

Lemma:

Let  $F_n, n \geq 1$  and  $F$  be cdf on  $\mathbb{R}$

Assume, on a dense set  $D \subset \mathbb{R}$

$$F_n(x) \rightarrow F(x) \quad \forall x \in D, \&$$

$\forall x \in J(F) = \text{set of all discontinuities of } F.$

$$F_n(x) - F_n(x^-) \rightarrow F(x) - F(x^-)$$

Then,  $F_n \rightarrow F$  on  $\mathbb{R}$  uniformly, i.e.,


$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(x) - F(x)| \rightarrow 0.$$

Definitions:  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$  - probability space (fixed).

$\mathcal{G}_1$  &  $\mathcal{G}_2$  be sub- $\sigma$  fields of  $\mathcal{A}$  are said to be independent if

$$P(G_1 \cap G_2) = P(G_1) \cdot P(G_2)$$

$$\forall G_1 \in \mathcal{G}_1, G_2 \in \mathcal{G}_2$$

\* In practice, proving independence through this might be difficult. 

Result:

If  $\mathcal{S}_1$  &  $\mathcal{S}_2$  are semifields s.t.,

$$\sigma(\mathcal{S}_1) = \mathcal{G}_1, \quad \sigma(\mathcal{S}_2) = \mathcal{G}_2,$$

and if  $P(S_1 \cap S_2) = P(S_1) \cdot P(S_2) \quad \forall S_1 \in \mathcal{S}_1, S_2 \in \mathcal{S}_2$

then,  $\mathcal{G}_1$  &  $\mathcal{G}_2$  are independent.

$\mathcal{G}_2$  - smallest  $\sigma$ -field gen. by  $\mathcal{S}_2$

Definition:

Let  $\Lambda$ -indexing set.

Let  $\{\mathcal{G}_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  be a family of sub- $\sigma$  fields of  $\mathcal{A}$ .

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Then,  $\{\mathcal{G}_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  are said to be **mutually independent** if for any choice of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$ ,

$$P(G_1 \cap G_2 \cap \dots \cap G_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(G_i) \quad \forall$$

$$G_i \in \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_i}, \dots, G_n \in \mathcal{G}_{\alpha_n}.$$

### Result:

If for each  $\alpha \in A$ ,  $\mathcal{F}_\alpha$  is a semi-field s.t.  $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_\alpha) = \mathcal{G}_\alpha$ ,

then  $P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n S_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(S_i)$  for all choices of  $\alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in \Lambda$ .

is sufficient for  $\{\mathcal{G}_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$ , and all choices of  $S_i \in \mathcal{F}_{\alpha_i}$  to be independent.  $\forall i=1, \dots, n$ .

$(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P)$ .

Given a family  $\{X_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$  of r.v.s,

the smallest  $\sigma$ -field on  $\Omega$  w.r.t. which all  $X_\alpha, \alpha \in \Lambda$  are measurable, is called the  $\sigma$ -field generated by  $\{X_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}$ , denoted by

$$\sigma\left(\{X_\alpha, \alpha \in A\}\right).$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{S \subset \Omega : S = \bigcap_{i=1}^n V_i^{-1}(B_i) \text{ for some } B_i \in \mathcal{B}_1\}$$

$$\mathcal{S} = \left\{ S \subset \Omega : S = \bigcap_{i=1}^n X_{\alpha_i}^{-1}(B_i), \alpha_1, \dots, \alpha_n \in A, B_1, \dots, B_n \in \mathcal{B} \right\}$$

$$\sigma(\mathcal{S}) = \sigma(\{X_\alpha, \alpha \in A\})$$

## KOLMOGOROV'S 0-1 LAW

Setup: Let  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  - sequence of independent r.v.s  
 i.e.,  $\{\sigma(X_n), n \geq 1\}$  - is an independent sequence of  $\sigma$ -fields.

For each  $n \geq 1$ , define  
 $\mathcal{A}_n = \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$   
 these are  $\uparrow$  in  $n$ .

Any event determined by the first  $n$  random variables.

check:  $\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n$  is a field.  
 ( $\because$  increasing union of  $\sigma$ -fields is a field.)

$\therefore$  the  $\sigma$ -field generated by this,

$$\sigma\left(\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n\right) = \mathcal{A}_\infty.$$

check: this is the smallest  $\sigma$ -field w.r.t which all the  $X_n$ 's are measurable.

Now, take  $\mathcal{I}_n := \sigma(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots)$

$\hookrightarrow$  any event that depends only on the tail.

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[ $\{ \omega \text{ of an event that belong to } \mathcal{I}_n : X_n(\omega) = 0 \text{ for infinitely many } n \}$ ]

ie,  $X_n = 0$  a.s.

Also, note:  $\sum X_n > 0$  is not a tail event.

$\mathcal{I} =$  the "tail"  $\sigma$ -field.

Any set  $A \in \mathcal{I}$  is called a "tail event".

Any r.v  $X$  measurable w.r.t  $\mathcal{I}$  is a tail r.v.

