

# A Probability Path Solution Manual

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## CHAPTER 1 SOLUTIONS

1.9.8. We have that

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = B \cap C, \quad \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = B \cup C.$$

1.9.9. We write

$$A \Delta B = AB^c \cup BA^c$$

while

$$A^c \Delta B^c = A^c(B^c)^c \cup B^c(A^c)^c = A^c B \cup B^c A.$$

1.9.10. Suppose that  $A_n \rightarrow A$ . Then  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A$  so if  $\omega \in A$ , then for some  $n_0$ ,  $\omega \in A_n$ , for  $n \geq n_0$ . Thus

$$1 = 1_A(\omega) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega).$$

If  $\omega \in A^c$ , then  $\omega \in (\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n)^c = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c$  and therefore

$$0 = 1_A(\omega) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega)$$

since  $1_{A_n}(\omega) = 0$  for all sufficiently large  $n$ .

Conversely, suppose  $1_{A_n} \rightarrow 1_A$ . Then if  $\omega \in A$ , it follows that  $1_{A_n}(\omega) \rightarrow 1$ . Since indicator functions take on only the values 0 or 1 we get that  $1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1$ , for all large  $n$ , say  $n \geq n_0$  and  $\omega \in A_n$ , for  $n \geq n_0$  and  $\omega \in \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$ . Thus  $A \subset \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \subset \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$ .

If  $\omega \in A^c$ , then  $1_{A_n}(\omega) \rightarrow 0$  so  $\omega \in A_n^c$ , for  $n \geq n_0$ . Hence  $A^c \subset \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c$ , or equivalently  $A \supset (\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c)^c = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$ .

1.9.11. We first show that

$$\bigcup_n [0, a_n) = [0, \sup_n a_n).$$

If  $\omega$  belongs to the left side union, then  $\omega < a_n$  for some  $n$  and therefore  $\omega < \sup_n a_n$  and  $\omega \in [0, \sup_n a_n)$  which is the right side. If  $\omega \in [0, \sup_n a_n)$ , that is,  $\omega$  belongs to the interval on the right, then  $\omega < \sup_n a_n$  and  $\omega < a_n$  for some  $n$  which implies  $\omega \in \bigcup_n [0, a_n)$ .

For the second part,  $\sup_n \frac{n}{n+1} = 1$  and  $1 \notin \bigcup_n [0, \frac{n}{n+1}] = [0, 1)$ .

1.19.14. Suppose  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is a field for each  $n$  and that  $\mathcal{A}_n \uparrow$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}_n$  is a field  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}_n$  for all  $n$  and therefore  $\Omega \in \bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n$ . If  $A \in \bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n$ , then  $A \in \mathcal{A}_n$  for some  $n$  which implies  $A^c \in \mathcal{A}_n$  which implies  $A^c \in \bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n$ . So  $\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n$  is closed under complementation.

If  $A, B \in \cup_n \mathcal{A}_n$ , there exist  $n, m$  such that  $A \in \mathcal{A}_n$  and  $B \in \mathcal{A}_m$ . Thus  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}_{n \vee m}$  and  $A \cap B \in \mathcal{A}_{n \vee m}$  (since fields are closed under finite intersection). This yields  $AB \in \cup_n \mathcal{A}_n$ .

**1.9.15.** We suppose  $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and define

$$\mathcal{C}_j = \{\Lambda : \Lambda \subset \{1, 2, \dots, j\}\}.$$

Set  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}_j) =: \mathcal{B}_j$ . Check that

$$\mathcal{B}_j = \mathcal{C}_j \cup \{\Lambda \cup \{j+1, j+2, \dots\} : \Lambda \in \mathcal{C}_j\}.$$

If  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{B}_j$  satisfies the property that the number of elements of  $\Lambda$  is infinite, then  $\Lambda \supset \{j+1, j+2, \dots\}$ .

Let  $A_j = \{2j-1\}$ ,  $j = 1, 2, \dots$  so

$$(A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots) = (\{1\}, \{3\}, \{5\}, \dots).$$

Then

$$A_j \in \mathcal{B}_{2j-1} \subset \bigcup_n \mathcal{B}_n$$

but

$$\bigcup_j A_j = \{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\} \notin \bigcup_n \mathcal{B}_n,$$

since  $\cup_j A_j$  is an infinite set but for no  $j$  is it true that  $\{1, 3, 5, 7, \dots\} \supset \{j+1, j+2, \dots\}$ .

Note that a union of  $\sigma$ -fields is not necessarily even a field. Let  $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and  $\mathcal{B}_i = \sigma(\{i\}) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{i\}, \{i\}^c\}$  for  $i = 1, 2$ . Then  $\{i\} \in \mathcal{B}_i$  but  $\{1\} \cup \{2\} = \{1, 2\} \notin \mathcal{B}_1 \cup \mathcal{B}_2$ .

**1.9.17.** We have  $\omega \in \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$  iff  $\omega \in A_n$  for  $n \geq n_0$  for some  $n_0$ . This is equivalent to  $1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1$  for  $n \geq n_0$ . But since indicators only take values 0 or 1, the only way a sequence of indicators can converge to a limit is if the indicators equal the limit from some index on. This means that the statement: for some  $n \geq n_0$ ,  $1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1$  is equivalent to  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 1_{A_n}(\omega) = 1$ .

**1.9.18.** We check the three postulates for a field or algebra:

- (i)  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$  by assumption
- (ii) Complementation: If  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , then since  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$  we have  $\Omega A^c = A^c \in \mathcal{A}$ .
- (iii) Suppose  $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then  $AB^c \in \mathcal{A}$  so  $A \cap (AB^c)^c = A \cap (A^c \cup B) = AA^c \cup AB = AB \in \mathcal{A}$ .

**1.9.19.** We have  $1_{A \cup B}(\omega) = 1$  iff  $\omega \in A \cup B$  iff either  $1_A(\omega) = 1$  or  $1_B(\omega) = 1$  iff  $1_A(\omega) \vee 1_B(\omega) = 1$ .

Likewise,  $1_{A \cap B}(\omega) = 1$  iff  $\omega \in A \cap B$  iff both  $1_A(\omega) = 1$  and  $1_B(\omega) = 1$  iff  $1_A(\omega) \wedge 1_B(\omega) = 1$ .

Since indicators take only values 0 or 1 we are done.

**1.9.20.** Define

$$\Lambda := \left\{ \sum_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} : A_{ij} \in \mathcal{C} \text{ or } A_{ij}^c \in \mathcal{C} \right\}$$

and remember the summation notation for sets implies a *disjoint* union. We claim  $\Lambda$  is a field and verify the field postulates:

(i) Pick  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  so that  $(A^c)^c \in \mathcal{C}$  and thus

$$\Omega = A + A^c \in \Lambda.$$

(iii) Closure under finite intersection: Suppose

$$\sum_{i \in I} \bigcap_{j \in J_i} A_{ij} \text{ and } \sum_{k \in I'} \bigcap_{l \in J'_k} A'_{kl}$$

are two sets in  $\Lambda$ . Then the intersection is

$$\sum_{(i,k) \in I \times I'} \left( \bigcap_{j \in J_i} A_{ij} \bigcap_{l \in J'_k} A'_{kl} \right)$$

which is also in  $\Lambda$ .

(ii) Closure under complementation: The complement of a typical set in  $\Lambda$  is

$$\left( \sum_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} \right)^c = \bigcap_{i=1}^m \bigcup_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij}^c.$$

To show that this set is in  $\Lambda$ , it suffices because of (iii) just checked, to verify that one of the sets in the intersection is in  $\Lambda$  and hence it suffices to show that  $\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j^c \in \Lambda$  where  $A_j \in \mathcal{C}$  or  $A_j^c \in \mathcal{C}$ . However, we may write

$$\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j^c = A_1^c + A_2^c A_1 + A_3^c A_1 A_2 + \cdots + A_n^c A_1 A_2 \cdots A_{n-1},$$

which is a disjoint sum of sets of the form  $\bigcap_{i=1}^k B_i$  where  $B_i \in \mathcal{C}$  or  $B_i^c \in \mathcal{C}$ . Therefore  $\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j^c \in \Lambda$  as required.

So  $\Lambda$  is a field. For any  $A \in \mathcal{C}$ ,  $A \in \Lambda$  so  $\mathcal{C} \subset \Lambda$  and therefore the minimal field over  $\mathcal{C}$  is contained in  $\Lambda$ :

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C}) \subset \Lambda.$$

Also, if  $A_{ij}$  or  $A_{ij}^c \in \mathcal{C}$ , then  $A_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$ . Therefore  $\bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$  so  $\sum_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} \in \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$ . We conclude that  $\Lambda \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$  as well.

**1.9.26a.** Set  $\mathcal{C} = \{A_1, \dots, A_n\}$ , where  $\sum_{i=1}^k A_i = \Omega$ . We claim

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C}) = \left\{ \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i, \quad I \subset \{1, \dots, k\} \right\}$$

is the minimal algebra over  $\mathcal{C}$ . Denote the right side collection of sets by  $\mathcal{A}$ . To prove the claim, we first show that  $\mathcal{A}$  is a field. To do this, we verify the postulates.

- (i) First of all,  $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$  since we may take  $I = \{1, \dots, n\}$ .
- (ii) If  $A = \bigcup_{i \in I} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ , then  $A^c = \bigcup_{i \in I^c} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ .
- (iii) If  $A_j = \bigcup_{i \in I_j} A_i$ , for  $j = 1, 2$ , then  $A_1 \cup A_2 = \bigcup_{i \in I_1 \cup I_2} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ .

So  $\mathcal{A}$  is a field,  $\mathcal{A} \supset \mathcal{C}$ , so by minimality we have  $\mathcal{A} \supset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$ . But clearly, since  $A_i \in \mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$ , we have  $\mathcal{A} \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{C})$ . The two set inclusions give the desired equality.

**1.9.27.** Call  $\mathbb{Q}$  the rational numbers and define

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) = \sigma\{(a, b] : -\infty \leq a \leq b < \infty\}$$

and

$$\mathcal{F} = \sigma\{(a, b] : -\infty \leq a \leq b < \infty, a, b \in \mathbb{Q}\}.$$

For  $q, s \in \mathbb{Q}$ ,

$$(q, s] \in \{(a, b] : -\infty \leq a \leq b < \infty\} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}).$$

Therefore  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

On the other hand, for any  $a, b$

$$(a, b] = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (q_n, s_n]$$

where  $q_n \downarrow a$  and  $s_n \downarrow b$  and  $q_n, s_n \in \mathbb{Q}$ . So  $(a, b] \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{F}$ .

**1.9.28.** Let  $\mathbb{Z} = \{\dots, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots\}$ . Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be the periodic sets. A set  $A$  is *periodic*, written  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , if for all natural numbers  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$  we have  $x \in A$  iff  $x \pm n \in A$ . We verify the  $\sigma$ -field postulates for  $\mathcal{F}$ :

- (a) First of all,  $\mathbb{R} \in \mathcal{F}$ .
- (b) Complementation: Next, suppose  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  and we show  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$ . If  $x \in A^c$ , then for any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ , we claim  $x+n \in A^c$ . If not then  $x+n \in A$  and since  $A$  is periodic  $(x+n) - n = x \in A$ , a contradiction.
- (c) Closure under countable unions: Let  $B_j \in \mathcal{F}$  for  $j \geq 1$ . We show  $\cup_j B_j \in \mathcal{F}$ . If  $x \in \cup_j B_j$ , then there exists  $j_0$  such that  $x \in B_{j_0}$ . For any  $n \in \mathbb{Z}$ ,  $x+n \in B_{j_0} \subset \cup_j B_j$ .

**1.9.29.** Let  $\mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  be the smallest class containing  $\mathcal{C}$  and closed under countable intersection and union. This minimal structure exists since closure axioms define the structure. Then  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ . Also  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  is closed under countable union and intersection and since  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \supset \mathcal{C}$ , we get

$$\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \supset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C}).$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F} := \{\Lambda \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C}) : \Lambda^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})\}.$$

We claim  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field. Note if  $\Lambda_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\Lambda_n \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\Lambda_n^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ . This means  $\cup_n \Lambda_n \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  and therefore

$$\left(\bigcup_n \Lambda_n\right)^c = \bigcap_n \Lambda_n^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C}),$$

since  $\Lambda_n^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ . So  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under countable unions.

If  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{F}$  so  $\Lambda^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ , then  $\Lambda^c$  satisfies

$$(\Lambda^c)^c = \Lambda \in \mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$$

which implies  $\Lambda^c \in \mathcal{F}$ . So  $\mathcal{F}$  is closed under complements.

Is  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$ ? Since  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  implies  $\Lambda^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\Omega = \Lambda + \Lambda^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\emptyset = \Lambda \cap \Lambda^c \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ , we get  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ .

We claim, next, that  $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{C}$ . The reason for this is that if  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ , then

$$\Lambda^c = \bigcup_i C_i \in \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$$

where  $\{C_i\}$  are each sets in  $\mathcal{C}$ . So  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field,  $\mathcal{F} \supset \mathcal{C}$ , so  $\mathcal{F} \supset \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ . But by definition,  $\mathcal{F} \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ . We conclude that  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subset \mathcal{D}(\mathcal{C})$ .

**1.9.31.** If  $\Omega$  is countable, then  $\mathcal{C} := \{\{x\} : x \in \Omega\}$  is a countable generating class, since for any  $A \subset \Omega$ ,  $A = \cup_{\alpha \in A} A_\alpha$ .

Now let  $\Omega$  be uncountable. For the purpose of getting a contradiction, suppose  $\mathcal{C} = \{C_n, n \geq 1\}$  is a countable generating class for the  $\sigma$ -field of countable-cocountable sets. Define

$$C_n^\# = \begin{cases} C_n, & \text{if } C_n \text{ is countable,} \\ C_n^c, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

So  $C_n^\#$  is always countable and so is  $C = \bigcup_n C_n^\#$ . Therefore,  $C^c$  is uncountable.

