

Probability 3105

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1 Rigorous set up

1.1 Probability space, events and random variables

Definition 1.1 (σ -algebra of sets). Let Ω be a set and Σ be a collection of sets. Then Σ is a σ - algebra if

1. $\Omega, \phi \in \Sigma$
2. $A \in \Sigma$ then $\Omega/A \in \Sigma$
3. $A_1, A_2, \dots \in \Sigma$ then $\cup_1^\infty A_i \in \Sigma$

Definition 1.2 (Measure). $\mu : \Sigma \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is called a measure if

1. $\mu(\phi) = 0$
2. A_1, A_2, \dots are disjoint then $\mu(\cup_1^\infty A_i) = \sum_1^\infty \mu(A_i)$

Definition 1.3 (Probability Measure). A measure μ is called a Probability Measure denoted by P if

$$P(\Omega) = 1$$

Definition 1.4 (Probability Space). A triple (Ω, Σ, P) , where Ω is a set, Σ is a σ -algebra and P is a probability measure, is called a Probability Space.

Definition 1.5 (Measurable Function). a function X is called a Measurable function if

$$\forall B \in \mathcal{B} \quad X^{-1}(B) = \{w : X(w) \in B\} \in \Sigma$$

Definition 1.6 (Random Variable). A random variable is called a measurable function

$$\begin{aligned} X : \Omega &\rightarrow \mathbb{R} \\ (\Omega, \Sigma) &\rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \underbrace{\mathcal{B}}_{\text{borel } \sigma\text{-algebra}}) \end{aligned}$$

The idea:

Ω - Random outcomes

Σ - All possible events

$P(E)$ - Probability of the event E

Example 1.1. Bernulli = "tossing a coin" = "0 or 1 with probability $\frac{1}{2}$ "

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \{H, T\} \\ \Sigma &= \{\{H\}, \{T\}, \{H, T\}, \phi\} = 2^\Omega \\ P(\{H\}) &= P(\{T\}) = \frac{1}{2} \\ P(\{H, T\}) &= 1 \\ P(\phi) &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X : H &\rightarrow 1 \\ T &\rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{"Probability that } X = 1\text{"} = P(\omega : X(\omega) = 1) = P(\{H\}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

Example 1.2. Roll a die, spell the number, take # of letters

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\} \\ \Sigma &= 2^\Omega \quad (\sigma\text{-algebra of all subsets}) \\ P(\{1\}) &= \dots = P(\{6\}) = \frac{1}{6} \\ P(\{1, 3, 5\}) &= \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{2} \text{ etc } \dots \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X : \quad 1 &\rightarrow 3 \\ \quad 2 &\rightarrow 3 \\ \quad 3 &\rightarrow 5 \\ \quad 4 &\rightarrow 4 \\ \quad 5 &\rightarrow 4 \\ \quad 6 &\rightarrow 3 \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.3. Roll a die, spell the number, take # of letters but with the possibility of the dice rolling off the table and scoring 0

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 0\} \\ \Sigma &= 2^\Omega \quad (\sigma\text{-algebra of all subsets}) \\ P(\{1\}) &= \dots = P(\{6\}) = \frac{1}{6} \quad P(\{0\}) = 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} X : \quad 0 &\rightarrow 4 \\ \quad 1 &\rightarrow 3 \\ \quad 2 &\rightarrow 3 \\ \quad 3 &\rightarrow 5 \\ \quad 4 &\rightarrow 4 \\ \quad 5 &\rightarrow 4 \\ \quad 6 &\rightarrow 3 \end{aligned}$$

Example 1.4. Tossing a fair coin infinitely many times

$$\begin{aligned} \Omega &= [0, 1] \\ \Sigma &=? \end{aligned}$$

we can then represent each event as a real number in $[0, 1]$ for example all events where first three results are HTH rest unknown:

$$\{\omega = 0.101 **\} = \left[\frac{5}{8}, \frac{3}{4} \right]$$

All binary intervals must be in Σ . The minimal σ -algebra with this property is \mathcal{B} the borel σ -algebra.

$$P(\omega : 0.101 **** \dots) = \text{leb} \left[\frac{5}{8}, \frac{3}{4} \right] = \frac{1}{8}$$

$\Rightarrow P$ is a lebesgue measure

some questions that could be asked:

if $\omega = \omega_1, \omega_2, \dots$

(a) what is the number in the n^{th} position

$$[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$0.\omega_1\omega_2\dots \mapsto \omega_n$$

(b) how many 1's out of the first n tosses?

$$[0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$$

$$0.\omega_1\omega_2\dots \mapsto \omega_1 + \dots + \omega_n$$

Definition 1.7. An event is an element of Σ

Suppose an event E occurs = suppose $\omega \in E$. An event occurs with probability $p = P(E)$. We are interested in: $P(X \in B) \equiv P(\omega : X(\omega) \subseteq B)$

Definition 1.8.

$$\mu_X(B) := P(X \in B), \quad B \in \mathcal{B}$$

This probability measure on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$ is called the distribution of X or the law of X .

\mathcal{B} is generated by $\{(-\infty, t], t \in \mathbb{R}\}$

1.2 Distribution function

Definition 1.9.

$$F_X(t) := \mu_X((-\infty, t]) = P(x \leq t) \quad t \in \mathbb{R}$$

$F_X(t)$ is called the distribution function of X

Example 1.5. Bernoulli:

$$\mu_X(B) := P(X \in B) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } 0, 1 \in B \\ \frac{1}{2} & \text{if just one of } 0, 1 \in B \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Definition 1.10. Properties of F_X :

1. F_X is increasing
2. $F_X \rightarrow 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$ and $F_X \rightarrow 0$ as $t \rightarrow -\infty$
3. F_X is right continuous

Proof.

