

# Kolmogorov's Zero-One Law

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**Summary.** This article presents the proof of Kolmogorov's zero-one law in probability theory. The independence of a family of  $\sigma$ -fields is defined and basic theorems on it are given.

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The articles [8], [19], [2], [10], [12], [18], [20], [1], [15], [5], [21], [11], [3], [9], [7], [6], [17], [4], [16], [14], and [13] provide the terminology and notation for this paper.

For simplicity, we adopt the following convention:  $\Omega$ ,  $I$  are non empty sets,  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ ,  $P$  is a probability on  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $D$ ,  $E$ ,  $F$  are families of subsets of  $\Omega$ ,  $A$ ,  $B$ ,  $s$  are non empty subsets of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $b$  is an element of  $B$ ,  $a$  is an element of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $p$ ,  $q$ ,  $u$ ,  $v$  are events of  $\mathcal{F}$ ,  $n$  is an element of  $\mathbb{N}$ , and  $i$  is a set.

Next we state three propositions:

- (1) For every function  $f$  and for every set  $X$  such that  $X \subseteq \text{dom } f$  holds if  $X \neq \emptyset$ , then  $\text{rng}(f \upharpoonright X) \neq \emptyset$ .
- (2) For every real number  $r$  such that  $r \cdot r = r$  holds  $r = 0$  or  $r = 1$ .
- (3) For every family  $X$  of subsets of  $\Omega$  such that  $X = \emptyset$  holds  $\sigma(X) = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$ .

Let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $B$  be a subset of  $\mathcal{F}$ , and let  $P$  be a probability on  $\mathcal{F}$ . The functor  $\text{Indep}(B, P)$  yielding a subset of  $\mathcal{F}$  is defined as follows:

- (Def. 1) For every element  $a$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  holds  $a \in \text{Indep}(B, P)$  iff for every element  $b$  of  $B$  holds  $P(a \cap b) = P(a) \cdot P(b)$ .

Next we state several propositions:

- (4) Let  $f$  be a sequence of subsets of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Suppose for all  $n$ ,  $b$  holds  $P(f(n) \cap b) = P(f(n)) \cdot P(b)$  and  $f$  is disjoint valued. Then  $P(b \cap \bigcup f) = P(b) \cdot P(\bigcup f)$ .

- (5)  $\text{Indep}(B, P)$  is a Dynkin system of  $\Omega$ .
- (6) For every family  $A$  of subsets of  $\Omega$  such that  $A$  is intersection stable and  $A \subseteq \text{Indep}(B, P)$  holds  $\sigma(A) \subseteq \text{Indep}(B, P)$ .
- (7) Let  $A, B$  be non empty subsets of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Then  $A \subseteq \text{Indep}(B, P)$  if and only if for all  $p, q$  such that  $p \in A$  and  $q \in B$  holds  $p$  and  $q$  are independent w.r.t.  $P$ .
- (8) For all non empty subsets  $A, B$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $A \subseteq \text{Indep}(B, P)$  holds  $B \subseteq \text{Indep}(A, P)$ .
- (9) Let  $A$  be a family of subsets of  $\Omega$ . Suppose  $A$  is a non empty subset of  $\mathcal{F}$  and intersection stable. Let  $B$  be a non empty subset of  $\mathcal{F}$ . Suppose  $B$  is intersection stable. If  $A \subseteq \text{Indep}(B, P)$ , then for all  $D, s$  such that  $D = B$  and  $\sigma(D) = s$  holds  $\sigma(A) \subseteq \text{Indep}(s, P)$ .
- (10) Let given  $E, F$ . Suppose that
  - (i)  $E$  is a non empty subset of  $\mathcal{F}$  and intersection stable, and
  - (ii)  $F$  is a non empty subset of  $\mathcal{F}$  and intersection stable.
 Suppose that for all  $p, q$  such that  $p \in E$  and  $q \in F$  holds  $p$  and  $q$  are independent w.r.t.  $P$ . Let given  $u, v$ . If  $u \in \sigma(E)$  and  $v \in \sigma(F)$ , then  $u$  and  $v$  are independent w.r.t.  $P$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, and let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ . A function from  $I$  into  $2^{\mathcal{F}}$  is said to be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  if:

- (Def. 2) For every  $i$  such that  $i \in I$  holds  $\text{it}(i)$  is a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ .

Let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $P$  be a probability on  $\mathcal{F}$ , let  $I$  be a set, and let  $A$  be a function from  $I$  into  $\mathcal{F}$ . We say that  $A$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$  if and only if:

- (Def. 3) For every one-to-one finite sequence  $e$  of elements of  $I$  such that  $e \neq \emptyset$  holds  $\prod(P \cdot A \cdot e) = P(\bigcap \text{rng}(A \cdot e))$ .

