

On The Independence Postulate

A Finitary Church Turing Thesis

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The Independence Postulate

Finitary Church Turing Thesis

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Statement

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$$\mathbf{I}(x : y) = \mathbf{K}(x) + \mathbf{K}(y) - \mathbf{K}(x, y).$$

$$\mathbf{I}(x; \mathcal{H}) = \mathbf{K}(x) - \mathbf{K}(x|\mathcal{H}).$$

$$\mathbf{I}(\alpha : \beta) = \log \sum_{x,y} \mathbf{m}(x|\alpha) \mathbf{m}(y|\beta) 2^{\mathbf{I}(x:y)}.$$

Independence Postulate

From [Lev13]:

Thus, a (physical) sequence of all mathematical publications has little information about the (mathematical) sequence of all true statements of arithmetic. This is of little concern because the latter has, in turn, little information about the stock market (a physical sequence).



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$$\begin{aligned} n &=^{\log} \mathbf{K}(\mathcal{H}_n) =^{\log} \mathbf{I}(\mathcal{H}_n : \mathcal{H}_n) <^{\log} \mathbf{NR}(\mathcal{H}_n) + \mathbf{Addr}(\mathcal{H}_n), \\ \mathbf{NR}(\mathcal{H}_n) &= O(\log n), \\ n &<^{\log} \mathbf{Addr}(\mathcal{H}_n). \end{aligned}$$

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$$\mathbf{K}(x) =^+ \mathbf{I}(x : x) <^+ \mathbf{NR}(x) + \mathbf{Addr}(x)$$

$$\mathbf{K}(x) - \mathbf{NR}(x) <^+ \mathbf{Addr}(x).$$

Mathematical Sequences

Mathematical strings have $\mathbf{NR}(x) \ll \|x\|$.

Such physically obtainable x must be algorithmic:

$$\mathbf{K}(x) \approx \mathbf{NR}(x) \ll \|x\|.$$

9999^{1,000,000} is

1. mathematical
2. algorithmic
3. physically obtainable

Conservation Inequalities

[Lev74, Lev84, Eps22c, Eps22b, Ver21]

Theorem

1. $I(f(x) : y) <^+ I(x : y)$.
2. $\Pr_{x \sim p}[I(p : y) < I(x : y) + m] <^* 2^{-m}$.



Target Sequences

[Lev13]:

“IP is much more comprehensive: CT prohibits only generating the target math sequence itself; IP bars all strings with any significant information about it. So, IP can be applied where CT cannot.”

Example:

CT: cannot compute \mathcal{H} .

IP: cannot generate string x with high $I(x; \mathcal{H})$,

$\alpha = \mathcal{H}$, $\beta = x$, $n = O(1)$.

$I(x; \mathcal{H}) <^+ \mathbf{Addr}(x)$.

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Theorem ([Lev13])

Every consistent completion α of PA has $\mathbf{I}(\alpha : \mathcal{H}) = \infty$.

Thus by **IP**: **Addr**(α) = ∞ .

Induction

Complete environment: huge string x .

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$$\mathbf{m}(x) = 2^{-\mathbf{K}(x)}, O(1)\mathbf{m} > p, \mathbf{d}(x|\mathbf{m}) = O(1).$$

No refutation to “ x is generated by \mathbf{m} ”.

$$\arg \min_{x \in D} \mathbf{K}(x).$$

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Only a mathematical construction

EL Theorem states:

$$\min_{x \in D} \mathbf{K}(x) <^{\log} -\log \mathbf{m}(D) + \mathbf{I}(D; \mathcal{H}).$$

By **IP**:

$$\min_{x \in D} \mathbf{K}(x) + \log \mathbf{m}(D) \lesssim \mathbf{Addr}(D).$$

Occam's razor is the preferred strategy.

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Example

q has K-SAT formula, **p** has n variables assignments.

At each round, **q** \Rightarrow unsatisfied clauses \Rightarrow **p**.

p \Rightarrow k changed variables \Rightarrow **q**.

If all clauses satisfied, **p** wins.

Games

Theorem

If randomized player \mathbf{p} wins with probability p with \mathbf{q} , then exists deterministic winning player with complexity $<^{\log} \mathbf{K}(\mathbf{p}) - \log p + \mathbf{I}((\mathbf{p}, p, \mathbf{q}); \mathcal{H})$.

Corollary

For $k > 5$, there exists a player that can beat the κ -SAT environment \mathbf{q} in $1.1n/k$ turns, with complexity $<^{\log} \mathbf{I}(\mathbf{q}; \mathcal{H})$.

By **IP**:

If an physically realizable environment has a good simple randomized player then it has a simple winning deterministic player.