Pick  $x, y \in C^c$  such that  $x \neq y$ . For any  $n$ ,

$$\{x, y\} \subset \begin{cases} C_n, & \text{if } C_n \text{ is not countable,} \\ C_n^c, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{F} = \{A \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}) : \{x, y\} \subset A \text{ or } \{x, y\} \subset A^c\}.$$

For any  $n$ ,  $\{x, y\} \subset$  either  $C_n$  or  $C_n^c$  so  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{F}$ . Further properties of  $\mathcal{F}$ :

1.  $\{x, y\} \subset \Omega$  so  $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ .
2. If  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}$ .
3. If  $A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ , then since  $\mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ ,  $\bigcup_n A_n \in \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ . If there exists  $n$  such that  $\{x, y\} \subset A_n$ , then  $\{x, y\} \subset \bigcup_n A_n$  and  $\bigcup_n A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ . If for all  $n$ ,  $\{x, y\} \subset A_n^c$ , then  $\{x, y\} \subset \bigcap_n A_n^c$  which implies  $\bigcup_n A_n \in \mathcal{F}$ .

So we conclude  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field and since  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{F}$ , we get  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subset \mathcal{F}$  and since also  $\mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{C})$  we get  $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

For  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , either  $\{x, y\} \subset A$  or  $\{x, y\} \subset A^c$ . But  $\{x\} \in \sigma(\mathcal{C})$  and  $\{x, y\} \not\subset \{x\}$  and  $\{x, y\} \not\subset \{x\}^c$ . So  $\{x\} \notin \mathcal{F}$  which gives a contradiction.

**1.9.34.** Let

$$\mathcal{G} := \{AB + A^c B' : B, B' \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

We claim  $\mathcal{G}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field. To verify this note

1.  $\Omega = A\Omega + A^c\Omega \in \mathcal{G}$ .
2. If  $B_n, B'_n \in \mathcal{B}$  for  $n \geq 1$ , then  $AB_n + A^c B'_n$  and

$$\bigcup_n AB_n + A^c B'_n = A \cap \left( \bigcup_n B_n \right) + A^c \cap \left( \bigcup_n B'_n \right) \in \mathcal{G}$$

since  $\bigcup_n B_n$  and  $\bigcup_n B'_n$  are both in  $\mathcal{B}$ .

3. If  $AB + A^c B' \in \mathcal{G}$  then

$$\begin{aligned} (AB + A^c B')^c &= (AB)^c \cap (A^c B')^c = (A^c \cup B^c) \cap (A \cup (B')^c) \\ &= (A^c (B')^c + AB^c) \cup B^c (B')^c \\ &= A^c (B')^c \cup AB^c \cup AB^c (B')^c \cup A^c B^c (B')^c \\ &= A(B^c \cup B^c (B')^c) \cup A^c ((B')^c \cup B^c (B')^c) \\ &= AB^c + A^c (B')^c. \end{aligned}$$



So  $\mathcal{G}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

Also, we have  $A \in \mathcal{G}$  and  $B \in \mathcal{G}$  and therefore

$$\mathcal{G} \supset \sigma(B, A).$$

Also,

$$\mathcal{G} \subset \sigma(B \cup \{A\})$$

since the right side contains  $B$  and  $A$  and hence contains sets of the form  $BA + B'A^c$ .

1.9.35. Suppose  $\mathcal{F}$  is a countably-infinite  $\sigma$ -field so that we can write it as

$$\mathcal{F} = \{B_1, B_2, \dots\}.$$

For  $\mathbb{N} = \{1, 2, \dots\}$ , let

$$\epsilon = (\epsilon_1, \epsilon_2, \dots) \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}},$$

and write

$$B_\epsilon = \bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i^{\epsilon_i},$$

where

$$B_i^{\epsilon_i} = \begin{cases} B_i, & \text{if } \epsilon_i = 1, \\ B_i^c, & \text{if } \epsilon_i = 0. \end{cases}$$

Set

$$\mathcal{C} = \{B_\epsilon, \epsilon \in \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}\}.$$

Since  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field,  $\mathcal{C} \in \mathcal{F}$ . Note also that

$$B_\epsilon \cap B_{\epsilon'} = \emptyset, \quad \text{if } \epsilon \neq \epsilon',$$

so sets of  $\mathcal{C}$  partition  $\Omega$ .

Now we *claim* that  $\mathcal{C}$  contains infinitely many non-empty sets. If not, then there are finitely many non-empty sets in  $\mathcal{C}$  which partition  $\Omega$ . This implies  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  is finite. But  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{F}$  since

(a)  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{F}$  implies  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) \subset \mathcal{F}$ .

(b) If  $B_k \in \mathcal{F}$ , then

$$B_k = \bigcup_{\epsilon: \epsilon_k=1} B_\epsilon \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}),$$

and hence  $\mathcal{F} \subset \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

This would mean that  $\mathcal{F}$  is finite which contradicts the assumption that  $\mathcal{F}$  is countably infinite.

So, since  $\mathcal{C}$  has infinitely many non-empty sets, we write

$$\mathcal{C} := \{\emptyset, C_1, C_2, \dots\}$$

where  $C_i \neq \emptyset$ ,  $i \geq 1$ .

Define a function  $f$  on the subsets of  $\mathbb{N}$  by

$$f : \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N}) \mapsto \mathcal{F}, \quad f(I) = \bigcup_{i \in I} C_i.$$

We claim that  $f$  is 1-1. To see this note that  $\cup_{i \in I} C_i = \cup_{j \in I'} C_j$  implies that  $I = I'$  since the  $C_i$ 's are disjoint and non-empty.

So for all  $I \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ,  $f(I) \in \mathcal{F}$  and hence  $\mathcal{F}$  cannot be countably infinite since a subset  $\{f(I), I \in \mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})\}$  is in 1-1 correspondence with  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$  which has cardinality  $2^{\aleph_0}$ .

**1.9.44.** To see that  $\mathcal{A} \subset \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ , note that if  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ , then we may set  $A_n = A$  so that  $A_n \rightarrow A$  showing that  $A \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ .

We now see why  $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$  is a field. We verify the field postulates:

1. Since  $\emptyset, \Omega \in \mathcal{A}$ , and  $\mathcal{A} \subset \bar{\mathcal{A}}$  we have  $\emptyset, \Omega \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ .
2. Suppose  $A \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ . Then there exist  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and  $A_n \rightarrow A$ . Since  $\mathcal{A}$  is a field, we have  $A_n^c \in \mathcal{A}$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c &= (\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n)^c = A^c, \\ \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c &= (\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n)^c \end{aligned}$$

and so  $A_n^c \rightarrow A^c$ . Thus  $A \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ .

3. Suppose  $A, B \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ . Then there exist  $A_n \in \mathcal{A}$ ,  $B_n \in \mathcal{A}$  such that

$$A_n \rightarrow A, \quad B_n \rightarrow B.$$

It follows that  $A_n B_n \in \mathcal{A}$  and we show that  $A_n B_n \rightarrow AB$  proving that  $\bar{\mathcal{A}}$  is closed under finite intersections. First of all

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \bigcap B_n = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq k} A_n B_n \subset \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n = A$$

and similarly

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \bigcap B_n = \bigcap_{k=1}^{\infty} \bigcup_{n \geq k} A_n B_n \subset \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n = B$$

so that

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \bigcap B_n \subset AB.$$

On the other hand, since  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n$  is the points in  $A_n B_n$  for all large  $n$ , we have

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \bigcap \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n = AB.$$

Thus

$$AB = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n \subset \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n B_n \subset AB.$$

Thus  $A_n B_n \rightarrow AB$  and  $AB \in \bar{\mathcal{A}}$ .

## CHAPTER 2 SOLUTIONS

## 2.6.1.

- (a) First of all
- $\Omega^c = \emptyset$
- is finite so
- $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}_0$
- .

Next check closure under complementation: If  $A \in \mathcal{F}_0$  then either  $A$  or  $A^c$  is finite. Therefore  $A^c \in \mathcal{F}_0$  since either  $(A^c)^c$  or  $A^c$  is finite.

Finally check closure under finite intersection: Suppose  $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ . If one of  $A_1, A_2$  is finite, then  $A_1 A_2$  is finite and hence in  $\mathcal{F}_0$ . If neither set is finite, then  $A_1^c$  and  $A_2^c$  are finite, so  $A_1^c \cup A_2^c$  is finite. Therefore  $(A_1^c \cup A_2^c)^c = A_1 A_2 \in \mathcal{F}_0$ .

- (b) Let  $E_1, \dots, E_k \in \mathcal{F}_0$ ,  $E_i \cap E_j = \emptyset$ , for  $i \neq j$ . At most one can be infinite, since if  $E_1$  and  $E_2$  are both infinite and  $E_1 \cap E_2 = \emptyset$ , then  $E_1^c, E_2^c$  are finite which implies  $E_1^c \cup E_2^c$  is finite. So  $(E_1^c \cup E_2^c)^c$  is infinite and in  $\mathcal{F}_0$ . However, we also have  $(E_1^c \cup E_2^c)^c = E_1 E_2 = \emptyset$ , which gives a contradiction.

If none of  $E_1, E_2, \dots, E_k$  is infinite then

$$P\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^k E_j\right) = 0 = \sum_{j=1}^k P(E_j),$$

If exactly one is infinite, then  $\bigcup_{j=1}^k E_j$  is infinite and  $P(\bigcup_{j=1}^k E_j) = 1 = \sum_{j=1}^k P(E_j)$ , since the latter is a sum of  $(k-1)$  zeros and one 1.

$P$  is not  $\sigma$ -additive. Let  $\Omega_N$  be finite and  $\Omega_N \uparrow \Omega$ . If  $P$  were  $\sigma$ -finite, we would have

$$0 = P(\Omega_N) \uparrow P(\Omega) = 1.$$

- (c) Define

$$P(E) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } E \text{ is finite,} \\ 1, & \text{if } E^c \text{ is finite.} \end{cases}$$

Suppose  $E_1, E_2, \dots \in \mathcal{F}_0$  and  $\bigcup_i E_i \in \mathcal{F}_0$  and  $\{E_n\}$  are mutually disjoint. As in (b), at most one  $E_n$  can be infinite. Then either

- (I)  $\bigcup_i E_i$  is finite, in which case  $E_i$  is finite for all  $i$  and  $P(\bigcup_i E_i) = 0 = \sum_i P(E_i)$

or

(II)  $(\bigcup_i E_i)^c$  is finite. This means there exists  $i$  such that  $E_i^c$  is finite and because at most one of the  $\{E_n\}$  can be infinite, for all  $j \neq i$ ,  $E_j$  is finite. Therefore

$$P(\bigcup_i E_i) = 1 = \sum_k P(E_k) = P(E_i) + \sum_{j \neq i} P(E_j) = 1 + 0.$$

**2.6.2.** The result can be proven using the representation for  $\mathcal{A}$  (see Problem 1.9.20, page 23)

$$\mathcal{A} = \left\{ \bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij} : A_{ij} \in \mathcal{P} \text{ or } A_{ij}^c \in \mathcal{P} \text{ and } \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij}, i = 1, \dots, m \text{ are disjoint} \right\}.$$

Given two probability measures  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  which agree on  $\mathcal{P}$  we need

$$P_1\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^m \bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij}\right) = \sum_{i=1}^m P_1\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij}\right)$$

to be equal to

$$= \sum_{i=1}^m P_2\left(\bigcap_{j=1}^{n_i} A_{ij}\right).$$

Therefore, it suffices to prove for  $A_1, \dots, A_k$ , where  $A_l \in \mathcal{P}$  or  $A_l^c \in \mathcal{P}$ ,  $l = 1, \dots, k$  that

$$P_1\left(\bigcap_{l=1}^k A_l\right) = P_2\left(\bigcap_{l=1}^k A_l\right).$$

Separate the  $A$ 's into two groups  $\{A_i, i \in I\}$  and  $\{A_l, l \in J\}$  where  $I + J = \{1, \dots, k\}$  and  $A_i \in \mathcal{P}$  for  $i \in I$  and  $A_l^c \in \mathcal{P}$  for  $l \in J$ . Call  $B_1 = \bigcap_{i \in I} A_i$  so that  $B_1 \in \mathcal{P}$  since  $\mathcal{P}$  is a  $\pi$ -system. We need to prove

$$P_1(B_1 \bigcap (\bigcap_{l \in J} A_l)) = P_2(B_1 \bigcap (\bigcap_{l \in J} A_l)).$$

Write

$$\begin{aligned} P_i(B_1 \bigcap (\bigcap_{l \in J} A_l)) &= P_i(B_1 \bigcap (\bigcup_{l \in J} A_l^c)^c) = P_i(B_1) - P_i(B_1 \bigcup_{l \in J} A_l^c) \\ &= P(B_1) - P\left(\bigcup_{l \in J} B_1 A_l^c\right) \end{aligned}$$

and apply inclusion-exclusion.

**2.6.3.** If  $B_i \subset A_i$  then  $\cup_i B_i \subset \cup_i A_i$  and

$$\begin{aligned} \bigcup_i A_i \setminus \bigcup_i B_i &= \left( \bigcup_i A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcup_i B_i \right)^c = \left( \bigcup_i A_i \right) \cap \left( \bigcap_i B_i^c \right) \\ &= \bigcup_i (A_i \cap B_i^c) \subset \bigcup_i A_i B_i^c \end{aligned}$$

so

$$P\left(\bigcup_i A_i\right) - P\left(\bigcup_i B_i\right) \leq P\left(\bigcup_i A_i B_i^c\right) \leq \sum_i P(A_i B_i^c) = \sum_i (P(A_i) - P(B_i)).$$

**2.6.4.** First of all, the extension is certainly not unique. For an easy example, take  $\mathcal{B} = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$  and  $A \notin \mathcal{B}$ . Then

$$\mathcal{B}_1 = \sigma(A, \mathcal{B}) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, A, A^c\}.$$

Knowing a probability on  $\{\emptyset, \Omega\}$  does not give much instruction about how to extend it to  $A$  and  $A^c$ .

