

Sufficient And Necessary Condition For Convergence of Conditional Error Probability in NN-Pattern Discrimination*

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Abstract

Let $(\theta_1, X_1), \dots, (\theta_n, X_n), (\theta, X)$ be iid random vectors, where $\theta \in \{0, 1\}$, $X \in \mathbb{R}^d$. Denote by θ'_n the nearest neighbour discriminator of θ based on the training samples $(\theta_1, X_1), \dots, (\theta_n, X_n)$ and the observed X ; put

$R \triangleq 2E[P(\theta=0|X)P(\theta=1|X)]$ and $L_n \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta | X_1, \dots, X_n)$. This paper gives a sufficient and necessary condition for $L_n \xrightarrow{P} R$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, namely $(P(\theta=0, X=x) - P(\theta=1, X=x))^2 \cdot P(\theta=0, X=x) \cdot P(\theta=1, X=x) = 0$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$. This generalizes a previous result of the authors [5] and improves a result of Wagner, T. J. [2].

§ 1 Introduction and Result

Let $(\theta_1, X_1), \dots, (\theta_n, X_n), (\theta, X)$ be iid random vectors, where $\theta \in \Theta \triangleq \{0, 1\}$, $X \in \mathcal{X}$, \mathcal{X} is a Borel set in \mathbb{R}^d . Let the distribution of (θ, X) be defined as

$$\left. \begin{aligned} P(\theta=i) &\triangleq \eta_i, \quad i=0, 1 \\ P(dx | \theta=i) &= f_i(x) \mu(dx), \quad x \in \mathcal{X}, i=0, 1 \end{aligned} \right\} \quad (1)$$

where μ is a σ -finite measure in $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{B}_x)$ with support \mathcal{X} , where \mathcal{B}_x is the σ -field of all Borel subsets of \mathcal{X} . The marginal distribution of X can be written as

$$Q(dx) = [\eta_0 f_0(x) + \eta_1 f_1(x)] \mu(dx) \triangleq f(x) \mu(dx) \quad (2)$$

Without loss of generality, in the sequel we shall assume $f(x) > 0$ for every $x \in \mathcal{X}$. The conditional distribution of θ given x is

$$\eta_i(x) \triangleq P(\theta=i | X=x) = \frac{1}{f(x)} \eta_i f_i(x), \quad i=0, 1,$$

If the distribution Q possesses atoms, denote the set of these atoms by $\mathcal{X}^{(1)} \triangleq \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$. Put $\mathcal{X}^{(2)} \triangleq \mathcal{X} - \mathcal{X}^{(1)}$, and

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$$q_i(x) \triangleq P(X=x | \theta=i), \quad i=0, 1, \quad x \in \mathcal{X}, \quad (3)$$

$$q(x) \triangleq P(X=x) = \eta_0 q_0(x) + \eta_1 q_1(x), \quad x \in \mathcal{X}. \quad (4)$$

Notice that $q(x) = q_0(x) = q_1(x) = 0$ for $x \in \mathcal{X}^{(2)}$.

Suppose that we have at our disposal the training samples (θ_i, X_i) , $i=1, \dots, n$ with given X , the problem is to determine the value θ associated with X . Let $\|\cdot\|$ be the usual Euclidean norm, or $\|x\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq d} |b_i|$, where $x = (b_1, \dots, b_d)'$. The NN-Pattern discrimination is as follows. Denote

$$k_n \triangleq \min \{j; \|X_j - X\| = \min_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|X_i - X\|\},$$

and use θ_{k_n} as a discrimination value of θ associated with X . In the sequel we shall write $\theta'_n \triangleq \theta_{k_n}$, $X'_n \triangleq X_{k_n}$. The performance of the discrimination can be measured by the error probabilities in various sense, such as

$$R_n \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta), \quad T_n \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta | X_1, \dots, X_n), \quad (5)$$

$$L_n \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta | \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, X_1, \dots, X_n) \quad (6)$$

A fundamental problem in large sample theory of NN-pattern discrimination is to study the convergence of R_n, T_n, L_n . Devroye [1] proved that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n = 2E[\eta_0(X)\eta_1(X)] \triangleq R \quad (7)$$

regardless of the distribution of (X, θ) . Wagner, T.J. [2], Chen and Kong [5] discussed the convergence of L_n, T_n under the assumptions that Q is absolutely continuous with respect to the Lebesgue measure, or that Q is a purely atomic distribution. This paper is devoted to the study of the convergence of L_n, T_n under general distribution (1). Our main result is the following:

