

3(a). Let  $\{X_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be independent random variables on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . Suppose  $X_n \sim \text{Normal}(0, 1)$  then show that

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log(n)}} = 1\right) = 1.$$

**Solution :** We first derive an inequality regarding tail probabilities of Gaussian random variables

$$\begin{aligned} \int_x^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt &= \int_x^\infty \frac{1}{t} te^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \text{ if } x \geq 1 \\ &= -\frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}}{t} \Big|_x^\infty - \int_x^\infty \frac{e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}}{t^2} dt \\ &= \frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}}{x} - \int_x^\infty \frac{1}{t^3} te^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \\ &= \frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}}{x} + \frac{e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}}{t^3} \Big|_x^\infty + \int_x^\infty \frac{3e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}}{t^4} dt \end{aligned}$$

Thus,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_x^\infty e^{\frac{t^2}{2}} dt &\geq e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x^3} \right) \\ &\geq e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \left( \frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{4x} \right) \\ &\geq \frac{3}{4x} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \text{ if } x \geq 2 \end{aligned}$$

Again,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_x^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt &\leq \int_x^\infty \frac{t}{x} e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} \text{ if } x \geq 1 \\ &= \frac{1}{x} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus,  $\frac{3}{4x} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \leq \int_x^\infty e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}} dt \leq \frac{1}{x} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$  ... (i)

Now we show  $\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \leq 1\right) = 1$

Say  $\epsilon > 0$  then

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \geq 2} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \geq \sqrt{1 + \epsilon}\right) &= \sum_{n \geq 2} \mathbb{P}(X_n \geq \sqrt{2(1 + \epsilon) \log n}) \\ &\leq \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi} \sqrt{2(1 + \epsilon) \log n}} \exp\left(-\frac{2(1 + \epsilon) \log n}{2}\right) \text{ (by (i))} \\ &\leq \sum_{n \geq 2} n^{-(1+\epsilon)} \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\{X_n\}$  are independent using Borel-Cantelli lemma we have

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} > \sqrt{1 + \epsilon}\right) = 0$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \leq \sqrt{1 + \epsilon}\right) = 1.$$

Suppose  $A_m = \{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \leq \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{m}}\}$  then  $A_{m+1} \subset A_m$  and by the continuity of probability we have

$$\mathbb{P}(\cap_{m \geq 1} A_m) = \lim_{m \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{P}(A_m) = 1$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \leq 1\right) = 1$$

Again we show that  $\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \geq 1\right) = 1$ .

Now,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{n \geq 2} \mathbb{P}\left(\frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \geq 1\right) &= \sum_{n \geq 2} \mathbb{P}(X_n \geq \sqrt{2 \log n}) \\ &\geq \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{3}{4\sqrt{2\pi}\sqrt{2 \log n}} \exp(-\log n) \\ &= \frac{3}{8\pi} \sum_{n \geq 2} \frac{1}{n\sqrt{\log n}} \\ &\geq \frac{3}{8\sqrt{\pi}} \int_2^\infty \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{\log x}} \\ &< \infty \end{aligned}$$

Since  $X_n$  are independent using Borel-Cantelli lemma we have,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \geq 1\right) = 1$$

Thus,

$$\mathbb{P}\left(\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \geq 1\} \cap \{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup \frac{X_n}{\sqrt{2 \log n}} \leq 1\}\right) = 1$$

because if  $\mathbb{P}(A) = \mathbb{P}(B) = 1$  then  $\mathbb{P}(A \cap B) = 1$ .

4. Let  $\{a_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of real numbers. Suppose  $\Omega = \{-1, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$  along with

$$\mathbb{P}(\{\omega \in \Omega | \pi_n(\omega) = (\tilde{\omega}_1, \tilde{\omega}_2, \dots, \tilde{\omega}_n)\}) = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

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for any  $(\tilde{\omega}_1, \tilde{\omega}_2, \dots, \tilde{\omega}_n) \in \{-1, 1\}^n$ . Show that

$$\mathbb{P}(\{\omega \in \Omega | \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \omega_n a_n < \infty\}) \in \{0, 1\}.$$

**Solution :** Let  $A_n \subset \Omega$  be the event  $\{\omega_n = 1\}$ . Consider distinct  $n_1, n_2, \dots, n_k \in \mathbb{N}$ . Wlog assume  $n_1 < n_2 < \dots < n_k$ .

$$\mathbb{P}(A_{n_1} \cap A_{n_2} \cap \dots \cap A_{n_k})$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(\{\omega \in \Omega | \pi_{n_k}(\omega) = (\omega_1, \dots, \omega_{n_k}) \text{ where } \omega_{n_1} = \omega_{n_2} = \dots = \omega_{n_k} = 1\}) = \frac{1}{2^k}$$

$$\text{and } \mathbb{P}(A_n) = \frac{1}{2} \forall n$$

$$\text{Thus, } \mathbb{P}(A_{n_1} \cap A_{n_2} \cap \dots \cap A_{n_k}) = \mathbb{P}(A_{n_1})\mathbb{P}(A_{n_2}) \dots \mathbb{P}(A_{n_k}).$$