Here is one way to extend using outer and inner measure. For any  $S \subset \Omega$ , define

$$P^*(S) := \inf\{P(B) : S \subset B, B \in \mathcal{B}\}.$$

Let  $B_n \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $S \subset B_n$ ,  $P(B_n) \downarrow P^*(S)$ . Such a sequence  $\{B_n\}$  exists by definition of “inf”. Now define

$$S^* = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \bigcap_{n=1}^N B_n.$$

Thus,  $S^* \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $S \subset S^*$ , and therefore

$$P^*(S) \leq P(S^*)$$

(from the definition of  $P^*$ )

$$= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^N B_n\right) \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P(B_N) = P^*(S).$$

We conclude

$$P^*(S) = P(S^*). \tag{2.6.4.1}$$

Next, we claim, if  $C \in \mathcal{B}$  and

$$\mathcal{B} \ni C \subset S^* \setminus S, \text{ then } P(C) = 0. \tag{2.6.4.2}$$

This follows from  $S \subset S^* \setminus C$ ,  $S^* \setminus C \in \mathcal{B}$ , and thus

$$P(S^*) = P^*(S) \leq P(S^* \setminus C)$$

(from the definition of  $P^*$ )

$$= P(S^*) - P(C),$$

(since  $C \subset S^*$ ) whence  $P(C) = 0$ .

Next define, for any  $S \subset \Omega$ ,

$$S_* = ((S^c)^*)^c,$$

so that  $S_* \in \mathcal{B}$ ,  $S_*^c = (S^c)^* \supset S^c$  which yields, by taking inverses  $S_* \subset S$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} P(S_*) &= 1 - P((S^c)^*) = 1 - P^*(S^c) \\ &= 1 - \inf\{P(\Lambda) : S^c \subset \Lambda, \Lambda \in \mathcal{B}\} \\ &= \sup\{P(\Lambda^c) : S^c \subset \Lambda, \Lambda \in \mathcal{B}\} \\ &= \sup\{P(V) : S^c \subset V^c, V \in \mathcal{B}\} \\ &= \sup\{P(V) : S \supset V, V \in \mathcal{B}\}. \end{aligned}$$

Also, as with (2.6.4.2), if  $D \subset S \setminus S_*$ , and  $D \in \mathcal{B}$ , then  $P(D) = 0$ .

Pick  $\lambda \in [0, 1]$  and define  $P_1$  on  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \sigma(\mathcal{B}, A) = \{BA \cup B'A^c; B, B' \in \mathcal{B}\}$  by

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(BA \cup B'A^c) &:= \lambda P(A^*B) + (1 - \lambda)P(A_*B) \\ &\quad \lambda P((A^*)^c B') + (1 - \lambda)P((A_*)^c B'), \end{aligned}$$

so that

$$P_1(BA \cup B'A^c) = P_1(BA) + P_1(B'A^c).$$

Here are the relevant properties of  $P_1$ :

1.  $P_1$  is well defined on  $\mathcal{B}_1 = \sigma(\mathcal{B}, A)$ .
2.  $P_1$  extends  $P$ . This is clear since if  $B \in \mathcal{B}$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P_1(BA \cup B'A^c) &= P_1(B) \\ &= \lambda [P(A^*B) + P((A^*)^c B)] \\ &\quad (1 - \lambda) [P(A_*B) + P((A_*)^c B)] \\ &= \lambda P(B) + (1 - \lambda)P(B) = P(B). \end{aligned}$$

3.  $P_1$  is a probability measure.

To see why  $P_1$  is a probability measure, note that clearly  $P_1(C) \geq 0$  for all  $C \in \mathcal{B}_1$  and  $P_1(\Omega) = P(\Omega) = 1$ . To verify  $\sigma$ -additivity, suppose  $B_n A \cup B'_n A^c \in \mathcal{B}_1$  are disjoint for  $n \geq 1$ , where  $B_n, B'_n \in \mathcal{B}_1$ . This means that  $\{AB_n, n \geq 1\}$  are disjoint and  $\{A^c B'_n, n \geq 1\}$  are disjoint.

For any  $n \neq m$ ,  $AB_n \cap AB_m = \emptyset$  implies  $\emptyset = A_*(AB_n \cap AB_m) = A_*B_n \cap A_*B_m$  since  $A_* \subset A$ . Also  $A^*B_n \cap A^*B_m \subset A^*$  but

$$(A^*B_n \cap A^*B_m) \cap A = A^* \cap (B_nA \cap B_mA) = \emptyset,$$

so

$$A^*B_n \cap A^*B_m \subset A^* \setminus A$$

and by (2.6.4.2)

$$P(A^*B_n \cap A^*B_m) = 0.$$

So  $\{A^*B_n, n \geq 1\}$  are almost disjoint (see Problem 2.6.6) and

$$\begin{aligned} P_1\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} AB_n\right) &= \lambda P_1\left(\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right)A\right) \\ &= \lambda P\left(\left(\bigcup_n B_n\right)A^*\right) + (1-\lambda)P\left(\left(\bigcup_n B_n\right)A_*\right) \\ &= \lambda P\left(\bigcup_n (B_nA^*)\right) + (1-\lambda)P\left(\bigcup_n (B_nA_*)\right) \\ &= \lambda \sum_n P(B_nA^*) + (1-\lambda) \sum_n P(B_nA_*) \\ &= \sum_n [\lambda P(B_nA^*) + (1-\lambda)P(B_nA_*)] \\ &= \sum_n P_1(B_nA). \end{aligned}$$

A similar argument works on  $A^c$ .

We conclude that  $P_1$  is a probability measure that extends  $P$  on  $\mathcal{B}$  to  $\mathcal{B}_1$ .

**2.6.6.** Since

$$P(\cup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\cup_{j=1}^n A_j)$$

and

$$\sum_{j=1}^{\infty} PA_j = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j=1}^n PA_j,$$

it suffices to show  $P(\cup_{j=1}^n A_j) = \sum_{j=1}^n PA_j$ . To check this observe that by the Bonferroni inequality

$$\sum_{j=1}^n PA_j - \sum_{1 \leq i < j \leq n} P(A_i A_j) \leq P\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^n A_j\right) \leq \sum_{j=1}^n P(A_j)$$

and since  $\sum_{i < j} P(A_i A_j) = 0$ , the result follows.



2.6.8. We summarize the probabilities in the following chart

$\Omega$	$a$	$b$	$c$	$d$
$P_1$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$
$P_2$	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Set

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\{a, b\}, \{d, c\}, \{a, c\}, \{b, d\}\}$$

and note  $\mathcal{C}$  is not a  $\pi$ -system since

$$\{a, b\} \cap \{a, c\} = \{a\} \notin \mathcal{C}.$$

Check that  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{P}(\Omega)$  and  $P_1 = P_2$  on  $\mathcal{C}$  but not on  $\sigma(\mathcal{C})$  since, for instance,  $P_1(\{a\}) = \frac{1}{6} \neq \frac{1}{3} = P_2(\{a\})$ .

2.6.9. (a) First of all, if  $F(x) - F(x-) > 0$ , then  $P\{x\} > 0$  and if  $B \subset \{x\}$ , then either  $B = \emptyset$  so that  $P(B) = P(\emptyset) = 0$  or  $B = \{x\}$  so  $P(B) = P\{x\}$ . Thus

$$\{x : F(x) - F(x-) > 0\} \subset \{\text{atoms of } P\}.$$

Next suppose  $A$  is an atom of  $P$ . Define

$$\alpha := \sup\{x : P((-\infty, x) \cap A) = 0\}, \quad \beta := \inf\{x : P((x, \infty) \cap A) = 0\}.$$

If  $\alpha < \beta$ , then  $P((\alpha, \infty + \frac{\beta-\alpha}{3}) \cap A) > 0$ , and  $P((\beta - \frac{\beta-\alpha}{3}, \beta) \cap A) > 0$  which contradicts  $A$  being an atom. Hence  $\alpha = \beta$ . It follows that

$$P((-\infty, \alpha - \frac{1}{n}) \cap A) = 0, \quad P((\alpha + \frac{1}{n}, \infty) \cap A) = 0$$

and thus

$$P((\alpha - \frac{1}{n}, \alpha + \frac{1}{n}) \cap A) = P(A) > 0.$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to get  $P(\{\alpha\} \cap A) = P(A) > 0$ . So  $P(\{\alpha\} \Delta A) = 0$ .

(c) Let  $A$  and  $B$  be distinct atoms. Then  $P(A \Delta B) > 0$  and therefore  $P(AB \Delta \emptyset) = P(AB \emptyset^c) + P((AB)^c \emptyset) = P(AB)$ , and we claim that

$$P(AB) = 0.$$

Since  $AB \subset A$  and  $AB \subset B$  and  $A$  and  $B$  are atoms we have

either  $P(AB) = 0$ , in which case the claim is true,

or else  $P(AB) > 0$ , in which case, since  $A$  and  $B$  are atoms, we have

$$P(B \setminus AB) = P(A \setminus AB) = 0,$$

which means that  $P(A \Delta B) = 0$  which contradicts the assumption that  $P(A \Delta B) > 0$ .

(d) Let

$$\mathcal{A}_n = \{ \text{distinct atoms which have probability at least } \frac{1}{n} \}.$$

There are at most  $n$  atoms in  $\mathcal{A}_n$  since if  $A_1, \dots, A_m \in \mathcal{A}_n$ , then

$$1 \geq P\left(\bigcup_{j=1}^m A_j\right) = \sum_{j=1}^m P(A_j) \geq \frac{m}{n},$$

which makes  $m \leq n$  and  $\text{card}(\mathcal{A}_n) \leq n$ . So

$$\text{card}\{ \text{all atoms} \} = \text{card}\left(\bigcup_n \mathcal{A}_n\right)$$

which is at most countable.

(e) A *partially ordered set* is a set  $S$  together with a relation, denoted  $\leq$ , on  $S \times S$ ; that is, on pairs of elements of  $S$ . This relation satisfies

1.  $x \leq x$ ,
2.  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq x$  implies  $x = y$ ,
3.  $x \leq y$  and  $y \leq z$  implies  $x \leq z$ .

A subset  $C$  of  $S$  is called a *chain* or a *totally ordered* subset, if every two elements of  $C$  are comparable; that is, if  $x, y \in C$ , then either  $x \leq y$  or  $y \leq x$ . An *upper bound* of a set  $A \subset S$  is an element  $y$  such that  $x \leq y$  for all  $x \in A$ . A maximal element of  $S$  is any  $y \in S$  satisfying  $y \leq x$  implies  $y = x$ . *Zorn's lemma* says that if  $S$  is a partially ordered set in which every totally ordered subset has an upper bound, then  $S$  has a maximal element.

For a set  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ , recall

$$A^\# = \{B \in \mathcal{B} : P(A \Delta B) = 0\}.$$

Define the partial order on the equivalence class of sets to be  $A^\# \leq B^\#$  iff there exists  $A \in A^\#, B \in B^\#$  and  $N \in \mathcal{B}$  such that  $P(N) = 0$ , and  $A \subset B \cup N$ . This is a well defined specification of the relation. If also  $A' \in A^\#$  and  $B' \in B^\#$ , then

$$A'A^c = N_1, \quad A(A')^c = N_2,$$

where  $P(N_i) = 0, i = 1, 2$  and

$$A = AA' + N_1, \quad A' = AA' + N_2.$$

Similarly,

$$B = BB' + N_3, \quad B' = BB' + N_4,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} A' &= AA' + N_2 \subset B \cup N \cup N_2 \\ &\subset BB' \cup N_3 \cup N \cup N_2 \subset B' \cup N_5, \end{aligned}$$

where  $N_5$  is an event with probability 0.

We have now defined a partial order relation on the equivalence classes of events since

1.  $A^\# \leq A^\#$ .
2. If  $A^\# \leq B^\#$  and  $B^\# \leq A^\#$  then

$$A \subset B \cup N_1, \quad B \subset A \cup N_2$$

and so

$$A \subset B \cup N_1 \subset A \cup (N_1 \cup N_2)$$

and therefore  $P(A \Delta B) = 0$ .

3. If  $A^\# \leq B^\#$  and  $B^\# \leq C^\#$  then  $A \subset B \cup N_1$ ,  $B \subset C \cup N_2$  and thus,  $A \subset C \cup (N_1 \cup N_2)$  so  $A^\# \leq C^\#$ .

Now let  $S^\# = \{A^\# : P^\#(A^\#) \leq a\}$ . We claim that any subset  $S_0^\#$  which is totally ordered has an upper bound. Write

$$S_0^\# = \{A_\alpha^\#, \alpha \in \Lambda\}$$

and set

$$p_\alpha = P^\#(A_\alpha^\#), \quad p_{S_0} = \sup_{\alpha \in \Lambda} P^\#(A_\alpha^\#).$$

By definition of supremum, there exists  $\alpha_n \in \Lambda$  such that

$$p_{\alpha_n} = P^\#(A_{\alpha_n}^\#) \uparrow p_{S_0}.$$

To prove the claim, we consider two cases.