Theorem 1. Under the distribution (1) of (θ, X) , a sufficient and necessary condition for $L_n \xrightarrow{P} R$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ is

$$(\eta_0 q_0(x) - \eta_1 q_1(x))^2 \eta_0 q_0(x) \eta_1 q_1(x) = 0, \text{ for every } x \in \mathcal{X} \quad (8)$$

or, equivalently,

$$(\eta_0 q_0(a_k) - \eta_1 q_1(a_k))^2 \eta_0 q_0(a_k) \eta_1 q_1(a_k) = 0, \quad k=1, 2, \dots. \quad (8')$$

When $\mathcal{X}^{(1)} = \emptyset$, then (8) is true. Hence it follows from Theorem 1 that

Corollary 1. If the distribution Q of X is nonatomic, then $L_n \xrightarrow{P} R$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

This corollary gets rid of all supplementary conditions imposed on the distribution of X , thus improves the result in [2].

When $\mathcal{X}^{(2)} = \emptyset$, from Lemma 4 we have

Corollary 2. If the distribution of X is purely atomic, we have

$$\{L_n \rightarrow R(a.s.) \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty\} \Leftrightarrow (8') .$$

This corollary becomes Theorem 2 in [5] when X is a purely discrete random variable.

§ 2 Proof of the Theorem

First we give the notations to be used in the sequel. For x_1, \dots, x_n , where $x_i \in \mathcal{X}$, $i=1, \dots, n$, write

$$V_{nj} \triangleq \{x: x \in \mathcal{X}, j = \min(i: \|x_i - x\| = \min_{l < i} \|x_l - x\|)\} \quad (9)$$

$$V_{nj}^{(i)} = V_{nj} \cap \mathcal{X}^{(i)} \quad (10)$$

for $j=1, \dots, n$, $i=1, 2$.

$$L_n^{(i)} \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta, X \in \mathcal{X}^{(i)} | \theta_1, \dots, \theta_n, X_1, \dots, X_n) \quad (11)$$

$$T_n^{(i)} \triangleq P(\theta'_n \neq \theta, X \in \mathcal{X}^{(i)} | X_1, \dots, X_n) \quad (12)$$

$$R^{(i)} \triangleq 2E[\eta_0(X)\eta_1(X)I_{\mathcal{X}^{(i)}}(X)] \quad (13)$$

for $i=1, 2$.

$$\textbf{Lemma 1. } R = R^{(1)} + R^{(2)}, L_n = L_n^{(1)} + L_n^{(2)}, T_n = T_n^{(1)} + T_n^{(2)}, \quad (14)$$

$$L_n^{(i)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\theta_j \int_{V_{nj}^{(i)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) + (1 - \theta_j) \int_{V_{nj}^{(i)}} \eta_1 f_1(x) \mu(dx) \right], \quad (15)$$

$$T_n^{(i)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\eta_1(x_j) \int_{V_{nj}^{(i)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) + \eta_0(x_j) \int_{V_{nj}^{(i)}} \eta_1 f_1(x) \mu(dx) \right], \quad (16)$$

$$R^{(i)} = 2 \int_{\mathcal{X}^{(i)}} \eta_1(x) \eta_0(x) f(x) \mu(dx), \quad (17)$$

for $i=1, 2$.

Proof. By the definition of NN-Pattern discrimination, we have

$$\begin{aligned} L_n &= \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{ P[X \in V_{nj}, \theta_j = 1, \theta = 0] + P[X \in V_{nj}, \theta_j = 0, \theta = 1] \right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\theta_j \int_{V_{nj}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) + (1 - \theta_j) \int_{V_{nj}} \eta_1 f_1(x) \mu(dx) \right], \end{aligned}$$

from this expression and (10) ~ (12), (15) and (16) follow; (14) and (17) hold obviously. Lemma 1 is proved.

