1 Mathematical proofs

1.1 Birkhoff's Ergodic Theorem and the LLN

Definition. $T:(\Omega,\mathcal{A},\mathbb{P})\to(\Omega,\mathcal{A},\mathbb{P})$ measure preserving (maßtreu) if

$$\mathbb{P}(T^{-1}A) = \mathbb{P}(A) \ \forall A \in \mathcal{A}.$$

This statement is equivalent to

$$\mathbb{E}(f \circ T) = \mathbb{E}(f) \ f \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P})$$

T is called ergodic if $T^{-1}A = A \implies \mathbb{P}(A) \in \{0,1\}$ for $A \in \mathcal{A}$.

$$\mathcal{I} = \{ A \in \mathcal{A} : T^{-1}A = A \text{ invariant } \sigma\text{-algebra} \}$$

Remark. For this definition there is no significant difference if we replace $T^{-1}A = A$ by $T^{-1}A \stackrel{a.s.}{=} A$.

Theorem 1.1 (Birkhoff's Ergodic Theorem). T measure preserving, $f \in L^1$, $S_n(f) = \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f \circ T^k$. Then there exists $M(f) \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{I}, \mathbb{P})$ such that $\frac{1}{n}S_n(f) \to M(f)$ almost surely and

$$\int_{A} f d\mathbb{P} = \int_{A} M(f) d\mathbb{P} \quad \forall A \in \mathcal{I}$$

that is $M(f) = \mathbb{E}(f|_{\mathcal{I}})$. If T is ergodic, then \mathcal{I} is trivial and $\mathbb{E}(f|_{\mathcal{I}}) = \mathbb{E}(f)$.

Theorem 1.2 (von Neumann's Ergodic Theorem). T measure preserving, $f \in L^1$, $S_n(f) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f \circ T^k$. Then there exists $M(f) \in L^1(\Omega, \mathcal{I}, \mathbb{P})$ such that $S_n(f) \to M(f)$ almost surely and in L^1

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How to deduce the Law of Large Numbers from Birkhoff's ergodic theorem? (X_n) iid, real RVs, $\mathbb{E}(|X_k|) < \infty$

$$S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n \stackrel{?}{\Longrightarrow} \frac{1}{n} S_n \stackrel{\text{a.s.}}{\to} \mathbb{E}(X_1).$$

 P_X : distribution of X_k . $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}, P_X)$, $X(\omega) = \omega_1, \, \omega_1 \in \mathbb{R}$.

$$(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P}) = \bigotimes_{n=1}^{\infty} (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}, P_X)$$
$$\Omega = \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} = \{ \omega = (\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots) : \omega_k \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

 \mathcal{A} : σ -algebra generated by all sets

$$C(I_1,\ldots,I_n) = \{\omega : \omega_k \in I_k \forall k \le n\}$$

where I_1, \ldots, I_n are intervals Take a σ -algebra created by all sets $I_1 \times I_2 \times \cdots \times I_n \times \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \times \cdots$.

$$\mathbb{P}(C(I_1,\ldots,I_n)) = P_X(I_1)\cdots P_X(I_n)$$

Recall: if $(\tilde{\Omega}, \tilde{\mathcal{A}}, \tilde{\mathbb{P}})$ is any probability space and $\tilde{X_n}$ is any sequence of iid RVs with distribution P_X .

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$$S_n(f) = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$$

and so by Birkhoff's Ergodic Theorem,

$$\frac{1}{n} \stackrel{\text{a.s}}{\to} \mathbb{E}(X_1|_{\mathcal{I}})$$

Now we just need to justify why T is ergodic. 0-1-law of Kolmogorov:

Theorem 1.3. $(\Omega, \mathcal{A}, \mathbb{P}), (X_n)$ independent RVs Then

$$\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\tau(X_1, X_2, \dots)}{\sigma(X_n, X_{n+1}, \dots)}$$

is trivial, i.e. $A \in \tau \implies \mathbb{P}(A) \in \{0,1\}$. τ is called the tail σ -algebra.

The argument is

$$A \in \tau \implies A \in \sigma(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots) \quad \forall n$$

$$\implies A \text{ independent of } \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$\implies A \text{ independent of } \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$\implies A \text{ independent of } \bigvee_{n=1}^{\infty} \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n) = \sigma(X_1, X_2, \dots) \ni A$$

Since
$$T^{-1}A = A$$
, $\underbrace{T^{-n}A}_{\in \sigma(X_{n+1},X_{n+2},\dots)} = A$. Thus, $A \in \tau$.