CASE 1. Suppose  $p_\alpha < p_{S_0}$  for all  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Then we show for any  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ ,

$$A_\alpha \leq \bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\#$$

so  $\bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\#$  is an upper bound in  $S^\#$ . (Note, that it is relatively easy, by taking finite approximations to  $\{\alpha_n\}$ , to verify that the upper bound is, in fact, an element of  $S^\#$ .) To verify this, pick any  $\alpha \in \Lambda$ . Since  $p_\alpha < p_{S_0}$ , there exists  $\alpha_n$  such that

$$p_\alpha < p_{\alpha_n}.$$

Then because of total ordering, either

$$A_\alpha^\# \leq A_{\alpha_n}^\# \text{ or } A_{\alpha_n}^\# \leq A_\alpha.$$

The latter is incompatible with  $p_\alpha < p_{\alpha_n}$  and we conclude

$$A_\alpha^\# \leq A_{\alpha_n}^\# \leq \bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\#,$$

as needed.

CASE 2. Suppose there exists  $\alpha^* \in \Lambda$  such that  $p_{\alpha^*} = p_{S_0}$ . Then we claim that  $\bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\# \cup A_{\alpha^*}^\#$  is an upper bound in  $S^\#$ . To see this, observe that for any  $\alpha$ , either  $p_\alpha < p_{S_0}$ , in which case, as in Case 1,

$$A_\alpha^\# \subset \bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\# \subset \bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\# \cup A_{\alpha^*}^\#.$$

or, if  $p_\alpha = p_{S_0}$ , then either

$$A_\alpha^\# \leq A_{\alpha^*}^\# \text{ or } A_{\alpha^*}^\# \leq A_\alpha^\#.$$

In the first case, there exists  $A_{\alpha^*} \in A_{\alpha^*}^\#$  and  $A_\alpha \in A_\alpha^\#$  such that

$$A_{\alpha^*} \cup N \supset A_\alpha, \text{ and } P(A_{\alpha^*}) = P(A_\alpha).$$

So

$$P(A_\alpha A_{\alpha^*}^c) = P(A_\alpha) - P(A_\alpha A_{\alpha^*}) = 0,$$

and

$$P(A_{\alpha^*} A_\alpha^c) = P(A_{\alpha^*}) - P(A_\alpha A_{\alpha^*}) = 0,$$

so  $P(A_{\alpha^*} \Delta A_\alpha) = 0$ . Thus  $A_{\alpha^*}^\# = A_\alpha^\#$  and

$$A_\alpha^\# \subset \bigcup_n A_{\alpha_n}^\# \cup A_{\alpha^*}^\#.$$

Consider the alternative case similarly.

By Zorn's lemma, there exists a maximal element  $A_{\max}^\# \in S^\#$  such that  $P^\#(A_{\max}^\#) \leq a$ . For the purposes of getting a contradiction, suppose  $P^\#(A_{\max}^\#) < a$ . We show this implies the existence of an atom.

Let

$$\mathcal{C}^\# = \{B^\# \neq \emptyset : B^\# \cap A_{\max}^\# = \emptyset\}.$$

For  $B^\# \in \mathcal{C}^\#$ , since  $B^\# \cap A_{\max}^\# = \emptyset$ ,

$$P^\#(B^\#) + P^\#(A_{\max}^\#) = P^\#(B^\# \cup A_{\max}^\#) > a,$$

otherwise we would get a contradiction in the following way. If

$$P^\#(B^\#) + P^\#(A_{\max}^\#) = P^\#(B^\# \cup A_{\max}^\#) \leq a,$$

then

$$B^\# + A_{\max}^\# \in S^\#$$

so

$$A_{\max}^\# \leq B^\# \cup A_{\max}^\# \leq A_{\max}^\#$$

where the last inequality follows by maximality. Thus from the previous line we would have

$$A_{\max}^\# = B^\# \cup A_{\max}^\#$$

and since  $B^\# \neq \emptyset$  we get the desired contradiction to maximality of  $A_{\max}^\#$ . Thus we conclude

$$P^\#(B^\#) > a - P^\#(A_{\max}^\#) = \epsilon > 0.$$

Make a partial order on  $\mathcal{C}^\#$  by defining  $B^\# \leq C^\#$  iff there exists  $B \in \mathcal{B}^\#$  and  $C \in \mathcal{C}^\#$  such that  $B \cup N \supset C$ . Note that  $\mathcal{C}^\#$  is ordered by the inverse relation to the one used for  $S^\#$ . As before, any totally ordered subset has an upper bound in  $\mathcal{C}^\#$ . The argument for this is similar to the argument used to show the corresponding fact for  $S^\#$ . For instance, if  $S_1^\#$  is a totally ordered subset of  $\mathcal{C}^\#$ , write

$$S_1^\# = \{B_\alpha^\#, \alpha \in \Lambda_1\}, \quad p_\alpha = P^\#(B_\alpha^\#) > \epsilon,$$

and define

$$p := \inf_{\alpha \in \Lambda_1} p_\alpha \geq \epsilon.$$

There exist  $\alpha_n \in \Lambda_1$  such that  $p_{\alpha_n} \downarrow p$ . If for all  $\alpha \in \Lambda_1$ ,  $p_\alpha > p$ , then  $\bigcap_n B_{\alpha_n}^\#$  is the upper bound since for any  $\alpha \in \Lambda_1$ , there exist  $\alpha_n$  such that  $p_{\alpha_n} < p_\alpha$ . Then we claim  $B_\alpha^\# \leq \bigcap_k B_{\alpha_k}^\#$  since

$$\vdots \quad P^\#(\bigcap_k B_{\alpha_k}^\#) \leq P^\#(B_{\alpha_n}^\#) < p_\alpha = P^\#(B_\alpha^\#).$$

Either  $B_\alpha^\# \leq B_{\alpha_n}^\#$  or  $B_{\alpha_n}^\# \leq B_\alpha^\#$  but the latter alternative is incompatible with the previous display so we get

$$B_\alpha^\# \leq B_{\alpha_n}^\# \leq \bigcap_n B_{\alpha_n}^\#.$$

Handling the case that some  $\alpha$  satisfies  $p_\alpha = p$  is similar to the procedure used in analyzing  $S^\#$ .

Again by Zorn's lemma, a maximal element  $B_{\max}^\# \in \mathcal{C}^\#$  exists. It follows that  $B_{\max}^\#$  is an atom. To see this, keep in mind  $P^\#(B_{\max}^\#) \geq \epsilon$ . Let  $B^\# \subset B_{\max}^\#$ , where  $B^\#$  is the equivalence class of a set in  $\mathcal{B}$ . Then  $P^\#(B^\#) \leq P^\#(B_{\max}^\#)$ . If  $B^\# \in \mathcal{C}^\#$ , then  $P^\#(B_{\max}^\#) \leq P^\#(B^\#)$  so we conclude that  $P^\#(B_{\max}^\#) = P^\#(B^\#)$ . Otherwise, if  $B^\# \notin \mathcal{C}^\#$ , then either  $B^\# = \emptyset$  or

$B^\# \neq \emptyset$  and  $B^\# \cap A_{\max}^\# \neq \emptyset$ . This latter alternative is impossible since  $B_{\max}^\# \in \mathcal{C}^\#$ , so  $B_{\max}^\# \cap A_{\max}^\# = \emptyset$ , which implies  $B^\# \cap A_{\max}^\# = \emptyset$ .

Thus  $B^\# \subset B_{\max}^\#$  implies  $B^\# = \emptyset$  or  $P^\#(B^\#) = P^\#(B_{\max}^\#)$  and thus  $B_{\max}^\#$  is an atom.

**2.6.12.** We show that iff  $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ , then there exists a countable family  $\mathcal{C}_B \subset \mathcal{C}$  such that  $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}_B)$ .

To see this, we let

$$\mathcal{G} = \{B \subset \Omega : \exists \text{ a countable family } \mathcal{C}_B \subset \mathcal{C} \text{ such that } B \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}_B)\}.$$

Properties of  $\mathcal{G}$ :

- (1)  $\Omega \in \mathcal{G}$  since for any countable subset  $\mathcal{C}' \subset \mathcal{C}$ , we have  $\Omega \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}')$ .
- (2) If  $B \in \mathcal{G}$ , then  $B \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}_B)$  implies  $B^c \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}_B)$ . Hence  $B^c \in \mathcal{G}$ .
- (3) If  $B_n \in \mathcal{G}$  then  $B_n \in \sigma(\mathcal{C}_{B_n}) \subset \sigma(\cup_n \mathcal{C}_{B_n})$ , where  $\mathcal{C}_{B_n}$  is a countable family and hence so is  $\cup_n \mathcal{C}_{B_n}$ . Therefore,  $\bigcup_n B_n \in \sigma(\bigcup_n \mathcal{C}_{B_n})$  which implies  $\bigcup_n B_n \in \mathcal{G}$ . So  $\mathcal{G}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field.
- (4)  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{G}$  since if  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{C}$  then  $\Lambda \in \sigma(\Lambda)$  and if we set  $\mathcal{C}_\Lambda = \{\Lambda\}$ , then  $\mathcal{C}_\Lambda$  is countable.

Thus  $\mathcal{G} \supset \mathcal{C}$  which implies  $\mathcal{G} \supset \sigma(\mathcal{C})$ .

**2.6.15.** To check  $\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2 := \{S_1 S_2 : S_i \in \mathcal{S}_i, i = 1, 2\}$  is a semi-algebra we must check three postulates.

1.  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{S}_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$  and therefore  $\emptyset = \emptyset \cap \emptyset \in \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$ . Similarly, we may prove  $\Omega \in \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$ .
2. If  $S_1 S_2 \in \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$  and  $S'_1 S'_2 \in \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$  then

$$S_1 S_2 \cap S'_1 S'_2 = S_1 S'_1 \cap S_2 S'_2 \in \mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$$

since  $S_1 S'_1 \in \mathcal{S}_1$  and  $S_2 S'_2 \in \mathcal{S}_2$ .

3. For  $S_i \in \mathcal{S}_i, i = 1, 2$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} (S_1 S_2)^c &= S_1^c \bigcup S_2^c = S_1^c S_2 + S_1^c S_2^c + S_1 S_2^c \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^l A_{1j} S_2 + \sum_{j,i} A_{1j} A_{2j} + \sum_{i=1}^k S_1 A_{2i}, \end{aligned}$$

where we assumed

$$S_1^c = \sum_{j=1}^l A_{1j}, \quad S_2^c = \sum_{i=1}^k A_{2i}.$$

This shows complements in  $\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2$  have the correct form.

To check that

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \bigcup \mathcal{S}_2),$$

note that the left side is of the form

$$\left\{ \sum_{i=1}^l S_{1i} S_{2i}, S_{1i} \in \mathcal{S}_1, S_{2i} \in \mathcal{S}_2 \right\}.$$

Such sets as exhibited on the previous line are in  $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \bigcup \mathcal{S}_2)$  and therefore

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2) \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \bigcup \mathcal{S}_2).$$

Conversely

$$\mathcal{S}_1 \bigcup \mathcal{S}_2 \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2)$$

and hence

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \bigcup \mathcal{S}_2) \subset \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{S}_1 \mathcal{S}_2).$$

**2.6.16.** Suppose  $\{B_n\}$  are disjoint and  $B_n \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then  $\sum_n B_n \in \mathcal{B}$  and  $(\sum_n B_n)^c \in \mathcal{B}$  and therefore by assumption (c)

$$1 = Q\left(\sum_n B_n + \left(\sum_n B_n\right)^c\right) = \sum_n Q(B_n) + Q\left(\left(\sum_n B_n\right)^c\right).$$

However, we also have, from finite additivity,

$$1 = Q\left(\sum_n B_n\right) + Q\left(\left(\sum_n B_n\right)^c\right),$$

and therefore

$$Q\left(\sum_n B_n\right) = \sum_n Q(B_n).$$

**2.6.17.** We check  $F_r^{\leftarrow}(y)$  is right continuous by showing that if  $y_n \downarrow y$ , then  $F_r^{\leftarrow}(y_n) \downarrow F_r^{\leftarrow}(y)$ . If this is not the case, then there exists  $L$  such that

$$F_r^{\leftarrow}(y_n) \downarrow L > F_r^{\leftarrow}(y).$$

Suppose  $x$  is any value chosen so that

$$L > x > F_r^{\leftarrow}(y).$$

Then  $F_r^{\leftarrow}(y_n) > x$  implies by the definition of  $F_r^{\leftarrow}$  that  $F(x) \leq y_n$  and therefore, by letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , that  $F(x) \leq y$ . On the other hand, since  $x > F_r^{\leftarrow}(y)$ , we have by definition that  $F(x) > y$  so we conclude  $F(x) = y$ . This means  $F_r^{\leftarrow}(y) \geq x$  which is a contradiction to the fact that  $x > F_r^{\leftarrow}(y)$ .

**2.6.21.** For a finitely additive measure  $\mu$  satisfying  $\mu(\Omega) = 1$ , it need not be the case that  $A_n \downarrow \emptyset$  implies  $\mu(A_n) \downarrow 0$ . Use Proposition 2.6.1. Let  $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and let  $\mathcal{A} = \{E \subset \Omega : E \text{ or } E^c \text{ is finite.}\}$ . Define

$$P(E) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } E \text{ is finite,} \\ 1, & \text{if } E^c \text{ is finite.} \end{cases}$$

Then  $P$  is finitely additive.

Let  $A_n = \{n, n+1, \dots\} \in \mathcal{A}$  since  $A_n^c$  is finite. So  $P(A_n) = 1$ . Note  $A_n \downarrow \emptyset$  but  $1 = P(A_n) \not\rightarrow 0$ .

**2.6.23.** Set

$$\mathcal{C} = \{(-\infty, x] : x \in \mathbb{R}\},$$

which is a  $\pi$ -system generating  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$  and so if  $P_1 = P_2$  on  $\mathcal{C}$ , then  $P_1 = P_2$  on  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^d)$ .



