

**Exam Measure and Probability (157040)**  
**Monday, 18 January 2010, 8.45 - 11.45 a.m.**

This exam consists of 7 problems

1. Let  $\Omega$  be a set,  $\mathcal{F}$  a collection of subsets of  $\Omega$ ,  $\mu : \mathcal{F} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , and  $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ .

When do we call

- a.  $\mathcal{F}$  a  $\sigma$ -field?
- b.  $\mu$  a *measure*?
- c.  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$  a *probability space*?

Suppose that  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field.

- d. What does it mean to say that  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable?
- e. Let  $f_n$  be a sequence of  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable functions such that  $f_n(\omega) \rightarrow f(\omega)$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  for each  $\omega \in \Omega$ . Show that the function  $f$  is  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable.

2. Consider the measure space  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{M}, m)$ .

- a. State the *monotone convergence theorem*.
- b. Let  $\{f_n\}_{n \geq 1}$  be a sequence of non-negative measurable functions and define  $g = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n$ . Show that

$$\int g dm = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int f_n dm.$$

3. Consider the measure space  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{M}, m)$ .

- a. State the *dominated convergence theorem*.

- b. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \frac{1 + nx^2}{(1 + x^2)^n} dx.$$

4. Let  $(\Omega_1, \mathcal{F}_1, \mu_1)$  and  $(\Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_2)$  be two measure spaces, and let  $f : \Omega_1 \times \Omega_2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a measurable function on the product space  $(\Omega_1 \times \Omega_2, \mathcal{F}_1 \times \mathcal{F}_2, \mu_1 \times \mu_2)$ .

- a. Under which condition do we have

$$\int_{\Omega_1} \left( \int_{\Omega_2} f d\mu_2 \right) d\mu_1 = \int_{\Omega_2} \left( \int_{\Omega_1} f d\mu_1 \right) d\mu_2?$$

(This is *Fubini's Theorem*.)

b. Use Fubini's Theorem to show that for any distribution function  $F$

$$\int_{\mathbb{R}} (F(x+a) - F(x)) dx = a.$$

5. Consider the probability space  $([0, 1], \mathcal{M}_{[0,1]}, m_{[0,1]})$ . Find  $F_X$ , the distribution function, and  $\mathbb{E}(X)$ , the expectation of
- a constant random variable  $X$ ,  $X(\omega) = a$  for all  $\omega \in [0, 1]$ ;
  - the random variable  $X$  given by  $X(\omega) = \frac{1}{1+\omega}$ .
6. Let  $P_1, P_2$  and  $P_3$  be probability measures on  $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B})$ .
- What is meant by  $P_2 \ll P_1$  ( $P_2$  is *absolutely continuous with respect to*  $P_1$ )?
  - What does the *Radon-Nikodym Theorem* say about the relation between  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  if  $P_2 \ll P_1$ ?
  - Let  $P_1 = \frac{1}{2}(\delta_0 + \delta_{10})$ ,  $P_2 = \frac{1}{10}m_{[0,10]}$  and  $P_3 = \frac{1}{2}P_1 + \frac{1}{2}P_2$ . For which  $i \neq j$  do we have  $P_i \ll P_j$ ? Find the Radon-Nikodym derivative in each such case.
7. Consider the probability space  $([0, 1], \mathcal{M}_{[0,1]}, m_{[0,1]})$  and, for  $n = 1, 2, \dots$ , set

$$X_n(\omega) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } 0 \leq \omega < \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \\ n & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2n} \leq \omega < \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{n} & \text{if } \frac{1}{2} \leq \omega < 1. \end{cases}$$

- Find the distribution function  $F_n(x)$  of  $X_n$ .
- Which of the following statements are true? (Justify your answers).
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  in probability.
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  weakly.
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  almost surely.
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  pointwise.
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  in  $L^1$ -norm.
  - $X_n \rightarrow 0$  uniformly.

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8	4	4	3	3	4	4

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