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Pf of ① ($\sigma_M = s_1, \dots, s_l$)

ind. on $M \rightarrow$ ETS recover σ_{M-1}

case 1: $d_M = +1 \rightarrow \sigma_M = s_1, \dots, s_{l-1}$

case 2: $d_M = -(t-1) \rightarrow$

$$\sigma_M = \underbrace{s_1, \dots, s_{l-t+1}, \dots, s_l}_{\sigma_M}, s_{l-t+1}, \dots, s_{l-1}$$

□

Pf of ② repl. D_M by seq. of +'s & -'s:

$$d_j = 1 \rightarrow + ; \quad d_j = -(t-1) \rightarrow + \underbrace{- \dots -}_t$$

$\rightarrow M$ +'s & $< M$ -'s

EX \rightarrow # poss's $< 4^M$

□

End ① + ② \rightarrow # unsuccessful runs $< 4^M 5^n$

\rightarrow (or even runs \bar{w} $|\sigma_M| < n$)

$$\rightarrow \mathbb{P}(\text{unsuccessful}) \begin{cases} < 1 \text{ if } (5/4)^M > 5^n \\ \rightarrow 0 \dots \end{cases}$$

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Remark (\leftrightarrow AS Prob. 5.8.8) same for $|L_j| = 4$ if

\exists forbidden substring in pf of ②

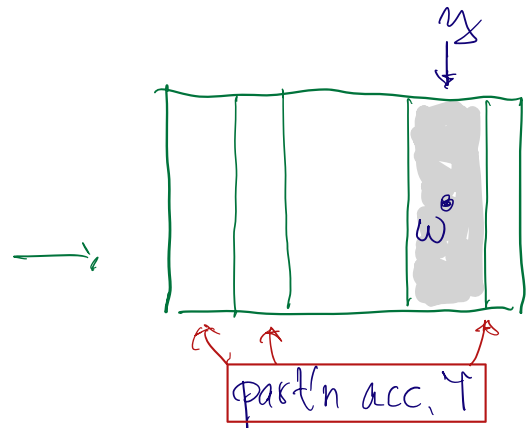
Back to concentration

[ref: AS, ch. 7]

(saw Chernoff for ind's, NC. Now hoping for something sim for more int'g r.v.s)

back to $\mathbb{E} X = \mathbb{E} \{ \mathbb{E} [X | Y] \}$

$\mathbb{E} [X | Y](\omega) = \text{avg of } X \text{ on col } Y$

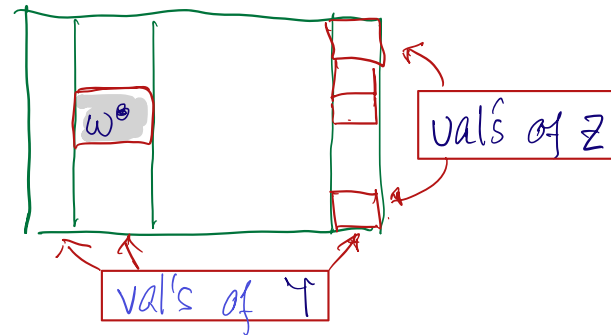


sim:

~~$\mathbb{E} [X | Y] = \mathbb{E} \{ \mathbb{E} [X | Y, Z] | Y \}$~~

X and $\mathbb{E} [X | Y, Z]$ have

same avg on each $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{cell} \\ \text{column} \end{array} \right.$



martingales $X_k \in \mathbb{R}$, Y_k r.v.s, X_k fn. of Y_0, \dots, Y_k ($k \geq 0$)

$\{X_k\}$ is a: martingale if $\mathbb{E} [X_{k+1} | X_0, \dots, X_k] = X_k$

(more gen'l:) martingale wrt $\{Y_k\}$ if $\mathbb{E} [X_{k+1} | Y_0, \dots, Y_k] = X_k$

We usually have:

- $k = 0, \dots, m$ (finite length)