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3.4.1. If  $1_A \in \mathcal{B}$ , then

$$A = 1_A^{-1}\{1\} \in \mathcal{B}.$$

Conversely, suppose  $A \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then if  $I'$  is an interval,

$$1_A^{-1}(I') = \{\omega : 1_A(\omega) \in I'\}.$$

Consider the following cases.

1. If  $I' \supset [0, 1]$ , then  $1_A^{-1}(I') = \Omega \in \mathcal{B}$ .
2. If  $0 \in I'$  but  $1 \notin I'$  then  $1_A^{-1}(I') = A^c \in \mathcal{B}$ .
3. If  $1 \in I'$  but  $0 \notin I'$  then  $1_A^{-1}(I') = A \in \mathcal{B}$ .
4. If  $I'$  contains neither 0 nor 1 then

$$1_A^{-1}(I') = \emptyset \in \mathcal{B}.$$

This suffices to show  $1_A$  is measurable with respect to  $\mathcal{B}$  by Proposition 3.2.1.

3.4.2. We have

$$\sigma(X_1) = \{\emptyset, \Omega\}$$

$$\sigma(X_2) = \sigma(1_{\{1/2\}}) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{\frac{1}{2}\}, \{\frac{1}{2}\}^c\}$$

$$\sigma(X_3) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, \mathbb{Q}, \mathbb{Q}^c\}$$

3.4.4. If  $X \in \mathcal{B}/\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ , then since  $\{x\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$X^{-1}(\{x\}) \in \mathcal{B},$$

for all  $x \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

Conversely, suppose for all  $x \in \mathcal{R}$  that  $X^{-1}(\{x\}) \in \mathcal{B}$ . Then for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} X^{-1}(B) &= \{\omega : X(\omega) \in B\} = \{\omega : X(\omega) \in B \cap \mathcal{R}\} \\ &= \bigcup_{r \in \mathcal{R}, r \in B} \{\omega : X(\omega) = r\} \\ &= \bigcup_{r \in \mathcal{R}, r \in B} X^{-1}(\{r\}) \in \mathcal{B}. \end{aligned}$$

3.4.5. The variable  $Y = F(X)$  is measurable by composition:

$$X : (\Omega, \mathcal{B}) \mapsto (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$$

$$F : (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})) \mapsto (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}))$$

since  $F$  is monotone and hence measurable.

Since  $F$  is continuous,  $P[X \leq x] = P[X < x]$ . So from the properties of  $F^\leftarrow$  we have

$$P[F(X) \geq y] = P[X \geq F^\leftarrow(y)] = 1 - F(F^\leftarrow(y)).$$

But

$$F(\inf\{u : F(u) \geq y\}) = y$$

when  $F$  is continuous.

**3.4.8.** We write

$$Z = X1_A + Y1_{A^c}.$$

If  $A \in \mathcal{B}$  then  $1_A$  and  $1_{A^c}$  are both random variables by 3.4.1. Products of random variables are random variables and sums of random variables are random variables. This suffices.

**3.4.11.**  $X_t$  is a random variable since for fixed  $t$ ,  $X_t = 1_{\{t\}}$  and  $\{t\}$  is measurable. So

$$\sigma(X_t) = \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{t\}, \{t\}^c\}.$$

We claim

$$\begin{aligned} LHS &= \bigvee_{t \in [0,1]} \sigma(X_t) \\ &= \{A \subset [0,1] : A \text{ is countable or } A^c \text{ is countable.}\} = RHS. \end{aligned}$$

Let

$$\mathcal{C} = \{\emptyset, \Omega, \{t\}, \{t\}^c; t \in [0,1]\}$$

so that

$$LHS = \sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \bigvee_{t \in [0,1]} \sigma(X_t).$$

Clearly  $RHS \subset LHS$  since the  $LHS$  contains one point sets and is closed under countable union.

Likewise,  $A \in \mathcal{C}$  implies that  $A \in RHS$  so that  $LHS \subset RHS$ .

**3.4.12.** To show that monotone  $f$  is measurable  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})/\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  it suffices to show that

$$\{u : f(u) \leq x\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}).$$

However, by monotonicity, the left side is a semi-infinite interval which is certainly a Borel set. From Proposition 3.2.1 or Corollary 3.2.1, this suffices.

**3.4.14.** The function  $f$  is usc iff  $\{t : f(t) < \alpha\} = f^{-1}(-\infty, \alpha)$  is open in  $\mathbb{R}$ . If  $\mathcal{C} = \{(-\infty, \lambda) : \lambda \in \mathbb{R}\}$ , then  $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  and  $f^{-1}(\mathcal{C}) \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ . This means  $f \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})/\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

3.4.15. Let  $f(x) = 1_{(a,b]}$  and define

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } a + \frac{1}{n} < x \leq b, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \leq a, \text{ or } x \geq b + \frac{1}{n}, \\ \text{linear,} & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

For  $x \in (a, b]$ ,  $f(x) = 1$  and  $f_n(x) = 1$ , provided  $n$  is so large that  $a + \frac{1}{n} < x$ . For  $x \leq a$  we have  $f_n(x) = f(x) = 0$  while for  $x > b$  we have  $f(x) = f_n(x) = 0$  provided  $b + \frac{1}{n} < x$ .

3.4.16. If  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{B}$  and  $f$  is continuous, then  $f$  is measurable so

$$f^{-1}(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})) \subset \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{B}$$

and therefore  $f \in \mathcal{B}$ .

Conversely, suppose for any continuous function  $f$  that we have  $f \in \mathcal{B}$ . This implies by definition that

$$f^{-1}(\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})) \subset \mathcal{B}.$$

This says that for any  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$

$$\{x : f(x) \in \Lambda\} \in \mathcal{B}$$

for any continuous function  $f$ . Let  $f(x) = x$  and the previous display reads  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{B}$ . This means  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{B}$ .

Now let  $\mathcal{F} = \sigma(f, f \in C(\mathbb{R}))$  be the smallest  $\sigma$ -field containing all continuous functions on  $\mathbb{R}$ . From the previous discussion, we get

$$\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}) \subset \mathcal{F}.$$

But if  $f$  is continuous,  $f$  is  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  measurable. So if any continuous function is  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$  measurable, the smallest  $\sigma$ -field generated by the continuous functions must be contained in  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ . Hence  $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

3.4.17. Start by assuming  $T \in \mathcal{B}/\mathcal{B}'$ . Then for  $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$ , we have

$$T_n^{-1}(B') = \{\omega \in A_n : T_n(\omega) \in B'\} = A_n \cap T^{-1}(B') \in \mathcal{B}_n.$$

Thus  $T_n^{-1}(B') \subset \mathcal{B}_n$ .

Conversely, suppose for each  $n$  that  $T_n \in \mathcal{B}_n/\mathcal{B}'$ . Then for  $B' \in \mathcal{B}'$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} T^{-1}(B') &= \{\omega : T(\omega) \in B'\} = \bigcup_n \{\omega \in A_n : T(\omega) \in B'\} \\ &= \bigcup_n \{\omega \in A_n : T_n(\omega) \in B'\} = \bigcup_n T_n^{-1}(B'). \end{aligned}$$

Since  $T_n^{-1}(B') \in \mathcal{B}_n \subset \mathcal{B}$ , we have  $T^{-1}(B') \in \mathcal{B}$ .

**3.4.19.** Suppose first that  $X = Y \circ T$  and we show  $X \in \sigma(T)$ . For any  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ , we need to show

$$X^{-1}(A) \in \sigma(T) = \{T^{-1}(B_2) : B_2 \in \mathcal{B}_2\}.$$

This follows from

$$X^{-1}(A) = T^{-1}(Y^{-1}(A))$$

since  $Y^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{B}_2$ .

Conversely, suppose  $X \in \sigma(T)$  which means that for all  $A \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ ,

$$X^{-1}(A) \in \{T^{-1}(B_2) : B_2 \in \mathcal{B}_2\}.$$

Suppose, for simplicity, that  $X \geq 0$ , since otherwise we would just split  $X$  into positive and negative parts. Then we write

$$X = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \uparrow \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} 1_{[X \in [\frac{k-1}{2^n}, \frac{k}{2^n})]} + n 1_{[X \geq n]}$$

and for some sets  $B_{kn}, B_n \in \mathcal{B}_2$  the above equals

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \uparrow \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} 1_{T^{-1}(B_{kn})} + n 1_{T^{-1}(B_n)}$$

and thus for any  $\omega_1 \in \Omega_1$

$$X(\omega_1) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \uparrow \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} 1_{B_{kn}}(T\omega_1) + n 1_{B_n}(T\omega_1).$$

Define

$$Y_n(\omega_2) = \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} 1_{B_{kn}}(\omega_2) + n 1_{B_n}(\omega_2),$$

and

$$Y = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n.$$

Then  $X = Y \circ T$  as required.

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4.6.2. We use the following useful notation. If  $A$  is any set, define

$$A^{(0)} = A^c, \quad A^{(1)} = A.$$

We need the fact that if  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  are independent events, so are  $B^{(\epsilon_1)}, \dots, B^{(\epsilon_n)}$  for any choice of  $\epsilon := (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n$ .

Suppose  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  are independent subsets of a space  $\Omega_n$  satisfying

$$1 > P(B_i^{(\epsilon_i)}) > 0; \quad \epsilon_i \in \{0, 1\}, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Then

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i^{(\epsilon_i)}\right) = \prod_{i=1}^n P(B_i^{(\epsilon_i)}) > 0,$$

implies  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i^{(\epsilon_i)} \neq \emptyset$ . The sets

$$\left\{\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i^{(\epsilon_i)} : (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \in \{0, 1\}^n\right\}$$

partition  $\Omega_n$ . So if  $|A|$  is the cardinality of  $A$ ,

$$|\Omega_n| = \sum_{\epsilon \in \{0, 1\}^n} \left|\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i^{(\epsilon_i)}\right| \geq |\{0, 1\}| = 2^n,$$

since  $\bigcap_{i=1}^n B_i^{(\epsilon_i)} \neq \emptyset$  and hence must contain at least one sample point. So having  $n$  independent events, requires the space to have at least  $2^n$  sample points.

It is easy to see that  $2^n$  is really the correct minimum number. Let

$$\Omega_n = \{0, 1\}^n, \quad P((\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n)) = \frac{1}{2^n}$$

for all  $\epsilon = (\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \in \Omega_n$  and set

$$B_i = \{\epsilon : \epsilon_i = 1\}.$$

Then  $B_1, \dots, B_n$  are independent and  $1 > P(B_i^{(\epsilon_i)}) > 0$ . Since  $|\Omega_n| = 2^n$ , we conclude the sample space cannot contain fewer than  $2^n$  points if  $n$  independent events exist.

4.6.5. (a) If  $X$  is independent of itself,  $\mathcal{B}(X)$  is almost trivial. Therefore, since  $X \in \mathcal{B}(X)$ , we have that there exists  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that

$$P[X = c] = 1.$$

(b) If  $X$  is independent of  $g(X)$ , then  $g(X)$  is independent of  $g(X)$  and hence by (a), there is some  $c$  such that  $P[g(X) = c] = 1$ .

4.6.6. We have on the one hand that

$$P[X_1 \leq x_1, \dots, X_n \leq x_n] = \prod_{i=1}^n F(x_i),$$

for all  $x_i \in \mathbb{R}, i = 1, \dots, n$ . On the other hand,

$$P[X_{\pi(1)} \leq x_1, \dots, X_{\pi(n)} \leq x_n] = \prod_{i=1}^n F(x_i),$$

so

$$(X_1, \dots, X_n) \stackrel{d}{=} (X_{\pi(1)}, \dots, X_{\pi(n)}).$$

4.6.11. Pick  $c_n$  to satisfy

$$P[|X_n| > c_n/n] \leq \frac{1}{2^n},$$

so that

$$\sum_n P\left[\left|\frac{X_n}{c_n}\right| > \frac{1}{n}\right] < \infty.$$

By the Borel-Cantelli lemma,  $P\left[\left|\frac{X_n}{c_n}\right| > \frac{1}{n} \text{ i.o.}\right] = 0$ , and therefore

$$1 = P\{\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left|\frac{X_n}{c_n}\right| \leq \frac{1}{n}\} \leq P\{\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left|\frac{X_n}{c_n}\right| = 0\}.$$

4.6.12. Given any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $a_n/b_n \rightarrow 1$  means

$$b_n(1 - \epsilon) \leq a_n \leq b_n(1 + \epsilon),$$

for all large  $n$ , say  $n \geq n_0 = n_0(\epsilon)$ . Therefore

$$\sum_{n \geq n_0} b_n(1 - \epsilon) \leq \sum_{n \geq n_0} a_n \leq \sum_{n \geq n_0} b_n(1 + \epsilon)$$

and the result follows.