For definiteness, we shall assume that $\mathcal{X}^{(1)}$ is a countable infinite set,

if $\mathcal{A}^{(1)}$ is a finite or empty set, the argument will be much simpler. For every integer $k > 0$, denote

$$B_k = \{(x_1, x_2, \dots) : x_i \neq a_k, x_i \in \mathcal{A}, i = 1, 2, \dots\}$$

$$A_k = \left\{ \left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ x_1, x_2, \dots \end{array} \right) : \begin{array}{l} \theta_i \in \Theta, i = 1, 2, \dots \\ (x_1, x_2, \dots) \in B_k \end{array} \right\}$$

$$\text{and } B^* = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} B_k, \quad A^* = \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} A_k.$$

For $(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in B^*$, let

$$j_k = \min\{j : x_j = a_k\}, \quad k = 1, 2, \dots \quad (18)$$

$$\text{Lemma 2. } P((X_1, X_2, \dots) \in B^*) = 0 \quad (19)$$

$$P\left(\left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ X_1, X_2, \dots \end{array}\right) \in A^*\right) = 0 \quad (20)$$

and for every $(x_1, x_2, \dots) \in B^*$, we have

$$1^\circ \quad k \rightarrow \infty \Leftrightarrow j_k \rightarrow \infty; \quad l \neq k \Leftrightarrow j_l \neq j_k;$$

$$2^\circ \quad \text{If } n \geq j_k, \text{ then } a_k \in V_{nj_k}^{(1)}, \text{ and when } j > j_k, x_j = a_k, \text{ then } V_{nj}^{(1)} = \phi;$$

$$3^\circ \quad \text{When } n \rightarrow \infty, V_{nj_k}^{(1)} \downarrow \{a_k\} \text{ for every } k = 1, 2, \dots.$$

Proof. Since a_k ($k = 1, 2, \dots$) are atoms of X , by Fubini's Theorem, (19) and (20) follow easily. The conclusions $1^\circ, 2^\circ$ hold obviously. In order to prove 3° , note that $V_{nj_k}^{(1)} \downarrow$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Write $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} V_{nj_k}^{(1)} = V_k^{(1)}$. For every $a_l \neq a_k$ we have $a_l \in V_{nj_l}^{(1)}, a_k \in V_{nj_k}^{(1)}, V_{nj_l}^{(1)} \cap V_{nj_k}^{(1)} = \phi$ as $n \geq \max\{j_k, j_l\}$ from 2° , hence $a_l \in V_k^{(1)}, a_k \in V_k^{(1)}$. Since $V_{nj_k}^{(1)} \cap \mathcal{A}^{(2)} = \phi$, therefore, we have $V_k^{(1)} = \{a_k\}$. Lemma 2 is proved.

Lemma 3. For every $\left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ x_1, x_2, \dots \end{array}\right) \in A^*$, we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n^{(1)} = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[\eta_0 q_0(a_k) - \eta_1 q_1(a_k) \right] \theta_{j_k} + \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k) \quad (21)$$

Proof. From (15) in Lemma 1, it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} L_n^{(1)} &= \eta_0 \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\theta_j \sum_{a_i \in V_{nj}^{(1)}} q_0(a_i) \right] - \eta_1 \sum_{j=1}^n \left[\theta_j \sum_{a_i \in V_{nj}^{(1)}} q_1(a_i) \right] + \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k) \\ &\triangleq \eta_0 I_{0n} - \eta_1 I_{1n} + \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k). \end{aligned} \quad (22)$$

Put $I_i = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_i(a_k) \theta_{j_k}$, $i=0, 1$. In order to prove (21), it is enough to show that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} I_{in} = I_i$ for $i=0, 1$. For example when $i=0$, for $\varepsilon > 0$ there exists N such that $\sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} q_0(a_k) < \varepsilon$. From 2° of Lemma 2, when $n \geq n_0$, $\triangleq \max\{j_1, j_2, \dots, j_N\}$, we have

$$|I_{on} - I_0| \leq \left| \sum_{k=1}^N \left[\sum_{a_i \in V_{n,j_k}^{(1)}} q_0(a_i) \theta_{j_k} \right] - \sum_{k=1}^N q_0(a_k) \theta_{j_k} \right| + \left| I_{on} - \sum_{k=1}^N \left[\sum_{a_i \in V_{n,j_k}^{(1)}} q_0(a_i) \theta_{j_k} \right] \right| + \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} q_0(a_k) \theta_{j_k} \triangleq J_{1n} + J_{2n} + J_{3n}, \quad (23)$$

where $J_{3n} \leq \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} q_0(a_k) < \varepsilon$. From 3° of Lemma 2 there exists $n_1 \geq n_0$ such that $J_{1n} < \varepsilon$ as $n \geq n_1$. Write

$$W_n \triangleq \{j: V_{n,j}^{(1)} \neq \emptyset, 1 \leq j \leq n\},$$

then from 2° of Lemma 2 we have

$$\begin{aligned} J_{2n} &\leq \sum_{j \in W_n - \{j_1, \dots, j_N\}} \left[\sum_{a_i \in V_{n,j_k}^{(1)}} q_0(a_i) \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_0(a_k) - \sum_{k=1}^N \left[\sum_{a_i \in V_{n,j_k}^{(1)}} q_0(a_i) \right] \\ &\leq \sum_{k=N+1}^{\infty} q_0(a_k) < \varepsilon, \end{aligned}$$

as $n \geq n_1$. Therefore Lemma 3 is proved.