(1):

$t_1 < t_2$

$$\begin{aligned} F_X(t_1) &= P(x \leq t_1) \\ F_X(t_2) &= P(x \leq t_2). \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} t_1 < t_2 &\Rightarrow \{X \leq t_1\} \subset \{X \leq t_2\} \\ \therefore P(x \leq t_1) &\leq P(x \leq t_2) \end{aligned}$$

(2):

Let $t_n \rightarrow \infty$ (need countability with σ -algebras).

$$F_X(t_n) = P(x \leq t_n) \rightarrow P(\cup_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{X \leq t_n\}) = P(\Omega) = 1$$

Let $t_n \searrow \infty$

$$F_X(t_n) = P(x \leq t_n) \rightarrow P(\cap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{X \leq t_n\}) = P(\phi) = 0$$

(3):

Let $t_n \searrow t$

$$F_X(t_n) = P(x \leq t_n) \rightarrow P(\cap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \{X \leq t_n\}) = P(x \leq t) = F_X(t)$$

□

Theorem 1.1 (Skorokhod Representation). *If $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ satisfies (1)-(3) from def ?? above then there is a random variable X on the probability space $([0, 1], \mathcal{B}, \text{leb})$ such that*

$$F_X = F$$

Idea. *If F is invertable, then take $G = F^{-1}$ and $X(\omega) = G(\omega)$*

$$F_X(t) = \text{leb}(\omega : X(\omega) \leq t) = F(t)$$

Proof. Define $G : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

$$G(\omega) = \inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\}$$

Define $X(\omega) = G(\omega)$

need to prove:

$$F_X(u) = \text{leb}\{\omega : G(\omega) \leq u\} \stackrel{?}{=} F(u)$$

$$\text{i.e } F_X(u) = \text{leb}\{\omega : \inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\} \leq u\} \stackrel{?}{=} F(u)$$

It suffices to show:

$$[0, F(u)) \subset \{\omega : \inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\} \leq u\} \subset [0, F(u)]$$

(a) Let $\omega \in [0, F(u))$

$$\begin{aligned} &\Rightarrow \omega < F(u) \\ &\Rightarrow u \in \{t : F(t) > \omega\} \\ &\Rightarrow \inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\} \leq u \\ &\Rightarrow \omega \in \text{"middle set"} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Let ω be such that $\inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\} \leq u$
monotonicity of F :

$$F(\inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\}) \leq F(u)$$

right continuity:

$$\begin{aligned} &\inf\{F(t) : F(t) > \omega\} < F(u) \\ &\omega \leq \inf\{F(t) : F(t) > \omega\} < F(u) \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 1.6. *Uniform Distribution*

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } t < 0 \\ t & \text{if } t \in [0, 1] \\ 1 & \text{if } t > 1 \end{cases}$$

X ; $([0, 1], \mathcal{L}, \text{leb})$

$X(\omega) = \omega$ (jumps to $\infty, -\infty$ outside of $[0, 1]$)

$0.\omega_1\omega_2\omega_3\dots$ - uniform random variable on $[0, 1]$

Example 1.7. *Exponential random variable (with mean μ).*

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-t/\mu} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Example 1.8. *Normal, $N(\underset{\text{mean}}{\mu}, \underset{\text{variance}}{\sigma^2})$*

$$F(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^t \exp\left(-\frac{(u - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right) du$$

Example 1.9. *Poisson Distribution*

$$P(X = k) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!}, \quad k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

$([0, 1], \mathcal{B}, \text{leb})$

$$\Omega = \{0, 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$\Sigma = 2^\Omega$$

$$P(\{k\}) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^k}{k!} \quad \leftarrow \text{probability measure complicated}$$

$$X : 0 \rightarrow 0$$

$$: 1 \rightarrow 1$$

$$: 2 \rightarrow 2 \quad \leftarrow \text{Simple}$$

$$: 3 \rightarrow 3$$

By using Skorohod Representation, thm 1.1, we keep the probability measure simple and random variable function complicated.

Definition 1.11. If one can write $F_x = \int_{-\infty}^t f_X(u) du$ then the law/distribution is called continuous and f_X is called the density.

$$\mu_X((-\infty, t]) = F_X(t) = \int_{-\infty}^t f_X(u) du = \int_{(-\infty, t]} f_X(u) d\text{leb}(u)$$

Remark.

(1)

X has a density \Leftrightarrow the law is continuous

$\Leftrightarrow X$ is absolutely continuous w.r.t leb and:

$$f_X = \frac{d\mu_x}{d\text{leb}} \quad (\text{Radon - Nikodym Density})$$

(2) if F is differentiable then

$$f_x = F'_x$$

(3) Exponential:

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - e^{-t/\mu} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$f_x(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\mu} e^{-t/\mu} & \text{if } t \geq 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Normal:

$$f_X(t) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp\left(-\frac{(t - \mu)^2}{2\sigma^2}\right)$$

(4)

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_X(u) du = 1$$
$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^x f_X(t) dt = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} F(X)$$

1.3 Expectation and variance

Remark (Reminder from measure theory).

1.

$$f = \sum_n^{i=1} a_i \mathbb{1}_{B_i} \quad (\text{simple functions})$$
$$\int f dP = \sum_n^{i=1} a_i P(B_i)$$

2. $f \geq 0$, take simple functions f_n where $f_n \nearrow f$. Define

$$\int f dP = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int f_n dP \in [0, 1]$$

3. for arbitrary f

$$f = f^+ + (-f^-)$$

Define

$$\int f dP = \int f^+ dP - \int f^- dP$$

if both are finite. We say the function is non-lebesgue measurable otherwise.

MCT suppose $f_n : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ and $f_n \nearrow f$ a.s. Then:

$$\int f_n dP \rightarrow \int f dP$$

DCT suppose $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.s. and $|f_n(\omega)| < g(\omega)$ a.s. where $\int g(\omega) < \infty$ Then:

$$\int f_n dP \rightarrow \int f dP$$

Definition 1.12. Let X be a random variable on (Ω, Σ, P) . If X is integrable then

$$EX = \int X dP$$

this is called the expectation of X . If $X > 0$, we allow the case $EX = \infty$

Definition 1.13. If X is square integrable (X^2 is integrable), then

$$\text{Var} X = E(X - EX)^2$$

this is called the variance of X .

$$E(X - EX)^2 = E(X^2 - 2X \cdot EX + (EX)^2) = EX^2 - 2(EX)^2 + (EX)^2 = EX^2 - (EX)^2$$

Lemma 1.2. If $EX^2 < \infty$ then $E|X| < \infty$ and so $EX < \infty$

Proof.

$$E|X| = E|X| \cdot 1 \leq \underbrace{\sqrt{EX^2}}_{\text{finite}} \cdot \underbrace{\sqrt{E1^2}}_1 < \infty$$

□

Theorem 1.3 (Chebyshev inequality).

