

1.1 Introduction to Ergodic Theory

Problem

Understanding stochastic behaviour of deterministic dynamical systems.
Ex: Coin tossing, gas in a box (statistical mechanics).

1.1.1. Deterministic Setup: Definitions

It can be of continuous time system or discrete time. If continuous time it is a 1-parameter family of maps $T_t: X \rightarrow X$ ($t \geq 0$) / $T_t \circ T_s = T_{t+s}$

Where: X ("space") = {all possible states of the systems}

T_t ("law of motion"): $T_t: (\text{initial state}) \mapsto (\text{state at time } t)$

$$T_t \circ T_s = T_{t+s} \quad (\text{Consistency or translation time symmetry})$$

(Semi) Orbit: $\{T_t(x)\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ "Where the object is at each time" *em el espacio de posiciones y momentos*

Measurement: A function $f: X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$
state \mapsto Result of measurement

In real life, we can't know the orbits, but we can know the results of the measurements, the set of which $\{f(T_t(x))\}_{t=0}^{\infty}$ is called time series

In a discrete-time dynamical system is an only map $T: X \rightarrow X$ where
 $T: [\text{state at } t] \rightarrow [\text{state at } t+1]$

Maps and time series are analogous.

1.1.2. Randomness Setup: Definitions.

Example: Let us choose $x \in [0, 1]$, at randomly. We'll keep it secret, but we will answer any countable collection of "reasonable" questions.

Probability space: $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$

(1): Ω "sample space"

(2): \mathcal{F} is a collection of subsets of Ω (called "measurable sets") /

• \mathcal{F} contains Ω and \emptyset

• If $F \supset E$, then $E^c \in \Omega$, $E^c \in \mathcal{F}$ (Closed under complementarity)

• If $E_i \in \mathcal{F} \forall i \in \mathbb{N}$, then $\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i, \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i$ belong to \mathcal{F} (countable unions and intersections)

(3): μ : Probability measure: function / $\mu: \mathcal{F} \rightarrow [0, 1]$ /

• $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$; $\mu(\Omega) = 1$

• If $\{E_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is a countable set of pairwise disjoint sets

$$\mu\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} E_i\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_i)$$

Thm. (Lebesgue) There exists a probability space $([0,1], \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ where:

- (1) \mathcal{B} (algèbre de Borel) contains all subintervals, [but not all subsets!!!]
- (2) $\mu([a,b]) = b-a$
- (3) μ (Invariant under translations)

Measurable function $f: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R} / \forall t \in \mathbb{R} \underbrace{[f > t]}_{\text{image inverse de } (t, \infty)} := \{\omega \in \Omega \mid f(\omega) > t\}$

A démontre: f is measurable \iff there is a countable list of measurable questions whose answer is binary and determine f

Stochastic process is a sequence of measurable functions $f_n: \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ on the same probability space.

$$\text{Prob} [a_k < f_k(\omega) < b_k] \quad (k=1, \dots, n) \equiv \mu \{ \omega \in \Omega \mid \underbrace{f_k(\omega)}_{k=1, \dots, n} \mid a_k \text{ and } \underbrace{f_k(\omega)}_k < b_k \}$$

11.3. Ergodic theory

A probability preserving transformation is (X, \mathcal{F}, T, μ) where

(1) (X, \mathcal{F}, μ) is a probability space

(2) ~~(X, \mathcal{F}, μ)~~ $T: X \rightarrow X$ is a measurable map i.e. a map. f

$$\forall E \in \mathcal{F}; T^{-1}(E) = \{\omega \in \Omega \mid T(\omega) \in E\} \text{ is in } \mathcal{F}$$

(3) $\mu(T^{-1}E) = \mu(E) \quad \forall E \in \mathcal{F}$