

## THE DAVIS–GUT LAW AND LAI LAW FOR FINITELY INHOMOGENEOUS WALKS

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*Abstract.* Let  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of independent and identically distributed random variables with partial sums  $S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$ ,  $n \geq 1$ . Davis-Gut law states that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n} P \left\{ |S_n| > (1 + \varepsilon) \sqrt{2n \log \log n} \right\} \begin{cases} < \infty, & \text{if } \varepsilon > 0, \\ = \infty, & \text{if } \varepsilon < 0 \end{cases}$$

if and only if  $EX_1 = 0$  and  $EX_1^2 = 1$ . Lai law states that

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{r-1} P \left\{ |S_n| > (1 + \varepsilon) \sqrt{2rn \log n} \right\} \begin{cases} < \infty, & \text{if } \varepsilon > 0, \\ = \infty, & \text{if } \varepsilon < 0 \end{cases}$$

if and only if  $EX_1 = 0$ ,  $EX_1^2 = 1$  and  $E(X_1^2 / \log |X_1|)^{r+1} < \infty$ , where  $r > 0$ . The paper will extend those results to the case where  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  are no longer identically distributed, but rather their distributions come from a finite set of distributions.

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