Let x be a non negative r.v. then for any $c > 0$:

$$P(x > c) \leq c^{-1} EX$$

Proof. Define

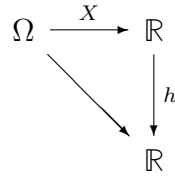
$$y(\omega) = \begin{cases} c & \text{if } \omega \text{ is st } X(\omega) > c \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$Y \leq X \text{ a.s.} \Rightarrow \underbrace{EY}_{=c \cdot P(x>c)} \leq EX$$

□

Theorem 1.4. Let X be a random variable on (Ω, Σ, P) and $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ integrable on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}, \text{leb})$. Then

$$Eh(x) = \int h(x) d\mu_X(x)$$



Proof.

1. $h = \mathbb{1}_B, b \in \mathcal{B}$

$$Eh(x) = E\mathbb{1}_B(x) = 1 \cdot P(X \in B)$$

$$\int h(x) d\mu_X(x) = \int \mathbb{1}_B(x) d\mu_X(x) = 1 \cdot \mu_X(B) = P(X \in B)$$

2. $h = \sum_{i=1}^m a_i \mathbb{1}_{B_i}$

The formula holds by linearity of the integral

3. $h \geq 0$.

$$\begin{array}{c} h_n \nearrow h \\ \text{(simple,} \\ \text{positive)} \end{array} \xRightarrow{MCT} \int h_n d\mu_x \rightarrow \int h d\mu_x$$

$$\begin{array}{c} h_n(x) \nearrow h(x) \\ \text{(simple,} \\ \text{positive)} \end{array} \xRightarrow{MCT} E h_n(x) \rightarrow E h(x)$$

4. h arbitrary

$$h = \underbrace{h^+}_{\geq 0} - \underbrace{h^-}_{\geq 0} \Rightarrow E h(x) = \int h(x) d\mu_X(x)$$

□

Corollary 1.1. *if X has density $h(x)$ then*

$$EX = \int h(x) f(x) dx$$

in particular if $h(x) = x$

$$EX = \int x f(x) dx \quad (\text{old formula})$$

and for $h(x) = x^2$

$$EX^2 = \int x^2 f(x) dx$$

If X has finitely, or countably, many values

$$E h(x) = \sum_{i=1}^n h(a_i) \cdot P(x = a_i)$$

in particular if $h(x) = x$

$$EX = \sum_{i=1}^n n a_i \cdot P(x = a_i) \quad (\text{old formula})$$

Example 1.10. *X - Bernulli*

$$EX = 1 \cdot P(x = 1) + 0 \cdot P(x = 0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$EX^2 = 1^2 \cdot P(x = 1) + 0 \cdot P(x = 0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$Var X = EX^2 - (EX)^2 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

Example 1.11. $N(0,1)$

$$EX = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt = 0$$

$$EX^2 = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} t^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-t^2/2} dt = 1$$

Example 1.12. n people collecting their suitcases at random

$$\begin{array}{cccc} 1, & 2, & \dots, & n \\ \downarrow & \downarrow & & \downarrow \\ \sigma(1) & \sigma(2) & \dots & \sigma(n) \end{array}$$

Pick a random permutation σ uniformly with probability $\frac{1}{n!}$

Probability of everyone getting wrong suitcase?

Expected number of correct suitcases?

$$N = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n \quad X_i = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if the } i\text{th passenger collected correct suitcase} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$EN = \sum_{i=1}^n EX_i = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \cdot P(X_i = 1) = \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{(n-1)!}{n!} = \frac{1}{n} n = 1$$

2 Independence

Definition 2.1. Let (Ω, Σ, P) be a probability space. Events $A, B \in \Sigma$ are independent if

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

two σ -algebras $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2 \subset \Sigma$ are independent if

$$P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B) \quad \text{for any } A \in \Sigma_1, B \in \Sigma_2$$

finitely many σ -algebras $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, \dots, \Sigma_n \subset \Sigma$ are independent if

$$P(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(A_i) \text{ whenever } A_i \in \Sigma_i, 1 \leq i \leq n$$

a sequence of σ -algebras $\Sigma_1, \Sigma_2, \dots \subset \Sigma$ are independent for any n

let X, Y be random variables, they are independent if

$$\sigma(x) \text{ and } \sigma(y) \text{ are independent}$$

Recall:

$$\sigma(x) = \{X^{-1}(B), B \in \mathcal{B}\} = \{X \in B, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

"information which we can get from X ".

Example 2.1.

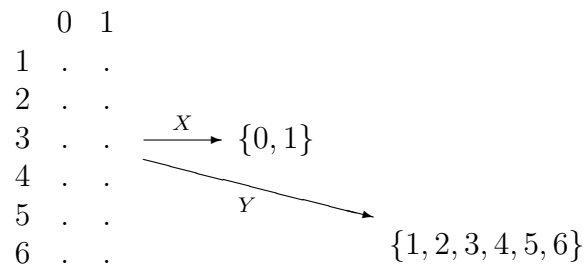
$X \sim \text{coin toss: Bernulli}$

$Y \sim \text{roll a die: } P(x = 1) = \dots = P(x = 6) = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\Omega = \{0, 1\} \times \{1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6\}$$

$$\Sigma = 2^\Omega$$

$$P(\text{each point}) = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$\left. \begin{array}{l} X(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \omega_1 \\ Y(\omega_1, \omega_2) = \omega_2 \end{array} \right\} \quad \text{are they independent?}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sigma(x) &= \{\phi, \Sigma, \underbrace{\{(1, i), i = 1 \dots 6\}}_{\{X=1\}}, \underbrace{\{(0, i), i = 1 \dots 6\}}_{\{X=0\}}\} \\ \sigma(y) &= \{\phi, \Sigma, \{y = 1\}, \dots, \{y = 6\}, \{y = 3 \text{ or } 4 \text{ or } 6\} \text{ etc } \dots\} \\ \underbrace{P\{X = 1, Y = 6\} = \frac{1}{12}, \quad P\{X = 1\} = \frac{1}{2} \quad P\{Y = 6\} = \frac{1}{6}}_{\frac{1}{12} = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{6}} \end{aligned}$$

similarly check this for all pairs of sets!

