \sum p(X_{-m} \in A, X_{1-m} \sim X_{-1} \notin A, X_0 \in B) / p(X_0 \in A) \\ &= \sum p(C_k, X_0 \in B) / p(X_0 \in A) \\ &= p(X_0 \in B) / p(X_0 \in A) \end{aligned}$$

Rmk: It generalizes the "cyclic Technique" for constructing stationary measure.

Thm (Pioneer)

$\varphi: \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ is measure preserving. $T_A = \inf \{n \geq 1 \mid \varphi^n(\omega) \in A\}$.

Then: i) $P(\omega \in A, T_A = \infty) = 0$

ii) $A \subset \{\varphi^n(\omega) \in A, i.o.\}$.

iii) If φ is ergodic, $P(A) > 0$. Then $P(\varphi^n(\omega) \in A, i.o.) = 1$

Proof: It checks the hypothesis of Kac's Thm:

by $X_n(\omega) = X(\varphi^n \omega)$, stationary. $A = \{\omega \mid X(\omega) \in B\}$.

So it satisfies the condition if start on B.

(i) also implies recurrent of A)

Pf: i) $B = \{\omega \in A, T_A = \infty\}$. So: $\omega \in \varphi^{-m}(B) \Leftrightarrow \varphi^m(\omega) \in A$

and $\varphi^n(\omega) \notin A, \forall n > m$.

$\Rightarrow \varphi^{-m}(B)$ is pairwise disjoint. But $P(\varphi^{-m}B) = P(B)$

So $P(B) = 0$. Otherwise $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} P(\varphi^{-m}B) = \infty$.

ii) $\forall k, \varphi^k$ is measure-preserving. by i):

$P(\omega \in A, \varphi^{nk}(\omega) \notin A, \forall n \geq 1) = 0 \geq P(\omega \in A, \varphi^m(\omega) \notin A, \forall m \geq k)$

iii) $\{\varphi^n(\omega) \in A, i.o.\}$ is invariant. and contains A. $P(A) > 0$

(4) Subadditive Ergodic Thm.

Thm (Liggett's)

If $X_{m,n}, 0 \leq m < n$, satisfies:

i) $X_{0,m} + X_{m,n} \geq X_{0,n}$ ii) $(X_{nk, (n+1)k})_{k \geq 1}$ is stationary. \forall fix k.

iii) Dist. of $\{X_{m, m+k}\}_{k \geq 1}$ doesn't depend on m.

iv) $E(X_{0,1}^+) < \infty$. $E(X_{0,n}) \geq \gamma_0 n, \forall n, \gamma_0 > -\infty$. Then:

i) $\lim_n E(X_{0,n}/n) = \inf_n E(X_{0,n}/n) \equiv \gamma$. ii) $\lim_n X_{0,n}/n = X$, exists a.s.

and in L^1 . If seq in ii) is ergodic, then $X = \gamma$, a.s.