4.6.13. Let

$$(B_1, B_2, \dots) = (A_1, A_4, A_7, \dots)$$

so that  $\{B_n\}$  are independent events. Also

$$P(B_n) = P(A_1) = p^2 q$$

so that  $\sum P(B_n) = \sum p^2 q = \infty$  and by the Borel 0 - 1 law we have

$$P(B_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1.$$

Since

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n \subset \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$$

we have

$$1 = P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n) \leq P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n).$$

4.6.14. For  $n \geq 1$ , define the events

$$A_n = \bigcup_{j=0}^{2^n - n} [X_{2^n+j} = 1, \dots, X_{2^n+j+n-1} = 1, X_{2^n+j+n} = 0].$$

Taking complements we have

$$A_n^c = \bigcap_{j=0}^{2^n - n} [X_{2^n+j} = 1, \dots, X_{2^n+j+n-1} = 1, X_{2^n+j+n} = 0]^c$$

and retaining only certain terms in the intersection gives

$$\begin{aligned} A_n^c &\subset [X_{2^n+0} = 1, \dots, X_{2^n+n-1} = 1, X_{2^n+n} = 0]^c \\ &\quad \bigcap [X_{2^n+n+1} = 1, \dots, X_{2^n+2n} = 1, X_{2^n+2n+1} = 0]^c \\ &\quad \bigcap [X_{2^n+2n+2} = 1, \dots, X_{2^n+3n+1} = 1, X_{2^n+3n+2} = 0]^c \\ &\quad \bigcap \dots \end{aligned}$$

which is the intersection of events depending on disjoint blocks of  $X$ 's and which are therefore, by the groupings lemma, independent. So  $P(A_n^c) \leq \prod (1 - p^n q)$  where the number of terms in the product is the number of disjoint blocks of length  $n+1$  which can be crammed in the interval  $[2^n, 2^{n+1}]$ . This is about

$$\frac{2^{n+1} - 2^n}{n+1} = \frac{2^n(2-1)}{n+1} = \frac{2^n}{n+1}.$$

Therefore,

$$P(A_n^c) \leq (1 - p^n q)^{2^n / (n+1)}$$

and using the inequality  $1 - x \leq e^{-x}$  for  $0 \leq x \leq 1$

$$P(A_n^c) \leq \exp\left\{-qp^n \frac{2^n}{n+1}\right\} = \exp\left\{-q \frac{(2p)^n}{n+1}\right\}$$

which leads to

$$P(A_n) = 1 - P(A_n^c) \geq 1 - \exp\{-q \frac{(2p)^n}{n+1}\}.$$

Now  $\{A_n\}$  are independent, so to prove  $P(A_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1$  we must show  $\sum_n P(A_n) = \infty$ . For  $p = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\sum_n P(A_n) \geq \sum_n (1 - \exp\{-\frac{1/2}{n+1}\}) = \infty$$

since

$$1 - e^{-\frac{1/2}{n+1}} \sim \frac{1/2}{n+1}, \quad n \rightarrow \infty$$

which is not summable. For  $p > \frac{1}{2}$  we also have  $2p > 1$  and  $\frac{(2p)^n}{n+1} \rightarrow \infty$  so  $\sum_n P(A_n) = \infty$ .

**4.6.15.** If  $E(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i) = \prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i)$  whenever  $Y_i \in \mathcal{B}_i$ , then for any  $A_i \in \mathcal{B}_i$ , take  $Y_i = 1_{A_i}$  and

$$E(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i) = P(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_i) = \prod_{i \in I} P(A_i) = \prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i)$$

and so  $\{A_i, i \in I\}$  are independent and  $\{\mathcal{B}_i, i \in I\}$  are independent  $\sigma$ -fields.

Conversely, suppose  $\{\mathcal{B}_i, i \in I\}$  are independent  $\sigma$ -fields. For  $A_i \in \mathcal{B}_i$  and  $Y_i = 1_{A_i}$ , we have

$$E(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i) = \prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i).$$

Next, if  $\{Y_i, i \in I\}$  are simple, then suppose

$$Y_i = \sum_j x_{i,j} 1_{A_{i,j}}, \quad A_{i,j} \in \mathcal{B}_i.$$

We then have

$$\begin{aligned} E(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i) &= E\left(\prod_{i \in I} \sum_{j(i)} x_{i,j(i)} 1_{A_{i,j(i)}}\right) \\ &= E\left(\sum_{j(i), i \in I} \prod_{i \in I} x_{i,j(i)} 1_{\bigcap_{i \in I} A_{i,j(i)}}\right) \\ &= \sum_{j(i), i \in I} \prod_{i \in I} x_{i,j(i)} P\left(\bigcap_{i \in I} A_{i,j(i)}\right) \\ &= \sum_{j(i), i \in I} \prod_{i \in I} [x_{i,j(i)} P(A_{i,j(i)})] \\ &= \prod_{i \in I} \sum_{j(i)} x_{i,j(i)} P(A_{i,j(i)}) \\ &= \prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i). \end{aligned}$$



(If the notation makes following this difficult, write out the argument assuming that  $I = \{1, 2\}$ .)

Finally, if  $Y_i$  is a general, non-negative  $\mathcal{B}_i$ -measurable function, there exists  $Y_i^{(n)} \in \mathcal{B}_i$ , such that  $Y_i^{(n)}$  is simple and  $0 \leq Y_i^{(n)} \uparrow Y_i$ . It then follows that

$$\prod_{i \in I} Y_i^{(n)} \uparrow \prod_{i \in I} Y_i$$

and by the monotone convergence theorem

$$E\left(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i^{(n)}\right) \uparrow E\left(\prod_{i \in I} Y_i\right)$$

and from the previous step, the left side is

$$\prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i^{(n)}) \uparrow \prod_{i \in I} E(Y_i),$$

again using the monotone convergence theorem.

(b) If for example  $\mathcal{B}_1$  is independent of  $\mathcal{B}_2$  and  $\mathcal{B}_i \supset \mathcal{B}'_i$  for  $i = 1, 2$ , then  $\mathcal{B}'_i$ ,  $i = 1, 2$  are independent since if  $A_i \in \mathcal{B}'_i$  then  $A_i \in \mathcal{B}_i$  and hence  $A_1, A_2$  are independent. So if  $X_t, t \in T$  are independent, then by definition  $\sigma(X_t), t \in T$  are independent and since  $\sigma(f(X_t)) \subset \sigma(X_t)$  the result follows.

**4.6.16.** Kolmogorov's 0-1 law implies that  $P[X_n \text{ converges}] = 0$  or  $1$ . If  $P[X_n \text{ converges}] = 1$ , then there exists  $c \in [-\infty, \infty]$  such that  $P[X_n \rightarrow c] = 1$ , since  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$  is a tail random variable of an independent sequence and is hence almost surely constant. Suppose  $|c| < \infty$ . (Modest changes are necessary if  $c = \pm\infty$ .) Then for any  $\varepsilon > 0$ ,

$$P[X_n \in (c - \varepsilon, c + \varepsilon)^c \text{ i.o.}] = 0,$$

so by Borel's 0-1 law,

$$\infty > \sum_n P[X_n \in (c - \varepsilon, c + \varepsilon)^c].$$

Since  $\{X_n\}$  and iid sequence, we have

$$P[X_n \in (c - \varepsilon, c + \varepsilon)^c] = 0$$

(otherwise, the sum would diverge since the sum consists of equal terms by the iid assumption) so

$$P[X_1 \in (c - \varepsilon, c + \varepsilon)] = 1.$$

This is true for any  $\varepsilon > 0$  so let  $\varepsilon \downarrow 0$  to get  $P[X = c] = 1$ . This contradicts the assumption that the sequence does not consist of constants with probability one.

4.6.17. (b) If  $N$  is a  $N(0, 1)$  random variable, we have

$$\begin{aligned} P[|N| > (1 \pm \varepsilon)\sqrt{2\log n}] &= 2P[N > (1 \pm \varepsilon)\sqrt{2\log n}] \\ &\sim 2 \frac{\exp\{-(1 \pm \varepsilon)^2 2\log n/2\}}{(1 \pm \varepsilon)\sqrt{2\log n}} \\ &= \frac{c}{n^{(1 \pm \varepsilon)^2} \sqrt{\log n}}. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\sum_n P[|N| > (1 + \varepsilon)\sqrt{2\log n}] < \infty, \quad \sum_n P[|N| > (1 - \varepsilon)\sqrt{2\log n}] = \infty,$$

and

$$P\left[\frac{|X_n|}{\sqrt{\log n}} > (1 + \varepsilon)\sqrt{2} \text{ i.o.}\right] = 0, \quad P\left[\frac{|X_n|}{\sqrt{\log n}} > (1 - \varepsilon)\sqrt{2} \text{ i.o.}\right] = 1.$$

Thus

$$P\left[\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{|X_n|}{\sqrt{\log n}} = \sqrt{2}\right] = 1.$$

(c) Let  $X$  have a Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda$ . Since

$$P[X \geq n] = \sum_{j=n}^{\infty} e^{-\lambda} \lambda^j / j! \geq e^{-\lambda} \lambda^n / n!,$$

we merely have to prove the upper bound.

We use the relation between the Poisson distribution and exponential distribution. Let  $\{E_n, n \geq 1\}$  be iid unit exponential random variables so that  $\{E_n/\lambda, n \geq 1\}$  are iid exponential random variables with parameter  $\lambda$ . In the time interval  $[0, 1]$ , a Poisson process of rate  $\lambda$  has at least  $n$  points iff the time of the  $n$ th occurrence is before time 1. Therefore

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \geq n] &= P\left[\sum_{i=1}^n E_i / \lambda \leq 1\right] = P\left[\sum_{i=1}^n E_i \leq \lambda\right] \\ &= \int_0^\lambda e^{-u} \frac{u^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} du \end{aligned}$$

and since  $e^{-u} \leq 1$  for  $u > 0$ , we get an upper bound

$$\leq 1 \cdot \int_0^\lambda \frac{u^{n-1}}{(n-1)!} du = \frac{\lambda^n}{n!},$$

as needed to be shown.

We show now that

$$P[\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{\log n / \log_2 n} = 1] = 1,$$

where  $\log_2 n = \log(\log n)$ . It suffices to show

$$\sum_n P[X_n \geq \alpha(\log n / \log_2 n)] \begin{cases} < \infty, & \text{if } \alpha > 1, \\ = \infty, & \text{if } \alpha < 1. \end{cases}$$

Set  $m(n) = [\alpha \log n / \log_2 n]$  and note

$$P[X \geq m(n)] \leq \frac{\lambda^{m(n)}}{m(n)!}$$

and applying Stirling's formula to the denominator, this expression is asymptotic to

$$\begin{aligned} & \sim c \frac{\lambda^{m(n)}}{e^{-m(n)} m(n)^{m(n)+1/2}} = c \left( \frac{\lambda e}{m(n)} \right)^{m(n)} \frac{1}{\sqrt{m(n)}} \\ & = c \frac{\exp\{-m(n) \log(m(n)/\lambda)\}}{\sqrt{m(n)}} \\ & = c \frac{\exp\{-\alpha \frac{\log n}{\log_2 n} \cdot \log(\frac{\log n}{\lambda \log_2 n})\}}{\sqrt{\alpha \frac{\log n}{\log_2 n}}} \\ & = c \exp\{-\alpha \log n (1 - \frac{\log(\lambda \log_2 n)}{\log_2 n})\} \frac{1}{\sqrt{\alpha \frac{\log n}{\log_2 n}}}. \end{aligned}$$

Since  $\alpha > 1$ , we may find  $\alpha > \alpha' > 1$  and  $n$  so large that

$$\alpha[1 - \log(\lambda \log_2 n) / \log_2 n] \geq \alpha' > 1.$$

Then we get an upper bound for the tail probability as follows:

$$\leq \frac{\exp\{-\alpha' \log n\}}{\sqrt{\alpha \frac{\log n}{\log_2 n}}} = \frac{1}{n^{\alpha'} \sqrt{\alpha \frac{\log n}{\log_2 n}}}$$

When  $\alpha > \alpha' > 1$ , this is summable.

Similarly, when  $\alpha < 1$ , one gets the probability sum appearing in the Borel 0-1 Law to diverge.

**4.6.18.** Set  $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{A\}$ , and  $\mathcal{C}_2 = \mathcal{P}$  and it follows that  $\mathcal{C}_1$  is independent of  $\mathcal{C}_2$ . This implies that  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}_1)$  is independent of  $\mathcal{B}(\mathcal{C}_2)$ . Therefore,  $A$  is independent of  $\mathcal{A}$  and  $P(A) = 0$  or  $1$ .

**4.6.19.** Let  $\Omega = \{0, 1\}^2$ . Define  $X_1(i, j) = i$ ,  $X_2(i, j) = j$  for  $(i, j) \in \{0, 1\}^2$ . Now define  $P_1$  and  $P_2$  by

	(0, 0)	(0, 1)	(1, 0)	(1, 1)
$P_1$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{4}$
$P_2$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

Then under  $P_1$ , we have  $X_1$  independent of  $X_2$  but not under  $P_2$  since

$$P_2[X_1 = 0, X_2 = 0] = P_2(\{0, 0\}) = \frac{1}{2}$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} P_2[X_1 = 0]P_2[X_2 = 0] &= P_2(\{(0, 0), (0, 1)\})P_2(\{(1, 0), (0, 0)\}) \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{8}\right)\left(\frac{1}{8} + \frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{5}{8} \cdot \frac{5}{8} = \frac{25}{64} \neq \frac{1}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

**4.6.20.** (c) Note that

$$P[X_1 X_2 = 1] = P[X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1 \text{ or } X_1 = -1, X_2 = -1] = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{2}$$

and similarly  $P[X_1 X_2 = -1] = 1/2$ . Then  $X_i$  is independent of  $X_1 X_2$ , for  $i = 1, 2$ . To see this, note

$$\begin{aligned} P[X_1 X_2 = 1, X_1 = 1] &= P[X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1] = \frac{1}{4} \\ &= P[X_1 X_2 = 1]P[X_1 = 1] = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{4} \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for other possible values for the mass function. However,

$$P[X_1 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_1 X_2 = -1] = 0 \neq P[X_1 = 1]P[X_2 = 1]P[X_1 X_2 = 1]$$

and thus  $X_1, X_2, X_1 X_2$  are not independent.

