

MATH 587 - ADVANCED PROBABILITY THEORY 1

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1.1. Random Walk (Symmetric, Simple). Let $X_n, n \geq 1$ be independent random variables,

$$X_i = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{with prob } 1/2 \\ -1 & \text{with prob } 1/2 \end{cases} \quad \text{for all } i$$

Set $S_0 = 0, S_i = X_1 + \dots + X_i$ for $i \geq 1$.

Question: Is there a $n > 0$ s.t. $S_n = 0$? What is $\mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 : S_n = 0)$?

$$\mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 : S_n = 0) \begin{cases} = 1 & \text{means random walk is recurrent} \\ < 1 & \text{means random walk is transient} \end{cases}$$

We may also consider

$$X_i = \begin{cases} +1 & \text{with prob } p \\ -1 & \text{with prob } 1-p \end{cases} \quad \text{for all } i, 0 < p < 1$$

Theorem 1. *We have*

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 \text{ s.t. } S_n = 0) &= 1 - |2p - 1| \\ &= \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } p = 1/2 \\ < 1 & \text{if } p \neq 1/2 \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Proof. Summing up $z_n = \mathbb{P}(S_n = 0)$ doesn't work since they are not disjoint. Instead summing up $f_n = \mathbb{P}(S_1 \neq 0, \dots, S_{n-1} \neq 0, S_n = 0)$ yields $\mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 \text{ s.t. } S_n = 0)$.

$$F(s) = \sum_{n \geq 1} f_n s^n \quad P(s) = \sum_{n \geq 0} z_n s^n$$

Claim. $P(s) = 1 + P(s)F(s)$

Proof.

$$z_n = \sum_{k=1}^n f_k z_{n-k}$$

$$\begin{aligned} z_n &= \mathbb{P}(S_n = 0) \\ &= \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n \{S_n = 0 \text{ and first return at time } k\}\right) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \mathbb{P}(S_n = 0, \text{ first return at time } k) \end{aligned}$$

Then

$$z_n s^n = \sum_{k=1}^n (f_k s^k)(z_{n-k} s^{n-k})$$

Sum over $n \geq 0$

$$\begin{aligned} P(s) &= \sum_{n \geq 0} z_n s^n = 1 + \sum_{n \geq 1} \sum_{k=1}^n (z_{n-k} s^{n-k})(f_k s^k) \\ &= 1 + F(s)P(s) \end{aligned}$$

Since the $n = 0$ term is 1. □

Corollary.

$$P(s) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 4p(1-p)s^2}} \quad F(s) = 1 - \sqrt{1 - 4p(1-p)s^2}$$

Proof Sketch:

$$\begin{aligned} z_{2n} &= \binom{2n}{n} p^n (1-p)^n \\ P(s) &= \sum_{m \geq 0} \binom{2m}{m} p^m (1-p)^m s^{2m} \end{aligned}$$

Then we look at $F(1)$

$$\begin{aligned} F(1) &= 1 - \sqrt{1 - 4p(1-p)} \\ &= 1 - \sqrt{(2p-1)^2} \end{aligned}$$

□

Meta-Question: Is $\mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 : S_n = 0)$ well-defined?

$\{-1, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$:= All sequences of +1's and -1's

(x_1, x_2, \dots) with $x_i \in \{-1, +1\}$

Then there is $A \subset \{-1, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ s.t. $\exists n > 0 : S_n = 0 \Leftrightarrow (X_1, X_2, \dots) \in A$

Theorem 2. Assuming the axiom of choice, there is no way to assign probabilities to all subsets of $\{-1, +1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ in such a way that the axioms of probability are satisfied.

Supplemental reading: “A non-measurable set from coin flips”

1.2. Branching Processes. Start from a single individual (the root). The root has some random number B of children where B has some distribution μ . Independently, each child has a random number of children with distribution μ , and so on.

Let Z_n be the size of generation n . The family $(Z_n, n \geq 0)$ is some sequence of random variables.

$$\begin{aligned} E[Z_1] &= E[B] \\ E[Z_2|Z_1 = 3] &= 3E[B] \\ E[Z_2|Z_1] &= Z_1 E[B] \leftarrow \text{conditional expectation} \end{aligned}$$

$E[Z_2|Z_1 = \pi]$ doesn't make much sense since $\mathbb{P}(Z_1 = \pi) = 0$.

$$E[Z_2] = \sum_{i \geq 0} \underbrace{E[Z_2|Z_1 = i]}_{iE[B]} \mathbb{P}(B = i) = (E[B])^2$$

and so we have

$$E[Z_n] = (E[B])^n$$

by induction. Let $W_n = \frac{Z_n}{(E[B])^n}$ such that $E[W_n] = 1 \forall n$.

Definition 1 (Martingale Property).

$$E[W_n|W_0, \dots, W_{n-1}] = W_{n-1}$$

Theorem 3 (Non-negative martingale convergence theorem). *There is some random variable W such that $W_n \rightarrow W$ almost surely.*

Question: Is $E[W] = 1$?

1.3. Fatou's Lemma. For any sequence $(X_n, n \geq 1)$ of random variables,

$$\begin{aligned} E\left[\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n\right] &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[X_n] \\ E[W] &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E[W_n] = 1 \end{aligned}$$

Theorem 4 (Fundamental theorem of branching processes).

$$\mathbb{P}(\exists n : Z_n = 0) \begin{cases} = 1 & \text{if } E[B] \leq 1 \Rightarrow \mathbb{P}(W = 0) = 1 \\ < 1 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Now suppose

$$B = \begin{cases} 2 & \text{with prob. } p \\ 0 & \text{with prob. } 1 - p \end{cases}$$

S_n = number of unexplored individuals at step n

$$\mathbb{P}(\text{Extinction}) = \mathbb{P}(\text{Exploration stops}) = \mathbb{P}(\exists n > 0 : S_n = 0) = 1 - |1 - 2p|$$

2. SEPTEMBER 18TH, 2012

2.1. What is a probability space? Last Class: We can't assign probabilities to every possible event without contradiction.

Definition 2. An algebra over a set S is a collection \mathcal{F} of subsets of S such that

- (1) $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}, S \in \mathcal{F}$
- (2) If $A \in \mathcal{F}$, then $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$
- (3) If $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$, then $A \cup B \in \mathcal{F}$

Remark:

- $A \cap B = (A^c \cup B^c)^c$ so \mathcal{F} is closed under intersection

- If $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ then $\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F} \Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \in \mathcal{F}$
- This does not imply $A_i \in \mathcal{F}, i \geq 1 \not\Rightarrow \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \mathcal{F} \quad (\star)$

Example 1 (Algebras over a set S).

- $\{\emptyset, S\}$
- $2^S = \text{set of all subsets}$
- $\mathcal{F} = \{A \subset S : |A| < \infty \text{ or } |A^c| < \infty\}$ is an algebra but does not satisfy property \star

Definition 3. An algebra \mathcal{F} over S is called a σ -algebra if \star holds. A measurable space is a pair (S, \mathcal{F}) , where \mathcal{F} is a σ -algebra over S .

Definition 4. Given a set S and $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset 2^S$, then the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{F}_0 is

$$\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) := \bigcap_{\substack{\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{F}_0 \\ \mathcal{F} \text{ a } \sigma\text{-algebra}}} \mathcal{F} \subseteq 2^S$$

Easy Fact: If $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{F}_0$ is a σ -algebra, then $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) \subset \mathcal{F}$

Prop. $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$ is a σ -algebra

Proof. If $A_i \in \bigcap \mathcal{F}$ for each $i \geq 1$ then fix any \mathcal{F} in the intersection. Then $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0, i \geq 1$. So by \star , $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \in \mathcal{F}$. so

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \in \bigcap \mathcal{F} = \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$$

□

Note: If \mathcal{F}_0 is a σ -algebra, then $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) = \mathcal{F}_0$

Example 2. $\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\text{all sets of size 1 in } S\}$

$\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) = 2^S$ if S is countable

$\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) = \{A \subset S : A \text{ is countable or } A^c \text{ is countable}\}$

S is a metric space.

$\mathcal{F}_0 = \{\text{open sets in } S\}$

$\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$ is called the Borel sets of S and denoted $B(S)$.

Prop. $\mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}) = \sigma(\{(-\infty, x], x \in \mathbb{R}\})$

Proof. “ \supseteq ”:

$$(-\infty, x] = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(-\infty, x + \frac{1}{n}\right) \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

So

$$\{(-\infty, x], x \in \mathbb{R}\} \subset \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

So

$$\sigma(\{(-\infty, x], x \in \mathbb{R}\}) \subset \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

“ \subseteq ”: Fact: Any open set in \mathbb{R} can be written as

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 1} (a_i, b_i)$$

where the intervals (a_i, b_i) are disjoint. So it suffices to show that any interval (a, b) is a member of $\sigma(\{(-\infty, x], x \in \mathbb{R}\})$. To see this, write

$$\begin{aligned} (a, b) &= \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \left(a, b - \frac{1}{n}\right] \\ &= \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \left(-\infty, b - \frac{1}{n}\right] \cap ((-\infty, a]^c) \end{aligned}$$

□

2.2. Measures: A measure μ on a measurable space (S, \mathcal{F}) is a function

$$\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$$

such that

- $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- If $A_i, i \geq 1$ are disjoint elements of \mathcal{F} , then

$$\mu \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \right) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(A_i)$$

(Less important) definitions:

Given an algebra \mathcal{F}_0 over S , a function $\mu : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is additive if

- $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$
- If $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_0, A \cap B = \emptyset$ then $\mu(A \cup B) = \mu(A) + \mu(B)$

We say μ is a pre-measure if for any sequence $A_i, i \geq 1$ of disjoint elements of \mathcal{F}_0 if $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$, then

$$\mu \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \right) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(A_i)$$

Example 3.

(1) If S is any set, $\mathcal{F} = 2^S$,

$$\mu(A) = |A| = \begin{cases} i & \text{if } |A| = i < \infty \\ \infty & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(2) $S = \mathbb{R}, \mathcal{F} = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}), \mu = \text{Lebesgue measure defined by}$

$$\mu((a, b]) = b - a$$

Question: is this a measure?

We write $\lambda = \mu$ for Lebesgue measure. Take

$$\mathcal{F}_0 = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=1}^n (a_i, b_i] : -\infty \leq a_1 \leq b_1 \leq a_2 \leq b_2 \dots a_n \leq b_n \leq \infty \right\}$$

Need to check that this is an algebra first. We want to show: λ is a pre-measure on \mathcal{F}_0 .

- $\lambda(\emptyset) = b - b = 0$
- $A, B \in \mathcal{F}_0, A \cap B = \emptyset$, then $\lambda(A \cup B) = \lambda(A) + \lambda(B)$

Check: λ is a pre-measure

2.3. Carathéodory Extension Theorem.

Theorem 5 (Carathéodory Extension Theorem). *Given an algebra \mathcal{F}_0 over a set S and a pre-measure μ_0 on (S, \mathcal{F}_0) , then there exists a unique measure μ on $(S, \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0))$ such that $\mu(A) = \mu_0(A)$ for all $A \in \mathcal{F}_0$.*

Prop. *If $A_i, i \geq 1$ are disjoint elements of $\mathcal{F}_0, A_i \subset [0, 1]$ for all i and $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$ then*

$$\lambda \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \right) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda(A_i)$$

Assuming the proposition, we now prove that λ is a pre-measure. Fix $A_i, i \geq 1$, disjoint elements of \mathcal{F}_0 such that $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$. If $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i$ is unbounded, we need to show that $\sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda(A_i) = \infty$. If $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i$ is bounded, then for $n \in \mathbb{Z}$, let $A_{i,n} = A_i \cap (n, n+1] \in \mathcal{F}_0$, so

$$\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i = \bigcup_{\substack{i \geq 1 \\ n \in \mathbb{Z}}} A_{i,n}$$

Then

$$\lambda \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \right) = \lambda \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} \bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_{i,n} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \lambda \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_{i,n} \right) \text{ finite disjoint union} \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \lambda \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_{i,n} \right) \\
&= \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda(A_{i,n}) \\
&= \sum_{i \geq 1} \sum_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} \lambda(A_{i,n}) \\
&= \sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda \left(\bigcup_{n \in \mathbb{Z}} A_{i,n} \right) \\
&= \sum_{i \geq 1} \lambda(A_i)
\end{aligned}$$

3. SEPTEMBER 20TH, 2012

Note: Write $B_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i$. Then $B_n \subset B_{n+1} \subset \dots$ and

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n = B_{\infty}$$

If

$$\lambda(B_{\infty}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(B_n)$$

then

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i \right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda \left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i \right) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda(A_i) \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \lambda(A_i)
\end{aligned}$$

So to prove the proposition, it suffices to show:

If $B_n, n \geq 1$ are an increasing sequence of elements of \mathcal{F}_0 and $B_{\infty} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n \in \mathcal{F}_0$, then

$$\lambda(B_{\infty}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(B_n)$$

Prop. If $H_i \subset [0, 1], i \geq 1$ is a decreasing sequence of elements of \mathcal{F}_0 , and $\lambda(H_n) \geq 2\varepsilon > 0$ for all n , then

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} H_n \neq \emptyset$$

Assume this proposition holds. Then write $H_n = B_{\infty} \setminus B_n$. Then H_n is decreasing and decreases to \emptyset , so by the proposition, $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n$ such that $\lambda(H_n) < \varepsilon$

$$\begin{aligned}
\lambda(H_n) &= \lambda(B_{\infty} \setminus B_n) \\
&= \lambda(B_{\infty}) - \lambda(B_n) \\
&< \varepsilon
\end{aligned}$$

So $\lambda(B_{\infty}) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(B_n)$. On the other hand, $\lambda(B_{\infty}) \geq \lambda(B_n)$ for all n since $B_n \subset B_{\infty}$, so $\lambda(B_{\infty}) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lambda(B_n)$.

Proof. For $k \geq 1$, pick $J_k \subset H_k$ with $\overline{J_k} \subset H_k$, with

$$\lambda(H_k \setminus J_k) \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2^k}$$

and so

$$\lambda\left(H_n \setminus \bigcap_{k \leq n} J_k\right) \leq \lambda\left\{H_n \cap \left(\bigcup_{k \leq n} J_k^c\right)\right\} \leq \sum_{k \leq n} \lambda(H_k \setminus J_k) \leq \sum_{k \leq n} \frac{\varepsilon}{2^k} < \varepsilon$$

and since we have

$$2\varepsilon - \lambda\left(\bigcap_{k \leq n} J_k\right) < \lambda(H_n) - \lambda\left(\bigcap_{k \leq n} J_k\right) < \varepsilon$$

then

$$\lambda\left(\bigcap_{k \leq n} J_k\right) > \varepsilon$$

Let $K_n = \bigcap_{k \leq n} \overline{J_k} \neq \emptyset$, so we can choose $x_n \in K_n$. The sequence $\{x_n\}_{n \geq 1} \subset [0, 1]$, so it has a convergent subsequence $\{x_{n_j}\}_{n_j \geq 1}$ where $x_{n_j} \rightarrow x$ as $j \rightarrow \infty$. For $n_j > n$, $x_{n_j} \rightarrow x$ inside K_n which is closed, so $x \in K_n$. But n was arbitrary so

$$x \in \bigcap_{n \geq 1} K_n \subset \bigcap_{n \geq 1} H_n$$

□

Definition 5. Given an algebra \mathcal{F}_0 over S and $\mu : \mathcal{F}_0 \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$, the λ -sets of \mathcal{F}_0 are those sets $L \in \mathcal{F}_0$, for which

$$\mu(F) = \mu(L \cap F) + \mu(L^c \cap F) \text{ for all } F \in \mathcal{F}_0$$

Let

$$\mathcal{L} = \{\lambda\text{-sets in } \mathcal{F}_0\} \subset \mathcal{F}_0$$

Lemma. \mathcal{L} is an algebra and μ is additive on \mathcal{L} .

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(\emptyset) &= \mu(\emptyset \cap F) + \mu(\emptyset \cap F^c) \quad \forall F \in \mathcal{F}_0 \\ &= \mu(\emptyset) + \mu(\emptyset) \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

If $A, B \subset \mathcal{L}$, we want that $A \cup B \in \mathcal{L}$. Let $C = A \cap B \subset \mathcal{F}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(C^c \cap F) &= \mu(A \cap C^c \cap F) + \mu(A^c \cap C^c \cap F) \\ \mu(F) &= \mu(A \cap F) + \mu(A^c \cap F) \\ \mu(A \cap F) &= \mu(B \cap A \cap F) + \mu(B^c \cap A \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

The first two lines use that A is a λ -set and the third line uses that B is a λ -set.

$$\mu(F) = \mu((A \cup B) \cap F) + \mu(A^c \cap B^c \cap F)$$

If $L \in \mathcal{L}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F) &= \mu(L \cap F) + \mu(L^c \cap F) \\ &= \mu(L^c \cap F) + \mu((L^c)^c \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma. For all $L_1, \dots, L_n \in \mathcal{L}_0$ disjoint,

$$\mu(L_1 \cap F) + \mu(L_2 \cap F) + \dots + \mu(L_n \cap F) = \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n L_i \cap F\right)$$

for all $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$.

Definition 6 (λ -sets). $S, \mathcal{F} \subset 2^S$, $\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$, $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$.
 $L \in \mathcal{F}$ is a λ -set if $\forall F \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\mu(F) = \mu(L \cap F) + \mu(L^c \cap F)$$

Idea for extension: (motivated by Riemann integral)

Definition 7. For any $A \subset S$, let

$$\mu(A) = \inf \sum_{B_1, B_2, \dots} \mu_0(B_i)$$

where the B_i are a countable covering of A by elements of \mathcal{F}_0 . (The collection $\{B_i\}_{i \geq 1}$ covers A if $A \subset \bigcup_{i \geq 1} B_i$)

The function μ is defined on 2^S .

Fact: If $T \subset U$, $T, U \in \mathcal{F}$, then

$$\mu(T) \leq \mu(U)$$

(μ is increasing)

Prop. μ is countable sub-additive: $\forall T_i, i \geq 1$ subsets of S , then

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} T_i\right) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(T_i)$$

Proof. Idea: Cover T_i using sets from \mathcal{F}_0 , to a tolerance of $\frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}$.
 We know that

$$\mu(T_i) = \inf_{\text{coverings}} \sum_{B_{i,1}, B_{i,2}, \dots} \mu(B_{i,j})$$

choose a particular $B_{i,1}, B_{i,2}, \dots$ that cover T_i so that

$$\sum_{j \geq 1} \mu(B_{i,j}) \leq \mu(T_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}$$

Then $\{B_{i,j}, i, j \geq 1\}$ is a countable cover of $\bigcup_{i \geq 1} T_i$ and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \geq 1} \sum_{j \geq 1} \mu(B_{i,j}) &\leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \left\{ \mu(T_i) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i} \right\} \\ &\leq \underbrace{\sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(T_i)}_{\leq \mu\left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} T_i\right)} + \underbrace{\sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{\varepsilon}{2^i}}_{\leq \varepsilon} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} T_i\right) = \inf_{\text{coverings}} \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(C_i) \leq \left\{ \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(T_i) \right\} + \varepsilon$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary, this proves the proposition \square

2^S is too big to prove more nice properties about μ , so we restrict our attention to $\mathcal{L} \subset 2^S$, $\mathcal{L} = \{\lambda\text{-sets in } 2^S\}$

Lemma. $\forall F, \forall L_1, \dots, L_n \in \mathcal{L}$ where the L 's are disjoint, then

$$\mu\left(F \cap \bigcup_{i=1}^n L_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(F \cap L_i)$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} &\mu((L_1 \cup L_2) \cap F) \\ &= \mu(L_1 \cap ((L_1 \cup L_2) \cap F)) \\ &\quad + \mu(L_1^c \cap ((L_1 \cup L_2) \cap F)) \text{ since } L_1 \text{ is a } \lambda\text{-set} \\ &= \mu(L_1 \cap F) + \mu(L_2 \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

This is the case $n = 2$, then use induction on L_1 and $L'_2 = \bigcup_{i=2}^n L_i$ \square

We should really check that μ extends μ_0 .

Claim: If $F \in \mathcal{F}_0$, then $\mu_0(F) = \mu(F)$.

Proof. F is itself a covering of F , so $\mu(F) \leq \mu_0(F)$. To prove $\mu(F) \geq \mu_0(F)$, fix any covering $T_i, i \geq 1$ of F with elements of \mathcal{F}_0 . It suffices to show that

$$\sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i) \geq \mu_0(F)$$

For $n \geq 1$, let $U_n = T_n \setminus (\bigcup_{i < n} T_i) \subset T_n \in \mathcal{F}_0$ and $U_i, i \geq 1$ covers F . We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i) &\geq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(U_i) \\ &\geq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(\underbrace{U_i \cap F}_{\in \mathcal{F}_0}) \\ &= \mu_0\left(\sum_{i \geq 1} (U_i \cap F)\right) \\ &= \mu_0(F) \end{aligned}$$

since the $U_i \cap F$ partition F and μ_0 is a pre-measure and not just an additive function. \square

Claim: $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{L}$

Proof. **Want:** $\forall L \subset \mathcal{F}_0, \forall A \subset S,$

$$\mu(A) = \mu(L \cap A) + \mu(L^c \cap A)$$

We have $\mu(A) \leq \mu(L \cap A) + \mu(L^c \cap A)$ by sub-additivity. For the other direction, fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and a covering $T_i, i \geq 1$ of A from \mathcal{F}_0 , with

$$\sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i) \leq \mu(A) + \varepsilon$$

The family $T_i \cap L, i \geq 1$ covers $A \cap L$, so

$$\mu(A \cap L) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i \cap L)$$

Likewise,

$$\mu(A \cap L^c) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i \cap L^c)$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(A \cap L) + \mu(A \cap L^c) &\leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i \cap L) + \mu_0(T_i \cap L^c) \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(T_i) \\ &\leq \mu(A) + \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary, this proves the claim. \square

Claim: \mathcal{L} is a σ -algebra

Proof. We just need to show that if $L_i, i \geq 1$ are elements of \mathcal{L} , then $L = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} L_i \in \mathcal{L}$. Assume the L_i are disjoint, by the same argument as before since we are in an algebra. Fix $T \subset S$: we need that $\mu(T) = \mu(T \cap L) + \mu(T \cap L^c)$. The left hand side is less than the larger by sub-additivity.