Definition 2.2. Let \mathcal{I} be a collection of sets, it is called a π -system if $\forall A, B \in \mathcal{I}$

$$A \cap B \in \mathcal{I}$$

Example 2.2.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{(-\infty, t), t \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \{(-\infty, t], t \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \{(a, b) : a < b\}, \phi\} \\ \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \phi\} \end{array} \right\} \text{generate } \mathcal{B} \left. \vphantom{\begin{array}{l} \{(-\infty, t), t \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \{(-\infty, t], t \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \{(a, b) : a < b\}, \phi\} \\ \{\{1\}, \{2\}, \{3\}, \phi\} \end{array}} \right\} \pi\text{-system on } \mathcal{B}$$

Example 2.3.

$$\left. \begin{array}{l} \{x < t, t \in \mathbb{R}\} \\ \{x \leq t, t \in \mathbb{R}\} \end{array} \right\} \quad \pi\text{-system generating } \sigma(x)$$

because

$$\{x < t\} \cap \{x < s\} = \{x < \min(t, s)\} \text{ etc}$$

Example 2.4. If X , $\underbrace{\text{takes finitely or countably many values } a_1, a_2, \dots}_{\text{discrete}}$

$$\{\{x = a_1\}, \{x = a_2\}, \dots, \phi\} - \pi\text{-system generating } \sigma(x)$$

Theorem 2.1. Let (Ω, Σ) be a set with σ -algebra and \mathcal{I} be a π -system generating Σ . Let μ_1, μ_2 be measures such that

1. $\mu_1(\Omega) = \mu_2(\Omega) < \infty$
2. $\mu_1(I) = \mu_2(I)$ for any $I \in \mathcal{I}$

then

$$\mu_1(A) = \mu_2(A) \quad \forall A \in \Sigma$$

Proof. Stated without proof □

Theorem 2.2. Let X, Y be rv's and \mathcal{I}, \mathcal{J} be π -systems generating $\sigma(x)$ and $\sigma(y)$.

$$\mathcal{I} \text{ and } \mathcal{J} \text{ are independent} \Rightarrow X \text{ and } Y \text{ are independent}$$

Proof. Stated without proof □

Corollary 2.1.

(a) To check the independence of X and Y it suffices to check

$$P(X < t, Y < s) = P(X < t)P(Y < s)$$

(b) if X and Y are discrete, taking values a_1, a_2, \dots and b_1, b_2, \dots then

$$P(X = a_i, Y = b_j) = P(X = a_i)P(Y = b_j) \quad \forall i, j$$

Proof of (a). fix $I \in \mathcal{I}$

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_1(B) &= P(I \cap B) \quad \text{on } \sigma(Y) \\ \mu_2(B) &= P(I)P(B) \end{aligned}$$

μ_1, μ_2 are measures such that $\mu_1(\Omega) = \mu_2(\Omega) = P(I) < \infty$ and they agree on \mathcal{J}

$$\begin{aligned} &\xrightarrow[2.1]{Thm} \mu_1(B) = \mu_2(B) \quad \forall B \in \sigma(Y) \\ &\Rightarrow P(X = a_i, Y = b_j) = P(X = a_i)P(Y = b_j) \quad \forall I \in \mathcal{I}, B \in \sigma(Y) \end{aligned}$$

□

Proof of (b). fix $B \in \sigma(Y)$. Define

$$\begin{aligned} v_1(A) &= P(A \cap B) \quad \text{on } \sigma(X) \\ v_2(A) &= P(A)P(B) \end{aligned}$$

v_1, v_2 are measures such that $v_1(\Omega) = v_2(\Omega) = P(B) < \infty$ and they agree on \mathcal{I}

$$\begin{aligned} &\xRightarrow[2.1]{Thm} \text{they agree on } \sigma(X) \\ &\Rightarrow P(A \cap B) = P(A)P(B) \quad \text{whenever } A \in \sigma(X), B \in \sigma(Y) \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 2.5. X_1, X_2, \dots

- *independent*
- *each X_i has a prescribed distribution function F_i*

do they always exist?

Trick Model:

It suffices to construct U_1, U_2, \dots , which are independent and have uniform distribution, because $X_1 = G_1(U_1), X_2 = G_2(U_2), \dots$ generalised as in the Skorokhod representation, 1.1.

$$G = F^{-1} \quad G(\omega) = \inf\{t : F(t) > \omega\}$$

- X_i has distribution F_i
- they are independent since U_1, U_2, \dots are independent

How do we construct U_1, U_2, \dots

$$([0, 1], \mathcal{B}, \text{leb}) \quad U(\omega) = \omega \text{ (Uniform!)} = .\omega_1\omega_2\dots$$

$\omega_1, \omega_2, \dots$ are

(a) *bernulli*

(b) *independent*

$$P(\omega_2 = 1) = \frac{1}{2} \quad P(\omega_1 = 0, \omega_2 = 1) = P(\omega_1 = 0)P(\omega_2 = 1)$$

$$\frac{1}{4} \qquad \frac{1}{2} \qquad \frac{1}{2}$$

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

$$U_1(\omega) = .\omega_1\omega_2\omega_{25}\omega_{100}$$

$$U_2(\omega) = .\omega_2\omega_3\omega_{200}$$

$$U_3(\omega) = .\omega_4\omega_{500}\omega_{1000}$$

Uniform + Independent

2.1 Finite and infinite occurrence of Events

Example 2.6.