Lemma 4. $\{L_n^{(1)} \rightarrow R^{(1)} \text{ (a.s.) as } n \rightarrow \infty\} \Leftrightarrow (8')$ (24)

Proof. By (17), $R^{(1)} = 2 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{\eta_0 \eta_1 q_0(a_k) q_1(a_k)}{q(a_k)}$, hence from Lemma 3

$$\begin{aligned} \text{we have that } \{L_n^{(1)} \rightarrow R^{(1)} \text{ (a.s.) as } n \rightarrow \infty\} &\Leftrightarrow \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\eta_0 q_0(a_k) - \eta_1 q_1(a_k)] \theta_{j_k} \\ &= R^{(1)} - \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k), \text{ a.s.} \end{aligned} \quad (25)$$

It is easy to prove that if (8') holds then $R^{(1)} = \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k)$, therefore

(25) follows. On the other hand, if (25) is true, then, since the right hand side of (25) is a constant, by computing the variances of two sides of (25) under $X_{j_k} = a_k$, $k=1, 2, \dots$, it follows that

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \left[(\eta_0 q_0(a_k) - \eta_1 q_1(a_k))^2 \eta_0 q_0(a_k) \eta_1 q_1(a_k) / q^2(a_k) \right] = 0 \Rightarrow (8').$$

Therefore Lemma 4 is proved.

We turn to discuss $L_n^{(2)}$ now.

Lemma 5. Let $\varphi(x)$ be a Borel measurable function on \mathcal{X} , $|\varphi(x)| \leq M < \infty$. Then there exists a set $A \in \mathcal{B}_x$ such that $Q(A) = 0$ and for every $x \notin A$ we have

$$\varphi(X'_n(x)) \xrightarrow{P} \varphi(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty,$$

where $X'_n(x)$ is the nearest neighbouring point of x in X_1, \dots, X_n .

Proof. Denote by $X''_n(x)$ the second nearest neighbouring point of x in X_1, \dots, X_n , then for every $x \in \mathcal{X}$,

$$X''_n(x) \rightarrow x \quad (a.s.) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (26)$$

Since φ is a bounded function, there exists a set $A \in \mathcal{B}_x$ such that $Q(A) = 0$ and

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \frac{\int_{S_{x,\rho}} |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| Q(dy)}{Q(S_{x,\rho})} = 0 \quad \text{for } x \notin A, \quad (27)$$

by Theorem 2.9.8 of [6], where

$$S_{x,\rho} \triangleq \{y: y \in \mathcal{X}, \|x - y\| < \rho\}.$$

Denote by $G_{n,x}(d\rho)$ the distribution of $\|X''_n(x) - x\|$, then if $x \notin A$, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[|\varphi(X'_n(x)) - \varphi(x)|] &= E\{E[|\varphi(X'_n(x)) - \varphi(x)| \mid \|X''_n(x) - x\|]\} \\ &= \left[\int_0^{\rho_0} + \int_{\rho_0}^{\infty} \right] \frac{\int_{S_{x,\rho}} |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| Q(dy)}{Q(S_{x,\rho})} G_{n,x}(d\rho) \triangleq I_1 + I_2. \end{aligned}$$

For arbitrarily given $\varepsilon > 0$, from (27) it follows that there exists $\rho_0 > 0$ such that $I_1 < \varepsilon$. On the other hand,

$$K(x, \rho_0) \triangleq \sup_{\rho_0 \leq \rho} \frac{\int_{S_{x,\rho}} |\varphi(y) - \varphi(x)| Q(dy)}{Q(S_{x,\rho})} < M < \infty.$$

Hence, by (26).

$$I_2 \leq MP[\|X''_n(x) - x\| \geq \rho_0] \rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Since $\varepsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, the proof of Lemma 5 is concluded.

$$\text{Lemma 6. } T_n^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} R^{(2)} \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \quad (28)$$

Proof. From (16) of Lemma 1, we have

$$\begin{aligned} T_n^{(2)} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_1(x_j) \int_{V_{n,j}^{(2)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) + \sum_{j=1}^n \eta_0(x_j) \int_{V_{n,j}^{(2)}} \eta_1 f_1(x) \mu(dx) \triangleq T_{1n}^{(2)} + T_{2n}^{(2)}, \\ R^{(2)} &= 2 \int_{\mathcal{X}^{(2)}} \eta_1(x) \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx). \end{aligned}$$