It remains to prove " \geq ". For $n \in \mathbb{N}$, let

$$M_n = \bigcup_{i=1}^n L_i$$

\mathcal{L} is an algebra, so $M_n \in \mathcal{L}$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(T) &= \mu(M_n \cap T) + \mu(M_n^c \cap T) \\ &\geq \mu(M_n \cap T) + \mu(L^c \cap T) \quad \text{since } \mu \text{ is increasing and } M_n^c \supset L^c \end{aligned}$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(L_i \cap T) + \mu(L^c \cap T)$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(T) &\geq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(L^c \cap T) + \mu(L_i^c \cap T) \\ &\geq \mu(L \cap T) + \mu(L^c \cap T) \quad \text{by countable subadditivity} \end{aligned}$$

□

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We prove: $\forall F \subset S, \forall$ disjoint elements L_1, L_2, \dots of \mathcal{L}

$$\mu(F \cap L) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(F \cap L_i) \quad L = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} L_i$$

Proof.

$$\mu(F \cap L) \leq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(F \cap L_i) \quad \text{is subadditivity}$$

For any $n \geq 1$,

$$\bigcup_{i=1}^n F \cap L_i \subset F \cap L$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(F \cap L) &\geq \mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n F \cap L_i\right) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mu(F \cap L_i) \end{aligned}$$

Let $n \rightarrow \infty$, to obtain

$$\mu(F \cap L) \geq \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(F \cap L_i)$$

□

Example 4. $\mu_0 \rightarrow \mu(F) = \inf_{A_i \text{ cover } F} \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu_0(A_i)$

We can call this function the Carathéodory extension of μ_0 .

Fact: μ is a measure on $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$.

Let $S = \mathbb{R}$, $\mathcal{F}_0 = \text{"Finite disjoint unions } (a_i, b_i] \cup \dots \cup (a_r, b_r]$

Let

$$\mu_0\left(\underbrace{F}_{\in \mathcal{F}_0}\right) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } F = \emptyset \\ \infty & \text{if } F \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

So the Carathéodory extension is

$$\mu(F) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } F = \emptyset \\ \infty & \text{if } F \neq \emptyset \end{cases}$$

Let $\hat{\mu} : 2^S \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ be $\hat{\mu}(F) = |F|$. Then we have a contradiction since it is not unique!

5.1. Dynkin's Uniqueness Lemma.

Theorem 6 (Dynkin's Uniqueness Lemma). *The Carathéodory extension is the only extension, if*

$$\mu_0(S) < \infty$$

Definition 8. A measure space (S, \mathcal{F}, μ) is σ -finite if you can write $S = \bigcup_{i \geq 1} L_i$, $L_i \in \mathcal{F}$ disjoint with

$$\mu(L_i) < \infty \quad \forall i$$

If the Carathéodory extension μ is σ -finite, then it is the only σ -finite extension of μ_0 .

Want to show: If μ_1 and μ_2 are two extensions of μ_0 to $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$, then $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$.
Let $\mathcal{D} = \{F \in \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) : \mu_1(F) = \mu_2(F)\}$. We know that $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{D}$.

5.2. Difference Set. If we have the following 2 claims, then we say \mathcal{D} is a difference set **Claim 1:** If $F_n \in \mathcal{D}$, $n \geq 1$, $F_n \uparrow F \in \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$, then $F \in \mathcal{D}$. ($F \in \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$ is automatic.)

Proof.

$$\mu_1(F) \underbrace{=}_{\mu_1 \text{ measure}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_1(F_n) \underbrace{=}_{F_n \in \mathcal{D}} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_2(F_n) \underbrace{=}_{\mu_2 \text{ measure}} \mu_2(F)$$

□

Claim 2: If $A, B \in \mathcal{D}$, $A \subset B$, then $B \setminus A \in \mathcal{D}$

Proof.

$$\mu_1(B \setminus A) = \mu_1(B) - \mu_1(A) = \mu_2(B) - \mu_2(A) = \mu_2(B \setminus A)$$

□

A consequence of this is that this is true for complements. If we take $B = S$, then $B \setminus A = A^c$. What about \cup or \cap ? This turns out to be harder.

Key Idea: Build up from \mathcal{F}_0 .

(1) Which sets are “closed under \cap with \mathcal{F}_0 ”

$$\mathcal{D}_1 = \{A \in \mathcal{D} : \forall B \in \mathcal{F}_0, \mu_1(A \cap B) = \mu_2(A \cap B)\}$$

An easy consequence from this is that $\mathcal{F}_0 \subset \mathcal{D}$.

Claim: \mathcal{D}_1 is a difference set

Proof. If $A \in \mathcal{D}_1$, $B \in \mathcal{D}_1$, $A \subset B$, we need that $\forall F \in \mathcal{F}_0$,

$$\mu_1((B \setminus A) \cap F) = \mu_2((B \setminus A) \cap F)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1((B \setminus A) \cap F) &= \mu_1(B \cap F) - \mu_1(A \cap F) \\ &= \mu_2(B \cap F) - \mu_2(A \cap F) \\ &= \mu_2((B \setminus A) \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

So $B \setminus A \in \mathcal{D}_1$.

□

Similarly, $A_n \uparrow A$, $A_n \in \mathcal{D}_1$, then $\forall F \in \mathcal{F}_0$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(A \cap F) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_1(A_n \cap F) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu_2(A_n \cap F) \\ &= \mu_2(A \cap F) \end{aligned}$$

Now play the same game starting from \mathcal{D}_1 instead of \mathcal{F}_0 .

More precisely: $\mathcal{D}_2 = \{A \in \mathcal{D} : \forall B \in \mathcal{D}_1, \mu_1(A \cap B) = \mu_2(A \cap B)\}$

Exercise: Check \mathcal{D}_2 is a difference set.

So \mathcal{D}_2 is closed under intersections and a difference set, so it is a σ -field. We have that

$$\mathcal{D}_2 \subset \mathcal{D}_1 \subset \mathcal{D} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$$

But $\mathcal{D}_2 = \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$ since \mathcal{D}_2 is a σ -algebra, so the entire thing collapses on itself and

$$\mathcal{D}_2 = \mathcal{D}_1 = \mathcal{D} = \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$$

Finally, for any $A \in \sigma(\mathcal{F}_0) = \mathcal{D} = \mathcal{D}_1 = \mathcal{D}_2$,

$$\mu_1(A) = \mu_1(A \cap S) = \mu_2(A \cap S) = \mu_2(A)$$

so $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$ on $\sigma(\mathcal{F}_0)$.

Example 5.

- One-dimensional Lebesgue measure
- Lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^d

$$\text{Pre-measure: } \mu_0((a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times (a_d, b_d]) = \prod_{i=1}^d (b_i - a_i)$$

Let $F(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-x^2/2} dx$. Let $\mu_0((a_i, b_i] \cup \dots \cup (a_r, b_r]) = \sum_{i=1}^r (F(b_i) - F(a_i))$
 $\mu_0 \rightarrow \mu_1 \leftarrow$ Law of standard Normal random variable.

Exercise: Think about the measure corresponding to a non-decreasing function $F: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ which may have discontinuities.

Hint: An increasing function has at most countably many discontinuities.

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Example 6. $([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]), \lambda)$ where λ is the Lebesgue measure.
 Fix $A \in \mathcal{B}([0, 1])$, $\lambda(A) = 0$. Let $B \subset A$. What is the measure of B ?

6.1. Completion. Given measure space (S, \mathcal{F}, μ) , if $B \subset A \in \mathcal{F}$ and $\mu(A) = 0$, then we should have $\mu(B) = 0$. Define a new measure μ^* on a new σ -algebra \mathcal{F}^* .

$$\mathcal{F}^* = \{F : \exists E, G \in \mathcal{F}, E \subset F \subset G, \mu(E) = \mu(G)\}$$

and as expected we should have that $\mu^*(F) = \mu(E) = \mu(G)$ for $F \in \mathcal{F}$.

6.2. Events and Probability Spaces. A measure space (S, \mathcal{F}, μ) is a probability space if $\mu(S) = 1$. Standard notation is to write $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

Example 7.

- (1) Die Roll: $\Omega = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$, $\mathcal{F} = 2^\Omega$, $\mathbb{P}(A) = \frac{|A|}{6}$
- (2) $\Omega = [0, 1]$, $\mathcal{F} = \mathfrak{B}([0, 1])$, $\mathbb{P} = \text{Lebesgue measure}$
 We have a point $\omega \in [0, 1]$,

$$\omega = 0.\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\dots$$

$$\omega^{(1)} = 0.\omega_1\omega_3\omega_5\dots$$

$$\omega^{(2)} = 0.\omega_2\omega_4\omega_6\dots$$

What is $\mathbb{P}(\{\omega : \omega_1 = 1\})$. This is just equal to $\mathbb{P}([\frac{1}{2}, 1])$. Similarly, $\mathbb{P}(\{\omega : \omega_3 = 1\}) = \frac{1}{2}$ since we are looking at 4 subintervals of length $\frac{1}{8}$.

$$\mathbb{P}(A|B) = \frac{\mathbb{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbb{P}(B)}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(\omega_w = 1 | \omega_1 = 1) = \frac{1/4}{1/2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

- (3) Infinite sequence of coin tosses.
 $\Omega = \{H, T\}^\mathbb{N}$, $\omega \in \Omega$, $\omega = \omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\dots$ where each $\omega_i \in \{H, T\}$

$$\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\underbrace{\{\{\omega : \omega_i = H\}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}}_{\text{event that } i\text{th coin is heads}})$$

This is the σ -algebra generated by the cylinder sets.

$$\mathbb{P}_{1/2}(\{\omega_1 = H\} \cap \{\omega_5 = T\} \cap \{\omega_8 = H\}) = \frac{1}{8}$$

$$\mathbb{P}_p(\{\omega_1 = H\} \cap \{\omega_5 = T\} \cap \{\omega_8 = H\}) = p^2(1-p)$$

$$\mathbb{P}_p(10 \text{ heads, } 8 \text{ tails}) = p^{10}(1-p)^8$$

Events: $\{H, T\}^\mathbb{N}$, $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\text{cylinder sets})$, $\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}_{1/2}$.

$E = \{\text{Only heads}\} = \{H, H, H, H, H, \dots\}$ $\mathbb{P}(E) = 0$

$E = \{\text{Infinitely many heads}\}$

$E_i = \{\omega_i = H\}$, and we can write it as $E = \bigcap_{m \geq 1} \bigcup_{n > m} E_n =: \limsup E_n$

Recall: x_n , $n \geq 1$ sequence of numbers.

$$\limsup_n x_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{n \geq m} x_n$$

$\limsup_n x_n \geq x \Leftrightarrow$ sequence exceeds x infinitely many times

We also write “ E_n occurs infinitely often” or just “ E_n i.o.” instead of $\limsup E_n$.

Definition 9. Given a sequence of events E_n ,

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \bigcup_{m \geq 1} \bigcap_{n \geq m} E_n$$

This is the same as saying “ E_n occurs all but finitely many times.”

Observation:

$$\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n \right)^c = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (E_n)^c$$

Now let

$$E = \left\{ \omega : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\frac{\#\{i \leq n : \omega_i = H\}}{n}}_{\frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[X_1]} = \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

This is the event that the proportion of the number of tosses tends to a half. We should have that $\mathbb{P}(E) = 1$, but is $E \in \mathcal{F}$?

Definition 10. We say an event $E \in \mathcal{F}$ occurs almost surely if $\mathbb{P}(E) = 1$.

6.3. Reverse Fatou’s Lemma. $\mathbb{P}(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n) \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(E_n)$

Fatou’s Lemma: $\mathbb{P}(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(E_n)$

Proof of Reverse Fatou’s Lemma.

$$\underbrace{\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n}_E = \bigcap_{m \geq 1} \underbrace{\bigcup_{n \geq m} E_n}_{G_m}$$

We have $G_m \supset G_{m+1} \supset \dots$ and

$$\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} G_m = \bigcap_{m \geq 1} G_m = E$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(E) &= \mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} G_m\right) \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(G_m) \quad \text{by monotonicity} \\ &= \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{n \geq m} E_n\right) \\ &\geq \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{n \geq m} \mathbb{P}(E_n) \\ &= \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(E_n) \end{aligned}$$

□

Note: $\mathbb{P}(E_n) \rightarrow 0$ does not mean that $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$

Basic Fact: If $\mathbb{P}(E_n) \rightarrow 0$ sufficiently quickly, then $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$.

Example 8. Consider $\mathbb{P}(E_n) = \frac{1}{3^n}$.

6.4. (First) Borel-Cantelli Lemma. If

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) < \infty$$

then $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$

Proof.

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) < \infty \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon \exists k : \sum_{n \geq k} \mathbb{P}(E_n) < \varepsilon$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) &= \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{n \geq 1} \bigcup_{m \geq n} E_m\right) \\ &\leq \min_{m \geq 1} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{n \geq m} E_n\right) \\ &< \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

for any $\varepsilon > 0$

□

Now consider

$$\begin{aligned} E_n &= \left\{ \geq \frac{n}{2} \text{ heads in the first } n \text{ tosses} \right\} \\ &= \left\{ S_n \geq \frac{n}{2} \right\} \\ &= \{S_n \geq \mathbb{E}[S_n]\} \end{aligned}$$

so $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n = \{S_n \text{ stays above its expected values "for all time"}\}$

6.5. Random Variables. Given measurable spaces (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (S, \mathcal{G}) , a measurable map from Ω to S is a function $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ such that

$$\forall E \in \mathcal{G}, f^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{F}$$

If $(S, \mathcal{G}) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$, then f is called a random variable. If $(S, \mathcal{G}) = (\mathbb{R}^*, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$, then f is called an extended real random variable.

$$\mathbb{R}^* = \mathbb{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$$

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If $\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) < \infty$, then $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$. However, it is not necessarily true that if $\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) = \infty$, then $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) > 0$. To see this, let $E_n = [0, 1/n]$.

E occurs almost surely if $\mathbb{P}(E) = 1$. If E_n , $n \geq 1$ each occurring almost surely, then $\bigcap_{n \geq 1} E_n$ occurs almost surely. If $E_x = [0, 1] \setminus \{x\}$, then $\mathbb{P}(E_x) = 1$, but $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{x \in [0, 1]} E_x\right) = 0$.

7.1. Measurable Maps, Random Variables. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}) = ([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]))$

We take $\omega \in \Omega$ and define $X(\omega) = \#$ of ones in the binary expansion of ω before the first zero.

$$X^{-1}(1) = \left[\frac{1}{2}, \frac{3}{4}\right) \quad X^{-1}(2) = \left[\frac{3}{4}, \frac{7}{8}\right)$$

More generally, for $S \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$,

$$X^{-1}(S) = \bigcup_{n \in S \cap \mathbb{N}} \left[1 - \frac{1}{2^n}, 1 - \frac{1}{2^{n+1}}\right) \in \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]) = \mathcal{F}$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X \in S) &:= \mathbb{P}(\{\omega : X(\omega) \in S\}) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(X^{-1}(S)) \\ &= \sum_{n \in S \cap \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{2^{n+1}} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 11. $X : \Omega \rightarrow T$ is (Ω, \mathcal{F}) -(T, τ) measurable if $\forall F \in \tau, X^{-1}(F) \in \mathcal{F}$

We will typically use

$$X : \begin{matrix} \Omega & \rightarrow & \mathbb{R} \\ \mathcal{F} & & \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}) \end{matrix} \Bigg\} \text{Random variable}$$

Theorem 7. Given (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (S, \mathcal{S}) measurable spaces and $X : \Omega \rightarrow S$, and $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{S}$, if $X^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F}$ for all $A \in \mathcal{A}$ and $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{S}$ then X is measurable.

Proof. We show that $G := \{E \subset S : X^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{F}\}$ is a σ -algebra. Assuming this, then we know that since $\mathcal{A} \subset G$, so $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) \subset G$. However, $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \mathcal{S}$, so X is measurable.

- $S \in G$ since $X^{-1}(S) = \Omega \in \mathcal{F}$.
- $A \in G$, then $X^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F}$ and $X^{-1}(A^c) = (X^{-1}(A))^c \in \mathcal{F}$.
- For countable unions, $X^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} A_n\right) = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} X^{-1}(A_n)$ so if $A_n \in G \forall n \geq 1$, then the RHS $\in \mathcal{F}$

□

Example 9. $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$\mathcal{A} = \{(-\infty, x] : x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ generates $\mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$. So to prove X is a random variable we just need to show that $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}$, “ $\{X \leq x\}$ ” $\in \mathcal{F}$. Formally, we mean $\{\omega : X(\omega) \leq x\} = X^{-1}((-\infty, x])$.

Similarly, $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^d$, to prove that X is a random vector, it suffices to show that “ $\{X \in [a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times [a_d, b_d]\}$ ” $\in \mathcal{F}$ for any $a_1 < b_1, \dots, a_d < b_d$.

Example 10.

$$E = \left\{ \omega : \frac{\#\{k \leq n : \omega_k = 1\}}{n} \right\} \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}$$

$\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$. Let $X_n(\omega) = \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i / n$. Now we can rewrite E as

$$E = \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \text{ exists and equals } \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

Theorem 8 (Composition of measurable maps). Given three measurable spaces, $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}), (S, \mathcal{S})$, and (T, \mathcal{T}) .

If $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ is measurable and $g : S \rightarrow T$ is measurable, then

$$g \circ f : \Omega \rightarrow T$$

is measurable.

Proof. If $E \in \mathcal{T}$ then $g^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{S}$. So $f^{-1}(g^{-1}(E)) = (g \circ f)^{-1}(E) \in \mathcal{F}$.

□

Corollary. If $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$ is a random vector and $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then $X = g \circ f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a random variable

Proof. We just need to check that g is measurable. We know that if

$$\mathcal{A} = \{\text{Open sets in } \mathbb{R}\}$$

then $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$,

$$g^{-1}(A) \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^n)$$

But $\sigma(\mathcal{A}) = \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$ so we are done by an earlier theorem.

□

Corollary. If $X_1, \dots, X_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are random variables, then

$$\begin{aligned} \vec{X} : \Omega &\rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n \\ \omega &\rightarrow (X_1(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)) \end{aligned}$$

is a random vector

Proof. It suffices to consider rectangles $\prod_{i=1}^n [a_i, b_i] \subset \mathbb{R}^n$.

$$\begin{aligned} \{\vec{X} \in [a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times [a_n, b_n]\} &= \bigcap_{i=1}^n \{X_i \in [a_i, b_i]\} \\ &= \bigcap_{i=1}^n X_i^{-1}([a_i, b_i]) \in \mathcal{F} \end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary. If X_1, \dots, X_n are random variables, then the following are also random variables

- $-X_1$
- $X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n$
- $X_1 X_2 \dots X_n$
- $\max_{i \in [1, n]} X_i$

Note: In all the corollaries, we could have used \mathbb{R}^* and $(\mathbb{R}^*)^n$ instead. (Then we get extended real random variables and extended real random vectors.)

Theorem 9. If $X_n, n \geq 1$ are extended real random variables, then $\inf_{n \geq 1} X_n, \sup_{n \geq 1} X_n, \limsup_{n \geq 1} X_n, \liminf_{n \geq 1} X_n$ are too. These are all functions from Ω to \mathbb{R}^* defined pointwise.

Proof. Consider $\inf_{n \geq 1} X_n(\omega)$. For $a \in \mathbb{R}^*$, this is at most a iff $\exists n \geq 1$ such that $X_n(\omega) \leq a$. So

$$\left\{ \inf_{n \geq 1} X_n \leq a \right\} = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \underbrace{\{X_n \leq a\}}_{X_n^{-1}((-\infty, a])} \in \mathcal{F}$$

Likewise, the same proof holds for $\sup_{n \geq 1} X_n = \inf_{n \geq 1} (-X_n)$ is a random variable.

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{n \geq m} X_n = \inf_{m \geq 1} \underbrace{\sup_{n \geq m} X_n}_{\text{R.V.}}$$

is also a random variable and so is $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$. □

Back to Example: $I_n(\omega) = \omega_n$. $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$. $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\{\omega_n = 1\}, n \geq 1)$

Exercise: $I_n : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a random variable.

$$X_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n I_k$$

Let $L^+ = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$ and $L^- = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$ and $L = L^+ - L^-$. Then

$$E = \{L = 0\} \cap \left\{ L^+ \leq \frac{1}{2} \right\} \cap \left\{ L^- \geq \frac{1}{2} \right\}$$

We believe that $\mathbb{P}(E) = 1$. (Strong law of large numbers)

Definition 12. $\Omega, (S, \mathcal{S})$

Given a function $X : \Omega \rightarrow S$, let

$$\sigma(X) = \bigcap_{\substack{\mathcal{F}, \sigma\text{-algebra over } \Omega \\ \text{which make } X \text{ measurable}}} \mathcal{F}$$

What is clear is that $\forall E \in \mathcal{S}, X^{-1}(E) \in \sigma(X)$. Check that $\sigma(X)$ is a σ -algebra, called the σ -algebra generated by X .

More generally, $\sigma(X_i, i \in I)$ is the smallest σ -algebra which makes all the X_i measurable.

Example 11.

- $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$, then $\sigma(I_1) = \{\emptyset, \{\omega_1 = 1\}, \{\omega_1 = 0\}, \Omega\}$
- $\sigma(I_n, n \geq 1) = \mathcal{F}$ which is the σ -algebra generated by cylinder sets.

