

Exercise 3:

Let's talk a bit about X_1 :

- its density function: $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in [a; a+1] \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$
- $E(X_1) = a + \frac{1}{2}$ (This is intuitive but we could have calculated it with $\int_a^{a+1} x \cdot 1 dx$)
- $E(X_1^2) = \int_a^{a+1} x^2 dx = \frac{(a+1)^3 - a^3}{3} = a^2 + a + \frac{1}{3}$.
- $V(X_1) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{12}$ (OMG!)

As usual, we will do many tests, if a lot of X_i are greater than $\frac{1}{2}$ then a must not be zero!

Formally, $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \xrightarrow{\text{probability}} a + \frac{1}{2}$.
 (weak law of large numbers)

$$P\left(\left|\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i - \left(a + \frac{1}{2}\right)\right| \geq \varepsilon\right) \leq \frac{V(X_1)}{n \varepsilon^2} = \frac{1}{12 n \varepsilon^2}$$

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OMG!

$$\text{So, } P\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \notin \left(a + \frac{1}{2} - \varepsilon, a + \frac{1}{2} + \varepsilon\right)\right) \leq \frac{1}{12 n \varepsilon^2}$$

We perform several test (n) and compute $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$.

If, let's say for $\Sigma = \frac{1}{\sqrt{12 n \varepsilon^2}}$, we find out

that our empirical mean $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i$ is close to a value a (which must be $a + \frac{1}{2}$) then,

if $|\mu - \frac{1}{2}| < \varepsilon$ we answer "a = 0"

if not, "a ≠ 0".

The probability to be false will be less than

$$\frac{1}{12n\varepsilon^2} = B.$$

→ If $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i \notin (\mu - \varepsilon, \mu + \varepsilon)$ then ε is too small and we must change but in that case we cannot guarantee an error probability less than β . (I mean I don't know how to do ...)

N.B.: With this method we do not need to distinguish the kind of error!