Hence, in order to prove (28), it is enough to prove $T_n^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} \frac{1}{2} R^{(2)}$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Because $0 \leq \eta_1(x) \leq 1$, from Lemma 5 there exists a set $A \in \mathcal{B}_x$ such that $Q(A) = 0$, and for $x \in A$, we have $\eta_1(X'_n(x)) \xrightarrow{P} \eta_1(x)$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Note that for $x \in \mathcal{Q}^{(2)} - A$,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \eta_1(x_j) I_{V_{n_j}^{(2)}}(x) = \eta_1(X'_n(x)) \xrightarrow{P} \eta_1(x) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

Then by the dominated convergence theorem and Fubini's theorem, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E[E[T_n^{(2)} - \frac{1}{2} R^{(2)}]] &= E\left\{\int_{\mathcal{Q}^{(2)}} (\eta_1(X'_n(x)) - \eta_1(x)) \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx)\right\} \\ &\leq E\left\{\int_{\mathcal{Q}^{(2)}} |\eta_1(X'_n(x)) - \eta_0 f_0(x)| \mu(dx)\right\} \\ &= \int_{\mathcal{Q}^{(2)} - A} E[|\eta_1(X'_n(x)) - \eta_1(x)|] \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) \\ &\rightarrow 0 \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

It can be shown in the same way that $E[T_{2n}^{(2)} - \frac{1}{2} R^{(2)}] \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, and the proof of Lemma 6 is completed.

Corollary 3. $T_n \xrightarrow{P} R$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

Proof. This corollary follows from the fact that the proof of Lemma 6 is still valid when $\mathcal{Q}^{(2)}$ is replaced by \mathcal{Q} .

Lemma 7. Let \tilde{Q} be a finite measure without atom on $(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{B}^d)$, then we have

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} \tilde{Q}\{y: \|y - x\| < \rho, y \in \mathbb{R}^d\} = 0 \quad (29)$$

uniformly for $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$.

Proof. Obviously it is enough to prove (29) for the case $\|x\| = \max_{1 \leq i \leq d} |b_i|$

($x = (b_1, \dots, b_d)'$). For arbitrarily given $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists $M > 0$ such that $\tilde{Q}(A_M^c) < \varepsilon$, where $A_M \triangleq \{y: \|y\| < M, y \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$. For every $k (= 1, 2, 3, \dots)$, we split A_M into 2^{kd} equal "cuboids" A_{ki} , $i = 1, 2, \dots, 2^{kd}$ with marginal length $\frac{1}{2^k} M$ such that for every k we have that

$$A_M = \bigcup_{i=1}^{2^{kd}} A_{ki}, \quad A_{ki} \cap A_{kj} = \emptyset \quad (i \neq j)$$

and for every (k, k', i, j) we have

$$A_{ki} \cap A_{k'j} = \emptyset \quad \text{or} \quad A_{ki} \subset A_{k'j} \quad (k' < k).$$

Then there exists k_0 such that

$$\tilde{Q}(A_{ki}) < \varepsilon, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, 2^{k_0 d}. \quad (30)$$

For, if on the contrary (30) is not true, there will exist a set-sequence $\{A_{k_i}, k=1, 2, \dots\}$ such that

$$\tilde{Q}(A_{k_i}) \geq \varepsilon, \quad k=1, 2, \dots. \quad (31)$$

By finiteness of \tilde{Q} , there exists only a finite number of sets in $\{A_{k_i}, k=1, 2, \dots\}$ such that they do not intersect with each other, hence there exists k_1 such that

$$A_{k_1, i_{k_1}} \supset A_{(k_1+1)} \supset A_{(k_1+2)} \supset \dots.$$

Denote $A_0 = \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} A_{k_i}$, then $A_0 = \emptyset$ or $\{x_0\}$ for some $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^d$, and we have $\lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{Q}(A_{k_i}) = 0$ since \tilde{Q} has no atom. This is contrary to (31). Hence (30)

holds. Denote $A_{k_0} \triangleq A_M^c$. Then for every $x \in \mathbb{R}^d$, there exist $N(d)$ sets in

$\{A_{k_0, i}, i=0, 1, \dots, 2^{dk_0}\}$ such that they cover $\{y: \|y-x\| < \rho_0, y \in \mathbb{R}^d\}$, where $\rho_0 = \frac{1}{2^{k_0-1}} M$, $N(d)$ depends only on d . From (30) we have

$$\tilde{Q}\{y: \|y-x\| < \rho_0, y \in \mathbb{R}^d\} < N(d)\varepsilon.$$

Hence (29) follows by arbitrariness of ε .