Exercise: If $X : (0, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is increasing and continuous and $X(\omega) \rightarrow -\infty$ as $\omega \downarrow 0$, $X(\omega) \rightarrow \infty$ as $X(\omega) \uparrow 1$, then $\sigma(X) = \mathfrak{B}([0, 1])$.

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8.1. Generated σ -algebras. Suppose we had a measurable map $f : \Omega \rightarrow S$ where (Ω, \mathcal{F}) and (S, \mathcal{S}) are measurable spaces, then

$$\sigma(f) = \bigcap_{\substack{\mathcal{G} \subset 2^\Omega, \mathcal{G} \text{ a } \sigma\text{-alg} \\ f \text{ is } (\Omega, \mathcal{G}) \rightarrow (S, \mathcal{S}) \text{ measurable}}} \mathcal{G}$$

If $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\sigma(X) = \{X^{-1}(B) : B \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})\}$$

Clearly,

$$\{X^{-1}(B) : B \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})\} \subset \sigma(X)$$

and the LHS is a σ -algebra. This is true more generally but not all the time.

Now let us imagine that we have a probability space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and a random variable $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Theorem 10. *The value $X(\omega)$ is equivalent to the collection of values*

$$\{I_F(\omega) : F \in \sigma(X)\}$$

in that either can be deduced from the other. Here we have

$$I_F(\omega) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \omega \in F \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Proof. Fix $x \in \mathbb{R}$. Then if $X(\omega) = x$, then $\omega \in X^{-1}(x)$. For any $F \in \sigma(X)$, we have $F = X^{-1}(B)$, for some $B \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$. If $x \in B$, then $X^{-1}(x) \in F$, so $I_F(\omega) = 1$. Conversely, if $x \notin B$, then $\omega \notin F = X^{-1}(B)$ so $I_F(\omega) = 0$.

Conversely, for a given $\{I_F(\omega), F \in \sigma(X)\}$. Then

$$X(\omega) = \inf\{x \in \mathbb{R} : I_{(-\infty, x]}(\omega) = 1\}$$

□

We can think of $\{I_F(\omega) : F \in \sigma(X)\}$ as a function $f_\omega : \sigma(X) \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$. More generally, given a collection $\{X_i, i \in I\}$:

Theorem 11. *The collection $\{X_i(\omega) : i \in I\}$ can be deduced from*

$$\{I_F(\omega), F \in \sigma(X_i, i \in I)\}$$

and vice-versa. Let

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \{X_i(\omega) : i \in I\} \\ B &= \{I_F(\omega), F \in \sigma(X_i, i \in I)\} \end{aligned}$$

$B \Rightarrow A$ is easy. $I_{[X_i \leq x]}$ is in the collection.

$A \Rightarrow B$. Idea: Let $E = \bigcap_{i \in I} X_i^{-1}(x_i)$. This does not work if I is uncountable.

Prop. *Given a random variable $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, a random variable $Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $\sigma(X)$ -measurable iff \exists measurable $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $Y = f(X)$.*

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \Omega & & \\ \downarrow X & \searrow Y & \\ \mathbb{R} & \xrightarrow{f} & \mathbb{R} \end{array}$$

Proof. (\Leftarrow) Easy: composition of measurable maps

$$(\Omega, \sigma(X)) \xrightarrow{X} (\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})) \xrightarrow{f} (\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$$

(\Rightarrow)

Step 1. If we can do it for bounded functions, we can do it for general functions since if we took $Z = \tan^{-1}(T)$, this is bounded on $[-\pi/2, \pi/2]$ and Y is our general function. Then we have Z is $\sigma(X)$ - $\mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$ measurable, so $\exists g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable such that $Z = g(X)$. Let $f = \tan(g) : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} Y &= \tan Z \\ &= \tan(g(X)) \\ &= f(X) \end{aligned}$$

Step 2. Assume $|Y(\omega)| \leq \pi/2$ for all ω . Fix $q \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [-\pi/2, \pi/2]$. Let $E_q = Y^{-1}((q, \infty]) \in \sigma(X)$. Then we know that $\exists B_q \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$ such that $E_q = X^{-1}(B_q)$. Now let

$$f_q(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2} & \text{if } x \in B_q \\ q & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then $f_q(X) \geq Y$. Let $f = \inf_{q \in \mathbb{Q}} f_q$. Then $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable and $f(X) = Y$.

□

8.2. Distribution Functions $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, X a random variable. The distribution function of X is

$$F_X : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1] \\ x \mapsto \mathbb{P}(X \leq x)$$

Example 12. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}) = ([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]), \mathbb{P})$ where \mathbb{P} is the Lebesgue measure.

- X is uniform on $[0, 1]$:

$$F_X(x) = x$$

But we could have $X(\omega) = \omega$ or $X(\omega) = 1 - \omega$.

- X is normally distributed:

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

$$\text{Let } X(\omega) = F_X^{-1}(\omega).$$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X \leq x) &= \mathbb{P}(\{\omega : X(\omega) \leq x\}) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(\{\omega : F_X^{-1}(\omega) \leq x\}) \\ &= F_X(x) \end{aligned}$$

8.3. Properties of Distribution Functions. F_x is the distribution function of some random variable X .

- F_X is increasing/non-decreasing
- $\lim_{y \rightarrow \infty} F_X(y) = 1$, $\lim_{y \rightarrow -\infty} F_X(y) = 0$
- F_X is right-continuous:

$$\mathbb{P}(X \leq y) = \lim_{z \downarrow y} \mathbb{P}(X \leq z)$$

This follows from monotonicity.

8.4. Skorokhod Representation of F . This gives a random variable on $([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]), \mathbb{P})$ with distribution F .

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Formally,

$$\begin{aligned} X^+(\omega) &= \sup\{x : F(x) \leq \omega\} \\ X^-(\omega) &= \sup\{x : F(x) < \omega\} \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\mathbb{P}(X^- = X^+) = 1$, since $\{\omega : X^-(\omega) \neq X^+(\omega)\}$ is in bijection with the flats of F and the latter is countable.

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Definition 13 (Law of a random variable). If we have a space $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a random variable. The law of X is a measure μ_X on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$.

$$\underbrace{\mu_X}_{\mathbb{P}(X)}(B) = \mathbb{P}(X \in B) = \mathbb{P}(X^{-1}(B))$$

Remarks:

- We should check that μ_X is indeed a probability measure.
- $(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}), \mu_X)$ and we consider $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which takes r to r (aka the identity map). f has the same distribution as X .

$$\mu_X(f \in B) = \mu_X(B) = \mathbb{P}(X \in B)$$

- μ_X is determined by F_X and vice-versa.
 \Rightarrow is obvious.
 \Leftarrow is because $\{(-\infty, x], x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ generates $\mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$

9.1. **Independence.** $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

- Events $E, F \in \mathcal{F}$ are independent if

$$\mathbb{P}(E \cap F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$$

- Random variables $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are independent if

$$\mathbb{P}(X \in A, Y \in B) = \mathbb{P}(X \in A) \mathbb{P}(Y \in B) \quad \forall A, B \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

- Equivalently, X, Y are independent if $\forall E \in \sigma(X), \forall F \in \sigma(Y),$

$$\mathbb{P}(E \cap F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$$

More generally, sub- σ -algebras \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H} of \mathcal{F} are independent if $\forall G \in \mathcal{G}, H \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\mathbb{P}(G \cap H) = \mathbb{P}(G) \mathbb{P}(H)$$

Note: If $F \in \mathcal{G} \cap \mathcal{H}$, then

$$\mathbb{P}(F) = \{\mathbb{P}(F)\}^2$$

so $\mathbb{P}(F) = 0$ or $\mathbb{P}(F) = 1$

Example 13. $([0, 1), \mathfrak{B}([0, 1)), \mathbb{P})$

- Let X be the number of zeroes before the first 1 and Y be the number of ones in the first run of ones.

$$\mathbb{P}(X = i) = \frac{1}{2^{i+1}} \quad \mathbb{P}(Y = j) = \frac{1}{2^j}$$

$$\mathbb{P}(X = i, Y = j) = \frac{1}{2^{i+j+1}}$$

we write $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$.

- Now let X be Bernoulli with $p = 1/2$ and Y be Bernoulli with $p = 1/2$, where $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$. If

$$Z = X + Y \pmod{2}$$

then $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Z, Y \perp\!\!\!\perp Z$. But knowing two of these determines the third, so X, Y, Z are pairwise but not mutually independent.

Definition 14. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, sub- σ -algebras $(\mathcal{F}_i, i \geq 1)$ of \mathcal{F} are (mutually) independent if $\forall n \geq 1, \forall E_i \in \mathcal{F}_i, 1 \leq i \leq n,$

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(E_i)$$

i.e. E_1, \dots, E_n are mutually independent.

Example 14. If E_1, \dots, E_n are independent, then $E_1, \dots, E_{n-1}, E_n^c$ are also independent.

Exercise: Given $1 \leq n_1 < n_2 < \dots, E_1 \in \mathcal{F}_{n_1}, E_2 \in \mathcal{F}_{n_2}, \dots$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i \geq 1} E_i\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n E_i\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(E_i) \\ &= \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}(E_i) \end{aligned}$$

Definition 15. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, $X_i : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i \geq 1$ random variables are independent if $(\sigma(X_i), i \geq 1)$ are independent.

9.2. π -System Lemma. Given Ω , a π -system \mathcal{P} over Ω is a subset of 2^Ω that is closed under finite intersections.

Uniqueness Lemma: Given \mathcal{P} a π system over Ω , $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\mathcal{P})$. If μ_1, μ_2 are measures on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , $\mu_1(\Omega) = \mu_2(\Omega) < \infty$, and $\mu_1|_{\mathcal{P}} \equiv \mu_2|_{\mathcal{P}}$ then $\mu_1 \equiv \mu_2$.

Recall: $\mathcal{D} = \{A \in \mathcal{F}, \mu_1(A) = \mu_2(A)\} \subset \mathcal{F}$. We showed eventually that $\mathcal{D} = \mathcal{F}$.

Lemma (π -system lemma). If $\mathcal{G}_n, n \geq 1$ are σ -algebras over Ω , $\mathcal{P}_n \subset \mathcal{G}_n$ is a π -system for each $n \geq 1$, with $\sigma(\mathcal{P}_n) = \mathcal{G}_n$, and $(\mathcal{P}_n, n \geq 1)$ are independent, then $(\mathcal{G}_n, n \geq 1)$ are independent.

Example 15. To show $(X_n, n \geq 1)$ are independent, it suffices to prove

$$\mathbb{P}(X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n) = \prod_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(X_i \leq x_i)$$

for all $x_1, \dots, x_n \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof. ($n = 2$)

Let \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H} be σ -algebras and $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{G}, \mathcal{Q} \subset \mathcal{H}$ be π -systems.

$$\forall E \in \mathcal{P}, F \in \mathcal{Q}, \mathbb{P}(E \cap F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$$

Fix $E \in \mathcal{P}$ and define measures μ, ν on \mathcal{H} by

$$\mu(F) = \mathbb{P}(E \cap F)$$

and

$$\nu(F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$$

Note: $\mu|_{\mathcal{Q}} = \nu|_{\mathcal{Q}}$ and $\mu(\Omega) = \nu(\Omega)$ so $\mu \equiv \nu$. This means that $\forall E \in \mathcal{P}, F \in \mathcal{H}$

$$\mathbb{P}(E \cap F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F) \quad (\star)$$

Once again, fix $F \in \mathcal{H}$. Let $\hat{\mu}(E) = \mathbb{P}(E \cap F)$ for $E \in \mathcal{G}$ and let $\hat{\nu}(E) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$ for $E \in \mathcal{G}$. By \star , $\hat{\mu}|_{\mathcal{P}} = \hat{\nu}|_{\mathcal{P}}$, so $\hat{\mu} \equiv \hat{\nu}$. So $\forall E \in \mathcal{G}, F \in \mathcal{H}$,

$$\mathbb{P}(E \cap F) = \mathbb{P}(E) \mathbb{P}(F)$$

□

Exercise: If $\mathcal{G}_i, i \geq 1$ are independent σ -algebras and $N_i, i \geq 1$ partitions of \mathbb{N} , then letting $\mathcal{H}_i = \sigma\left(\bigcup_{j \in N_i} \mathcal{G}_j\right)$, we have that $\mathcal{H}_i, i \geq 1$ are independent. (Hint: Intersections of the form $\bigcap_{j \in N_i} E_j$, where $E_j \in \mathcal{G}_j$ for each j , is a π system that generates \mathcal{H}_i .)

Corollary. $X_{i,j}, i, j \geq 1$ are independent and $f_i : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}, i \geq 1$ are random vectors, then by setting

$$Y_i = f_i(X_{i,1}, \dots, X_{i,n}) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

we have that $(Y_i, i \geq 1)$ are independent.

Now suppose I want a sequence of iid $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ random variables.

(1) Consider $([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]), \mathcal{P})$,

$$U_1(\underbrace{\omega}_{0.\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\omega_4\dots}) = 0.\omega_2\omega_4\omega_8\omega_{16}\omega_{32}\dots$$

(Exercise: $U_1(\omega)$ is uniform on $[0, 1]$)

$$U_2(\omega) = 0.\omega_3\omega_9\omega_{27}\dots$$

and in general

$$U_n(\omega) = 0.\omega_{p_n}\omega_{p_n^2}\omega_{p_n^3}\dots$$

where p_n is the n th prime.

(Exercise: $(U_n, n \geq 1)$ are independent)

(2) Let $X_i = F^{-1}(U_i)$, where F is the cumulative distribution function of a $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ random variable. By the corollary these $(X_i, i \geq 1)$ are independent. We saw last class that they are normally distributed.

9.3. Borel-Cantelli 2. If $E_i, i \geq 1$ are independent events and $\sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_i) = \infty$, then $\mathbb{P}(E_i \text{ i.o.}) = 1$. (This is equal to $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{m \geq 1} \bigcup_{n \geq m} E_n\right)$)

Proof. We will show that the complement $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{m \geq 1} \bigcap_{n \geq m} E_n^c\right) = 0$. It suffices to show that $\forall m \geq 1$, $\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{n \geq m} E_n^c\right) = 0$. Well,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{n \geq m} E_n^c\right) &= \prod_{n \geq m} \mathbb{P}(E_n^c) \\ &= \prod_{n \geq m} \{1 - \mathbb{P}(E_n)\} \\ &\leq \prod_{n \geq m} e^{-\mathbb{P}(E_n)} \quad \text{since } 1 - x \leq e^{-x} \\ &= \exp\left\{-\sum_{n \geq m} \mathbb{P}(E_n)\right\} \\ &= 0 \quad \text{since the sum is infinite} \end{aligned}$$

□

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10.1. Independence. Recall: \mathcal{F}, \mathcal{G} , σ -algebras are independent if $\forall F \in \mathcal{F}, G \in \mathcal{G}$, we have $\mathbb{P}(F \cap G) = \mathbb{P}(F)\mathbb{P}(G)$.

To check $\mathcal{F} \perp \mathcal{G}$ independent, it suffices to check that $P \perp Q$ where P, Q are π -systems and

$$\sigma(P) \supset \mathcal{F} \quad \sigma(Q) \supset \mathcal{G}$$

Borel-Cantelli II: If $(E_n, n \geq 1)$ are independent events, with

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) = \infty$$

then $\mathbb{P}(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$.

Example 16. $(X_n, n \geq 1)$ iid $\exp(1)$. $\mathbb{P}(X_1 \geq t) = e^{-t}, t \geq 0$.

How does $M_n = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$ grow?

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n > t) = \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n \{X_i > t\}\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(X_i > t) = ne^{-t}$$

If $t < \log n$, then this bound is useless. If $t \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n$, we get $e^{-t} \leq \frac{1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}}$, so

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n > t) \leq \frac{1}{n^\varepsilon}$$

If $X_n \geq \log n$ infinitely often, then $M_n \geq \log n$ infinitely often.

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq \log n \text{ i.o.}) \geq \mathbb{P}(X_n \geq \log n \text{ i.o.})$$

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n} = \infty$$

so by Borel Cantelli 2, $\mathbb{P}(X_n \geq \log n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$.

To prove a corresponding upper bound, note:

Given a non-decreasing function $f : \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $f(n) \rightarrow \infty$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Then a sequence $(a_n, n \geq 1)$ has $a_n > f(n)$ infinitely often iff $m_n = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} a_i > f(n)$ infinitely often.

Proof. \Rightarrow is obvious.

\Leftarrow happens if there exists a subsequence $n_1, n_2, \dots \rightarrow \infty$ such that $m_{n_k} > f(n_k)$ for all k . Choose the sequence n_1, n_2, \dots such that for all k ,

$$f(n_{k+1}) > m_{n_k}$$

This can be done since $f(n) \rightarrow \infty$. We have $m_{n_{k+1}} > f(n_{k+1}) > m_{n_k}$. So there is p_k , with $n_k < p_k \leq n_{k+1}$ such that

$$a_{p_{k+1}} = m_{n_{k+1}} > f(n_{k+1}) \geq f(p_{k+1})$$

Then $a_{p_i} \geq f(p_i)$ for all i . □

$$M_n = \max(X_1, \dots, X_n), \quad X_i \sim \exp(1)$$

then

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M_n}{\log n} \geq 1$$

Now fix $\varepsilon > 0$. The note says that

$$M_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.} \Leftrightarrow X_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.}$$

so

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.}) = \mathbb{P}\left(\underbrace{X_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.}}_{E_n}\right)$$

and we have

$$\mathbb{P}(E_n) = \frac{1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}}$$

so

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_n) = \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{1}{n^{1+\varepsilon}} < \infty$$

so $\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq (1 + \varepsilon) \log n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$ by Borel-Cantelli.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M_n}{\log n} \geq 1\right) &= 1 \\ \mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M_n}{\log n} \leq 1 + \varepsilon\right) &= 1 \\ \mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{M_n}{\log n} < 1 - \varepsilon\right) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

10.2. St. Petersburg Paradox.

$X = 2^{\#\text{heads before first tail}}$. We have $B_1, B_2, \dots \stackrel{iid}{\sim} \text{Ber}(\frac{1}{2})$, so

$$X = 2^{\min\{i: B_i=0\}-1}$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X] &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{2^{k+1}} \cdot \overbrace{2^k}^{\text{winnings if } B_{k+1} \text{ is the first } 0} \\ &= \sum_{k \geq 0} \frac{1}{2} \\ &= \infty \end{aligned}$$

Let $X_i, i \geq 1$ be iid as before.

$$M_n = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} X_i$$

and so

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq t) = \mathbb{P}\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n X_i > t\right)$$

We have

$$\mathbb{P}(X_i > t) = \frac{1}{2^{\lceil \log_2 t \rceil}} \in \left(\frac{1}{2t}, \frac{1}{t}\right]$$

So we get

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq n \log n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$$

and

$$\mathbb{P}(M_n \geq n(\log n)^{1+\varepsilon} \text{ i.o.}) = 0$$

10.3. Strengthening of Borel-Cantelli 2.

Theorem 12. If $E_i, i \geq 1$ are events, (not necessarily independent), and $\sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{P}(E_i) = \infty$, then

$$\mathbb{P}(E_i \text{ i.o.}) \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{P}(E_i) \right)^2}{\sum_{i \leq i, j \leq n} \mathbb{P}(E_i \cap E_j)}$$

This is typically referred to as the Chung-Erdős inequality.

10.4. Kolmogorov 0-1 Law. $(X_n, n \geq 1)$ independent random variables.

Let our tail,

$$\mathcal{T}_n = \sigma(X_n, X_{n+1}, \dots)$$

then let

$$\mathcal{T} = \bigcap_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{T}_n$$

This is a σ -algebra and we call it the tail σ -algebra.

Exercises: The following events are all in \mathcal{T}

- $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$ exists
- $\sum_{k \geq 1} X_k$ converges ($\lim_{h \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^h X_j$ exists)
- $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_k}{k}$ exists

Theorem 13 (Kolmogorov's 0-1 Law). For any $E \in \mathcal{T}$, $\mathbb{P}(E) \in \{0, 1\}$.

Proof. We'll show that \mathcal{T} is independent of \mathcal{T} . Let

$$\mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

Then \mathcal{F}_n and \mathcal{T}_{n+1} are independent. So \mathcal{F}_n and \mathcal{T} are independent. Let

$$\mathcal{P} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathcal{F}_n = \bigcup_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{F}_n$$

Then \mathcal{P} and \mathcal{T} are independent. \mathcal{P} is closed under intersections, so it is a π -system. So by the π -system lemma, $\sigma(\mathcal{P})$ and \mathcal{T} are independent.

We are done since

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(\mathcal{P}) &= \sigma\left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)\right) \\ &\supset \sigma\left(\bigcup_{n \geq 1} \sigma(X_n)\right) \\ &= \sigma(\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}) \end{aligned}$$

So $\sigma(\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1})$ and \mathcal{T} are independent, but $\mathcal{T}_n \subset \sigma(\{X_k\}_{k \geq 1})$ for all n , so

$$\bigcap_{n \geq 1} \mathcal{T}_n = \mathcal{T} \subset \sigma(\{X_k\}_{k \geq 1})$$

so \mathcal{T} and \mathcal{T} are independent. □

Corollary. If Y is a random variable with $\sigma(Y) \subset \mathcal{T}$ then $\exists c \in [-\infty, \infty]$ such that $\mathbb{P}(Y = c) = 1$.

Proof. Let $x = \sup\{y : \mathbb{P}(Y \leq y) = 0\}$. For any $z > x$, $\mathbb{P}(Y \leq z) = 1$ since we are in the tail. So $\mathbb{P}(Y = x) = 1$. □

In our branching process example, then

$$\frac{Z_n}{(\mathbb{E}[B])^n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} W$$

where W is not a constant.