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} X_1, & X_2 & X_3 & X_4 & \dots & \text{Bernulli} \\ 1, & 0, & 1, & 1, & \dots & \end{array}$$

"there will be infinitely many 1's in the sequence with probability 1."

$$E_n = \{X_n = 1\}$$

$$E = \{ \text{infinitely many 1's in the sequence} \} = \{ \forall N \in \mathbb{N} \exists n \geq N \ X_n = 1 \}$$

$$= \bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq N} \{X_n = 1\}$$

Notation. Let (E_n) be a sequence of events

$$\{E_n \text{ i.o.}\} = \bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq N} E_n \quad \text{infinitely many of } E_n \text{ occur}$$

$$\{E_n \text{ i.o.}\}^c = \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} E_n^c \quad \text{finitely many events occur}$$

Note. *i.o.* - infinitely often

Theorem 2.3 (Strong Law of Large Numbers). *Let (X_n) be independent identically distributed random variables such that $E|X_1| < \infty$, then*

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \xrightarrow[n]{a.s.} EX_1 = EX_n \quad \forall n$$

Outline of proof:

$S_n = X_1 + \dots + X_n$ denote $\mu = EX_1$ we need to prove:

$$P\left(\omega \in \Omega : \frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu\right) = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\omega \in \Omega : \frac{S_n}{n} \rightarrow \mu\right) &= P\left(\forall k > 0 \ \exists N \in \mathbb{N} \ \forall n > N \ \left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| < \frac{1}{k}\right) \\ &= P\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} \left\{\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| < \frac{1}{k}\right\}\right) \end{aligned}$$

We need to show $\forall k \in \mathbb{N}$

$$P\left(\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} \left\{\left|\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu\right| < \frac{1}{k}\right\}\right) = 1$$

that is equivalent to

$$P\left(\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} \left\{ \left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right| \geq \frac{1}{k} \right\}^c\right) = 1$$

ie

$$P\left(\left\{ \left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right| \geq \frac{1}{k} \text{ i.o.} \right\}^c\right) = 1$$

$$P\left(\left\{ \left| \frac{S_n}{n} - \mu \right| \geq \frac{1}{k} \text{ i.o.} \right\}\right) = 0$$

Proven later.

2.2 The Borel-Cantelli Lemmas

Lemma 2.4 (Borel-Cantelli Lemma 1 - BC1). *Let (E_n) be events such that $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) < \infty$, then*

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

Proof.

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n \geq N} E_n\right) \leq \sum_{n \geq N} P(E_n) \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$P(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = P\left(\bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq N} E_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{n \geq N} E_n\right) \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{n \geq N} P(E_n) = 0$$

since $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) < \infty$. □

Lemma 2.5 (Borel-Cantelli Lemma 2 - BC2). *Let (E_n) be events independent events such that $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) = \infty$, then*

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

Proof.

$$P(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1 \Rightarrow P(\{E_n \text{ i.o.}\}^c) = P\left(\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} E_n^c\right) = 0$$

i.e

$$P\left(\bigcap_{n \geq N} E_n^c\right) = 0 \quad \forall n \in \mathbb{N}$$

$$P\left(\bigcap_{n \geq N} E_n^c\right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n=N}^k E_n^c\right) = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{n=N}^k \underbrace{P(E_n^c)}_{1-P(E_n)}$$

$$\leq \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \prod_{n=N}^k e^{-P(E_n)} = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\sum_{n=N}^k P(E_n)} = 0 \quad \forall N$$

□

Remark. $E_n = E$ with some E such that $0 < P(E) < 1$, $\{E_n \text{ i.o.}\} = E$ so $P(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = p$ not 0, 1. BC2, 2.5, doesn't hold for dependent events.

To summarize if (E_n) are independent then

$$P(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) = \infty \\ 0 & \text{if } \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) < \infty \end{cases}$$

Applications. X_n iid assume all X_n have exponential distribution. we wish to show:

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{\log(n)} = 1$$

$\limsup a_n = a$ means a is the largest value such that there is a subsequence a_{n_k} converging to a

Example 2.7.

1. $1, -1, 1, -1, \dots$

$$\limsup = 1$$

2. $1, 0, 3, 0, 5, \dots$

$$\limsup = \infty$$

So if I want to prove $\limsup a_n = a$:

1. $\forall b > a, \quad a_n > b \text{ occurs for finitely many } n$

2. $\forall b < a, \quad a_n > b \text{ occurs for infinitely many } n$

So for

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{\log(n)} = 1$$

1. $b > 1$

$$P\left\{\frac{X_n}{\log(n)} > b \text{ i.o.}\right\} = 0$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P\left(\frac{X_n}{\log(n)} > b\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P(X_n > b \log(n)) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} e^{-b \log(n)} = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^b} < \infty$$

2. $b < 1$

$$P\left\{\frac{X_n}{\log(n)} < b \text{ i.o.}\right\} = 1$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} P\left(\frac{X_n}{\log(n)} < b\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^b} = \infty$$

Example 2.8. For the following two iid sequences (X_n) :

If (X_n) is Exponentially distributed such that $F(x) = 1 - e^{-x}$, $x > 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\log(n)} = 1$$

If (X_n) is normally distributed $N(0, 1)$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log(n)}} = 1$$

(this is an exercise in homework.)

Are there any distributions such that (X_n) grows along a straight line?

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{|X_n|}{n} = \alpha?$$

answer

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{|X_n|}{n} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } E|X_1| < \infty \leftarrow \text{follows from SLLN} \\ \infty & \text{if } E|X_1| = \infty \end{cases}$$

Proof.

$$\frac{X_n}{n} = \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{\underset{\substack{\downarrow \text{SLLN} \\ EX_1}}{n}} - \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_{n-1}}{\underset{\substack{\downarrow \text{SLLN} \\ EX_1}}{n-1}} \cdot \underset{\substack{\downarrow \\ 1}}{\frac{n-1}{n}} \rightarrow 0$$

We want to show the if $E|X_1| = \infty$

$$P\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{|X_n|}{n} = \infty\right) = 1$$

i.e.

$$P\left(\forall m \frac{X_n}{n} > m \text{ i.o.}\right) = P\left(\bigcap_{m \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{X_n}{n} > m \text{ i.o.}\right) = 1$$

i.e

$$P\left(\frac{X_n}{n} > m \text{ i.o.}\right) = 1 \quad \forall m$$

Use BC2, 2.5

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\frac{|X_1|}{n} > m\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\frac{|X_1|}{n} > m\right) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E \mathbb{1}_{\{\frac{|X_1|}{n} > m\}}$$

Idea $m = 1$

$$P(|X_1| > 1)$$

$$P(|X_1| > 2)$$

$$\vdots$$

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E \mathbb{1}_{\{\frac{|X_1|}{n} > m\}} \stackrel{MCT}{=} E \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathbb{1}_{\{n < \frac{|X_1|}{m}\}} \geq E\left(\frac{|X_1|}{m} - 1\right) = \infty$$

□

Theorem 2.6 (Expectation and Variance for independent variables). *Let X and Y be independent random variables*

(a) *if $E|X| < \infty, E|Y| < \infty$ then $E|XY| < \infty$*

$$E(XY) = E(X) \cdot E(Y)$$

(b) *if $E(X^2), E(Y^2) < \infty$ then*

$$\text{Var}(X + Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$$

Proof of (a).