**4.6.22.** Pick any  $J \subset \{1, 2, \dots\}$  and define

$$B_n = \begin{cases} A_n, & \text{if } n \in J, \\ A_n^c, & \text{if } n \in J^c. \end{cases}$$

Then  $\{B_n\}$  are independent and  $\sum_n P(B_n) = \infty$  so we conclude from the Borel 0-1 Law that

$$P(B_n \text{ i.o.}) = 1.$$

Taking complements, this also means that

$$0 = P(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} B_n^c) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \uparrow P(\bigcap_{k \geq n} B_k^c).$$

Interchange the roles of  $J$  and  $J^c$  and we may conclude

$$0 \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \uparrow P(\bigcap_{k \geq n} B_k) = 0.$$

Therefore, for all  $n$ ,

$$P(\bigcap_{k \geq n} B_k) = 0.$$

For the purposes of getting a contradiction, suppose  $B$  is an atom so that  $P(B) > 0$ . Define  $J$  in the following particular way:

$$J := \{n \geq 1 : P(A_n B) \geq P(A_n^c B)\}$$

and as above, set

$$B_n = \begin{cases} A_n, & \text{if } n \in J, \\ A_n^c, & \text{if } n \in J^c. \end{cases}$$

Note with this definition, that  $P(B_n B) \geq P(B_n^c B)$ . Therefore, since

$$P(B) = P(B_n B) + P(B_n^c B) \leq 2P(B_n B),$$

we conclude

$$0 < \frac{1}{2}P(B) \leq P(B_n B).$$

Now,  $B_n B \subset B$  and since  $B$  is assumed to be an atom, either  $P(B_n B) = 0$  (which cannot be the case since we know  $P(B_n B) > \frac{1}{2}P(B) > 0$ ) or else

$$P(B_n B) = P(B).$$

This last equality holds for all  $n$ . Since  $P(B) > 0$  we have for the conditional probability measure

$$P(B_n | B) = 1$$

for all  $n$  and hence for any  $n$

$$P(\bigcap_{k \geq n} B_k | B) = 1.$$

Therefore, for any  $n$ ,

$$P(\bigcap_{k \geq n} B_k B) = P(B) > 0.$$

(b) We have

$$P[l_n = k] = P[d_n = 0, \dots, d_{n+k-1} = 0, d_{n+k} = 1] = 2^{-(k+1)}.$$

Note

$$[l_n \geq r] = P[d_n = 0, \dots, d_{n+r-1} = 0] = 2^{-r}$$

which also shows that

$$[l_n \geq r] \in \sigma(d_n, \dots, d_{n+r-1}).$$

(c) This follows from  $[l_n = 0] = [d_n = 0]$  and the fact that  $\{d_n\}$  is iid.

(d) From the Borel 0-1 law,  $P\{[l_n = 0] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1$  iff

$$\sum_n P[l_n = 0] = \sum_n \frac{1}{2} = \infty$$

(e) Note

$$[l_{2n} = 1] = [d_{2n} = 0, d_{2n+1} = 1] \in \sigma(d_{2n}, d_{2n+1})$$

and by the groupings lemma, the sigma-fields  $\sigma(d_{2n}, d_{2n+1})$  are independent for different  $n$ . Since

$$\sum_n P[l_{2n} = 1] = \sum_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 = \infty,$$

$P\{[l_{2n} = 1] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1$  and hence  $P\{[l_n = 1] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1$ .

(f) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_n P[l_n \geq (1+\epsilon) \log_2 n] &\leq \sum_n P[l_n \geq [(1+\epsilon) \log_2 n]] \\ &= \sum_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{[(1+\epsilon) \log_2 n]} = \sum_n \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{(1+\epsilon) \log_2 n + \theta(n)} \end{aligned}$$

where  $|\theta(n)| \leq 1$ . This series converges or diverges according to whether  $\sum_n n^{-(1+\epsilon)}$  converges or diverges but this series converges.

Therefore, by the Borel-Cantelli lemma, for any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,

$$P\left\{\left[\frac{l_n}{\log_2 n} \geq 1 + \epsilon\right] \text{ i.o.}\right\} = 0.$$

This means for any  $\epsilon_k \downarrow 0$

$$P\left[\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{l_n}{\log_2 n} \leq 1 + \epsilon_k\right] = 1$$

and intersecting over  $k$

$$P\left\{\bigcap_k \left[\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{l_n}{\log_2 n} \leq 1 + \epsilon_k\right]\right\} = P\left[\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{l_n}{\log_2 n} \leq 1\right] = 1.$$

(g) Let  $r(n) \uparrow \infty$  be a sequence of integers. In particular, we will let  $r(n) = \lfloor \log_2 n \rfloor$ . Define  $n(1) = 1$ , and  $n(k+1) = n(k) + r(n(k))$ . Then since

$$[l_n \geq r] \in \sigma(l_n, l_{n+1}, \dots, l_{n+r-1})$$

we have from the groupings lemma that

$$[l_{n(k)} \geq r(n(k))] \in \sigma(d_{n(k)}, \dots, d_{n(k+1)-1}),$$

and therefore these events are independent. If we show

$$P\{[l_{n(k)} \geq r(n(k))] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1$$

then it will also follow that

$$P\{[l_n \geq r(n)] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1.$$

It suffices to show

$$\sum_k P[l_{n(k)} \geq r(n(k))] = \infty.$$

Since  $n(k+1) - n(k) = r(n(k))$ , we have

$$\sum_k P[l_{n(k)} \geq r(n(k))] = \sum_k 2^{-r(n(k))} = \sum_k 2^{-r(n(k))} \frac{n(k+1) - n(k)}{r(n(k))}$$

and because  $r(n)$  is non-decreasing, this is bounded below by

$$\begin{aligned} &\geq \sum_k \sum_{n=n(k)}^{n(k+1)-1} \frac{2^{-r(n)}}{r(n)} \\ &= \sum_k \frac{2^{-r(n(k))}}{r(n(k))} = \sum_n \frac{1}{n \log_2 n} = \infty. \end{aligned}$$

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5.5. (b) We use Fubini's theorem. Let  $A = \{a_1, a_2, \dots\}$  be the countable set of atoms of  $F$ . Write

$$\begin{aligned}
 E(F(X)) &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} F(x)F(dx) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{y \leq x} F(dy) \right) F(dx) \\
 &= \iint_{-\infty < y \leq x < \infty} F(dx)F(dy) = \int_{y \in \mathbb{R}} \left( \int_{x \geq y} F(dx) \right) F(dy) \\
 &= \int_{y \in A} \left( \int_{x \geq y} F(dx) \right) F(dy) + \int_{y \in A^c} \left( \int_{x \geq y} F(dx) \right) F(dy) \\
 &= \sum_{y \in A} ((1 - F(y)) + F(\{y\})) F(\{y\}) + \int_{y \in A^c} (1 - F(y))F(dy) \\
 &= \sum_{y \in A} (1 - F(y))F(\{y\}) + \int_{y \in A^c} (1 - F(y))F(dy) + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\}) \\
 &= \int_{y \in \mathbb{R}} (1 - F(y))F(dy) + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\}) \\
 &= 1 - E(F(X)) + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\}).
 \end{aligned}$$

Summarizing we see that

$$E(F(X)) = 1 - E(F(X)) + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\})$$

and therefore

$$2E(F(X)) = 1 + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\})$$

or

$$E(F(X)) = \frac{1}{2} \left( 1 + \sum_{y \in A} F^2(\{y\}) \right).$$

5.10.6. (e) Note that

$$\begin{aligned}
 \left| \int_{A_n} X dP - \int_A X dP \right| &= |E(X1_{A_n}) - E(X1_A)| = |E(X(1_{A_n} - 1_A))| \\
 &\leq E(|X||1_{A_n} - 1_A|) = E(X1_{A_n \Delta A}) \rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned}$$

by the result in (b).

(a) Since

$$\left| \int_A X dP \right| \leq \int_A |X| dP,$$



without loss of generality we may (and do) suppose  $X \geq 0$ . Now  $X1_{X>n} \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and

$$0 \leq X1_{[x>n]} \leq X \in L_1$$

so by the dominated convergence theorem

$$\int_{X>n} X dP = EX1_{X>n} \rightarrow E0 = 0.$$

(b) If  $P(A_n) \rightarrow 0$ , then assuming  $X \geq 0$  we have for any large  $M$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{A_n} X dP &= \int_{A_n[X \leq M]} X dP + \int_{A_n[X > M]} X dP \\ &\leq MP(A_n[X \leq M]) + \int_{[X > M]} X dP \\ &\leq MP(A_n) + \int_{X > M} X dP. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A_n} X dP \leq 0 + \int_{X > M} X dP.$$

Let  $M \rightarrow \infty$  and by (a) we have  $\int_{X > M} X dP \rightarrow 0$ .

(c) If  $P(A \cap [|X| > 0]) = 0$ , then with  $A_n = A \cap [|X| > 0]$  we have

$$\int_A |X| dP = \int_{A_n} |X| dP$$

and since  $P(A_n) = 0$  we apply (b) and get

$$0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{A_n} |X| dP = \int_A |X| dP.$$

Conversely, it suffices to show that  $E(|X|) = 0$  implies  $P[|X| = 0] = 1$  (since then one can replace  $X$  by  $X1_A$ ). Recall

$$|X| \geq \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} 1_{|X| \in [\frac{k-1}{2^n}, \frac{k}{2^n})} + n1_{|X| > n}$$

so taking expectations gives

$$0 = E(|X|) \geq \sum_{k=1}^{n2^n} \frac{k-1}{2^n} P[|X| \in [\frac{k-1}{2^n}, \frac{k}{2^n})] + nP[|X| > n].$$

Therefore for  $2 \leq k \leq n2^n$

$$P[|X| \in [\frac{k-1}{2^n}, \frac{k}{2^n})] = 0 = P[|X| > n]$$

and we get by summing over  $k$  and adding the last term that  $P[|X| > 2^{-n}] = 0$ . Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  to get  $P[|X| > 0] = 0$ .

**5.10.7.** We have  $|X_n - X| \leq 2K$  and the constant function  $2K$  is in  $L_1$ . Therefore by dominated convergence,  $|X_n - X| \rightarrow 0$  implies that  $E|X_n - X| \rightarrow 0$ .

**5.10.9.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} F(x+c) - F(x-c) dx &= \int_{\mathbb{R}} \left[ \int_{u \in (x-c, x+c]} F(du) \right] dx \\ &= \int_{x-c < u < x+c} d(F \times \lambda) \\ &= \int_u \left( \int_{u-c < x < u+c} \lambda(dx) \right) F(du) \\ &= \int 2c F(du) = 2c. \end{aligned}$$

**5.10.10.** Define

$$X_n^* = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{k}{2^n} 1_{[\frac{k-1}{2^n} \leq X < \frac{k}{2^n}] + \infty \cdot 1_{[X=\infty]}.$$

Note  $X_n^* \geq X$ ,  $X_n^*$  is non-increasing and for  $\omega$  such that  $X(\omega) < \infty$  we have

$$\sup_{\omega \in [X < \infty]} (X_n^*(\omega) - X(\omega)) \leq 2^{-n}.$$

If  $E(X) = \infty$ , then  $\infty = E(X) \leq E(X_n^*)$ . If  $E(X) < \infty$ , then  $P[X = 0] = 0$  and then

$$\vdots \quad E(X_n^*) = E((X_n^* - X) + X) = E(X_n^* - X) + E(X) \rightarrow E(X),$$

since  $0 \leq E(X_n^* - X) \leq 2^{-n} \rightarrow 0$ .

**5.10.11.** Since  $X \in \sigma(X)$  and  $1_{[Y \in B]} \in \sigma(Y)$  we have

$$\int_{[Y \in B]} X dP = EX 1_{[Y \in B]} = E(X) E(1_{[Y \in B]})$$

(from, for example, Problem 4.6.15)

$$= E(X) P[Y \in B].$$

**5.10.12.** (a) We first verify that  $\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$  is generated by vertical and horizontal lines:

$$\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} = \sigma(\{\{x\} \times X, X \times \{x\}, \forall x \in X\}) := \mathcal{X}. \quad (*)$$

To see this note that  $\{x\} \times X$  is a rectangle so

$$\{x\} \times X \in \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}, \quad X \times \{x\} \in \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B},$$

and hence

$$\mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B} = \sigma(\text{RECTS}) \supset \sigma(\{x\} \times X, X \times \{x\}, \forall x \in X) = \mathcal{X}.$$

To get a reverse containment let  $\Lambda \in \text{RECT}$ . Then  $\Lambda = A \times B$  where either

- (1)  $A$  is countable and  $B$  is countable.
- (2)  $A$  is countable and  $B^c$  is countable.
- (3)  $A^c$  is countable and  $B$  is countable.
- (4)  $A^c$  is countable and  $B^c$  is countable.

For

$$(1) \quad A \times B = \bigcup_{\substack{x \in A \\ y \in B}} \{(x, y)\} \in \mathcal{X}.$$

$$(2) \quad A \times B = \bigcup_{x \in A} \{x\} \times B = \bigcup_{x \in A} \left[ \{x\} \times X \setminus \bigcup_{y \in B^c} \{(x, y)\} \right] \in \mathcal{X}.$$

(3) We use an argument similar to the one used in (2).

$$(4) \quad (A \times B)^c = A^c \times X \cup B^c \times X \in \mathcal{X}.$$

So  $\text{RECT} \subset \mathcal{X}$  and  $\sigma(\text{RECT}) \subset \mathcal{X}$ .