(1) Kolmogorov Extension Theorem

If $(X_n, n \geq 1)$ are iid random variables and

$$S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n \quad (S_n, n \geq 1)$$

with

$$M_n = \max\{S_i, 1 \leq i \leq n\} \quad (M_n, n \geq 1)$$

11.1. Integration and Expectation.

DIAGRAM

When looking at integration, let us start simple, by looking at constant functions. Say we have

$$f(\omega) = 7 \quad \forall \omega$$

Then we have

$$\{\omega : f(\omega) \in B\} = \begin{cases} \emptyset & B \neq 7 \\ \Omega & B = 7 \end{cases}$$

So we have

$$\sigma(f) = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$$

We also have

$$\sigma(\mathbb{1}_E) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, E, E^c\}$$

Definition 16. Given a measure space (S, \mathcal{F}, μ) , for $E \in \mathcal{F}$ and a constant $c > 0$, let

$$\int c \mathbb{1}_E d\mu = c\mu(E)$$

More generally, given $E_1, \dots, E_k \in \mathcal{F}$ and $c_1, \dots, c_k > 0$, let

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mathbb{1}_{E_i} d\mu &= \sum_{i=1}^k \int c_i \mathbb{1}_{E_i} d\mu \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mu(E_i) \end{aligned}$$

where a linear combination of indicators

$$\sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mathbb{1}_{E_i}$$

is called a simple function. We allow sets of size infinity, so according to this, we make it convention that $0 \cdot \infty = 0$.

Exercise: If

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mathbb{1}_{E_i} = \sum_{j=1}^l b_j \mathbb{1}_{D_j} = g$$

then

$$\int f d\mu = \int g d\mu$$

i.e.

$$\sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mu(E_i) = \sum_{j=1}^l b_j \mu(D_j)$$

We show this by writing

$$E_i = E_i \cap \left(\bigcup_{j=1}^l D_j \right)$$

Prop. If f, g are simple functions, then

(1) If $\mu(f \neq g) = 0$ then

$$\int f d\mu = \int g d\mu$$

(2) If $c \geq 0$, then

$$\int (cf + g) d\mu = c \int f d\mu + \int g d\mu$$

This can also be written as $\mu(cf + g)$

(3) If $f \leq g$, then

$$\int f d\mu \leq \int g d\mu$$

(4) $f \vee g$, and $f \wedge g$ are again simple.

$$f \vee g = \max\{f, g\}$$

$$f \wedge g = \min\{f, g\}$$

Definition 17. If $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is non-negative and measurable then let

$$\int f d\mu = \sup \left\{ \int g d\mu, g \text{ simple}, g \leq f \right\}$$

We note that we could take functions g such that $\mu(g > f) = 0$ instead.

Theorem 14 (Monotone Convergence Theorem). If f_n, f are non-negative measurable functions and $f_n \uparrow f$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$$

Lemma: For each function, we will have a change of increasing simple functions. We have $f_1, f_2, \dots, f_n, f_{n+1}, \dots, f$. and $f_n^{(1)}, f_n^{(2)}, \dots, f_n^{(k)}, \dots, f_n$ to approximate f_n .

Lemma (1). If $(a_n^{(k)})_{n,k \geq 1}$ is increasing in n and in k , then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{(k)}}_{a_n^{(\infty)}} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{(k)}}_{a_\infty^{(k)}}$$

Fix an n .

$$\begin{array}{ccc} \dots & a_n^{(k)} & \dots & a_n^{(\infty)} \\ & a_{n+1}^{(k)} & & \\ & \vdots & & \\ & a_\infty^{(k)} & & \end{array}$$

For each k , all n , $a_\infty^{(k)} \geq a_n^{(k)}$, so

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \underbrace{a_\infty^{(k)}}_{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{(k)}} \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} a_n^{(k)}$$

By symmetry the reverse inequality holds and this completes the proof.

Lemma (2). If $E \in \mathcal{F}$, f_n are simple functions, and $f_n \uparrow \mathbf{1}_E$, then

$$\int f_n d\mu \uparrow \int \mathbf{1}_E d\mu = \mu(E)$$

Proof. \Leftarrow is proven by property (iii).

Now fix $\varepsilon > 0$ and let $E_n = \mathbf{1}\{f_n > 1 - \varepsilon\}$. Since $f_n \uparrow f$, $E_n \uparrow E$. Then

$$f_n \geq (1 - \varepsilon)\mathbf{1}_{E_n}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\mu &\geq (1 - \varepsilon) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbf{1}_{E_n} d\mu \\ &= (1 - \varepsilon) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mu(E_n) \\ &= (1 - \varepsilon)\mu(E) \end{aligned}$$

$\varepsilon > 0$ was arbitrary so we are done. □

Lemma (3). *If g is a simple function, and $f_n \uparrow g$, then*

$$\int f_n \, d\mu \uparrow \int g \, d\mu$$

Proof. Write

$$g = \sum_{i=1}^k c_i \mathbb{1}_{E_i}, \quad E_1, \dots, E_k \text{ disjoint} \quad \bigcup_{i=1}^k E_i = S$$

Then

$$f_n = \sum_{i=1}^n f_n \cdot \mathbb{1}_{E_i}$$

so

$$\int f_n \, d\mu = \sum_{i=1}^k \int f_n \mathbb{1}_{E_i} \, d\mu$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^k \int f_n \mathbb{1}_{E_i} \, d\mu \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \mathbb{1}_{E_i} \, d\mu \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^k \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} c_i \underbrace{\int \frac{1}{c_i} f_n \mathbb{1}_{E_i} \, d\mu}_{\text{simple } \uparrow \mathbb{1}_{E_i}} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} c_i \mu(E_i) \quad \text{by Lemma 2} \\ &= \int g \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$

□

Lemma (4). *If $f \geq 0$ is measurable, f_n, g_n are simple, and $f_n \uparrow f, g_n \uparrow f$, then*

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

Proof. Let $h_n^{(k)} = \min(f_n, g_k)$. We know that $h_n^{(k)}$ is simple and increasing in n and in k .

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} = g_k$$

so by Lemma 3,

$$\int g_k \, d\mu = \int \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu$$

Similarly,

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} = f_n$$

so

$$\int f_n \, d\mu = \int \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu$$

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int g_k \, d\mu &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu \quad \text{by Lemma 1} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} h_n^{(k)} \, d\mu \quad \text{by Lemma 3} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\mu$$

□

Lemma (5). If f_n are simple and $f_n \uparrow f$, where f is measurable, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$$

\Leftarrow is obvious

\Rightarrow Pick a sequence g_n of simple functions such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$$

Let $h_n = \max(g_1, \dots, g_n, f_1, \dots, f_n) \geq g_n$ but it is also still $\leq f$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n d\mu \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n d\mu$$

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12.1. **Assignment Stuff.** Question 2.16

$$\mathcal{F}_3 = \sigma(\{\omega_1 = 1\}, \{\omega_2 = 1\}, \{\omega_3 = 1\})$$

If we have disjoint cylinders

$$A_1, \dots, A_r$$

then

$$\mathbb{P}(A_1 \cup \dots \cup A_r) = \sum_{i=1}^r \frac{1}{2^{\text{rank}(A_i)}}$$

$$\bigcup \mathcal{F}_i = \sigma(\text{cylinders of rank } i)$$

which ends up being

$$\sigma\left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} \sigma(\{\omega_1 = 1\}, \dots, \{\omega_i = 1\})\right)$$

2.11: σ -algebras are never countable.

Observation: If a σ -algebra \mathcal{F} contains an infinite sequence, $(E_i, i \geq 1)$ of pairwise disjoint sets, then it is uncountable.

Proof. The uncountable set

$$\left\{ \bigcup_{i \in S} E_i : S \subset \mathbb{N} \right\} \subset \mathcal{F}$$

Suppose that \mathcal{F} is a countably infinite σ -algebra. For each $x \in \mathcal{F}$, let

$$E_x = \bigcap_{\substack{E \supset x \\ E \in \mathcal{F}}} E \in \mathcal{F}$$

Now we have that for $x, y \in \Omega$, E_x and E_y are either identical or pairwise disjoint. A good exercise is to show that if $\{E_x : x \in \Omega\}$ is finite, then \mathcal{F} is finite. If $\{E_x : x \in \Omega\}$ is ∞ , then \mathcal{F} is uncountable. □

2.10c: We look at

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$$

and

$$\mathcal{F}_2 = \{\text{sets that are countable or co-countable}\}$$

$$\stackrel{?}{=} \sigma(A_i, i \geq 1) \quad \text{WLOG all } A_i \text{ countable}$$

$$\subseteq \sigma\left(\{x\} : x \in \bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i\right)$$

$$= \{S : \text{either } S \subset \bigcup A_i \text{ or } S^c \subset \bigcup A_i\}$$

Now any countable set

$$B \subset \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} A_i \right)^c$$

is not in $\sigma(A_i, i \geq 1)$.

12.2. Monotone Convergence Theorem. If $f_n \geq 0$ are measurable and $f_n \uparrow f$ where f is also measurable, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

Lemma (5). If f_n are simple and $f_n \uparrow f$, where f is measurable, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

Proof. \Leftarrow is obvious

\Rightarrow We use the fact that

$$\int f \, d\mu = \sup \left\{ \int g \, d\mu : g \leq f, g \text{ simple} \right\}$$

Pick a sequence g_n of simple functions such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

Let $h_n = \max(g_1, \dots, g_n, f_1, \dots, f_n) \geq g_n$ but it is also still $\leq f$. Then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n \, d\mu \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu$$

We have that $h_n \uparrow f$ so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n \, d\mu$$

Finally, $h_n \leq f$ for all n , so

$$\int h_n \, d\mu \leq \int f \, d\mu$$

for all n , so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n \, d\mu \leq \int f \, d\mu$$

Also, $h_n \geq g_n$ for all n , so

$$\int h_n \, d\mu \geq \int g_n \, d\mu$$

for all n , so

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int h_n \, d\mu \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

□

12.3. Proof of Monotone Convergence Theorem.

Proof. Let $\alpha^{(k)} : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ be

$$\alpha^{(k)}(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x = 0 \\ \frac{i}{2^k} & \text{if } x = \left(\frac{i}{2^k}, \frac{i+1}{2^k} \right], i \leq k2^k \\ k & \text{if } x > k \end{cases}$$

For any measurable function $g \geq 0$, $\alpha^{(k)}(g)$ is simple and $\alpha^{(k)}(g) \uparrow g$ as $k \uparrow \infty$. We have $\alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \uparrow \alpha^{(k)}(f)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ and $\alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \uparrow f_n$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. So Lemma 3 says that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \, d\mu = \int \alpha^{(k)}(f) \, d\mu$$

and Lemma 5 says

$$\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int \alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \, d\mu = \int f_n \, d\mu$$

taking limits on both sides with respect to n , we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int \alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \, d\mu \\
&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \alpha^{(k)}(f_n) \, d\mu \quad \text{by Lemma 1} \\
&= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \int \alpha^{(k)}(f) \, d\mu \\
&= \int f \, d\mu \quad \text{by Lemma 5}
\end{aligned}$$

□

Definition 18. We say that measurable functions $f, g : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ are almost everywhere equal if

$$\mu(\{f \neq g\}) = 0$$

Exercise:

$$0 \underset{a.s.}{\leq} f_1 \underset{a.s.}{\leq} f_2 \underset{a.s.}{\leq} \dots \underset{a.s.}{\leq} f$$

and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \stackrel{a.e.}{=} f$$

then

$$\int f_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$$

12.4. Fatou's Lemma for Functions. If $f_n \geq 0$ are all measurable, then

$$\int \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \, d\mu \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu$$

Proof. Let

$$g_n = \inf_{m \geq n} f_m$$

So

$$\int \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \, d\mu = \int \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} g_n \, d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu$$

Now we use the fact that

$$\int \min(h_1, h_2) \, d\mu \leq \min\left(\int h_1 \, d\mu, \int h_2 \, d\mu\right)$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
\int \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \, d\mu &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int g_n \, d\mu \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int \inf_{m \geq n} f_m \, d\mu \\
&\leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \inf_{m \geq n} \int f_m \, d\mu \\
&= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu
\end{aligned}$$

□

12.5. Reverse Fatou. If $f_n \geq 0$ are measurable and $g \geq 0$ are measurable such that $f_n \leq g \, \forall n$, then

$$\int \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n \, d\mu \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n \, d\mu$$

Idea: Apply Fatou to $f'_n, n \geq 1$ where $f'_n = g - f_n$. Then use linearity of integration.

13.1. **General Integral and L^1 .** (S, \mathcal{S}, μ) , $f \geq 0$ with $\int f \, d\mu$ defined. For any function $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable, we have that

$$\int f^+ \, d\mu = \int f^- \, d\mu$$

are defined where

$$\begin{aligned} f^+ &= \max(f, 0) \\ f^- &= -\min(f, 0) \end{aligned}$$

This gives us

$$\begin{aligned} f &= f^+ - f^- \\ |f| &= f^+ + f^- \end{aligned}$$

We saw that $f \in L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, d\mu)$ or that f is integrable if

$$\int |f| \, d\mu = \int f^+ \, d\mu + \int f^- \, d\mu < \infty$$

In this case, we let

$$\int f \, d\mu = \int f^+ \, d\mu - \int f^- \, d\mu$$

Check:

- Well-defined
- Monotone
- Linear
- Etc...

Let us check linearity. If we have $f, g \in L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$, and

$$\int (cf + g) \, d\mu = \int (cf + g)^+ \, d\mu + \int (cf + g)^- \, d\mu$$

Let $E = \{cf + g \geq 0\}$ so we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int (cf + g) \, d\mu &= \int (cf + g) \mathbf{1}_E \, d\mu - \int -(cf + g) \mathbf{1}_{E^c} \, d\mu \\ &= c \int f \, d\mu + \int g \, d\mu \end{aligned}$$

The two integrals actually end up expanding into 8 integrals and combine back to get to the final line.

Basic Question: Given functions f_n, f , when does

$$\int f_n \, d\mu \rightarrow \int f \, d\mu ?$$

(Usually we ask this when $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$)

Observation: $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$ does not imply $\int f_n \, d\mu = \int f \, d\mu$

Example 17. $(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}), Leb)$

Take

$$f_n = \frac{1}{n} \mathbf{1}_{[-n, n]}$$

and take $f \equiv 0$. Then we have $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$ But

$$\int f_n \, d\mu = 2$$

for all n , but

$$\int f \, d\mu = 0$$

13.2. Dominated Convergence Theorem. If $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$ and $\exists g \in L^1$ such that $|f_n| \leq g$ for all n then

$$\int |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$$

as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Note:

$$\int f_n d\mu - \int f d\mu = \int (f_n - f) d\mu \leq \int |f_n - f| d\mu$$

which implies if

$$\int |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$$

then

$$\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$$

Exercise: If $\int |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$, then $\int |f_n| d\mu \rightarrow \int |f| d\mu$.

Definition 19. For measurable functions f_n, f , we say $f_n \rightarrow f$ in $L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$, or $f_n \xrightarrow{L^1} f$ if

$$\int |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$$

Proof of Dominated Convergence Theorem. Apply Reverse Fatou's Lemma to

$$\int |f_n - f| d\mu$$

Note that

$$|f_n - f| \leq |f_n| + |f| \leq \underbrace{|g| + |f|}_{\leq 2|g|} \in L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$$

So

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int |f_n - f| d\mu &\leq \int \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |f_n - f| d\mu \\ &= \int 0 d\mu \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

so we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int |f_n - f| d\mu = 0$$

□

Observation 2: Together, the two properties from the first observation, that is $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$ and $\int f_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$ implies

$$f_n \xrightarrow{L^1} f$$

Theorem 15 (Scheffé). If $f_n, f \in L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ and $f_n \xrightarrow{a.e.} f$, then

$$\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu \Leftrightarrow \int |f_n - f| d\mu \rightarrow 0$$

Proof. Need to prove only “ \Rightarrow ” as the other direction was shown above. So let us assume that $\int f_n d\mu \rightarrow \int f d\mu$. We want to show that

$$\int |f_n - f| d\mu = \int (f_n - f)^+ d\mu + \int (f_n - f)^- d\mu \rightarrow 0$$

We have that

$$(f_n - f)^- = -\min(f_n - f, 0) = \begin{cases} 0 & f_n \geq f \\ f - f_n & f_n < f \end{cases}$$

So if $f_n \geq 0$, then $(f_n - f)^- \leq f$. By dominated convergence theorem,

$$\int (f_n - f)^- d\mu \rightarrow \int 0 d\mu = 0$$

Also,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int (f_n - f)^+ d\mu &= \int (f_n - f) \mathbf{1}_{\{f_n \geq f\}} d\mu \\
&= \int (f_n - f) (1 - \mathbf{1}_{\{f_n < f\}}) d\mu \\
&= \int (f_n - f) d\mu - \int (f_n - f) \mathbf{1}_{\{f_n < f\}} d\mu \\
&= \int f_n d\mu - \int f d\mu + \int (f_n - f)^- d\mu
\end{aligned}$$

which goes to 0, so $f_n \xrightarrow{L^1} f$. □

13.3. Moving Bump. $(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}), Leb)$

Let us define a function

$$f_m = \underbrace{f_{2^n+k}}_{0 \leq k \leq 2^{n-1}} := \mathbf{1} \left\{ \frac{k}{2^n}, \frac{k+1}{2^n} \right\}$$

Let $f \equiv 0$. Then $f_n, f \in L^1(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}), Leb)$ that is they are all integrable.

$$\int |f_m - f| d\mu = \int |f_m| d\mu = \int f_m d\mu = \frac{1}{2^n} \leq \frac{2}{m} \rightarrow 0$$

when $m \in [2^n, 2^{n+1})$. Hence $f_m \xrightarrow{L^1} f$. But $\forall x \in [0, 1]$, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n(x) = 1$ so $f_n \not\xrightarrow{a.e.} f$.

13.4. Integrals Over Subsets. Recall: Given a measurable space (S, \mathcal{S}, μ) and $A \in \mathcal{S}$, we can define a new measure μ_A on (A, \mathcal{S}_A) where

$$\mathcal{S}_A = \{E \cap A : E \in \mathcal{S}\} = \{E \in \mathcal{S} : E \subseteq A\}$$

by

$$\mu_A(E) = \mu(E)$$

Check: μ_A is a measure on (A, \mathcal{S}_A) . Now, given $f \in L^1(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$, let

$$\int_A f d\mu = \int f \cdot \mathbf{1}_A d\mu$$

In particular, $\int_S f d\mu = \int f d\mu$. Defining $f_A : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by $f_A(x) = f(x)$, then we should have

$$\int_A f d\mu = \int f_A d\mu_A$$

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Proof. This is referred to as the *standard machine*.

(1) Indicator functions

If $f = \mathbf{1}_B$, then since $f_A : A \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f_A = \mathbf{1}_{A \cap B}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A f d\mu &= \int f \mathbf{1}_A d\mu \\
&= \int \mathbf{1}_{A \cap B} d\mu \\
&= \mu(A \cap B) \\
&= \mu_A(A \cap B) \\
&= \int \mathbf{1}_{A \cap B} d\mu_A
\end{aligned}$$

(2) Simple Functions

Suppose

$$f = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbf{1}_{B_i}$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A f \, d\mu &= \int \left(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbb{1}_{B_i} \right) \mathbb{1}_A \, d\mu \\
&= \int \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbb{1}_{A \cap B_i} \, d\mu \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \int \mathbb{1}_{A \cap B_i} \, d\mu \\
&= \sum_{i=1}^n c_i \int \mathbb{1}_{A \cap B_i} \, d\mu_A \\
&= \int \underbrace{\left(\sum_{i=1}^n c_i \mathbb{1}_{B_i} \right) \mathbb{1}_A}_{f_A} \, d\mu_A \\
&= \int f_A \, d\mu_A
\end{aligned}$$

One thing to be careful with is when we define the indicator, since $\omega \notin A$ means $\omega \in S \setminus A$, but with respect to $\mathbb{1}_{A \cap B}$ if $\omega \notin A \cap B$, we have a different S as our whole set. In this case, it is A .

- (3) $f \geq 0$ Let $f_n \geq 0$, $f_n \uparrow f$, f_n simple.

Then

$$f_n \mathbb{1}_A \uparrow f \mathbb{1}_A$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A f_n \, d\mu &\longrightarrow \int f \, d\mu \\
\parallel \\
\int f_{n,A} \, d\mu &\xrightarrow{f_{n,A} \uparrow f_A} \int f_A \, d\mu_A
\end{aligned}$$

- (4) $f \in L^1$, $f = f^+ - f^-$

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A f \, d\mu &= \int (f^+ - f^-) \mathbb{1}_A \, d\mu \\
&= \int_A f^+ \, d\mu - \int_A f^- \, d\mu \\
&= \int f_A^+ \, d\mu_A - \int f_A^- \, d\mu_A \\
&= \int f_A^+ - f_A^- \, d\mu_A \\
&= \int f_A \, d\mu_A
\end{aligned}$$

□

14.1. Change of Measure. (S, \mathcal{S}, μ) $f \geq 0$, $f \in L^1$

Then define a measure ν on (S, \mathcal{S}) by

$$\nu(E) = \int_E f \, d\mu$$

Bayesian Idea: Updating belief in light of evidence. Is this a measure though? Let us check that. We need that if $E_i, i \geq 1$ are disjoint, then

$$\nu \left(\bigcup_{i \geq 1} E_i \right) = \sum_{i \geq 1} \nu(E_i)$$

or equivalently, if $F_n \uparrow F$, then

$$\nu(F_n) \rightarrow \nu(F)$$

We have

$$f \mathbf{1}_{F_n} \rightarrow f \mathbf{1}_F$$

so monotone convergence theorem says that

$$\underbrace{\int_{E_n} f \, d\mu}_{=\nu(E_n)} \rightarrow \underbrace{\int_E f \, d\mu}_{=\nu(E)}$$

We write $f = \frac{d\nu}{d\mu}$ or $d\nu = f \, d\mu$, because

Prop. If $g \geq 0$, which is measurable then

$$\int g \, d\nu = \int g f \, d\mu$$

Proof. Standard machine again: If $g = \mathbf{1}_E$, then

$$\int g \, d\nu = \nu(E) = \int_E f \, d\mu = \int f \mathbf{1}_E \, d\mu = \int f g \, d\mu$$

We are only showing this for indicators then the remaining steps follow the same as before. \square

14.2. Expectation. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is a probability space. If $X \geq 0$ is a random variable or $X \in L^1(\mathbb{P})$, then let

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int X \, d\mathbb{P}$$

Example 18.