(i) Lets check this for simple r.v's

$$X = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}, \quad Y = \sum_{j=1}^m b_j \mathbb{1}_{B_j} \quad \text{mutually different}$$

$$\begin{aligned} E(XY) &= E\left(\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i \mathbb{1}_{A_i}\right)\left(\sum_{j=1}^m b_j \mathbb{1}_{B_j}\right)\right) = E\left(\sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_j \mathbb{1}_{A_i \cap B_j}\right) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^m \sum_{i=1}^n a_i b_j \underbrace{P(A_i \cap B_j)}_{=P(A_i)P(B_j)} = \left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i P(A_i)\right) \left(\sum_{j=1}^m b_j P(B_j)\right) \\ &= E(X)E(Y) \end{aligned}$$

(ii) $X \geq 0, Y \geq 0 \leftarrow$ by approximation X, Y by simple r.v's and using MCT.

(iii) X, Y arbitrary, take

$$X = X^+ - X^- \quad Y = Y^+ - Y^-$$

and use linearity. □

Proof of (b).

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Var}(X + Y) &= E(X + Y)^2 - (E(X + Y))^2 \\ &= E(X^2 + 2XY + Y^2) - ((EX)^2 + 2EXEY + (EY)^2) \\ &= EX^2 - (EX)^2 + EY^2 - (EY)^2 \\ &= \text{Var}X + \text{Var}Y \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 2.9. $n \in \mathbb{N}, X_1, \dots, X_n$ – independent.

$$P(X_i = 1) = p \quad P(X_i = 0) = 1 - p$$

$$Y = X_1 + \dots + X_n \quad \text{number of heads over } n\text{-tosses}$$

Y has Binomial distribution

$$\begin{aligned}
P(Y = k) &= \binom{n}{k} p^k (1-p)^{n-k} \\
EY &= \sum_{k=1}^n k P(Y = k) \quad \text{Var} Y = \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 P(Y = k) \\
&\quad \vdots \quad \vdots \\
EY &= E(X_1 + \cdots + X_n) = EX_1 + \cdots + EX_n = np \\
\text{Var} Y &= \text{Var}(X_1 + \cdots + X_n) = \text{Var} X_1 + \cdots + \text{Var} X_n = np(1-p)
\end{aligned}$$

2.3 Bernsteins inequality

Theorem 2.7 (Bernsteins inequality). *Let X_1, \dots, X_n be independent and such that*

$$P(X_i = 1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad P(X_i = -1) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall 1 \leq i \leq n$$

and $a_1, \dots, a_n \in \mathbb{R}$ then

$$P\left(\left|\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right|\right) \leq 2 \exp\left(\frac{-t^2}{\sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2}\right) \quad \forall t > 0$$

Proof. Denote $c = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i^2$ and let $\lambda > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
E\left(\exp\left(\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right)\right) &= E\left(\prod_{i=1}^n e^{\lambda a_i X_i}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n E\left(e^{\lambda a_i X_i}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n \frac{e^{\lambda a_i} + e^{-\lambda a_i}}{2} \\
&= \prod_{i=1}^n \cosh \lambda a_i \leq \prod_{i=1}^n \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 a_i^2}{2}\right) = \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 c}{2}\right)
\end{aligned}$$

now

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i > \lambda t\right) &= P\left(\exp\left(\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) > \exp(\lambda t)\right) \\
&\stackrel{\text{Chebyshev}}{\leq} E\left(\exp\left(\lambda \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right) \cdot \exp(-\lambda t)\right) \\
&\leq \exp\left(\frac{\lambda^2 c}{2} - \lambda t\right)
\end{aligned}$$

Take λ in such a way that it minimises $\frac{\lambda^2 c}{2} - \lambda t$

$$\begin{aligned}
P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i > t\right) &\leq \exp\left(\frac{t^2}{c^2} c \frac{1}{2} - \frac{t^2}{c}\right) = \exp \frac{-t^2}{2c} \\
P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n \underbrace{a_i}_{b_i = -a_i} X_i < -t\right) &= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n b_i X_i > t\right) \leq \exp \frac{-t^2}{2c} \\
P\left(\left|\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i\right| > t\right) &= P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i > t \cup \sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i < -t\right) \\
&\leq P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i > t\right) + P\left(\sum_{i=1}^n a_i X_i < -t\right) \\
&\leq 2 \exp \frac{-t^2}{2c}
\end{aligned}$$

□

Theorem 2.8 (SLLN for r.v's taking values ± 1). *Let X_1, \dots, X_n be a sequence of iid random variables such that*

$$P(X_i = 1) = \frac{1}{2}, \quad P(X_i = -1) = \frac{1}{2} \quad \forall i$$

then

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \rightarrow 0 (= EX_1) \text{ a.s.}$$

Proof. we want to prove

$$P\left(\forall k \exists N \forall n \geq N \left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| < \frac{1}{k}\right) = 1$$

i.e

$$P\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} \left\{ \left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| < \frac{1}{k} \right\}\right) = 1$$

i.e

$$P\left(\bigcup_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcap_{n \geq N} \left\{ \left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| < \frac{1}{k} \right\}\right) = 1 \quad \forall k$$

$$P\left(\bigcap_{N=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq N} \left\{ \left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| \geq \frac{1}{k} \right\}\right) = 0$$

this means

$$P\left(\left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| \geq \frac{1}{k} \text{ i.o.} \right) = 0 \quad \forall k$$

Use BC1:

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left(\left| \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \right| \geq \frac{1}{k}\right) \stackrel{(*)}{\geq} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} 2 \exp \frac{-n}{2k^2} < \infty$$

Note (*). *this is an application of bernsteins inequality with $a_1 = \dots = a_n = 1$ and $t = \frac{n}{k}$ since*

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} e^{-n} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (e^{-1})^n$$

□

2.4 Joint Laws

Recall.

$$X \rightsquigarrow \mu_X \quad \text{on } (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$$

Let X, Y be two r.v's

Definition 2.3 (Joint Law). *The Joint Law of X and Y is a probability measure*

$$\mu_{X,Y} \quad \text{on } (\mathbb{R}^2, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2))$$

Defined by

$$\mu_{X,Y} = P((x, y) \in \mathcal{B})$$

Definition 2.4 (The Joint distribution function).