Lemma 8. $L_n^{(2)} - T_n^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$ (32)

Proof. From Lemma 1,

$$L_n^{(2)} = \sum_{j=1}^n \theta_j \int_{V_{n,j}^{(2)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx) + \sum_{j=1}^n (1 - \theta_j) \int_{V_{n,j}^{(2)}} \eta_1 f_1(x) \mu(dx) \triangleq L_{1n}^{(2)} + L_{2n}^{(2)}.$$

Notations $T_{in}^{(2)}$, $i=1, 2$, were defined in Lemma 6. Therefore in order to prove (32), it is enough to prove $L_{in}^{(2)} - T_{in}^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $i=1, 2$.

Let K be a compact set in \mathbb{R}^d , and

$$\Gamma_n^1 \triangleq \sup_{x \in K \cap \mathcal{Q}^{(2)}} \left\{ \inf_{1 \leq i \leq n} \|X_i - x\| \right\},$$

then it can be shown that

$$\Gamma_n^1 \rightarrow 0 \quad (a.s.) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty \quad (33)$$

by the same method of [2]. Note that $\mathcal{Q}^{(2)}$ contains no atom of Q . By Lemma 7 we have

$$\lim_{\rho \rightarrow 0} Q[\mathcal{Q}^{(2)} \cap S_{x, \rho}] = 0 \quad (34)$$

uniformly for $x \in \mathcal{Q}^{(2)}$. By (34), (33) it can be shown that

$$\Gamma_n \triangleq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \int_{V_{n,j}^{(2)}} f(x) \mu(dx) \rightarrow 0 \quad (a.s.) \quad \text{as } n \rightarrow \infty$$

by the same method of [2]. Note that when (x_1, \dots, x_n) is given, $Q_j - E[\theta_j | x_j]$, $j = 1, \dots, n$ are conditionally independent. Hence we have

$$\begin{aligned} & E\{(L_{1n}^{(2)} - T_{1n}^{(2)})^2 | x_1, \dots, x_n\} \\ &= E\left\{\left[\sum_{j=1}^n (\theta_j - E(\theta_j | x_j)) \int_{V_{nj}^{(2)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx)\right]^2 | x_1, \dots, x_n\right\} \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n \left\{E[(\theta_j - E(\theta_j | x_j))^2 | x_j] \left[\int_{V_{nj}^{(2)}} \eta_0 f_0(x) \mu(dx)\right]^2\right\} \\ &\leq \max_{1 \leq j \leq n} \int_{V_{nj}^{(2)}} f(x) \mu(dx) \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by the dominated convergence theorem we have

$$E(L_{1n}^{(2)} - T_{1n}^{(2)})^2 = E\{E[(L_{1n}^{(2)} - T_{1n}^{(2)})^2 | X_1, \dots, X_n]\} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

This proves that $L_{1n}^{(2)} - T_{1n}^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$. Similarly it can be shown that

$$L_{2n}^{(2)} - T_{2n}^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} 0 \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty. \text{ Lemma 8 is proved.}$$

Now it is easy to complete the proof of Theorem 1.

Proof of Theorem 1. Denote

$$\Delta\left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ x_1, x_2, \dots \end{array}\right) = \begin{cases} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} [\eta_0 q_0(a_k) - \eta_1 q_1(a_k)] \theta_{jk} + \eta_1 \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} q_1(a_k) + R^{(2)} \\ \text{as } \left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ x_1, x_2, \dots \end{array}\right) \in A^* \\ R \\ \text{as } \left(\begin{array}{c} \theta_1, \theta_2, \dots \\ x_1, x_2, \dots \end{array}\right) \in A^*, \end{cases}$$

where A^* , j_k were defined in Lemma 1, 2. Employing the Lemmas given above, we can easily see

$$L_n = L_n^{(1)} + L_n^{(2)} \xrightarrow{P} \Delta \text{ as } n \rightarrow \infty.$$

An argument similar to those used in the proof of Lemma 4 shows that

$$\Delta = R^{(1)} + R^{(2)} = R \stackrel{\bullet}{\Leftrightarrow} (8')$$

which ends the proof of Theorem 1.

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