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{with prob. } \frac{1}{2} \end{cases}$$

that is $\exists E, \mathbb{P}(E) = \frac{1}{2}$ such that $X = \mathbf{1}_E$.

$$\mathbb{E}[X] = \int \mathbf{1}_E \, d\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{P}(E) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Theorem 16 (Bounded Convergence Theorem). $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$

If $X_n, n \geq 0$ is a sequence of random variables and $X_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} X$ where X is a random variable and $\exists K > 0$ such that $|X_n| < K$ for all n , then

$$\mathbb{E}[|X_n - X|] \rightarrow 0$$

This is just the Dominated Convergence Theorem where we take $g = K \mathbf{1}_\Omega$ and this works since we are in a space of finite measure.

14.3. Jensen's Inequality.

Theorem 17 (Jensen's Inequality). We have X is a random variable and $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is convex. If $X \in L^1(\mathbb{P})$ and $\varphi(X) \in L^1(\mathbb{P})$, then

$$\varphi(\mathbb{E}[X]) \leq \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)]$$

Proof. (Convex functions are continuous) Using this, we know that φ is a measurable function and so $\varphi(X)$ is a valid random variable.

Claim: $\forall x \in \mathbb{R}, \exists a, b$ such that $l(y) = ay + b$ satisfies $l(x) = \varphi(x)$ and $l(y) \leq \varphi(y) \, \forall y$.

Proof. Idea: φ has left and right derivatives at x and $\varphi'(x^-) \leq \varphi'(x^+)$. By convexity,

$$\varphi(x+h) - \varphi(x) \geq \varphi(x) - \varphi(x-h)$$

$(\varphi(x+h) - \varphi(x-h) \geq 2\varphi(x))$ so

$$\frac{\varphi(x+h) - \varphi(x)}{h} \geq \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(x-h)}{h}$$

The left-hand side is decreasing in h and the right-hand side is increasing in h .

$$\varphi'(x^+) = \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x+h) - \varphi(x)}{h} \quad \varphi'(x^-) = \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(x) - \varphi(x-h)}{h}$$

The same proof shows that $\forall c > 0$,

$$\varphi(x+c) - \phi(x) \geq c\varphi'(x^+)$$

and

$$\varphi(x) - \varphi(x-c) \leq c\varphi'(x^-)$$

□

Let a be any constant with $\varphi'(x^-) \leq a \leq \varphi'(x^+)$. Then we have

$$l(y) = ay + (\varphi(x) - ax)$$

This is the line passing through $(x, \varphi(x))$ with slope a . We can see this since

$$\frac{l(y) - \varphi(x)}{y - x} = a$$

We also have

$$l(x) = \varphi(x)$$

Now let $\varphi(\mathbb{E}[X]) = l(\mathbb{E}[X])$, with $l \leq f$ and l is of the form $l(x) = ax + b$. Then by linearity of expectation,

$$\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)] \geq \mathbb{E}[l(X)] = a\mathbb{E}[X] + b = l(\mathbb{E}[X]) = \varphi(\mathbb{E}[X])$$

□

Question: Where in the proof did I use that this is a probability space?

Theorem 18 (Markov's Inequality). *If $X \geq 0$ is a random variable with $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$. Then $\forall t > 0$,*

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X]}{t}$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X] &\geq \mathbb{E}[X \mathbf{1}_{X \geq t}] \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}[t \mathbf{1}_{X \geq t}] \\ &= t\mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}_{X \geq t}] \\ &= t\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary (1.). *If $\mathbb{E}[X^2]$ is finite then*

$$\mathbb{P}(|X - \mathbb{E}[X]| \geq t) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2]}{t^2}$$

Proof. Let $Y = (X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2$. Then

$$\mathbb{P}(|X - \mathbb{E}[X]| \geq t) = \mathbb{P}(Y \geq t^2) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2]}{t^2}$$

However we do not know that $\mathbb{E}[Y] < \infty$. Using the fact that

$$\mathbb{E}[X^2 - 2X\mathbb{E}[X] + (\mathbb{E}[X])^2] = \mathbb{E}[X^2] - (\mathbb{E}[X])^2$$

One more thing is missing though since we do not know that $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$.

□

Corollary (2.). *If $X \geq 0$ is a random variable and $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ is increasing and $\mathbb{E}[g(X)] < \infty$, then*

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq t) \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[g(X)]}{g(t)}$$

We can see this as an easy application of Markov's inequality to $g(X)$ as

$$X \geq t \Leftrightarrow g(X) \geq g(t)$$

Definition 20. For random variable X and $p \in [1, \infty)$, we write

$$\|X\|_p = (\mathbb{E}[|X|^p])^{1/p}$$

which is the L^p -norm. If $\|X\|_p < \infty$, we say that $X \in L^p(\mathbb{P})$

Definition 21. The essential supremum of X is

$$\text{esssup} X := \sup\{r : \mathbb{P}(X \geq r) > 0\}$$

Exercise: $\|X\|_\infty := \lim_{p \rightarrow \infty} \|X\|_p = \text{esssup}|X|$

Prop. If $1 \leq p \leq r$ then $\|X\|_p \leq \|X\|_r$.

Proof. Idea: Jensen: $\phi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ where $\phi(x) = x^{r/p}$

$$\begin{aligned} \|X\|_r &= \mathbb{E}[|X|^r]^{1/r} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\underbrace{(|X|^p)^{r/p}}_{\phi(|X|^p)}]^{1/r} \\ &\geq \phi(\mathbb{E}[|X|^p])^{1/r} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]^{\frac{r}{p} \cdot \frac{1}{r}} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]^{1/p} \\ &= \|X\|_p \end{aligned}$$

But there is a caveat since we are using the fact that $\mathbb{E}[|X|^p] < \infty$ in the proof. To deal with this, we truncate. We write

$$|X|^{\leq N} = |X| \cdot \mathbf{1}_{|X| \leq N}$$

Then $|X|^{\leq N}$ is bounded and $|X|^{\leq N} \uparrow |X|$. So

$$\|X\|_r \stackrel{MCT}{=} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \| |X|^{\leq N} \|_r \geq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \| |X|^{\leq N} \|_p \stackrel{MCT}{=} \|X\|_p$$

□

15.1. Bounding L^p -norm of X, Y given norm bound on X, Y .

Prop. If $X, Y \in L^1$ and $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ then $X \cdot Y \in L^1$ and $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y]$.

Proof. It suffices to prove it when $X, Y \geq 0$ since then

a. If $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ then $|X| \perp\!\!\!\perp |Y|$ so $\mathbb{E}[|XY|] < \infty$ and

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \quad \mathbb{E}[XY] &= \mathbb{E}[(X^+ - X^-)(Y^+ - Y^-)] \\ (2) \quad &= \mathbb{E}[X^+Y^+] - \mathbb{E}[X^+Y^-] - \mathbb{E}[X^-Y^+] + \mathbb{E}[X^-Y^-] \\ (3) \quad &= \mathbb{E}[X^+] \mathbb{E}[Y^+] - \mathbb{E}[X^+] \mathbb{E}[Y^-] - \mathbb{E}[X^-] \mathbb{E}[Y^+] + \mathbb{E}[X^-] \mathbb{E}[Y^-] \\ (4) \quad &= (\mathbb{E}[X^+] - \mathbb{E}[X^-])(\mathbb{E}[Y^+] - \mathbb{E}[Y^-]) \\ (5) \quad &= \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y] \end{aligned}$$

where all the expectations in 3 are finite since X^+, X^-, Y^+, Y^- are all random variables. Why is this true? $X^+ < |X|, X^- < |X|, Y^+ < |Y|$, and $Y^- < |Y|$.

b. Simple to Non-negative:

We let

$$X_k = \alpha^{(k)}(X)$$

$$Y_k = \alpha^{(k)}(Y)$$

so $X_k \perp\!\!\!\perp Y_k \forall k$ and $X_k \uparrow X, Y_k \uparrow Y, X_k Y_k \uparrow XY$, so

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[XY] &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[X_k Y_k] \\ &= \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[X_k] \mathbb{E}[Y_k] \\ &\stackrel{MCT}{=} \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y] \end{aligned}$$

c. Indicator to Simple:

This just done by linearity. It is done as in part a)

d. Indicators:

If $X = \mathbb{1}_A$ and $Y = \mathbb{1}_B$, then $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[XY] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{1}_A \mathbb{1}_B] \\ &= \mathbb{P}(A \cap B) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(A) \mathbb{P}(B) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y]\end{aligned}$$

□

The trick used in this proof is very important/useful! Should remember this for the exam!

Prop. If $X, Y \in L^2$, then $XY \in L^1$.

Proof. As before it suffices to prove when $X, Y \geq 0$. In this case,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[|XY|] &= \mathbb{E}[XY] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}[\max(X, Y)^2] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}[X^2 + Y^2] \\ &< \infty \quad \text{by assumption}\end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 19 (Hölder's Inequality). $p, q \geq 1, \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$.

If $\|X\|_p < \infty, \|Y\|_q < \infty$, then $\|XY\| < \infty$ and

$$\mathbb{E}[|XY|] \leq \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]^{1/p} \mathbb{E}[|Y|^q]^{1/q}$$

Lemma (Young's inequality). If $a, b > 0$ then

$$ab \leq \frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}$$

Proof. This says that

$$\log(ab) \leq \log\left(\frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}\right)$$

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By concavity,

$$\begin{aligned}\log\left(\frac{a^p}{p} + \frac{b^q}{q}\right) &\geq \frac{1}{p} \log(a^p) + \frac{1}{q} \log(b^q) \\ &= \log a + \log b \\ &= \log ab\end{aligned}$$

□

Proof of Hölder's Inequality.

Claim: We can assume that X and Y are non-negative.

Claim: We can assume $\mathbb{E}[|X|^p] = 1$ and $\mathbb{E}[|X|^q] = 1$.

To prove the second claim, let

$$X' = \frac{X}{\|X\|_p} \quad Y' = \frac{Y}{\|Y\|_q}$$

then $\|X'\|_p = 1 = \|Y'\|_q$, so

$$\frac{\mathbb{E}[|XY|]}{\|X\|_p \|Y\|_q} = \mathbb{E}[|X'Y'|] \leq \|X'\|_p \cdot \|Y'\|_q = 1$$

Finally, if $\mathbb{E}[|X|^p] = 1 = \mathbb{E}[|X|^q]$, then

$$XY \leq \frac{X^p}{p} + \frac{Y^q}{q}$$

and taking expectations, we get

$$\mathbb{E}[XY] \leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[X^p]}{p} + \frac{\mathbb{E}[Y^q]}{q}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} \\
&= 1 \\
&= \mathbb{E}[X^p]^{1/p} \mathbb{E}[Y^q]^{1/q}
\end{aligned}$$

□

Corollary (Cauchy-Schwarz). *If $X, Y \in L^2$ then*

$$\mathbb{E}[|XY|] \leq (\mathbb{E}[X^2])^{1/2} (\mathbb{E}[Y^2])^{1/2} < \infty$$

Definition 22. *If $X, Y \in L^2(\mathbb{P})$, then the covariance between X and Y is*

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{Cov}(X, Y) &= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])(Y - \mathbb{E}[Y])] \\
&= \mathbb{E}[XY] - \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y]
\end{aligned}$$

If $\text{Cov}(X, Y) = 0$, we say X, Y are uncorrelated.

Exercise: Find an example where X, Y are uncorrelated but not independent.

15.2. Computations with Random Variables. Let N be a $\text{Normal}(0, 1)$ variable, so

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}(N \leq x) &= F_N(x) \\
&= \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-t^2/2} dt \\
&=: \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{(-\infty, x]} e^{-t^2/2} d\text{Leb}
\end{aligned}$$

Then N has density

$$f_N(t) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2}$$

with respect to Lebesgue measure.

From basic undergraduate probability,

$$\mathbb{E}[N^2] = \int x^2 f_N(x) dx$$

Prop (1). (S, \mathcal{S}, μ)

Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable. Let $\nu = \mu(f)$.

$$\nu(E) = \int_E f d\mu$$

Then

$$h \in L^1(\nu) \Leftrightarrow h \cdot f \in L^1(\mu)$$

and in this case

$$\int h d\nu = \int h \cdot f d\mu$$

Prop (2). Let X be a random variable with law Λ . Let $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be measurable. Then

$$\int h(x) d\mathbb{P} = \mathbb{E}[|h(X)|] < \infty \Leftrightarrow \int |h| d\Lambda < \infty$$

and in this case

$$\mathbb{E}[h(X)] = \int h d\Lambda$$

Corollary. If X has density f , then for any $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable,

$$\mathbb{E}[|h(X)|] < \infty \Leftrightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} |h(x)f(x)| dx < \infty$$

and in this case

$$\mathbb{E}[h(X)] = \int_{\mathbb{R}} h(x)f(x) dx$$

16.1. Chebyshev for Sums.

Theorem 20 (Chebyshev for sums). *If $Z \in L^2(\mathbb{P})$, then $\mathbb{P}(|Z - \mathbb{E}[Z]| \geq t) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(Z)}{t^2}$. Now suppose $Z = X_1 + \dots + X_n$ where X_1, \dots, X_n are pairwise independent with $\mathbb{E}[X_i] = 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_i^2] = 1$. Then Chebyshev tells us that*

$$\mathbb{P}(|Z| \geq t) \leq \frac{\text{Var}(Z)}{t^2}$$

We have that

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(Z) &= \mathbb{E} \left[\left(\sum_{i=1}^n X_i \right)^2 \right] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i X_j] \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \mathbb{E}[X_i^2] \\ &= n \end{aligned}$$

So

$$\mathbb{P}(|Z| \geq t) \leq \frac{n}{t^2}$$

16.2. Weak Law of Large Numbers for Finite Variance.

Theorem 21 (WLLN for finite variance). *If $X_i, i \geq 1$ are pairwise independent with $\mathbb{E}[X_i] = \mu$ for all i and $\sup_{i \geq 1} \text{Var}(X_i) = K < \infty$, then for all $\varepsilon > 0$,*

$$\mathbb{P} \left(\left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right| > \varepsilon \right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

where $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$.

Proof. By replacing X_i by $X_i - \mu$, we can assume $\mu = 0$. We use the same argument as Chebyshev for sums. This gives us

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P} \left(\left| \frac{S_n}{n} \right| > \varepsilon \right) &= \mathbb{P}(|S_n| > \varepsilon n) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\mathbb{E}[X_i^2]}{\varepsilon^2 n^2} \\ &\leq \frac{Kn}{\varepsilon^2 n^2} \\ &= \frac{(K/\varepsilon)^2}{n} \\ &\rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty \end{aligned}$$

□

16.3. Weierstrass approximation.

Let $\mathcal{C}([0, 1]) = \{\text{continuous functions } f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}\}$. For $f, g \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1])$, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \|f - g\| &= \|f - g\|_\infty \\ &= \text{esssup}(f - g) \\ &= \sup_{x \in [0, 1]} |f(x) - g(x)| \end{aligned}$$

Prop. *For any $f \in \mathcal{C}([0, 1])$ and $\varepsilon > 0$, \exists a polynomial $p : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\|f - p\| \leq \varepsilon$.*

Proof. For $0 \leq p \leq 1$, let X_1, \dots, X_n be Bernoulli(p) and let $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i = \text{Bin}(n, p)$. Now let $B_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$,

$$B_n(x) = \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \binom{n}{k} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}$$

In other words, $B_n(p) = \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right)\right]$.

Intuition: $\mathbb{E}[S_n] = np$ and by the WLLN, we have that for any $\delta > 0$, for n large,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - p\right| > \delta\right)$$

is small.

To make this rigorous, note:

$$|B_n(p) - f(p)| = \left| \mathbb{E}\left[f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right] \right|$$

Let E_n be an event such that

$$E_n = \left\{ \left| \frac{S_n}{n} - p \right| < \delta \right\}$$

where δ is chosen such that for $|x - y| < \delta$,

$$|f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

so now we have

$$\begin{aligned} |B_n(p) - f(p)| &= \left| \mathbb{E}\left[\left(f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right) \mathbf{1}_{E_n}\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[\left(f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right) \mathbf{1}_{E_n^c}\right] \right| \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}\left[\left|f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right| \mathbf{1}_{E_n}\right] + \mathbb{E}\left[\left|f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right| \mathbf{1}_{E_n^c}\right] \\ &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \mathbb{P}(E_n) + \mathbb{E}\left[\left|f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right| \mathbf{1}_{E_n^c}\right] \end{aligned}$$

We will use the fact that

$$\begin{aligned} \left|f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right) - f(p)\right| &\leq \left|f\left(\frac{S_n}{n}\right)\right| + |f(p)| \\ &\leq 2\|f\|_\infty \end{aligned}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned} |B_n(p) - f(p)| &\leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + 2\|f\|_\infty \mathbb{P}(E_n^c) \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + 2\|f\|_\infty \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - p\right| \geq \delta\right) \end{aligned}$$

For n large enough, $\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - p\right| \geq \delta\right) < \frac{\varepsilon}{4\|f\|_\infty}$, so $|B_n(p) - f(p)| < \varepsilon$. Since p was arbitrary (as this was uniformly continuous), we are done. \square

Theorem 22 (Weak Law of Large Numbers). *If $X_i, i \geq 1$ are pairwise independent and identically distributed with $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$ then $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,*

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| > \varepsilon\right) \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

Proof. Fix $N > 0$ and let $X_i^{\leq N} = X_i \mathbf{1}_{|X_i| \leq N}$ and $X_i^{> N} = X_i \mathbf{1}_{|X_i| > N}$. Now let us define

$$S_n^{\leq N} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^{\leq N} \quad S_n^{> N} = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^{> N}$$

Write

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{\leq N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{S_n^{\leq N}}{n}\right]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) + \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{> N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{S_n^{> N}}{n}\right]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$$

$$= \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{\leq N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq N}]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) + \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{> N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{> N}]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$$

Fact: If X is a random variable and $a \leq X \leq b$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Var}(X) &= \mathbb{E}[(X - \mathbb{E}[X])^2] \\ &\leq \mathbb{E}[(b - a)^2] \\ &= (b - a)^2\end{aligned}$$

Exercise: In fact, $\text{Var}(X) \leq \frac{(b - a)^2}{4}$.

By the exercise, $\text{Var}(X_1^{\leq N}) \leq N^2$, so

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{\leq N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq N}]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) &= \mathbb{P}\left(|S_n^{\leq N} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{\leq N}]| > \frac{\varepsilon n}{2}\right) \\ &\leq \frac{N^2 n}{(\varepsilon n/2)^2} \\ &= \left(\frac{4N^2}{\varepsilon^2}\right) \frac{1}{n}\end{aligned}$$

and this tends to 0 as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Note: $|X_1^{\leq N}| \uparrow |X_1|$ as $N \rightarrow \infty$, so by Monotone Convergence Theorem,

$$\mathbb{E}[|X_1^{\leq N}|] \rightarrow \mathbb{E}[|X_1|]$$

But $|X_1| = |X_1^{\leq N}| + |X_1^{> N}|$.

$$\mathbb{E}[|X_1^{> N}|] \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } N \rightarrow \infty$$

We take N large enough so that $\mathbb{E}[X_1^{> N}] < \frac{\varepsilon^2}{8}$. So this gives us that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{\leq N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq N}]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

for $n > \frac{8N^2}{\varepsilon^3}$.

To complete the proof, we now show

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n^{> N}}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{> N}]\right| \geq \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$$

This expression can be written as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}\left(|S_n^{> N} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{> N}]| \geq \frac{\varepsilon n}{2}\right) &\leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[|S_n^{> N} - \mathbb{E}[S_n^{> N}]|]}{\varepsilon n/2} \\ &\leq \frac{\mathbb{E}[|S_n^{> N}|] + |\mathbb{E}[S_n^{> N}]|}{\varepsilon n/2} \\ &\leq \frac{(4/\varepsilon)}{n} \mathbb{E}\left[\underbrace{|S_n^{> N}|}_{\leq |X_1^{> N}| + \dots + |X_N^{> N}|}\right] \\ &\leq \frac{(4/\varepsilon)}{n} n \mathbb{E}[|X_1^{> N}|] \\ &< \left(\frac{4}{\varepsilon}\right) \left(\frac{\varepsilon^2}{8}\right) \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\end{aligned}$$

We showed that for all $\varepsilon > 0$ and all n sufficiently large, then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| > \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right) < \varepsilon$$

□

$X_i, i \geq 1$ i.i.d., $\mathbb{E}[X_i] < \infty$, $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$.

WLLN: $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| \geq \varepsilon\right) = 0$$

SLLN:

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} \text{ exists, equals } \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) = 1$$

which is equivalent to

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\forall \varepsilon > 0, \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \varepsilon, \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] - \varepsilon\right) = 1$$

Note that we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \varepsilon\right) \geq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \varepsilon\right)$$

and

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] - \varepsilon\right) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] - \varepsilon\right)$$

which means that $\text{SLLN} \Rightarrow \text{WLLN}$.