K's 0-1 law:

If  $\{X_n\}$  - independent seq. of r.v.s, then  
for every tail event  $A$ ,  
 $P(A)$  is either 0 or 1.

Proof: Step 1: for every  $n \geq 1$ ,  
 $a_n$  - independent of  $\mathcal{I}_n$ . [Exercise]

$\Downarrow$

Step 2:  $a_n$  is independent of  $\mathcal{I} \forall n$ .

$\Downarrow$

Step 3:  $\sigma(\bigcup_n a_n)$  independent of  $\mathcal{I}$ .

$\Downarrow$

Step 4:  $\mathcal{I}$  is independent of  $\mathcal{I}$ .

$\therefore$  any  $A \in \mathcal{I}$ .

$$\therefore P(A \cap A) = P(A) \cdot P(A)$$

$\mathcal{I} = \bigcap \mathcal{I}_n$

$$\downarrow \mathcal{J} := \bigcap_n \mathcal{J}_n$$

& any  $\mathcal{J}_n$  is  
a sub- $\sigma$  field  
of  $\sigma(\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n)$

$$\therefore \bigcap_n \mathcal{J}_n = \mathcal{J} \subseteq \sigma(\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n)$$

$$\therefore P(A \cap A) = P(A) \cdot P(A)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A) = (P(A))^2$$

$$\Rightarrow P(A) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$



\*  $X$ -tail r.v.

then  $P(X \leq c) = \text{either } 0$   
or  $1$ .

ie,  $X$ -degenerate r.v.

### Jessen-Wintner.

Suppose  $\{X_n\}$  is an independent seq. of r.v.s,  
each of which is discrete. s.t.

$$\sum_n X_n \text{ converges a.s.}$$

Then, the limit r.v.  $X$  is of "pure" type.

ie, either •  $X$  is discrete,  
or •  $X$  is continuous (ie, dist<sup>n</sup> f<sup>n</sup> continuous)  
ie, no point mass,  
but supported by  
a set of measure 0.

or •  $X$  is absolutely continuous  
(ie, has a density  $f^n$ ).

### Proof:

Let  $D_n, n \geq 1$  be the countable set of  
possible values (ie, support) of  $X_n$ ,  
& let  $D = \bigcup D_n$

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& let  $D = \bigcup_n D_n$

Let  $G$  be a Subgroup (!!!) of  $\mathbb{R}$ , generated by  $D$ .

$$G = \left\{ g: g = \sum_{i=1}^n k_i x_i : \begin{array}{l} x_1, \dots, x_n \in D. \\ k_1, \dots, k_n \in \mathbb{Z}. \end{array} \right\}$$

↙  
 $G$  - countable

Observe:

for any Borel set  $B$ , the set  $\{x \in B + G\}$  is a tail set.  
(How !?)

$$\sum X_n \in B + G.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum X_n - b \in G \text{ for some } b \in B.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n X_i + \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} X_i - b \in G.$$

$$\Leftrightarrow \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} X_i - b \in G. \checkmark$$

$\left[ \begin{array}{l} \text{take } k_i = 1 \\ g = \sum x_i \in G \end{array} \right] \checkmark$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} X_i \in B + G.$$

$$\therefore \sum_{i=n+1}^{\infty} X_i - \text{tail r.v.} \checkmark$$

$\therefore$  if Borel set  $B$ ,

$$P(X \in B + G) = 0 \text{ or } 1$$

[By  $K$ 's 0-1 law]

Case 1:  $\exists$  a countable set  $B$ ,

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s.t.  $P(X \in B + G) = 1$ .  
 $\therefore X$  - discrete. ✓

Case 2: Otherwise,  
 $P(X \in B + G) = 0$  for every  
countable  $B$ .  
 $\therefore$  take  $B = \{x\}$ .  
 $\therefore P(X = x) \leq P(X \in \{x\} + G)$   
 $= 0$   $\begin{matrix} = P(X \in \{x\}) \downarrow \\ = P(B) \text{ of } G. \\ \text{(annihilated)} \end{matrix}$   
 $\Rightarrow X$  - continuous.

Case 2a:  $\exists$  a Borel set  $B$  of  $\text{leb}(B) = 0$   
 $\rightarrow$  Lebesgue measure.

$$\text{s.t.}, P(X \in B + G) = 1.$$

$$\text{leb}(B + G) = \text{leb} \left( \bigcup_{g \in G} (B + g) \right)$$

$$\leq \sum_{g \in G} \text{leb}(B + g)$$

$\downarrow$   
each = 0.

$$= 0. \left[ \begin{array}{l} \because G \text{ - c.t.t.}, \\ \therefore \sum_{g \in G} \text{ is a } \\ \text{countable} \\ \text{sum.} \end{array} \right]$$

Case 2b: for every Borel set  $B$   
with  $\text{leb}(B) = 0$ .  
 $P(X \in B + G) = 0$ .

$$P(X \in B + G_n) = 0.$$

$$? \searrow \Rightarrow P(X \in B) = 0,$$

$$? \searrow \Rightarrow X - \text{absolutely continuous}.$$