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = \mu_{X,Y}((-\infty, x] \times (-\infty, y])$$

Theorem 2.9. *Let X and Y be independent*

(a)

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$$

(b) *if X and Y have densities f and g then $\mu_{X,Y}(x, y)$ has density*

$$f(x)g(y)$$

with respect to lebesgue measure on \mathbb{R}^2

(c) *if X and Y have densities f and g , then $X + Y$ has density $(f * g)(t)$ where*

$$(f * g)(t) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g(t - x)dx$$

which is called the convolution of f and g .

Proof of (a).

$$F_{X,Y}(x, y) = P(X \leq x, Y \leq y) = P(X \leq x)P(Y \leq y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y)$$

□

Proof of (b). we want to show

$$\mu_{X,Y}(B) = \int_B f(x)g(y)dx dy \quad \forall B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$$

it suffices to look at $B = (-\infty, x] \times (-\infty, y]$, $\forall x, y$ since they form a π -system generating $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mu_{X,Y}((-\infty, x] \times (-\infty, y]) &= F_{X,Y}(x, y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(u)du \int_{-\infty}^y g(v)dv \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^x \int_{-\infty}^y f(u)g(v)dudv \end{aligned}$$

□

Proof of (c).

$$\begin{aligned} F_{X+Y}(t) &= P(X + Y \leq t) \stackrel{(b)}{=} \iint_{U+V \leq t} f(u)g(v)dudv = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{t-x} f(u)g(v)dudv \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \underbrace{\left(\int_{-\infty}^{t-x} g(v)dv \right)}_{v=z-u} du = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u) \int_{-\infty}^t g(z-u)dzdu \\ &= \int_{-\infty}^t \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u)g(z-u)du \right) dz \\ F_{X+Y}(t) &= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(u)g(t-u)du \end{aligned}$$

□

Example 2.10. *Density of $X \cdot Y$?*

$$F_{X \cdot Y}(t) = \int_{uv \leq t} f(u)g(v)dudv$$

2.5 Tail events and Kolmogorov 0 – 1 law

(X_n) - r.v's

$$\begin{aligned} \{\lim X_n > 0\} &\leftarrow \boxed{\text{tail events} \\ \text{doesn't depend on any finite no. r.v's}} \\ \{\sup X_n > 0\} &\leftarrow \text{is not like that} \end{aligned}$$

Definition 2.5. Let X_n be a sequence of r.v.'s

$$\mathcal{T}_n = \sigma(X_{n+1} > X_{n+2} > \dots) \quad n^{th} \text{ tail } \sigma\text{-algebra}$$

this is the information contained in X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots

$$\mathcal{T} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n \quad \text{the tail } \sigma\text{-algebra}$$

each $A_i \in \mathcal{T}$ is called a Tail event.

Example 2.11.

1.

$$\{X_n \rightarrow a\} \quad - \text{ tail event}$$

since

$$\begin{aligned} \{X_n \rightarrow a\} &= \{X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots \rightarrow a\} = \{X_{m+1}, X_{m+2}, \dots \rightarrow a\} \in \mathcal{T}_m \\ &\Rightarrow \{X_n \rightarrow a\} \in \bigcap \mathcal{T}_m = \mathcal{T} \end{aligned}$$

2.

$$\begin{aligned} \left\{ \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \text{ exists} \right\} &- \text{ tail event} \\ \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n < \infty \right\} &- \text{ tail event} \end{aligned}$$

3.

$$\left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n < 10 \right\} \quad - \text{ not a tail event}$$

4.

$$\left\{ \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \text{ converges} \right\} \quad - \text{ tail event}$$

since

$$\left\{ \frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \text{ converges} \right\} = \left\{ \frac{X_1}{1}, \frac{X_1 + X_2}{2}, \frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{3}, \dots \text{ converges} \right\}$$

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} = \underbrace{\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_m}{n}}_{\rightarrow 0} + \frac{X_{m+1} + \dots + X_n}{n}$$

$$\forall m \left\{ \frac{X_{m+1} + \dots + X_n}{n} \text{ converges} \right\} \in \mathcal{T}_n \Rightarrow \text{Tail event}$$

5.

$$\left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} X_n > 0 \right\} - \text{not a tail event}$$

Consider

$$X_1 = \left\{ 1, -1 \text{ each with } P = \frac{1}{2} \right\} \quad X_i = 0, \forall i \geq 2$$

we want to show

$$A \notin \mathcal{T} = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_n, \quad \mathcal{T}_n = \sigma(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots)$$

$$\sigma(X_2) = \{\phi, \Omega\}$$

$$\sigma(X_3) = \{\phi, \Omega\}$$

$$\vdots \quad \quad \quad \vdots$$

$$\sigma(X_n) = \{\phi, \Omega\}$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T}_n = \{\phi, \Omega\} \Rightarrow \mathcal{T} = \{\phi, \Omega\}$$

$$P(A) = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow A \neq \phi, A \neq \Omega$$

Theorem 2.10 (Kolmogorov 0 – 1 law). *If (X_n) is a sequence of independent random variables, then each tail event has probability 0 or 1.*

Proof.

$$\sigma_n = \sigma(X_1, \dots, X_n)$$

$$\mathcal{T}_n = \sigma(X_{n+1}, X_{n+2}, \dots)$$

since (X_n) are independent

$$\sigma_n \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathcal{T}_n, \quad \forall n$$

$$\mathcal{T} = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} \mathcal{T}_i \Rightarrow \mathcal{T} \subset \mathcal{T}_n \Rightarrow \sigma_n \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathcal{T}, \quad \forall n$$

Denote

$$\sigma_{\infty}(X_1, X_2, \dots) \Rightarrow \text{each } \mathcal{T}_n \subset \sigma_{\infty} \Rightarrow \mathcal{T} \subset \sigma_{\infty}$$

On the other hand

$$\sigma_{\infty} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathcal{T}$$

since σ_{∞} is generated by the π -system $\bigcup_{i=1}^n \sigma_i$ which is independent of \mathcal{T} .

$$\Rightarrow \mathcal{T} \perp\!\!\!\perp \mathcal{T}$$

$$\forall A \in \mathcal{T} \quad P(A) = P\left(\bigcap_{A \in \mathcal{T}} A\right) = P(A)P(A) = P(A)^2$$

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

□

Example 2.12.