Steps:

- (1) Assume $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = 0$
- (2) Claim: It suffices to prove when $X_1 \geq 0$. Suppose we know the SLLN in the case $X_1 \geq 0$. For general X_1 , write $X_i = X_i^+ - X_i^-$. Then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^+}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1^+]\right) = 1 = \mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^-}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1^-]\right)$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} S_n^+ &= X_1^+ + \dots + X_n^+ \\ S_n^- &= X_1^- + \dots + X_n^- \end{aligned}$$

If

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^+}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1^+] \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^-}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1^-]$$

then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{S_n^+}{n} - \frac{S_n^-}{n}\right) = \mathbb{E}[X_1^+] - \mathbb{E}[X_1^-] = \mathbb{E}[X_1]$$

so

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) \geq \mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^+}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1], \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n^-}{n} = \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) = 1$$

- (3) Reduce the number of “times” n at which we must sample S_n .

Definition 23. A sequence $n_i, i \geq 1$ is lacunary if $\exists c > 1$ such that for all i sufficiently large, $n_{i+1} \geq cn_i$.

Theorem 23 (Lacunary SLLN). If $X_i \geq 0$, $\mathbb{E}[X_i] < \infty$, then for any lacunary sequence $n_i, i \geq 1$,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} = \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) = 1$$

Proof of “non-negative SLLN” from Lacunary SLLN. It suffices to prove that $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \varepsilon\right) = 1 = \mathbb{P}\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] - \varepsilon\right)$$

Since then we would have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\bigcap_{k \geq 1} \left\{\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] + \frac{1}{k}\right\} \cap \left\{\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] - \frac{1}{k}\right\}\right) = 1$$

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Let us fix ε . Let $n_i = (1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3})^i$. If

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} \geq \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 + \varepsilon)$$

then $\exists i_k, k \geq 1$ such that $\forall k \geq 1$, for some $n \in [n_{i_k}, n_{i_k+1}]$,

$$\frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 + \varepsilon)$$

Then

$$\frac{S_{n_{i_k+1}}}{n_{i_k+1}} \geq \frac{S_n}{n_{i_k+1}} \geq \frac{S_n}{n (1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3})} \geq \mathbb{E}[X_1] \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3})} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$$

so

$$\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} \geq \mathbb{E}[X_1] \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$$

It follows that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{i \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)\right) \geq \mathbb{P}\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} > \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 + \varepsilon)\right)$$

The left-hand side is zero based on lacunary SLLN.

Similarly, if

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 - \varepsilon)$$

then let $i_k, k \geq 1$ be such that for all $k, \exists n \in [n_{i_k}, n_{i_k+1})$ for which $\frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 - \varepsilon)$. Then

$$\frac{S_{n_{i_k}}}{n_{i_k}} \leq \frac{S_n}{n_{i_k}} \leq \frac{S_n}{n} \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}\right) < \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 - \varepsilon) \left(1 + \frac{\varepsilon}{3}\right) < \mathbb{E}[X_1] \left(1 - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}\right)$$

so

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_n}{n} < \mathbb{E}[X_1] (1 - \varepsilon)\right) = 0$$

□

Now all that we have that's left to prove is the lacunary SLLN. Fix a lacunary sequence $(n_i, i \geq 1)$ such that $n_{i+1} > cn_i$ for i sufficiently large. It suffices to prove that $\forall \varepsilon > 0$,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| > \varepsilon \text{ i.o.}\right) = 0$$

We will show that

$$\sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| > \varepsilon\right) < \infty$$

Then the result follows by Borel-Cantelli. Since we are looking at summability of the series, we may start the sum at i_0 , where i_0 is chosen such that $n_{i+1} \geq cn_i$ for $i \geq i_0$. Write

$$S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} X_j^{\leq n_i} = \sum_{j=1}^{n_i} X_j \mathbf{1}_{|X_j| \leq n_i}$$

and

$$S_n^{> n_i} = S_{n_i} - S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}$$

Then we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i}\right| > 2\varepsilon\right) \leq \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| > \varepsilon\right) + \mathbb{P}(S_{n_i} \neq S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i})$$

for i large enough that $|\mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}] - \mathbb{E}[X_1]| < \varepsilon$. This is because if

$$\left|\frac{S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| \leq \varepsilon$$

and $S_{n_i} = S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}$ then

$$\left|\frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| \leq \varepsilon$$

so

$$\left|\frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right| \leq 2\varepsilon$$

First:

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| > \varepsilon\right) &= \mathbb{P}\left(|S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i} - n_i \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]| > \varepsilon n_i\right) \\
&\leq \frac{\text{Var}(S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i})}{(\varepsilon n_i)^2} \\
&\leq \frac{n_i \mathbb{E}[(X_1^{\leq n_i})^2]}{(\varepsilon n_i)^2} \\
&= \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_1^{\leq n_i})^2]}{\varepsilon^2 n_i}
\end{aligned}$$

Now this bound does not look very good but it'll end up working well! Now let us bound the second term.

Second:

$$\mathbb{P}(S_{n_i} \neq S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}) \leq n_i \mathbb{P}(X_1 \geq n_i)$$

In the end what we want to do is sum these bounds so show that the sum of our probabilities is finite. Let $J = \min\{i : n_i \geq X_1\}$.

Summing the first bound, we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| > \varepsilon\right) &= \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} \frac{(X_1^{\leq n_i})^2}{n_i}\right] \\
&= \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=\max(i_0, J)}^{\infty} \frac{X_1^2}{n_i}\right]
\end{aligned}$$

But $X_1 \leq n_J$, so $X_1^2 \leq n_J X_1$, and so

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} \mathbb{P}\left(\left|\frac{S_{n_i}^{\leq n_i}}{n_i} - \mathbb{E}[X_1^{\leq n_i}]\right| > \varepsilon\right) &\leq \mathbb{E}\left[\sum_{i=\max(i_0, J)}^{\infty} \underbrace{\frac{n_J}{n_i}}_{\frac{1}{1-c}} X_1\right] \\
&\leq \frac{1}{1-c} \mathbb{E}[X_1] \\
&< \infty
\end{aligned}$$

18. NOVEMBER 13TH, 2012

Recall: Lacunary SLLN: $S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$, X_i iid $\in L^1(\mathbb{P})$, $n_i, i \geq 1$ such that $n_{i+1} \geq c n_i$ for all $i \geq i_0$, some $c > 1$, then

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{S_{n_i}}{n_i} = \mathbb{E}[X_1]\right) = 1$$

We had reduced the proof to showing two sums were finite.

$$\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} \frac{\mathbb{E}[(X_i^{\leq n_i})^\alpha]}{n_i}$$

and

$$\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} n_i \mathbb{P}(X_i > n_i)$$

We had that $J = \min\{i : X_i \geq X_1\}$ We have since the sequence is iid, the second sum is

$$\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} n_i \mathbb{P}(X_1 \geq n_i) = \sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} n_i \mathbb{E}[\mathbf{1}_{\{X_1 \geq n_i\}}]$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} n_i \mathbb{1}_{\{X_1 > n_i\}} \right] \\
&= \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{i=i_0}^{J-1} n_i \right]
\end{aligned}$$

We have

$$n_{J-1-k} \leq \frac{n_{J-1}}{c^k} \leq \frac{X_1}{c^k}$$

and so

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{i=i_0}^{\infty} n_i \mathbb{P}(X_1 \geq n_i) &\leq \mathbb{E} \left[X_1 \sum_{k=0}^{J-1-i_0} \frac{1}{c^k} \right] \\
&= \frac{1}{c-1} \mathbb{E}[X_1] \\
&< \infty
\end{aligned}$$

18.1. Product Spaces. Let X, Y be independent $\mathcal{U}[0, 1]$ random variables.

- What is $\mathbb{E}[XY]$?

By independence, this is $\mathbb{E}[XY] = \mathbb{E}[X] \mathbb{E}[Y] = \frac{1}{4}$

- What is $\mathbb{E}[e^{X+Y}]$?

We can rewrite this as $\mathbb{E}[e^X e^Y] = \mathbb{E}[e^X] \mathbb{E}[e^Y] = (\mathbb{E}[e^X])^2$. We integrate this to give us

$$\left(\int_0^1 e^x dx \right)^2 = (e-1)^2$$

- What is $\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}]$?

We will do this in two steps, holding X a constant first, then Y as a constant.

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}] &= \mathbb{E} \left[\int_0^1 e^{Xy} dy \right] \\
&= \int_0^1 \int_0^1 e^{xy} dy dx \\
&= \int_0^1 \frac{e^x - 1}{x} dx \\
&= \int_0^1 \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{x^{i-1}}{i!} dx \\
&= \sum_{i \geq 1} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{i-1}}{i!} dx \\
&= \sum_{i \geq 1} \frac{1}{i \cdot i!}
\end{aligned}$$

Questions:

- What is a multiple integral?
- What is a joint density function?
- Writing $Z = (X, Y)$, do we have

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}] = \int_{[0,1]^2} f d\text{Leb}([0,1]^2)$$

where $f : [0, 1]^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $f(x, y) = e^{xy}$.

18.2. Product σ -algebras. Given measurable spaces $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i)$, $i \in I$, form the product

$$\begin{aligned}
\Omega_I &= \prod_{i \in I} \Omega_i \\
&= \{(\omega_i, i \in I) : \omega_i \in \Omega_i \forall i \in I\}
\end{aligned}$$

Example 19.

$$\Omega_i = \{0, 1\}, \quad I = \mathbb{N}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \sigma\{\mathbb{1}_{\{\omega_i=1\}}, i \in \mathbb{N}\}$$

For $i \in I$, let

$$\rho_i : \Omega_I \rightarrow \Omega_i$$

$$(\omega_j, j \in I) \mapsto \omega_i$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F}_I = \sigma(\rho_i, i \in I)$$

To get a feel for this, what is $\sigma(\rho_i)$? For $E_i \in \mathcal{F}_i$, then

$$\rho_i^{-1}(E_i) = \{\omega : \omega_i \in E_i\} = E_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} \Omega_j$$

so $\sigma(\rho_i) = \left\{ E_i \times \prod_{j \neq i} \Omega_j \right\}$ and \mathcal{F}_I contains this. If $I = \{1, 2\}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathcal{F}_I &= \sigma(\{A \times \Omega_2 : A \in \mathcal{F}_1\} \cup \{\Omega_1 \times B : B \in \mathcal{F}_2\}) \\ &= \sigma(\underbrace{\{A \times B : A \in \mathcal{F}_1, B \in \mathcal{F}_2\}}_{\text{Rectangles}}) \end{aligned}$$

These are called rectangles and they form a π -system. In general, if I is countable, then

$$\mathcal{F}_I = \sigma\left(\left\{\prod_{i \in I} A_i : A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i\right\}\right)$$

If I is uncountable, then

$$\mathcal{F}_I = \sigma\left(\left\{\prod_{i \in S} A_i \times \prod_{i \in I \setminus S} \Omega_i : A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i, S \subset I, S \text{ countable}\right\}\right)$$

Alternatively, for $S \subset I$, let

$$\mathcal{F}_I^S = \left\{ E \times \prod_{i \in I \setminus S} \Omega_i, E \in \mathcal{F}_S \right\}$$

Example 20. If $I = \{1, 2, 3\}$ and $S = \{1, 2\}$ with $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$, then

$$\mathcal{F}_S = (\mathbb{R}^2, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^2))$$

so in particular, we could take

$$E = \{x : |x| < 1\}$$

For any S countable, \mathcal{F}_I^S is a σ -algebra and

$$\mathcal{F}_I = \bigcup_{\substack{S \subset I \\ S \text{ countable}}} \mathcal{F}_I^S$$

We have that

$$\mathcal{F}_I \supset \bigcup_{\substack{S \subset I \\ S \text{ countable}}} \mathcal{F}_I^S$$

is easy by the definition, and

$$\mathcal{F}_I \subset \bigcup_{\substack{S \subset I \\ S \text{ countable}}} \mathcal{F}_I^S$$

is true if we can show the right-hand side is a σ -algebra.

In summary, $\Omega_I = \prod_{i \in I} \Omega_i$.

- If I is countable, then \mathcal{F}_I is generated by rectangles
- If I is uncountable, then \mathcal{F}_I is generated by “countable cylinders”, and in particular only ever restricts countably many coordinates.

Let us consider $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1)$ and $(\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ and form the product space $\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$. It is common convention to write $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$, but this is an abuse of notation since it is really the σ -algebra generated by the product. However, we refer to this as the product σ -algebra.

For a measurable function, $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, and any $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1$, $\omega_2 \in \Omega_2$, let $f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} : \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which sends $\omega_2 \rightarrow f(\omega_1, \omega_2)$ and let $f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)} : \Omega_1 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ which sends $\omega_1 \rightarrow f(\omega_1, \omega_2)$.

Prop. For all $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1$, $\omega_2 \in \Omega_2$, $f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}$ is \mathcal{F}_2 -measurable and $f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)}$ is \mathcal{F}_1 -measurable.

Proof. Write $f = f^+ - f^-$. Then $(f^+)_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = (f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)})^+$ and $(f^-)_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = (f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)})^-$. So it suffices to prove the proposition for non-negative functions. However going down to simple functions and then indicators is not as trivial as we would like it to be for the standard machine.

Instead, for $f \geq 0$, we have that $f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f \wedge n$ (min) and

$$f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} \wedge n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f \wedge n)_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}$$

so it suffices to prove the proposition for bounded random variables. To prove this for bounded functions, we use the Monotone Class Theorem

Theorem 24 (Monotone Class Theorem). Suppose we have a measurable space (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , and $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{F}$ a π -system, $\sigma(\mathcal{P}) = \mathcal{F}$. Let H be a collection of measurable functions $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. If

- (1) $\mathbb{1}_E \in H$ for $E \in \mathcal{P}$.
- (2) If $f, g \in H$, then $cf + g \in H$.
- (3) If $f_n \in H$, $f_n \uparrow f$, $f_n \geq 0$ (and f bounded), then $f \in H$.

then H contains all non-negative (bounded) measurable functions $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Assuming the Monotone Class Theorem, take

$$H = \{f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} : \forall \omega_1 \in \Omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega_2, f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} \text{ and } f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)} \text{ are measurable}\}$$

where

$$\mathcal{P} = \{A \times B : A \in \mathcal{F}_1, B \in \mathcal{F}_2\}$$

that is \mathcal{P} is the set of rectangles.

- (1) If $f = \mathbb{1}_{A \times B}$, then

$$f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{1}_B & \text{if } \omega_1 \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } \omega_1 \notin A \end{cases}$$

so $f \in H$. The same thing holds for $f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)}$.

- (2) If $f, g \in H$, then $(cf + g)_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = cf_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} + g_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}$ is \mathcal{F}_2 -measurable and similarly, $(cf + g)_{(\bullet, \omega_2)}$ is \mathcal{F}_1 -measurable, so $cf + g \in H$.
- (3) Suppose $f_n \uparrow f$, $f_n \in H$, then $(f_n)_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} \uparrow f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}$ so $f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}$ is measurable. Likewise, $f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)}$ is measurable, so $f \in H$.

The monotone class theorem completes the proposition. \square

19. NOVEMBER 15TH, 2012 (MAKEUP)

We defined a product σ -algebra, $(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2)$ where

$$\mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2 = \sigma(\{A \times B : A \in \mathcal{F}_1, B \in \mathcal{F}_2\})$$

Prop. If $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is $\mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$ then $f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)}, f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)}$ are measurable for any $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1, \omega_2 \in \Omega_2$.

Theorem 25 (Monotone Class Theorem). (Ω, \mathcal{F}) , $\mathcal{P} \subset \mathcal{F}$ a π -system with $\sigma(\mathcal{P}) = \mathcal{F}$. If H is a class of functions from $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

- $\mathbb{1}_E \in H$ for all $E \in \mathcal{P}$
- If $f, g \in H$ then $cf + g \in H$. ($c \in \mathbb{R}$).
- If $0 \leq f_n \in H$, $f_n \uparrow f$ (f bounded), then $f \in H$

Then we have that H contains all (bounded, non-negative) measurable functions from $\Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$.

Proof.

(1) **Step 1:**

Verify that $\mathbb{1}_E \in H, \forall E \in \mathcal{F}$.

Claim: $\mathcal{D} = \{E \in \mathcal{F} : \mathbb{1}_E \in H\}$ is a d-system (difference set) Assuming the claim, since $\mathcal{P} \subset \{E \in \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{1}_E \in H\}$, we get $\sigma(\mathcal{P}) \subset \{E \in \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{1}_E \in H\}$ and step 1 would be finished.

Proof of claim. If $A, B \in \mathcal{D}, A \subset B$, then

$$\mathbb{1}_{B \setminus A} = \mathbb{1}_B - \mathbb{1}_A \in H$$

by (2) with $c = -1$ so $B \setminus A \in \mathcal{D}$. If $A_n \in \mathcal{D}, n \in \mathbb{N}, A_n \uparrow A$, then $\mathbb{1}_{A_n} \uparrow \mathbb{1}_A$, so $\mathbb{1}_A \in H$ by (3) so $A \in \mathcal{D}$. Thus \mathcal{D} is a d-system. \square

(2) **Step 2:**

Claim: H contains all simple functions.

Proof. This is immediate from Step 1 and (2) \square

(3) **Step 3:**

Claim: If $f \geq 0, f$ measurable then $f \in H$

Proof. For $k \in \mathbb{N}$, let $f_k = \alpha^{(k)}(f)$. Then f_k are simple, $f_k \uparrow f$ so $f \in H$ by step 2 and (3). \square

(4) **Step 4:**

For general f , write $f = f^+ - f^-$, and apply step 3 and (2) \square

Prop (2). If $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable and $f \geq 0$, and μ_1, μ_2 are σ -finite measures on $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1), (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2)$ then

$$I_f^1 = \int f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} d\mu_2$$

is \mathcal{F}_1 -measurable and

$$I_f^2 = \int f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)} d\mu_1$$

is \mathcal{F}_2 -measurable, and

$$\int I_f^1 d\mu_1 = \int I_f^2 d\mu_2$$

Proof. Let H be the class of functions $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$ satisfying the conditions of proposition 2.

• **Step 0:**

Claim: $\forall A \in \mathcal{F}_1, B \in \mathcal{F}_2$ we have $f = \mathbb{1}_{A \times B} \in H$.

Proof.

$$I_f^1(\omega) = \int f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} d\mu_2 = \mu_2(B) \mathbb{1}_A$$

since

$$f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} = \begin{cases} \mathbb{1}_B & \text{if } \omega_1 \in A \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

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so I_f^1 is measurable. So we have

$$\int I_f^1 d\mu_1 = \mu_2(B) \int \mathbb{1}_A d\mu_1 = \mu_2(B) \mu_1(A)$$

Similarly, I_f^2 is measurable and $\int I_f^2 d\mu_2 = \mu_1(A) \mu_2(B)$. So $f = \mathbb{1}_{A \times B} \in H$. \square

• **Step 1:**

Claim: if $f \in H, g \in H$, then $cf + g \in H$.

Proof. If $f, g \in H$, then

$$I_{cf}^1 = cI_f^1$$

is measurable. So

$$I_{cf+g}^1 = cI_f^1 + I_g^1$$

is measurable. Likewise, I_{cf+g}^2 is measurable and

$$\begin{aligned} \int I_{cf+g}^1 d\mu_1 &= c \int I_f^1 d\mu_1 + \int I_g^1 d\mu_1 \\ &= c \int I_f^2 d\mu_2 + \int I_g^2 d\mu_2 \quad \text{since } f, g \in H \\ &= \int I_{cf+g}^2 d\mu_2 \end{aligned}$$

so $cf + g \in H$. □

• **Step 2:**

Claim: If $f_n \in H$, $f_n \geq 0$, $f_n \uparrow f$, then $f \in H$.

Proof. Monotone convergence theorem implies that I_f^1, I_f^2 are measurable and then

$$\begin{aligned} \int I_f^1 d\mu_1 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int I_{f_n}^1 d\mu_1 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int I_{f_n}^2 d\mu_2 \\ &= \int I_f^2 d\mu_2 \end{aligned}$$

so $f \in H$. □

By the monotone class theorem, it follows that H contains all non-negative measurable functions from $\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. □

Example 21 (Warning examples). $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1) = (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2) = (\mathbb{N}, 2^{\mathbb{N}}, \text{Counting measure})$

$$\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 = \mathbb{N}^2$$

$$(6) \quad m \left| \begin{array}{cccccc} 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & 0 & -1 & \cdots \\ 0 & 0 & -1 & 1 & \cdots \\ 0 & -1 & 1 & 0 & \cdots \\ -1 & 1 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \\ 1 & 0 & 0 & 0 & \cdots \end{array} \right. \quad n$$

$$f(m, n) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } m = n \\ -1 & \text{if } m = n + 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

We have

$$\int I_f^1 = 1 + 0 + 0 + \cdots = 1$$

and

$$\int I_f^2 = 0 + 0 + 0 + \cdots = 0$$

If we define

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}] = \iint e^{xy} dx dy$$

Definition 24. Given $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1), (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2)$ σ -finite measure spaces, for $E \in \mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$, set

$$\mu(E) = (\mu_1 \times \mu_2)(E) = \iint \mathbb{1}_E d\mu_1 d\mu_2$$

Prop. μ is a measure

Proof.

- $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ is trivial
- $\mu \geq 0$ is also trivial as we are integrating a non-negative function (the indicator function)
- If $E_n, n \geq 1$ are disjoint, $E = \bigcup_n E_n$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(E) &= \iint \mathbb{1}_E d\mu_1 d\mu_2 \\ &= \iint \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{1}_{E_i} d\mu_1 d\mu_2 \\ &= \int \left(\sum_{i \geq 1} \int \mathbb{1}_{E_i} d\mu_1 \right) d\mu_2 \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \underbrace{\iint \mathbb{1}_{E_i} d\mu_1 d\mu_2}_{\mu(E_i)} \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \mu(E_i) \end{aligned}$$

□

Claim. μ is σ -finite and so by the uniqueness lemma it is the unique σ -finite extension of its restriction to

$$\{A \times B : A \in \mathcal{F}_1, B \in \mathcal{F}_2\}$$

Proof. There exist $A_n \in \mathcal{F}_1, A_n \uparrow \Omega, B_n \in \mathcal{F}_2, B_n \uparrow \Omega_2$. with $\mu_1(A_n) < \infty$ and $\mu_2(B_n) < \infty$. Then $A_n \times B_n \uparrow \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2$ and $\mu(A_n \times B_n) < \infty$ □

Example 22 (Example from last class). $X \sim \mathcal{U}[0, 1], Y \sim \mathcal{U}[0, 1]$. Let μ_1 be the law of $X = \text{Leb}([0, 1])$ and μ_2 be the law of $Y = \text{Leb}([0, 1])$.