- mart. wrt $\{Y_k\}$

- X_0 fixed (\nexists skip Y_0)

Ex. 0. Υ_k : indept sym. Bernoullis, $X_k = \sum_{i=1}^k \Upsilon_i$ ($= S_k$)

Ex 1 same Υ_k 's; $X_0 \equiv 1$

$$X_{k+1} = \begin{cases} 2X_k & \text{if } \Upsilon_{k+1} = 1 \\ 0 & \text{if } \Upsilon_{k+1} = -1 \end{cases}$$

► Prop $\forall m > n \quad \mathbb{E}[X_m | \Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_n] = X_n$

[interp: fair game]

Pf ind. on $m-n$; $m=n+1$ is by defn. $\rightarrow m > n+1$:

$$\text{l.h.s.} = \mathbb{E} \left\{ \mathbb{E}[X_m | \Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_{m-1}] | \Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_n \right\}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{mart}}{=} \mathbb{E}[X_{m-1} | \Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_n] \stackrel{\text{ind}}{=} X_n \quad \square$$

[alt: repl. $m-1$ by $\ell \in (n, m)$ & use "ind" twice.]

► Dob (or Dob's) mart:

$$X_k = \mathbb{E}[X | \Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_k]$$

where $X = X(\Upsilon_1, \dots)$

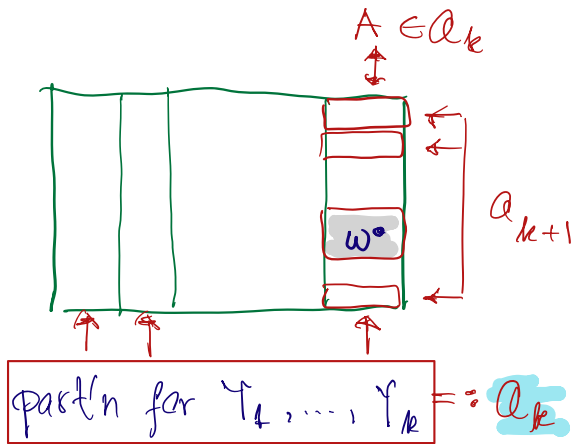
\rightarrow • $X_0 = \mathbb{E}X$

• if $X = X(\Upsilon_1, \dots, \Upsilon_m)$ then $X_m = X$

► think of slowly revealing X

Prop $\{X_k\}$ mart. wrt $\{\mathcal{Y}_k\}$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Pf } \mathbb{E}[X_{k+1} | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k] &= \mathbb{E}\left\{ \mathbb{E}[X | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_{k+1}] \middle| \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k \right\} \\ &= \mathbb{E}[X | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k] = X_k \quad \square \end{aligned}$$



$X_{k+1}(\omega)$: avg over

$\mathbb{E}[X_{k+1} | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k]$ avg these over A

("slowly reveal X")

▷ Converse: every finite length mart is a Doob mart

Pf $\{X_k\}_{k=1}^m$ mart wrt $\{\mathcal{Y}_k\}_{k=1}^m \rightarrow X := X_m \rightarrow$

$$\mathbb{E}[X | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k] = \mathbb{E}[X_m | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k] \stackrel{\text{Prop}}{=} X_k \quad \square$$

Another (equiv) view:

- T (finite) tree, leaves at depth m
- $X: \{\text{leaves}\} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
- $\forall u \neq \text{leaf}$ p_u prob dist on $\{\text{children of } u\}$
- $\mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_m$ RW root \rightsquigarrow $\{\text{leaves}\}$ acc. to p_u 's
- $X_k = \mathbb{E}[X(\mathcal{Y}_m) | \mathcal{Y}_1, \dots, \mathcal{Y}_k]$

► Concentration (what we mainly want from mart's)

$\{z_k\}$ mart. diff. seq (m.d.s) wrt $\{\mathcal{F}_k\}$ if

z_k fn of $\mathcal{F}_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}_k$ & $\mathbb{E}[z_{k+1} | \mathcal{F}_1, \dots, \mathcal{F}_k] = 0$