Let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $I$  be a set, let  $J$  be a subset of  $I$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . A function from  $J$  into  $\mathcal{F}$  is said to be a  $\sigma$ -section over  $J$  and  $F$  if:

- (Def. 4) For every  $i$  such that  $i \in J$  holds  $\text{it}(i) \in F(i)$ .

Let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $P$  be a probability on  $\mathcal{F}$ , let  $I$  be a set, and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . We say that  $F$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$  if and only if:

- (Def. 5) For every finite subset  $E$  of  $I$  holds every  $\sigma$ -section over  $E$  and  $F$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ , and let  $J$  be a subset of  $I$ . Then  $F \upharpoonright J$  is a function from  $J$  into  $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $J$  be a subset of  $I$ , let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , and let  $F$  be a function from  $J$  into  $2^{\mathcal{F}}$ . Then  $\bigcup F$  is a family of subsets of  $\Omega$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ , and let  $J$  be a subset of  $I$ . The functor  $\text{sigUn}(F, J)$  yields a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$  and is defined as follows:

(Def. 6)  $\text{sigUn}(F, J) = \sigma(\bigcup(F \upharpoonright J))$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . The functor  $\text{futSigmaFields}(F, I)$  yielding a family of subsets of  $2^{\Omega}$  is defined as follows:

(Def. 7) For every family  $S$  of subsets of  $\Omega$  holds  $S \in \text{futSigmaFields}(F, I)$  iff there exists a finite subset  $E$  of  $I$  such that  $S = \text{sigUn}(F, I \setminus E)$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . Note that  $\text{futSigmaFields}(F, I)$  is non empty.

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(Def. 8)  $\text{tailSigmaField}(F, I) = \bigcap \text{futSigmaFields}(F, I)$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . Note that  $\text{tailSigmaField}(F, I)$  is non empty.

Let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , let  $I$  be a non empty set, let  $J$  be a non empty subset of  $I$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . The functor  $\text{MeetSections}(J, F)$  yields a family of subsets of  $\Omega$  and is defined by the condition (Def. 9).

(Def. 9) Let  $x$  be a subset of  $\Omega$ . Then  $x \in \text{MeetSections}(J, F)$  if and only if there exists a non empty finite subset  $E$  of  $I$  and there exists a  $\sigma$ -section  $f$  over  $E$  and  $F$  such that  $E \subseteq J$  and  $x = \bigcap \text{rng } f$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

(11) For every many sorted  $\sigma$ -field  $F$  over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  and for every non empty subset  $J$  of  $I$  holds  $\sigma(\text{MeetSections}(J, F)) = \text{sigUn}(F, J)$ .

(12) Let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $J, K$  be non empty subsets of  $I$ . Suppose  $F$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$  and  $J$  misses  $K$ . Let  $a, c$  be subsets of  $\Omega$ . If  $a \in \text{MeetSections}(J, F)$  and  $c \in \text{MeetSections}(K, F)$ , then  $P(a \cap c) = P(a) \cdot P(c)$ .

(13) Let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $J$  be a non empty subset of  $I$ . Then  $\text{MeetSections}(J, F)$  is a non empty subset of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

Let us consider  $I, \Omega, \mathcal{F}$ , let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ , and let  $J$  be a non empty subset of  $I$ . Observe that  $\text{MeetSections}(J, F)$  is intersection

stable.

The following proposition is true

- (14) Let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $J, K$  be non empty subsets of  $I$ . Suppose  $F$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$  and  $J$  misses  $K$ . Let given  $u, v$ . If  $u \in \text{sigUn}(F, J)$  and  $v \in \text{sigUn}(F, K)$ , then  $P(u \cap v) = P(u) \cdot P(v)$ .

Let  $I$  be a set, let  $\Omega$  be a non empty set, let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ , and let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . The functor  $\text{finSigmaFields}(F, I)$  yielding a family of subsets of  $\Omega$  is defined as follows:

- (Def. 10) For every subset  $S$  of  $\Omega$  holds  $S \in \text{finSigmaFields}(F, I)$  iff there exists a finite subset  $E$  of  $I$  such that  $S \in \text{sigUn}(F, E)$ .

One can prove the following propositions:

- (15) For every many sorted  $\sigma$ -field  $F$  over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$  holds  $\text{tailSigmaField}(F, I)$  is a  $\sigma$ -field of subsets of  $\Omega$ .
- (16) Let  $F$  be a many sorted  $\sigma$ -field over  $I$  and  $\mathcal{F}$ . If  $F$  is independent w.r.t.  $P$  and  $a \in \text{tailSigmaField}(F, I)$ , then  $P(a) = 0$  or  $P(a) = 1$ .

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