Let $\mu = \mu_1 \times \mu_2$. Then for any $A, B \in \mathfrak{B}([0, 1])$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mu(A \times B) &= \mu_1(A) \cdot \mu_2(B) \\ &= \text{Leb}(A) \cdot \text{Leb}(B) \\ &= \text{Leb}(A \times B) \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\iint e^{xy} d\mu_1 d\mu_2 = \underbrace{\int e^{xy} d\mu}_{\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}]} = \iint e^{xy} d\mu_2 d\mu_1$$

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Prop. $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1), (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2)$ σ -finite, $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ measurable, $f \geq 0$, then $\int f_{(\omega_1, \bullet)} d\mu_2$ and $\int f_{(\bullet, \omega_2)} d\mu_1$ are measurable and

$$\iint f d\mu_1 d\mu_2 = \iint f d\mu_2 d\mu_1$$

The proof of this from this morning works if $\mu_1(\Omega_1) < \infty, \mu_2(\Omega_2) < \infty$, and f is bounded.

If $f \geq 0$, spaces are σ -finite, then let $A_n \in \mathcal{F}, \mu_1(A_n) < \infty, A_n \uparrow \Omega_1, B_n \in \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2(B_n) < \infty, B_n \uparrow \Omega_2$. Let $f_n = f \wedge n$. Then μ_{1, A_n} and μ_{2, B_n} , which are measures that restrict the σ -algebra to A_n and B_n respectively are finite measures. Then

$$f = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} f_n \mathbb{1}_{A_m \times B_m}$$

so

$$\iint f \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \iint f_n \underbrace{\mathbb{1}_{A_m \times B_m}}_{\mathbb{1}_{A_m} \cdot \mathbb{1}_{B_m}} \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2$$

by four applications of monotone convergence theorem. This becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \iint f \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbb{1}_{B_m} \int f_n \mathbb{1}_{A_m} \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \int \mathbb{1}_{B_m} \int f_n \, d\mu_{1,A_m} \, d\mu_2 \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \iint f_n \, d\mu_{1,A_m} \, d\mu_{2,B_m} \end{aligned}$$

Now these are bounded, so we can apply the result we used earlier, to give us

$$\begin{aligned} \iint f \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 &= \iint f_n \, d\mu_{2,B_m} \, d\mu_{1,A_m} \\ &\vdots \\ &= \iint f \, d\mu_2 \, d\mu_1 \end{aligned}$$

where we reverse what we had just shown.

Example 23 (Warning example). Take $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1) = (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2) = ([0, 1], \mathfrak{B}([0, 1]))$. Let μ_1 be the Lebesgue measure and μ_2 the counting measure. Let

$$D = \{(x, x) : 0 \leq x \leq 1\}$$

and $f = \mathbb{1}_D$. On one hand, we have

$$\iint f \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 = \int 0 \, d\mu_2 = 0$$

On the other, we have

$$\iint f \, d\mu_2 \, d\mu_1 = \int 1 \, d\mu_1 = 1$$

We defined $\mu = \mu_1 \times \mu_2$ by setting

$$\mu(E) = \iint \mathbb{1}_E \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2 = \iint \mathbb{1}_E \, d\mu_2 \, d\mu_1$$

In particular, $\mu(A \times B) = \mu_1(A)\mu_2(B)$.

Theorem 26 (Tonelli's Theorem). If $f \geq 0$, $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is measurable then

$$\iint f \, d\mu_2 \, d\mu_1 = \int f \, d\mu = \iint f \, d\mu_1 \, d\mu_2$$

Given random variables $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $Y : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, the joint law of X and Y is the measure Λ on $(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathfrak{B}(s\mathbb{R}^2))$ with $\Lambda(E) = \mathbb{P}((X, Y) \in E)$.

Prop. If X, Y are independent, then

$$\Lambda = \Lambda_X \times \Lambda_Y$$

where Λ_X is the law of X and Λ_Y is the law of Y .

Proof. By independence, for any rectangle $A \times B$,

$$\Lambda(A \times B) = \Lambda_X(A) \times \Lambda_Y(B)$$

and the result follows from the uniqueness lemma because rectangles generate the product σ -algebra. \square

Now, we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}] &= \int \underbrace{f}_{g(X,Y)} d\mathbb{P} \\
&= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} \underbrace{g}_{\text{Joint law of } (X,Y)} d\Lambda \\
&= \iint g d\Lambda_X d\Lambda_Y \\
&= \iint e^{xy} dx dy
\end{aligned}$$

where $(X, Y) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^2$, $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and $g(x, y) = e^{xy}$.

If X and Y are independent and have joint density $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, \infty)$, then

$$\mathbb{P}((X, Y) \in E) = \int_E f d\text{Leb} = \iint_E f dx dy$$

Then for $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$, set

$$f_X(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x, y) dy \quad f_Y(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x, y) dx$$

Then f_X and f_Y are densities for X, Y respectively and $f \stackrel{a.e.}{=} f_X \cdot f_Y$.

- We take $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1), (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2)$
- Define $\mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2$ (generated by rectangles or countable cylinders) and check that sectional functions and sectional integrals are well-defined and that order of integration does not matter.
- We used the monotone class theorem plus monotone convergence.
- This all works for n -fold products.
- Define the product measure using double integrals. (For an n -fold product, we use an n -fold integral and the uniqueness lemma says this is well-defined.)
- Order of integration is unimportant for non-negative functions and all orders give $\int f d(\mu_1 \times \mu_2)$ (or $\int f d(\mu_1 \times \cdots \times \mu_n)$).

Theorem 27 (Fubini's Theorem). *If we have $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1), (\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2)$ are σ -finite and $\mu = \mu_1 \times \mu_2$. If $f \in L^1(\mu)$, then*

$$\iint f d\mu_1 d\mu_2 = \int f d\mu = \iint f d\mu_2 d\mu_1$$

(and all these integrals exist)

Proof. Write $f = f^+ - f^-$. By Tonelli, we have

$$\int f^+ d\mu = \iint f^+ d\mu_1 d\mu_2$$

and

$$\int f^- d\mu = \iint f^- d\mu_1 d\mu_2$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
\iint f d\mu_1 d\mu_2 &= \iint f^+ d\mu_1 d\mu_2 - \iint f^- d\mu_1 d\mu_2 \\
&= \int f^+ d\mu - \int f^- d\mu \\
&= \int f d\mu
\end{aligned}$$

□

20.1. Infinite Product Spaces. $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i, \mu_i)$, $i \geq 1$ where we have probability spaces. Let $\mathcal{C}_n = \{\text{Degree } n \text{ cylinder sets}\}$ and

$$\mathcal{G} = \{\text{Finite disjoint unions of cylinders}\}$$

Define, for $C = \bigcup_{i=1}^n C_i \in \mathcal{G}$, $C_i = E_{i,1} \times E_{i,2} \times \dots$ where

$$C_i = E_{i,1} \times E_{i,2} \times \dots \times E_{i,n_i} \times \Omega_{n_i+1} \times \Omega_{n_i+2} \times \dots$$

We set

$$\mu(C) = \sum_{i=1}^n \prod_{j=1}^{n_i} \mu_i(E_{i,j})$$

However, what needs to be checked is

Prop. \mathcal{G} is an algebra, μ is well-defined and is a pre-measure on \mathcal{G} .

Prop.

$$\sigma(\mathcal{G}) = \prod_{i \geq 1} \mathcal{F}_i$$

Thus, the product measure μ on $\prod_{i \geq 1} \mathcal{F}_i$ is uniquely defined. If $\mu_i, i \geq 1$ are the laws of $X_i, i \geq 1$. (so $\Omega_i = \mathbb{R}$ and $\mathcal{F}_i = \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$). However, we have that

$$\prod_{i \geq 1} \mathcal{F}_i \neq \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^\infty)$$

as we had before. Now let

$$\widehat{X}_j : \prod_{i=1}^{\infty} \Omega_i \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

which sends $(\omega_i, i \geq 1)$ to ω_j . Then $(\widehat{X}_j, j \geq 1)$ are independent and \widehat{X}_j has law μ_j .

20.2. Stochastic Processes. Brownian motion $(B_t, t \geq 0) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}$ is a “random function” such that $B_0 = 0$ and

(1) For all $s, t \geq 0$,

$$B_{t+s} - B_t \sim \mathcal{N}(0, s)$$

(2) For all $0 \leq s_1 \leq t_1 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq s_k \leq t_k$,

$$B_{t_1} - B_{s_1}, B_{t_2} - B_{s_2}, \dots, B_{t_k} - B_{s_k}$$

are all independent.

(3) $(B_t, t \geq 0)$ is continuous with probability 1.

We’ll see how to define a measure μ on $(\mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}))$ such that the identity map $B : \mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}$ satisfies (1) and (2).

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Recall: If X has law Λ , then in the probability space $(\mathbb{R}, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}), \Lambda)$, the identity map $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $f(x) = x$ has the same distribution as X , i.e. has law Λ . We want a probability measure \mathbb{P} on $(\mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}, \prod_{t \geq 0} \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ so that the identity map from $\mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{[0,\infty)}$ has the distribution of Brownian motion (ignoring the continuity requirement.)

The requirements we needed to satisfy for Brownian motion were

(1) for all $s, t \geq 0$, $B_{s+t} - B_s \stackrel{d}{=} \mathcal{N}(0, t)$

(2) $B_{t_1-s_1}, \dots, B_{t_k-s_k}$ are independent if $s_1 \leq t_1 \leq s_2 \leq t_2 \leq \dots \leq s_k \leq t_k$. In other words, for $t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k$,

$$(B_{t_1}, B_{t_2}, \dots, B_{t_k}) \stackrel{d}{=} \left(N_1, N_1 + N_2, \dots, \sum_{i=1}^k N_i \right)$$

where N_1, \dots, N_k are independent and $N_i \sim \mathcal{N}(0, t_i - t_{i-1})$ and $t_0 = 0$.

21.1. Poisson Processes.

Example 24 (Poisson Processes). *Idea:* Modelling “arrivals” in a system where in each tiny time interval dt an arrival occurs with “infinitesimal probability” $f(t) dt$ for some non-negative measurable function $f \in L^1((0, \infty))$, and this is independent for distinct infinitesimal intervals. Let $dt = 1$ second

and $f(t) \equiv 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(\text{no busses in 4 minutes}) &= (1 - dt)^{240} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{600}\right)^{240} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{1}{n}\right)^{cn} \\ &\approx e^{-c} \end{aligned}$$

Done carefully, this yields that the time to first arrival is distributed as $\exp(1)$. Likewise, the time between first and second arrivals is $\exp(1)$. The number of arrivals by time t is distributed as $\text{Poisson}(t)$. A poisson process on $[0, \infty)$ with rate f is a process $(N_t, t \geq 0)$ that satisfies

- (1) For all $0 \leq s < t < \infty$,

$$N_t - N_s \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Poisson}\left(\int_s^t f(x) dx\right)$$

- (2) Independent increments

Definition 25. Suppose we are given probability measures

$$\{\mu_{t_1, \dots, t_k}, k \geq 1 : (t_1, \dots, t_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k\}$$

We say the family is consistent if

- (1) For any permutation $\pi : [k] \rightarrow [k]$ and any $E_1, \dots, E_k \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$,

$$\mu_{t_1, \dots, t_k}(E_1 \times \dots \times E_k) = \mu_{t_{\pi(1)}, \dots, t_{\pi(k)}}(E_{\pi(1)} \times \dots \times E_{\pi(k)})$$

- (2)

$$\mu_{t_1, \dots, t_k}(E_1 \times \dots \times E_k) = \mu_{t_1, \dots, t_k, t_{k+1}}(E_1 \times \dots \times E_k \times \mathbb{R})$$

21.2. Kolmogorov Extension Theorem.

Theorem 28 (Kolmogorov Extension Theorem). For any consistent family of measures, $\{\mu_{t_1, \dots, t_k}, k \geq 1 : (t_1, \dots, t_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k\}$, then there exists a probability measure \mathbb{P} on $(\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, \prod_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ such that if $X : \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}$ is the identity map, then $\forall (t_1, \dots, t_k) \in \mathbb{R}^k$, $(X(t_1), \dots, X(t_k))$ has law μ_{t_1, \dots, t_k} .

Proof idea. Define \mathbb{P}_0 on \mathcal{G} = finite disjoint unions of cylinders, where a cylinder is a set of the form $E_{t_1} \times \dots \times E_{t_k}$, by setting

$$\mathbb{P}_0\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n C_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^n \mu_{t_{i,1}, \dots, t_{i,k_i}}(C_i)$$

where $C_i = E_{t_{i,1}} \times E_{t_{i,2}} \times \dots \times E_{t_{i,k_i}}$. Consistency conditions ensure this is well-defined and additive. Showing that \mathbb{P}_0 is very similar to the argument for the Lebesgue measure. Carathéodory extension then gives \mathbb{P} with the desired properties. \mathbb{P} is then the unique measure on $(\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{R}}, \prod_{r \in \mathbb{R}} \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}))$ with these finite-dimensional distributions. \square

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22.1. Conditional Expectation. Idea: $\mathbb{E}[X|Y]$ = “partial averaging”. We pretend to know Y and average over the rest. Similarly, $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ = partial average where we pretend we know the information in \mathcal{G} and average over the rest. Informally, for each $y \in \mathbb{R}$, each $\omega \in Y^{-1}(y)$, then we should have

$$\mathbb{E}[X|Y](\omega) = \mathbb{E}[X|Y = y]$$

This suggests that $\mathbb{E}[X] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|Y]]$, which is called the tower law.

Example 25.

- (1) X, Y are independent $\text{Uniform}[0, 1]$ random variables. What is $\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}|Y]$? We first have

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}] = \int_0^1 e^{xy} dx = \frac{e^y - 1}{y}$$

So we should have

$$\mathbb{E}[e^{XY}|Y] = \frac{e^Y - 1}{Y}$$

- (2) What is $\mathbb{E}[X|X]$? $\mathbb{E}[X|X] = X$. More generally, if $\sigma(X) \subset \mathcal{G}$, then

$$\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] = X$$

(“ $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ gets “more random” as \mathcal{G} grows”)

- (3) If X, Y are independent, then $\mathbb{E}[X|Y] \equiv \mathbb{E}[X]$.
(4) Let $X_i, i \geq 1$ be a sequence of iid random variables, $\mathbb{E}[X_1] = \mu$.

$$S_n = X_1 + X_2 + \cdots + X_n$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[S_{n+1}|S_n] &= \mathbb{E}[S_n + X_{n+1}|S_n] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[S_n|S_n] + \mathbb{E}[X_{n+1}|S_n] \\ &= S_n + \mu \end{aligned}$$

Observation: We seem to always have $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ is a measurable a function with respect to \mathcal{G} .

- (5) X, Y are independent with laws μ, ν and $\varphi : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $\mathbb{E}[|\varphi(X, Y)|] < \infty$. What is $\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X, Y)|X]$?

Let $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be such that

$$g(x) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(x, y) d\nu(y)$$

Then we should have $\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X, Y)|X] = g(X)$.

- (6) If X, Y have joint density $f_{X,Y}(x, y)$ What should $\mathbb{E}[X|Y = y]$ be?

$$\mathbb{E}[X|Y = y] = \frac{\int x f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx}{\int f_{X,Y}(x, y) dx}$$

More strongly, given that $Y = y$, the conditional density of X should be

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{f_{X,Y}(x, y)}{\int f_{X,Y}(x, y)}$$

Then we should have $\mathbb{E}[X|Y] = \int x f_{X|Y}(x|Y) dx$.

- (7) Let Ω be finite or countable and $\mathcal{F} = 2^\Omega$ and \mathbb{P} is some probability. Let $(\Omega_i, i \geq 1)$ be a partition of Ω . Let $\mathcal{G} = \sigma(\Omega_i, i \geq 1)\sigma(Y)$, where $Y(\omega) = i$ if $\omega \in \Omega_i$. Then $\forall X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, if $\omega \in \Omega_i$, then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X|Y](\omega) &= \mathbb{E}[X|\omega \in \Omega_i] \\ &= \frac{\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{\Omega_i}]}{\mathbb{P}(\Omega_i)} \end{aligned}$$

We would also get that

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|Y]] &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|Y] \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_i}] \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{E}\left[\frac{\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{\Omega_i}]}{\mathbb{P}(\Omega_i)} \cdot \mathbf{1}_{\Omega_i}\right] \\ &= \sum_{i \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{\Omega_i}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X] \end{aligned}$$

Definition 26. Let $X \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$ a sub- σ -algebra. We say a random variable C is a **version** of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ if

- (a) C is \mathcal{G} -measurable
(b) For all $E \in \mathcal{G}$, then

$$\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] = \mathbb{E}[C\mathbf{1}_E]$$

Let us go back up to our examples and check that in (5), $g(X)$ is a version of $\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X, Y)|X] = \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X, Y)|\sigma(X)]$. For any $A \in \sigma(X)$, we have $A = X^{-1}(B)$ for some $B \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$.

$$A = \{\omega : (X(\omega), Y(\omega)) \in B \times \mathbb{R}\}$$

Then to check condition (b),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X, Y)\mathbf{1}_A] &= \int \varphi(X, Y)\mathbf{1}_A \, d\mathbb{P} \\ &= \int \varphi(X, Y)\mathbf{1}_{B \times \mathbb{R}}(x, y) \, d(\mu(x) \times \nu(y)) \\ &= \int_B \underbrace{\int_{\mathbb{R}} \varphi(x, y) \, d\nu(y)}_{g(x)} \, d\mu(x) \quad \text{by Fubini} \\ &= \int_B g(x) \, d\mu(x) \\ &= \int g(x)\mathbf{1}_A \, d\mathbb{P} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[g(X)\mathbf{1}_A] \end{aligned}$$

22.2. Uniqueness of Conditional Expectation. Fix C, D , two versions of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$. Suppose $\mathbb{P}(C > D) > 0$. Then $E := \{C > D\} \in \mathcal{G}$, $E_n := \{C > D + \frac{1}{n}\} \in \mathcal{G}$. We have $E_n \uparrow E$, so $\mathbb{P}(E_n) \rightarrow \mathbb{P}(E)$, so $\exists n$ such that $\mathbb{P}(E_n) > 0$. Then by (b),

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] &= \mathbb{E}[C\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] \\ &\geq \mathbb{E}\left[\left(D + \frac{1}{n}\right)\mathbf{1}_{E_n}\right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[D\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] + \frac{\mathbb{P}(E_n)}{n} \\ &> \mathbb{E}[D\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] \end{aligned}$$

so D is not a version of X , so we have a contradiction, meaning our assumption that $\mathbb{P}(C > D) > 0$ was false. So

$$\mathbb{P}(C \neq D) = \mathbb{P}(C > D) + \mathbb{P}(D > C) = 0$$

Lemma. If $X \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} Y$, then $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$.

Proof. Suppose that $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ is not almost surely at most $\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$. Then $\exists n$ such that $E_n = \{\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] > \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}] + \frac{1}{n}\}$ has $\mathbb{P}(E_n) > 0$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &\leq \mathbb{E}[(Y - X)\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] - \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] - \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]\mathbf{1}_{E_n}] \\ &< \mathbb{E}\left[-\frac{1}{n}\mathbf{1}_{E_n}\right] \\ &= -\frac{\mathbb{P}(E_n)}{n} \\ &< 0 \end{aligned}$$

and so we have a contradiction. □

22.3. Existence of Conditional Expectation.

Theorem 29 (Conditional Expectation Existence). *For all $X \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and any sub- σ -algebra $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$, there exists a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$.*

Key step: The theorem holds if $X \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$. We project from the space $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ onto $L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$ with an inner product defined by

$$\langle U, V \rangle = \mathbb{E}[UV]$$

Then $\mathbb{E}[(X - Y)Z] = 0 \ \forall Z \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$. We have $\mathbb{E}[XZ] = \mathbb{E}[YZ]$. Take $Z = \mathbf{1}_E$ for $E \in \mathcal{G}$, so

$$\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] = \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_E]$$

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23.1. Conditional Expectation. $C = \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ is such that

- C is \mathcal{G} -measurable
- $\forall E \in \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{E}[C\mathbf{1}_E] = \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E]$.

Prop. *Conditional expectations exist.*

The key step is to show that if $X \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$, then there exists a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$.

Proof of prop from key step. We saw that if $X \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} Y$, then $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$. Suppose that $X \geq 0$ and $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$. Let $X_n = \min(X, n)$ and let $C_n = \mathbb{E}[X_n|\mathcal{G}]$. Then $C_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} C_{n+1} \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \dots$ so let

$$C = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} C_n$$

We have $C_n \xrightarrow{a.s.} C$.

Claim: C is a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$.

Proof.

- C is \mathcal{G} -measurable
- Fix $E \in \mathcal{G}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[X_n\mathbf{1}_E] \\ &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[C_n\mathbf{1}_E] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[C\mathbf{1}_E] \end{aligned}$$

□

For $X \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$, let $X = X^+ - X^-$ and let $C^+ = \mathbb{E}[X^+|\mathcal{G}]$, $C^- = \mathbb{E}[X^-|\mathcal{G}]$. Then for any $E \in \mathcal{G}$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] &= \mathbb{E}[X^+\mathbf{1}_E] - \mathbb{E}[X^-\mathbf{1}_E] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[C^+\mathbf{1}_E] - \mathbb{E}[C^-\mathbf{1}_E] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(C^+ - C^-)\mathbf{1}_E] \end{aligned}$$

and $C = C^+ - C^-$ is a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$. □

Basic properties of conditional expectation:

- $\forall X, Y \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$,

$$\mathbb{E}[aX + Y|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} a\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] + \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$$

- If $X \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} Y$, then

$$\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$$

- If $X \uparrow \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{=} X$, then

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[X_n|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$$

Proof of key step.