Theorem: Axiom definition of entropy 1.2

Proof.

$$H(1,0) \stackrel{\text{axiom } 4}{=} H(1) + 1H(1,0) \implies H(1) = 0$$

$$H(p_1, \dots, p_N, 0) \stackrel{\text{axiom } 4}{=} H(p_1, \dots, p_N) + p_N H(1, 0)$$

$$H(p_1, 1 - p_1, 0) = H(p_1, 1 - p_1) + (1 - p_1) H(1, 0)$$

$$H(1 - p_1, p_1, 0) = H(1 - p_1, p_1) + p_1 H(1, 0)$$

Since by axiom 1, $H(p_1, 1 - p_1, 0) = H(1 - p_1, p_1, 0)$ and since $H(p_1, 1 - p_1) = H(1 - p_1, p_1)$, it follows that

$$(1-p_1)H(1,0) = p_1H(1,0) \ \forall p_1$$

Thus, H(1,0) = 0.

Claim 1. For all N and for all $m \geq 2$:

$$H(p_1, \dots, p_N, p_{N+1}, \dots, p_{N+m}) = H(p_1, \dots, p_N, q) + qH\left(\frac{p_{N+1}}{q}, \dots, \frac{p_{N+m}}{q}\right)$$

where $q = \sum_{k=N+1}^{N+m} p_k$.

Proof. Induction: m = 2 holds by axiom 4.

 $2 \leq m-1 \rightarrow m$:

 $H(p_1, \ldots, p_N, p_{N+1}, \ldots, p_{N+m-1}, p_{N+m})$

$$\stackrel{\text{axiom 4}}{=} H(p_1, \dots, p_N, \dots, p_{N+m-2}, p_{N+m-1}, p_{N+m}) + \underbrace{(p_{N+m-1} + p_{N+m})}_{q'} H \underbrace{\left(\underbrace{\frac{p_{N+m-1}}{q'}}_{p'}, \underbrace{\frac{p_{N+m}}{q'}}_{1-p'}\right)}_{} H$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind. hyp.}}{=} H(p_1, \dots, p_N, q) + qH\left(\frac{p_{N+1}}{q}, \dots, \frac{p_{N+m-2}}{2}, \frac{q'}{q}\right) + q'H(p', 1 - p')$$

$$\stackrel{\text{axiom 4}}{=} H(p_1, \dots, p_N, q) + q \left[H\left(\frac{p_{N+1}}{q}, \dots, \frac{p_{N+m-2}}{q}, \frac{p_{N+m-1}}{q}, \frac{p_{N+m}}{q}\right) - \frac{q'}{q} H(p', 1 - p') \right] + q' H(p', 1 - p')$$

$$= H(p_1, \dots, p_N, q) + qH\left(\frac{p_{N+1}}{q}, \dots, \frac{p_{N+m-2}}{q}, \frac{p_{N+m-1}}{q}, \frac{p_{N+m}}{q}\right)$$

Since
$$-q \cdot \frac{q'}{q} H(p', 1 - p') + q' H(p', 1 - p') = 0.$$

Claim 2.

$$pq'H(p', 1 - p'(1) = (p_1^{(1)}, \dots, p_{N_1}^{(1)}), \dots, p^{(n)} = (p_1^{(n)}, \dots, p_{N_n}^{(n)}) \in \mathcal{P}$$

$$q = (q_1, \dots, q_n) \in \mathcal{P}$$

$$(q_1p^{(1)},\ldots,q_np^{(n)})=(q_1p_1^{(1)},\ldots,q_1p_{N_1}^{(1)},\ldots,q_np_{N_n}^{(n)})$$

Size: $N_1 + \cdots + N_n$.

$$H(q_1p^{(1)}, \dots, q_np^{(n)}) = H(q) + \sum_{j=1}^n a_j H(p^{(j)})$$

Proof. If n = 1 and q = 1 there is nothing to prove.

$$H(q_1p^{(1)},\ldots,q_{n-1}p^{(n-1)},q_np^{(n)})$$

$$\stackrel{\text{Claim } 1}{=} H(q_1 p^{(1)}, \dots, q_{n-1} p^{(n-1)}, q_n) + q_n H(p^{(n)})$$

=
$$H(q_n, q_1 p^{(1)}, \dots, q_{n-2} p^{(n-2)}, q_{n-1}) + q_{n-1} H(p^{(n-1)}) + q_n H(p^{(n)}) = \dots = \checkmark$$