1. for all tail events in example 2.11 above

$$P(\dots) = 0 \text{ or } 1 \quad (\text{if } (X_n) \text{ are independent})$$

2. $\frac{|X_n|}{n}$ if $E|X_1| < \infty$ then by SLLN

$$\frac{|X_n|}{n} \rightarrow 0$$

if $E|X_1| = \infty$

$$\frac{|X_n|}{n} \text{ diverges.}$$

$$P\left(\left\{\frac{|X_n|}{n} \text{ converges.}\right\}\right) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } E|X_1| < \infty \\ 0 & \text{if } E|X_1| = \infty \end{cases}$$

3. Percolation. Have a lattice and flip a coin with probability p , if heads keep edge, if tails remove edge.

$\{\text{there is no infinite cluster}\}$ – tail event

X_n = edge n edges away from start point. Infinite cluster exists with either $P = 1$ or 0 depending on value of p .

3 Weak convergence

X, Y independent bernulli random variables

$$X \neq Y \quad a.s.$$

but

$$X \stackrel{\text{in}}{\underset{\text{Law}}{=}} Y \quad \text{since} \quad \mu_X = \mu_Y$$

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n}{n} \xrightarrow{\text{SLLN}} \mu \quad a.s.$$

$$\frac{X_1 + \dots + X_n - n\mu}{n\sigma} \stackrel{\text{in}}{\underset{\text{Law}}{=}} N(1, 0) \quad (CLT)$$

where here σ means variance of (X_i)

Definition 3.1. we say that $X_n \rightarrow X$ in law, in distribution or weakly if

$$F_{X_n}(t) \Rightarrow F_X(t) \quad \forall t \in \mathbb{R}$$

where F_X is continuous.

$$\Leftrightarrow \mu_{X_n} \rightarrow \mu_X \quad \text{weakly}$$

Notation. to say that $X_n \rightarrow X$ in law, in distribution or weakly:

$$\underbrace{\xrightarrow{d}}_{\text{we will use this}} \quad \underbrace{\xrightarrow{w}, \Rightarrow}_{\text{some people use these}}$$

Remark. why do we exclude discontinuity points?

$$X_n = \frac{1}{n} \text{ with } P = 1$$

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Theorem 3.1 (Relation between a.s. and weak convergence).

1. if $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s. then $X_n \xrightarrow{d} X$
2. if $\mu_X \rightarrow \mu$ weakly then there are random variables (X_n) and X such that

$$\begin{aligned} X_n &\text{ has law } \mu_n \quad \forall n \\ X &\text{ has law } \mu \end{aligned}$$

and $X_n \rightarrow X$ a.s.

Theorem 3.2. [Useful definition of weak convergence]

$$\mu_n \rightarrow \mu \text{ weakly} \Rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} h d\mu_n \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} h d\mu$$

$$\forall h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \quad \text{continuous and bounded}$$

Idea.

$$\begin{aligned} X_n \xrightarrow{d} X &\Rightarrow EX_n \rightarrow EX & \int X d\mu_n &\rightarrow \int X d\mu \\ EX_n^2 &\rightarrow EX^2 & \int X^2 d\mu_n &\rightarrow \int X^2 d\mu \end{aligned}$$

\Leftarrow maybe we can get this if we check for a sufficiently large class of test functions.

$$\boxed{\int_{\mathbb{R}} h d\mu_n \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} h d\mu} \rightarrow Eh(X_n) \rightarrow Eh(X)$$

Proof of theorems 3.1 and 3.2. Plan: (2), \Rightarrow , \Leftarrow , (1)

Proof of (2). we are given $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu$ weakly i.e.

$$F_n(t) \rightarrow F(t) \quad \forall t, \text{ where } F \text{ is continuous}$$

we use Skorokhod representation, 1.1, to construct all X_n and X .

$$\begin{aligned} ([0, 1], \mathcal{B}, Leb), \quad X(\omega) &= \inf\{u : F(u) > \omega\} \leftarrow \text{has law } \mu \\ X_n(\omega) &= \inf\{u : F_n(u) > \omega\} \leftarrow \text{has law } \mu_n \end{aligned}$$

$$B = \{\omega \in [0, 1] : \exists x, y \in \mathbb{R} \text{ s.t. } F(x) = F(y)\}$$

we need to

(a) prove that B is at most countable and $Leb(B) = 0$

(b) prove that $X_n(\omega) \rightarrow X(\omega) \quad \forall \omega \in [0, 1] \setminus B$

proof of (a): each $\omega \in B$ generate an interval (x, y) , all these intervals don't intersect. Each interval contains a rational number.

\Rightarrow at most countably many intervals

\Rightarrow at most countably many ω

proof of (b): lets prove that the set of discontinuity points of F is at most countable, (same argument as for (a) but considering intervals fromed on the y axis). Now let $\omega \in [0, 1] \setminus B$, $\epsilon > 0$. Choose $0 < \delta < \epsilon$ so that $X(\omega) \pm \delta$ are continuity points of F .

$$F(X(\omega) - \delta) < \omega < F(X(\omega) + \delta)$$

$$\left. \begin{aligned} F_n(X(\omega) - \delta) &\rightarrow F(X(\omega) - \delta) \\ F_n(X(\omega) + \delta) &\rightarrow F(X(\omega) + \delta) \end{aligned} \right\} \begin{array}{l} \text{Since } X(\omega) \pm \delta \text{ are continuity points of } F \\ \text{and weak convergence} \end{array}$$

$$\Rightarrow \exists N \forall n \geq N \quad F_n(X(\omega) - \delta) < \omega < F_n(X(\omega) + \delta)$$

$$\Rightarrow X(\omega) - \delta < X_n(\omega) < X(\omega) + \delta$$

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Proof of (\Rightarrow) . we are given

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Proof of (\Leftarrow) . we are given

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Proof of (1). we are given

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