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We want to give $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ an inner product structure. We set

$$\langle X, Y \rangle = \frac{\mathbb{E}[XY]}{\|X\|_2 \|Y\|_2}$$

which we can interpret as “ $\cos \theta$ ” assuming X and Y have mean 0. The norm of X is

$$\sqrt{\langle X, X \rangle} = \|X\|_2$$

For this to define a normed vector space, work with equivalence classes where $X \sim Y$ if

$$\|X - Y\|_2 = 0 \Leftrightarrow \mathbb{E}[(X - Y)^2] = 0 \Leftrightarrow X \stackrel{a.s.}{=} Y$$

Check: If $\|X_n - X\|_2 \rightarrow 0$, then $\|X_n - Y\|_2 \rightarrow 0$, then $X \sim Y$. ($[X_n] \rightarrow [X]$) This gives us an inner product space $(L^2(\bullet, \bullet))$. More generally, $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P}, \|\bullet\|_p)$ is a normed vector space.

Prop. $L^p(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is complete.

Proof. We need to show: If $X_n, n \geq 1 \in L^p, \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists n_0$ such that $\forall n, m \geq n_0, \|X_n - X_m\|_p < \varepsilon$, then $\exists X \in L^p$ such that $\|X_n - X\|_p \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Let us first show that there exists a subsequential limit. For each $k \geq 1$, let n_k be such that $\forall n, m \geq n_k, \|X_n - X_m\|_p \leq \frac{1}{2^k}$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k \geq 1} \|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}\|_p &\leq \sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{1}{2^k} \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

We also have

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k \geq 1} |X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| \right] &= \sum_{k \geq 1} \mathbb{E}[|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}|] \\ &\leq \sum_{k \geq 1} \|X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}\|_p \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

If $a_k, k \geq 1$ is such that $\sum_{k \geq 1} |a_{k+1} - a_k| < \infty$ then (a_n) converges. Since $\mathbb{E} \left[\sum_{k \geq 1} |X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| \right] \leq 1$, then

$$\sum_{k \geq 1} |X_{n_{k+1}} - X_{n_k}| < \infty$$

almost surely so X_{n_k} converges almost surely as $k \rightarrow \infty$. Let $X = \limsup_{k \rightarrow \infty} X_{n_k}$. Then $X_{n_k} \xrightarrow{a.s.} X$ as $k \rightarrow \infty$. It remains to show $X \in L^p, \|X_n - X\|_p \rightarrow 0$.

For any k and any $n \geq n_k, \|X_n - X_{n_k}\|_p \leq \frac{1}{2^k}$. By Fatou,

$$\begin{aligned} \liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|X_n - X_{n_i}|^p] &\geq \mathbb{E} \left[\liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} |X_n - X_{n_i}|^p \right] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[|X_n - X|^p] \end{aligned}$$

but we have that

$$\liminf_{i \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[|X_n - X_{n_i}|^p] \leq \frac{1}{2^{kp}}$$

so for all $n \geq n_k, \|X_n - X\|_p \leq \frac{1}{2^k}$. Letting $k \rightarrow \infty$, we get $\|X_n - X\|_p \rightarrow 0$.

Finally,

$$\begin{aligned} \|X\|_p &\leq \|X - X_{n_k}\|_p + \|X_{n_k}\|_p \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

□

Now let $\Delta = \inf\{\|X - Z\|_2 : Z \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})\}$. Let $Y_n, n \geq 1$ be any sequence of elements of the $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$ such that $\|Y_n - X\|_2 \rightarrow \Delta$.

Claim: Y_n is Cauchy.

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Proof. For $\varepsilon > 0$, let n_0 be such that $\forall n \geq n_0, \|X - Y_n\|_2^2 \leq \Delta^2 + \varepsilon$. Then for all $n, m \geq n_0$,

$$\begin{aligned} 2(\Delta^2 + \varepsilon) &\geq \|X - Y_n\|_2^2 + \|X - Y_m\|_2^2 \\ &= \mathbb{E}[(X - Y_n)^2] + \mathbb{E}[(X - Y_m)^2] \\ &= 2\mathbb{E}\left[\left(X - \frac{Y_n + Y_m}{2}\right)^2\right] + 2\mathbb{E}\left[\left(\frac{Y_n + Y_m}{2}\right)^2\right] \\ &\geq 2\Delta^2 + \frac{1}{2}\|Y_n - Y_m\|_2^2 \end{aligned}$$

so

$$2\varepsilon \geq \frac{1}{2}\|Y_n - Y_m\|_2^2$$

or in other words

$$\|Y_n - Y_m\| \leq 2\sqrt{\varepsilon}$$

□

Since $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is complete, let $Y \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n$.

Claim: $\langle X - Y, Z \rangle = \mathbb{E}[(X - Y)Z] = 0$ for all $Z \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$.

Proof. Fix any $Z \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$. Then for all $t \in \mathbb{R}$

$$\mathbb{E}[(X - (Y + tZ))^2] \geq \mathbb{E}[(X - Y)^2]$$

This gives

$$t^2\mathbb{E}[Z^2] - 2t\mathbb{E}[Z(X - Y)] \geq 0$$

If $\mathbb{E}[Z(X - Y)] \neq 0$, then take

$$t = \pm \frac{\mathbb{E}[Z(X - Y)]}{\mathbb{E}[Z^2]}$$

and we get

$$t^2\mathbb{E}[Z^2] - 2t\mathbb{E}[Z(X - Y)] < 0$$

so we have a contradiction. □

Corollary. Y is a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$.

Proof. $\forall E \in \mathcal{G}, \mathbf{1}_E \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, \mathbb{P})$ so

$$\mathbb{E}[(X - Y)\mathbf{1}_E] = 0$$

and

$$\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] = \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_E]$$

□

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24.1. Conditional Expectation. Idea: “Hyperplane” (sub-subspace) \rightarrow Dense subspace ($L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$) \rightarrow Space of random variables (L^1)

Prop.

- (1) $\mathbb{E}[aX + Y|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} a\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] + \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$
- (2) $X \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} Y \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \mathbb{E}[Y|\mathcal{G}]$
- (3) $0 \leq X_n \stackrel{a.s.}{\uparrow} X \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ then $\mathbb{E}[X_n|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\uparrow} \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$

Exercise: Use (3) to prove conditional versions of dominated convergence theorem and Fatou’s lemma.

Prop (2: More properties of conditional expectation). $X, Y \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ and $\mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$

- (1) If $X \perp\!\!\!\perp Y$ then $\mathbb{E}[X|\sigma(Y)] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[X]$.

(2) (Tower Law). If $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{G}$ is a sub- σ -algebra, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]|\mathcal{H}] &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}] \\ &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]|\mathcal{G}]\end{aligned}$$

Proof of (ii). Recall: If Z is \mathcal{G} -measurable then $\mathbb{E}[Z|\mathcal{G}] = Z$. But $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]$ is \mathcal{G} -measurable, and the second equality follows. Now let $W = \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$. We need to check

- (1) $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]$ is \mathcal{H} -measurable
- (2) For all $E \in \mathcal{H}$,

$$\mathbb{E}[W\mathbf{1}_E] = \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{1}_E]$$

For (2), since $W = \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$ and $E \in \mathcal{G}$, then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[W\mathbf{1}_E] &= \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_E] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]\mathbf{1}_E]\end{aligned}$$

where the first equality comes from the defining property applied to W and the second equality comes from the defining property applied to $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{H}]$. \square

Prop (3). If Y is \mathcal{G} -measurable and either $X \in L^p$, $Y \in L^q$ for some $p, q \in [1, \infty]$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$ or $X, Y \geq 0$ and $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$, $\mathbb{E}[XY] < \infty$, then

$$\mathbb{E}[YX|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} Y\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$$

Proof. Suppose that $Y = \mathbf{1}_E$, $E \in \mathcal{G}$. Then for any $F \in \mathcal{G}$,

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[Y\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]\mathbf{1}_F] &= \mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]\mathbf{1}_{E \cap F}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_{E \cap F}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[XY\mathbf{1}_F]\end{aligned}$$

By the defining property, $Y\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[XY|\mathcal{G}]$. Linearity yields the same result for simple functions. Next suppose that $X \geq 0$, $Y \geq 0$, and $\mathbb{E}[X] < \infty$, $\mathbb{E}[XY] < \infty$. Let $Y_n \uparrow Y$ where $Y_n \geq 0$ are simple functions. Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[XY|\mathcal{G}] &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[XY_n|\mathcal{G}] \\ &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] \\ &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]\end{aligned}$$

so we are done the second case.

Under the first case, write

$$XY = X^+Y^+ - X^+Y^- - X^-Y^+ + X^-Y^-$$

and apply linear of conditional expectation plus the second case to deduce the result. \square

2 more examples:

- (1) Let $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}, \mathcal{H} \perp \sigma(\mathcal{G}, \sigma(X))$. For example, we could have X, Y, Z , with $Z \perp \sigma(X, Y)$. Then

$$\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}] \stackrel{a.s.}{=} \mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]$$

Proof Idea. It suffices to consider $X \geq 0$. Let

$$\mathcal{P} = \{G \cap H : G \in \mathcal{G}, H \in \mathcal{H}\}$$

Claim: For all $F \in \mathcal{P}$,

$$\mu_X(F) = \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_F] = \underbrace{\mathbb{E}[\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]\mathbf{1}_F]}_Y = \mu_Y(F)$$

If this held for all $F \in \sigma(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H})$, then it would precisely say that Y is a version of $\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}]$, which is the claim. The uniqueness lemma proves this indeed holds for all $F \in \sigma(\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H})$, assuming the claim.

Proof of Claim. We can write this in the form

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_F] &= \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_G\mathbf{1}_H] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X\mathbf{1}_G]\mathbb{P}(H) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_G]\mathbb{P}(H) \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_G\mathbf{1}_H] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[Y\mathbf{1}_F]\end{aligned}$$

□

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- (2) If X_1, \dots, X_n are independent and $h : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that $h(X_1, \dots, X_n) \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ then setting $\gamma : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with

$$\gamma(x) = \mathbb{E}[h(x, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n)]$$

we have

$$\gamma(X_1) = \mathbb{E}[h(X_1, \dots, X_n)|X_1]$$

This is proved by Fubini's theorem.

24.2. Conditional Jensen's Inequality. $\mathbb{E}[|X|] < \infty$ and $\mathbb{E}[|\varphi(X)|] < \infty$

Then we have that

$$\varphi(\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]) \leq \mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)|\mathcal{G}]$$

Why is it that the proof of regular Jensen's inequality fails in this case? We had that $l(x) = ax + b$ and $l(\mathbb{E}[X]) = \varphi(\mathbb{E}[X])$, so $l(y) \leq \varphi(y)$ for all y . Then

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)|\mathcal{G}] &\stackrel{a.s.}{\geq} \mathbb{E}[l(X)|\mathcal{G}] \\ &= \mathbb{E}[aX + b|\mathcal{G}] \\ &\stackrel{a.s.}{=} a\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] + b \\ &= l(\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]) \\ &\stackrel{?}{=} \varphi(\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}])\end{aligned}$$

Proof. Let

$$S = \{(a, b) \in \mathbb{Q}^2 : ax + b \leq \varphi(x), \forall x \in \mathbb{R}\}$$

Then $\forall x, \varphi(x) = \sup\{ax + b : (a, b) \in S\}$. For any $(a, b) \in S$, $\varphi(X) \geq aX + b$ so

$$\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\geq} a\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] + b$$

Taking a supremum over $a, b \in S$, we get

$$\mathbb{E}[\varphi(X)|\mathcal{G}] \stackrel{a.s.}{\geq} \underbrace{\sup\{a\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}] + b : (a, b) \in S\}}_{= \varphi(\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]) \text{ for every } \omega}$$

□

24.3. Conditional Hölder. $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, $X \in L^p$, $Y \in L$. Then

$$\mathbb{E}[|XY| | \mathcal{G}] \leq \mathbb{E}[|X|^p | \mathcal{G}]^{1/p} \mathbb{E}[|Y|^q | \mathcal{G}]^{1/q}$$

Corollary (Corollary of Jensen).

$$\mathbb{E}[|\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]|^p] \leq \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]$$

Proof. Apply conditional Jensen on $\varphi(x) = |x|^p$.

$$|\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]|^p \stackrel{a.s.}{\leq} \mathbb{E}[|X|^p|\mathcal{G}]$$

Taking expected values, we get

$$\mathbb{E}[|\mathbb{E}[X|\mathcal{G}]|^p] = \mathbb{E}[|X|^p]$$

where the right hand side is by the tower law.

□

Assignment 4:

$$\mathbb{P}(|S_n| \geq t) \leq \left(\mathbb{E} \left[e^{\lambda(X - \frac{t}{n})} \right] \right)^n$$

and optimizing this bound over λ . Let λ^* be the optimal one. The last question on the assignment had to do with

$$\mathbb{P}(S_n = cn) \geq \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}} \left(\mathbb{E} \left[e^{\lambda^*(X - \frac{t}{n})} \right] \right)^n$$

25.1. Changes of Variables. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$.

We have $X \in L^1$ is a random variable with law μ and cumulative distribution function F and density f . We have $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ with $g(X) \in L^1$. Then $\mathbb{E}[g(X)] = \int g d\mu \stackrel{\text{book}}{=} \mu(g)$. Other notation for this is $\int g(x) d\mu(x)$, $\int g(x) \mu(dx)$ or $\int g dF$ or $\int g(x) f(x) dx$ or $\int g(x) dF(x)$.

Having a density f means that for all $E \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R})$,

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X \in E) &= \int_E f d\text{Leb}(\mathbb{R}) \\ &= \int_E f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Example 26.

- (1) $X \sim \exp(1)$, $f(x) = e^{-x} \mathbb{1}(x \geq 0)$

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}(X \geq t) &= \mathbb{E} \left[\underbrace{\mathbb{1}(X \geq t)}_{g = \mathbb{1}_{[t, \infty)}} \right] \\ &= \int \mathbb{1}_{[t, \infty)} d\mu \\ &= \int_{[t, \infty)} e^{-x} dx \end{aligned}$$

Now let us calculate $\mathbb{E}[X^3]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[X^3] &= \int_{[0, \infty)} x^3 e^{-x} dx \\ &= [-x^3 e^{-x}]_0^\infty - 3 \int_{[0, \infty)} x^2 e^{-x} dx \\ &= 6 \int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx \\ &= 6 \end{aligned}$$

We can continue doing this and we would actually get that

$$\mathbb{E}[X^n] = n!$$

- (2) If we have $X_i, i \geq 1$ independent and $\exp(1)$, then

$$P_T = \max \left\{ i : \sum_{j=1}^i X_j \leq t \right\} = \text{Poisson}(t)$$

We also have

$$G_k = \sum_{j=1}^k X_j = \text{Gamma}(k, 1)$$

and

$$G_k > t \Leftrightarrow P_t < k$$

We have $X \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Poisson}(\lambda)$.

$$\mu \equiv \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!} \mathbb{1}_{\{n\}}$$

which gives us

$$\mathbb{P}(X \geq k) = \sum_{n=k}^{\infty} \frac{\lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!}$$

This is the same as

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{P}(X \geq k) &= \int \mathbf{1}_{[k, \infty)} d\mu \\ &= \int_{[k, \infty)} 1 d\mu \\ &= \mu([k, \infty))\end{aligned}$$

The expected value is given by

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int x d\mu \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{n \lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!} \\ &= \lambda \sum_{n \geq 1} \frac{\lambda^{n-1} e^{-\lambda}}{(n-1)!}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[e^{tX}] &= \int e^{tx} d\mu(x) \\ &= \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{e^{tn} \lambda^n e^{-\lambda}}{n!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} \sum_{n \geq 0} \frac{(\lambda e^t)^n}{n!} \\ &= e^{-\lambda} e^{(\lambda e^t)} \\ &= e^{\lambda(e^t - 1)}\end{aligned}$$

(3) $X \stackrel{d}{=} \text{Gamma}(n, \lambda)$,

$$f(x) = \frac{\mathbf{1}_{(x \geq 0)}}{(n-1)!} \frac{x^{n-1} e^{-x/\lambda}}{\lambda^n}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} x f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} \frac{x^n e^{-x/\lambda}}{\lambda^n} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^n e^{-x/\lambda} dx\end{aligned}$$

Now set $y = x/\lambda$. This gives us

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X] &= \frac{\lambda}{(n-1)!} \int_0^{\infty} y^n e^{-y} dy \\ &= \frac{\lambda}{(n-1)!} n! \\ &= \lambda n\end{aligned}$$

For higher moments, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\mathbb{E}[X^k] &= \int \frac{x^{n+k-1} e^{-x}}{\lambda^n (n-1)!} dx \\ &= \frac{\lambda^{k-1}}{(n-1)!} \int \left(\frac{x}{\lambda}\right)^{n+k-1} e^{-x/\lambda} dx\end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{\lambda^k}{(n-1)!} (n+k-1)!$$

25.2. Joint Law. (X, Y) has joint law μ on $(\mathbb{R}^2, \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^2))$ with joint CDF F such that $F : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow [0, 1]$, where $F(x, y) = \mathbb{P}(X \leq x, Y \leq y)$. We have $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, $g(X, Y) \in L^1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[g(X, Y)] &= \int_{\mathbb{R}^2} g \, d\mu \\ &= \int g(x, y) f(x, y) \, d(x \times y) \\ &= \int g(x, y) \, d\mu(x, y) \\ &= \int g(x, y) \mu(d(x \times y)) \end{aligned}$$

If there is a density then

$$\int g(x, y) \, d\mu(x, y) = \int g f \, dLeb(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \int g(x, y) \mu(d(x \times y)) &= \iint g(x, y) f(x, y) \, dx \, dy \\ &= \iint g(x, y) f(x, y) \, dy \, dx \end{aligned}$$

If (X, Y) has density f , then

$$\mathbb{P}((X, Y) \in E) = \int_E f \, dLeb(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

Example 27. (X_1, X_2) are independent $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

$$H = \begin{pmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{pmatrix}$$

and we have $a^2 + c^2 = 1$, $b^2 + d^2 = 1$ with $ab + cd = 0$.

Claim:

$$\begin{pmatrix} Y_1 \\ Y_2 \end{pmatrix} = H^{-1} X$$

are independent $\mathcal{N}(0, 1)$.

NB: Uncorrelated Normals need not be independent! If $N \sim \mathcal{N}(0, 1)$ and

$$W = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with prob. } 1/2 \\ -1 & \text{with prob. } 1/2 \end{cases}$$

and $M = NW$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{E}[MN] &= \mathbb{E}[N^2 W] \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

But M and N are not independent.

Proof of Claim. We compute (for fixed $E \in \mathfrak{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$)

$$\mathbb{P}((Y_1, Y_2) \in E)$$

We'll show this equals $\mathbb{P}((X_1, X_2) \in E)$. Denote $X = (X_1, X_2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}((Y_1, Y_2) \in E) &= \mathbb{P}(H^{-1} X \in E) \\ &= \mathbb{P}(X \in H(E)) \\ &= \int \mathbf{1}_{[(x, y) \in H(E)]} f_{X_1}(x) f_{X_2}(y) \, d(x \times y) \\ &= \int_{H(E)} \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \frac{e^{-y^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \, d(x \times y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{H(E)} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}} \, d(x \times y) \end{aligned}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{H(E)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|(x,y)\|_2^2} d(x \times y)$$

We have that

$$\|(x, y)\|_2 = \|H(x, y)\|_2$$

since a rotation does not change where the origin is, so the distance must be the same. So we can actually write this as

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbb{P}((Y_1, Y_2) \in E) &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{H(E)} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|H(x,y)\|_2^2} d(x \times y) \\ &= \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_E e^{-\frac{1}{2}\|(x,y)\|_2^2} d(x \times y) \\ &= \int_E f_{X_1}(x) f_{X_2}(y) d(x \times y) \\ &= \mathbb{P}((X_1, X_2) \in E) \end{aligned}$$

□

25.3. Differentiation Under the Integral Sign.

Recall:

$$L(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty e^{-\lambda x} f(x) dx$$

We want

$$\begin{aligned} L'(\lambda) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} (e^{-\lambda x} f(x)) dx \\ &= \int_0^\infty -x e^{-\lambda x} f(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

Proof. **FIX THIS!!** By definition,

$$L'(\lambda) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{L(\lambda + h) - L(\lambda)}{h}$$

We have

$$\begin{aligned} L(\lambda + h) - L(\lambda) &= \int_{[0, \infty)} (e^{-(\lambda+h)x} - e^{-\lambda x}) f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{[0, \infty)} \left(\int_{[0, h)} (-x) e^{-\lambda t} dt \right) e^{-\lambda x} f(x) dx \\ &= \int_{[0, \infty)} \int_{[0, h)} (-\lambda) e^{-\lambda(t+x)} f(x) dt dx \end{aligned}$$

Write $I(\lambda, x) = e^{-\lambda x} f(x)$, then $(-\lambda) e^{-\lambda(t+x)} f(x+t) = \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} I(\lambda, x+t)$. K this all messed up. What we'll end up getting is that

$$\int_{[0, h]} \int_{[0, \infty)} \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} I(\lambda + t, x) dx = h \frac{\partial}{\partial \lambda} I(\lambda, x)$$

and we divide by h . We get this by Fubini and continuity.

□

Not responsible for poisson processes, kolomogorov extension, brownian motion on the exam.

There will be 6 questions worth 66 questions. He will mark it out of 60, not 66. Probably of the same level of difficulty as the midterm.