• for fin. length $Z = \sum z_k$

• nothing new: $\{X_k\}$ mart wrt $\{\mathcal{F}_k\} \rightarrow$

$\{z_k = X_k - X_{k-1}\}$ m.d.s wrt $\{\mathcal{F}_k\}$

& $Z = X - X_0$ 'if fin. length

$\{z_k\}$ m.d.s $\rightarrow \{X_k = X_0 + \sum_{i=1}^k z_i\}$ mart
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► "Azuma's Ineq" (Azuma '67, Hoeffding '63)

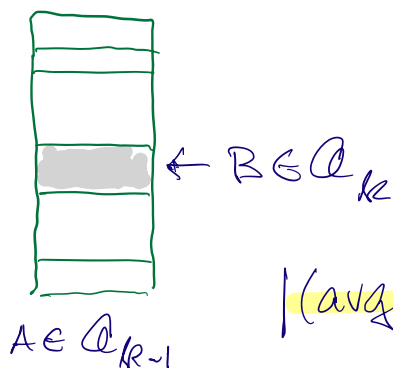
$\{z_k\}_1^m$ m.d.s (wrt $\{\mathcal{F}_k\}$), $|z_k| \leq c_k \forall k \Rightarrow$

$\mathbb{P}(Z > t) < \exp[-t^2 / 2 \sum c_k^2]$

• think: $\sum c_k^2 \leftrightarrow \text{var}(Z)$ (EX: $\text{var} \leq \sum c_k^2$)

• e.g. even $c_k = 1 \forall k \geq$ Chernoff

pic. of \otimes :



$|(\text{avg on } B) - \text{avg on } A| \leq c_k$

Pf of Azuma

Obs: W \mathbb{R} -val'd r.v., $\mathbb{E}W=0$, $|W| \leq a \Rightarrow$

$$\mathbb{E}e^W \leq \frac{1}{2}(e^{-a} + e^a) \leq e^{a^2/2} \rightarrow \text{saw } \bar{w} \text{ Chernoff}$$

$$\text{EX: } h \text{ convex} \Rightarrow \mathbb{E}h(W) \leq \frac{1}{2}(h(-a) + h(a))$$

Azuma (as usual):

$$\mathbb{P}(Z \geq t) = \mathbb{P}(e^{\lambda Z} \geq e^{\lambda t}) \leq e^{-\lambda t} \mathbb{E}e^{\lambda Z}$$

$$\text{MAIN: } \mathbb{E}e^{\lambda Z} \leq \exp\left[\lambda^2 \sum c_k^2 / 2\right] \quad (\leadsto \text{QED})$$

Pf Ind. on k to show

$$\mathbb{E}e^{\lambda(z_1 + \dots + z_k)} \leq \exp\left[\lambda^2 (c_1^2 + \dots + c_k^2) / 2\right]$$

$k=1$: Obs. ($W = \lambda z_1$; note $\mathbb{E}W=0$)

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$k > 1$:

$$\text{l.h.s.} = \mathbb{E} \prod_{i=1}^k e^{\lambda z_i} \quad (\text{us. } \neq \prod_{i=1}^k \mathbb{E}e^{\lambda z_i})$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left\{ \mathbb{E} \left[\prod_{i=1}^k e^{\lambda z_i} \mid z_1, \dots, z_{k-1} \right] \right\}$$

$$= \mathbb{E} \left\{ e^{\lambda(z_1 + \dots + z_{k-1})} \mathbb{E} \left[e^{\lambda z_k} \mid z_1, \dots, z_{k-1} \right] \right\} \quad \text{why?}$$

$$\leq e^{\lambda^2 c_k^2 / 2} \mathbb{E} e^{\lambda(z_1 + \dots + z_{k-1})} \quad \text{why?}$$

$$\stackrel{\text{ind.}}{\leq} e^{\lambda^2 (c_1^2 + \dots + c_k^2) / 2}$$

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