Machine Learning

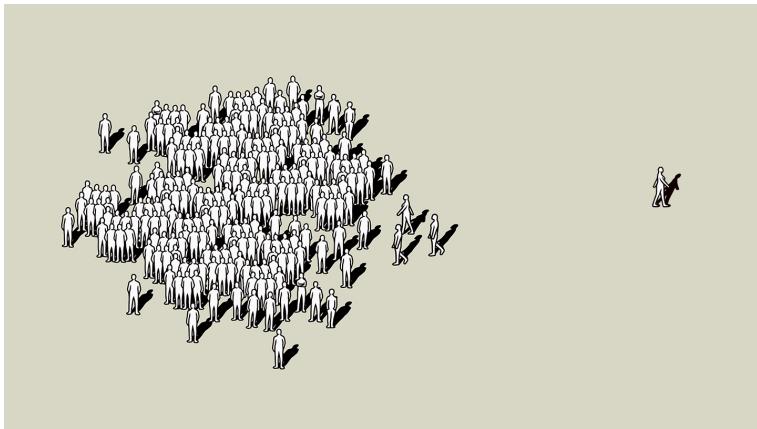
Theorem

Given a sample $\{(x_i, b_i)\}_{i=1}^n$, there is a function $f : \{0, 1\}^ \rightarrow \{0, 1\}$ such that $f(x_i) = b_i$, for $i = 1, \dots, n$, and $\mathbf{K}(f) <^{\log} n + \mathbf{I}(\{(x_i, b_i)\}; \mathcal{H})$.*

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Outliers



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Hawkins (1980): An observation that deviates so much from other observations as to arouse suspicion that it was generated by a different mechanism.

Cambridge Dictionary: a person, thing, or fact that is very different from other people, things, or facts, so that it cannot be used to draw general conclusions.

Oxford English Dictionary: An observation whose value lies outside the set of values considered likely according to some hypothesis (usually one based on other observations); an isolated point.

Deficiency of Randomness

Finite sequences x , probabilities p over \mathbb{N}

$$\mathbf{d}(x|p) = -\log p(x) - \mathbf{K}(x|p).$$

Infinite sequences α , probabilities P over $\{0,1\}^\infty$.

$$\mathbf{D}(\alpha|P) = \sup_n (-\log P(\alpha_n) - \mathbf{K}(\alpha_n|P)).$$

See [G21] for more information.

All Sampling Methods Produce Outliers

Definition

A discrete sampling method A is a computable function that maps an integer N with probability 1 to a set containing N unique strings.

Theorem

$$\Pr\left(\max_{a \in A(2^n)} \mathbf{d}(a|p) < n - k - c \log n\right) \leq 2e^{-2^k}.$$

All Sampling Methods Produce Outliers

Definition

A continuous sampling method B is a computable function that maps, with probability 1, an integer N to an infinite encoding of N different infinite sequences.

Theorem

$$\Pr\left(\max_{\alpha \in B(2^n)} \mathbf{D}(\alpha|P) < n - k - c \log n\right) \leq 2.5e^{-2^k}.$$

Outliers from Probabilistic Algorithms

μ : computable measure over $\{0, 1\}^\infty$.

λ : non-atomic computable measure over $\{0, 1\}^\infty$.

λ : output of randomized algorithm.

Theorem

$$\lambda\{\alpha : \mathbf{D}(\alpha|\mu) > n\} > 2^{-n - \mathbf{K}(n, \mu, \lambda) - O(1)}.$$

Ergodic Dynamics: Cantor Space

Let λ, μ be computable measures over $\{0, 1\}^\infty$.

Let T be ergodic and measure preserving over probability space $(\{0, 1\}^\infty, \mathcal{B}, \lambda)$.

Theorem

Starting λ -almost everywhere, $> 2^{-n - \mathbf{K}(n, \mu, \lambda) - O(1)}$ states α visited by n iterations of T , as $n \rightarrow \infty$, have $\mathbf{D}(\alpha | \mu) > n$.

Dynamics: Computable Metric Spaces

\mathfrak{X} : computable metric space.

μ : computable measure.

\mathbf{t}_μ : universal uniform test.

G^t : 1D transformation group acting on \mathfrak{X} .

Theorem

Let $\alpha \in \mathcal{X}$, with finite mutual information with \mathcal{H} . There is a constant c with $\text{Leb}\{t \in [0, 1] : \mathbf{t}_\mu(G^t \alpha) > 2^n\} > 2^{-n - \mathbf{K}(n) - c}$.

Outliers in Complex Systems



Not computable, but it has an address!

Outliers in Complex System

Process is infinite sequence of infinite sequences

$$\gamma \in \{0, 1\}^{\infty \mathbb{N}}.$$

- ▶ $\gamma[n]$ is the first 2^n sequences of γ .

Theorem

$$t = \sup_n (n - \mathbf{K}(n) - \max_{\alpha \in \gamma(n)} \mathbf{D}(\alpha|P)).$$

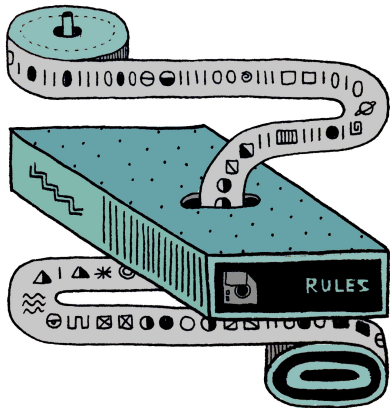
$$t <^{\log} \mathbf{I}(\langle \gamma \rangle : \mathcal{H}) + O(\log \mathbf{K}(P)),$$

By **IP**:

$$t <^+ \mathbf{Addr}(\gamma) + O(\log \mathbf{K}(P)).$$

It's hard to find observations with small anomalies and impossible to find observations with no anomalies.

Conclusion





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