Thus,  $\{A_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  are independent. If we show that

$$\{\omega \in \Omega | \sum_n \omega_n a_n < \infty\} \in \cap_{k \geq 1} \sigma(A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots)$$

then by Kolmogorov's 0-1 law we will be done.

$$\text{Now, } E = \{\omega \in \Omega | \sum_n \omega_n a_n < \infty\} = \cap_{k=1}^{\infty} \cup_{N \geq 1} \cap_{q > p \geq N} \{\omega \in \Omega | |\sum_{n=p}^q \omega_n a_n| < \frac{1}{k}\}$$

$$\text{Observe, } \cap_{q > p \geq N} \{\omega \in \Omega | |\sum_{n=p}^q \omega_n a_n| < \frac{1}{k}\} \in \sigma(A_{N'}, A_{N'+1}, \dots) \forall N' \geq N$$

$$\text{Thus, } E \in \cap_{k \geq 1} \sigma(A_k, A_{k+1}, \dots) \forall k.$$

Thus,  $E$  is a tail event. So,  $\mathbb{P}(E) = 0$ .

6. (*Constructing independent and identically distributed (i.i.d.) sequence of Uniform random variables*) Let  $\Omega = [0, 1]$ ,  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{B}_{[0,1]}$  the Borel- $\sigma$  algebra on  $[0, 1]$ , and  $\mathbb{P}(dw)$  be the Lebesgue measure. Consider random variables  $d_k : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  with  $d_k(\omega)$  being the  $k$ -th digit in the binary expansion of  $\omega$ .

- (a) Show that  $\{d_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is an i.i.d. Bernoulli  $(\frac{1}{2})$  sequence, i.e.

$$\text{i. Show that } \mathbb{P}(d_k = 0) = \mathbb{P}(d_k = 1) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ for all } k \geq 1.$$

$$\text{ii. Show that } \{d_k\}_{k \geq 1} \text{ is an independent collection of random variables.}$$

**Solution :** If we fix the first  $(k-1)$  digits of  $\omega$  then the set of all  $\omega$  with these  $(k-1)$  first digits and  $k$ -th digit 0 forms an interval of length  $\frac{1}{2^k}$  and as we vary the first  $(k-1)$ -digits we get  $2^{k-1}$  disjoint intervals of equal length  $\frac{1}{2^k}$ .

$$\text{Thus, } \mathbb{P}(d_k = 0) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\text{Similarly, we can show } \mathbb{P}(d_k = 1) = \frac{1}{2} \text{ again if } k_1 < k_2 < \dots < k_n.$$

$$\mathbb{P}(d_{k_1} = \omega_1, d_{k_2} = \omega_2, \dots, d_{k_n} = \omega_n) [\text{where } \omega_i \in \{0, 1\}]$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(\{\tilde{\omega} \in \Omega | \omega_{k_1} = \omega_1, \dots, \omega_{k_n} = \omega_n\})$$

Again fixing the first  $k_n$  digits gives us an interval of length  $\frac{1}{2^{k_n}}$  and the first  $k_n$  digits can vary over  $2^{(k_n-n)}$  choices which give  $2^{(k_n-n)}$  disjoint intervals of length  $\frac{1}{2^{k_n}}$ .

$$\text{Thus, } \mathbb{P}(d_{k_1} = \omega_1, d_{k_2} = \omega_2, \dots, d_{k_n} = \omega_n) = \frac{2^{k_n-n}}{2^{k_n}} = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

$$= \mathbb{P}(d_{k_1} = \omega_1)\mathbb{P}(d_{k_2} = \omega_2) \dots \mathbb{P}(d_{k_n} = \omega_n).$$

Thus,  $\{d_k\}$  are i.i.d  $Ber(\frac{1}{2})$  random variables.

- (b) Show that  $U := \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_k}{2^k}$  is a Uniform  $[0, 1]$  random variable on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ .

**Solution :**  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_k}{2^k} = x$  iff  $0.d_1 d_2 \dots$  is the binary expansion of  $x$  [with  $x \in [0, 1]$ ].

$$\text{Thus, } \mathbb{P}(U \in (a, b)) = \mathbb{P}((a, b)) = b - a [\because \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_k(\infty)}{2^k} = \omega]$$

Thus,  $U$  is a uniform random variable.

- (c) Let  $U_k = \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} \frac{d_{2^{k-1}(2m-1)}}{2^m}$ . Show that  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are an i.i.d. sequence of Uniform random variables.

**Solution :** Now if  $A_k = \{2^{k-1}(2m-1) | m \in \mathbb{N}\}$

Then  $A_1, A_2, \dots$  are disjoint subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  and so that random variables that make up  $U_k$  for variables  $k$  are all independent of each other and hence  $\{U_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  are independent.

Again in 6.(b) we saw that if  $\{b_k\}_{k \geq 1}$  is an i.i.d.  $Ber(\frac{1}{2})$  sequence then  $\sum_{k \geq 1} \frac{b_k}{2^k}$  is  $Unif(0, 1)$  random variable.

Thus,  $U_k \sim Unif(0, 1) \forall k \geq 1$ .