Now combine (\*) and Exercise 2.6.12 to get the following statement: If  $E \in \mathcal{B} \times \mathcal{B}$ , then there exists a countable set  $S \subset X$  such that

$$E \in \sigma(\{\{s\} \times X, X \times \{s\}, s \in S\}) =: \mathcal{F}.$$

Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{\{s\}, s \in S; S^c\}$  so that  $\mathcal{P}$  is a partition of  $\Omega$ . Then

$$\mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P} := \{\Lambda_1 \times \Lambda_2 : \Lambda_i \in \mathcal{P}, i = 1, 2\}$$

is a partition of  $X \times X$  and

$$\mathcal{F} = \sigma(\mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P}) = \left\{ \bigcup_{\substack{j \in I, \\ k \in I'}} \Lambda_j \times \Lambda_k : I \subset \{1, 2, \dots\}, I' \subset \{1, 2, \dots\} \right\},$$

where the last equality follows because  $\mathcal{P} \times \mathcal{P}$  partitions  $X \times X$ .

So if  $E \in \mathcal{F}$ , then

$$E = \bigcup_{j,k} \Lambda_j \times \Lambda_k,$$

where  $j, k$  range over a subset of integers. But  $\Lambda_j \times \Lambda_k = \{(s_i, s_j)\}$  or  $\{s_i\} \times S^c$  or  $S^c \times \{s_j\}$  or  $S^c \times S^c$ . If  $E = \text{DIAG}$  then  $E \in \mathcal{F}$  is impossible and we have a contradiction.

**5.10.14.** We proceed by means of a series of steps to show

$$Eg(X) = Eh(X, Y). \quad (\#)$$

STEP 1. If  $h(x, y) = h_1(x)h_2(y)$  then  $g(x) = h_1(x)E(h_2(Y))$  and

$$E(g(X)) = E(h_1(X))E(h_2(Y)).$$

Thus  $(\#)$  holds. It also follows that  $(\#)$  holds for  $h(x, y) = 1_A(x)1_B(y) = 1_{A \times B}(x, y)$  where  $A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

STEP 2. Let

$$\mathcal{G} := \{\Lambda \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2) : (\#) \text{ holds for } h = 1_\Lambda\}.$$

Note the following properties of  $\mathcal{G}$ :

1.  $\mathbb{R}^2 \in \mathcal{G}$ .
2. If  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{G}$ , then  $\Lambda^c \in \mathcal{G}$  since

$$1 - Eg(X) = 1 - E1_\Lambda(X, Y) = E(1 - 1_\Lambda(X, Y)).$$

3.  $\mathcal{G}$  is closed under countable, disjoint unions.

We conclude  $\mathcal{G}$  is a  $\lambda$ -system. Also  $\mathcal{G}$  contains  $\mathcal{S} = \{A \times B : A, B \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})\}$ , the  $\pi$ -system of measurable rectangles. Since Step 1 implies

$$\mathcal{G} \supset \mathcal{S},$$

we get from Dynkin's theorem that

$$\mathcal{G} \supset \sigma(\mathcal{S}) = \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2).$$

We conclude that  $(\#)$  holds for  $1_\Lambda$  whenever  $\Lambda \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ .

STEP 3. Thus  $(\#)$  holds for all positive simple functions and for all positive measurable functions.

**5.10.15.** (a) We have

$$\begin{aligned} nE\left(\frac{1}{X}1_{[X > n]}\right) &= E\left(\frac{n}{X}1_{[1 > \frac{n}{X}]}\right) \leq P[1 > \frac{n}{X}] \\ &= P[X > n] \rightarrow 0, \quad n \rightarrow \infty. \end{aligned}$$

(b) Now we have for any  $\eta > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} n^{-1} E \left( \frac{1}{X} 1_{[X > \frac{1}{n}]} \right) &= E \left( \frac{1}{nX} 1_{[1 > \frac{1}{nX}, X > 0]} \right) \\ &= E \left( \frac{1}{nX} 1_{[1 > \frac{1}{nX} > \eta, X > 0]} \right) + E \left( \frac{1}{nX} 1_{[0 < \frac{1}{nX} \leq \eta]} \right) \\ &= A + B. \end{aligned}$$

For  $A$  we have the bound

$$A \leq P[1 > \frac{1}{nX} > \eta, X > 0] = P[1 \leq nX \leq \eta^{-1}, X > 0] \rightarrow 0$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . It should be clear that  $B \leq \eta$  and since  $\eta$  is arbitrary, we are done.

**5.10.16.** (b) If  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent, then  $f_1(X_1)$  and  $f_2(X_2)$  are independent and

$$E f_1(X_1) f_2(X_2) = E f_1(X_1) E f_2(X_2).$$

Conversely, suppose  $E f(X_1) g(X_2) = E f(X_1) E g(X_2)$  for all bounded continuous  $f, g$ . Let  $f_i = 1_{(a_i, b_i]}, i=1,2$ . Choose bounded continuous  $f_n^{(i)}$  as in (a) and then it follows that

$$E f_n^{(1)}(X_1) f_n^{(2)}(X_2) = E f_n^{(1)}(X_1) E f_n^{(2)}(X_2).$$

Let  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and use the dominated convergence theorem to get

$$E f_1(X_1) f_2(X_2) = E f_1(X_1) E f_2(X_2)$$

which is equivalent to

$$P[X_1 \in (a_1, b_1], X_2 \in [a_2, b_2]] = P[X_1 \in [a_1, b_1]] P[X_2 \in [a_2, b_2]]$$

This suffices for independence.

(c) By two applications of dominated convergence, we get for  $f_1, f_2$  bounded and continuous

$$\begin{aligned} E(f_1(\xi_\infty) f_2(\eta_\infty)) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(f_1(\xi_n) f_2(\eta_n)) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(f_1(\xi_n)) E(f_2(\eta_n)) \\ &= E(f_1(\xi_\infty)) E(f_2(\eta_\infty)). \end{aligned}$$

**5.10.18.** The Riemann integral over  $A$  would give us the area of  $A$ . Write

$$\begin{aligned} \iint_A d(\lambda \times \lambda) &= \iint 1_A d(\lambda \times \lambda) \\ &= \int_{[0,1]} \left[ \int_{[0,1]} 1_{\{(x,y) \in A\}}(y) \lambda(dy) \right] \lambda(dx) \\ &= \int_{[0,1]} \left[ \int_0^1 1_{A_x}(y) dy \right] \lambda(dx) \end{aligned}$$

(where the inner integral is interpreted as a Riemann integral)

$$= \int_{[0,1]} l(x) \lambda(dx)$$

where  $l(x)$  is the length of a vertical line segment which passes through  $A$  at  $x$ . Note  $l(x)$  is bounded, continuous and hence Riemann integrable so the above equals  $\int_0^1 l(x) dx$ , the area of  $A$ .

**5.10.20.** (a) Use the transformation theorem.

(b) If  $\phi(\lambda) = 0$  then  $E(e^{\lambda X}) = 0$ , which implies  $\exp\{\lambda X\} = 0$  almost surely. This means that either  $X = -\infty$  almost surely if  $\lambda > 0$  or  $X = +\infty$  almost surely if  $\lambda < 0$ . So assuming  $X$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ -valued as is usual, we get  $\phi(\lambda) > 0$ .

Now suppose  $\lambda \in \Lambda^0$ . Pick  $\varepsilon$  such that  $[\lambda - \varepsilon, \lambda + \varepsilon] \subset \Lambda$ . Suppose  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda$ . For all large  $n$

$$e^{\lambda_n X} \leq e^{(\lambda - \varepsilon)X} + e^{(\lambda + \varepsilon)X} \in L_1(F)$$

and since  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda$ ,  $e^{\lambda_n X} \rightarrow e^{\lambda X}$  and by dominated convergence we get  $E e^{\lambda_n X} \rightarrow E e^{\lambda X}$ .

(c) Let

$$f(x) = c(1+x)^\alpha e^{-x}, \quad x > 0.$$

Then  $\lambda_\infty = 1$ . If  $\alpha < -1$ , then  $\int_0^\infty (1+x)^\alpha dx < \infty$  so  $\lambda_\infty \in \Lambda$ .

If  $\alpha \geq -1$ , then  $\int_0^\infty (1+x)^\alpha dx = \infty$ , and thus  $\lambda_\infty \notin \Lambda$ .

(d) The density is

$$f_\lambda(x) = \frac{e^{\lambda x} f(x)}{\phi(\lambda)}.$$

(e) We have

$$\begin{aligned} F_\lambda(I) &= \int_I \frac{e^{\lambda x} F(dx)}{\phi(\lambda)} \\ &\leq \sup_{x \in I} \frac{e^{\lambda x}}{\phi(\lambda)} F(I) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

**5.10.22.** We use Fubini's theorem to interchange the order of integration:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{[0,\infty]} P[X > t] dt &= \int_{[0,\infty]} \left[ \int_{\Omega} 1_{(t,\infty)}(X(\omega)) dP \right] dt \\ &= \int_{[0,\infty] \times \Omega} 1_{(t,\infty)}(X(\omega)) P \times \lambda(d\omega, dt) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left[ \int_{[0,\infty]} 1_{(t,\infty)}(X(\omega)) dt \right] dP \\ &= \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) dP(\omega) = E(X). \end{aligned}$$

**5.10.25.** (a) If  $\gamma_n \rightarrow \gamma$ , then since  $g$  is continuous, we have  $g(X - \gamma_n) \rightarrow g(X - \gamma)$ . Since  $g$  is bounded we get by dominated convergence that

$$\phi(\gamma_n) = Eg(X - \gamma_n) \rightarrow Eg(X - \gamma) = \phi(\gamma).$$

(b) We have

$$\lim_{\gamma \rightarrow \infty} g(X - \gamma) = g(-\infty) = -1.$$

Apply dominated convergence to get  $\phi(\gamma) \rightarrow -1$  as  $\gamma \rightarrow \infty$ .

(c) If  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2$ , then  $X - \gamma_1 > X - \gamma_2$  and since  $g$  is increasing we get  $g(X - \gamma_1) > g(X - \gamma_2)$  and  $\phi(\gamma_1) > \phi(\gamma_2)$ . In fact  $\phi$  is strictly monotone: If  $\gamma_1 < \gamma_2$  and  $\phi(\gamma_1) = \phi(\gamma_2)$  then  $0 = E(g(X - \gamma_1) - g(X - \gamma_2))$  and since the integrand is non-negative, we get  $g(X - \gamma_1) - g(X - \gamma_2) = 0$  almost surely. Since  $g$  is strictly monotone we get a contradiction.

This shows (d) since  $\phi(\gamma) = 0$  must have a unique root.

(e) To show  $\gamma(X + c) = \gamma(X) + c$ , note  $\gamma(X + c)$  is the unique root of

$$E(g(X + c - \gamma) = 0,$$

which means it is the root of

$$E(g(X + c - \gamma(X + c))) = 0.$$

Also,

$$E(g(X + c) - \gamma(X) - c) = E(g(X - \gamma(X))) = 0,$$

so by uniqueness,  $\gamma(X + c) = \gamma(X) + c$ .

(f) If  $g(-x) = -g(x)$ , then  $\gamma(-X)$  is the root of

$$0 = Eg(-X - \gamma(-X)) = -Eg(X + \gamma(-X))$$

and since also  $Eg(X - \gamma(X)) = 0$ , we get by uniqueness that

$$\gamma(X) = -\gamma(-X).$$

**5.10.30.** We have  $Y_n - X_n \geq 0$  so using Fatou's lemma

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) - E(X) &= E(Y - X) = E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} (Y_n - X_n)) \\ &\leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n - X_n) = \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n) - E(X_n) \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y) - E(X_n). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n) \leq E(X)$$

and again applying Fatou's lemma we get

$$E(X) = E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n) \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n) \leq E(X).$$

**5.10.31.** (c) Suppose  $I = [a, b]$  and  $P[X \in I] \geq 1/2$ . For any  $\epsilon > 0$ ,  $P[X \leq a - \epsilon] \leq 1/2$  and therefore  $a - \epsilon$  cannot be a median. Similarly  $b + \epsilon$  cannot be a median.

(d) Observe that

$$\begin{aligned} P[X \in [E(X) - \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}, E(X) + \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}]] \\ = P[|X - E(X)| \leq \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}] \end{aligned}$$

and therefore by Chebychev's inequality

$$P[|X - E(X)| > \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}] \leq \frac{\text{Var}(X)}{(\sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)})^2} = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Thus if

$$I = [E(X) - \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}, E(X) + \sqrt{2\text{Var}(X)}],$$

we have  $P[X \in I] \geq 1/2$  and by (c), a median is in  $I$ .

**5.10.36.** Suppose that  $X_n \in L_1$ ,  $X_n \uparrow X$ , and  $\bigvee_n E(X_n) < \infty$ . We first show that  $X \in L_1$ . Since  $X_n \uparrow X$ , we have  $X_n^- \geq X_{n+1}^- \geq X^-$ , so  $X_1 \in L_1$  implies  $E(X^-) \leq E(X_1^-) < \infty$ .

Also

$$E(X^+) = E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n^+) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(X_n^+)$$

(by Fatou's lemma)

$$\begin{aligned} &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} [E(X_n^+) - E(X_n^-) + E(X_n^-)] \\ &= \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} [E(X_n) + E(X_n^-)] \\ &\leq \bigvee_n E(X_n) + E(X_1^-) < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $X \in L_1$  and  $0 \leq X - X_n \leq X \in L_1$  and  $X - X_n \rightarrow 0$  imply, by dominated convergence, that

$$E(X - X_n) = E(X) - E(X_n) \rightarrow 0.$$



## CHAPTER 6 SOLUTIONS

6.7.1. (a) If  $\{X_n(\omega)\}$  is monotone,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n(\omega)$  exists. Call the limit  $X(\omega)$ .

If  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$  there exists a sequence  $\{n_j\}$  such that  $X_{n_j}(\omega) \rightarrow X(\omega)$  for almost all  $\omega$ . Thus  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n(\omega) = X(\omega)$  for almost all  $\omega$ .

(b) From the definition of convergence,  $X_n(\omega) \rightarrow X(\omega)$  iff

$$\xi_n(\omega) = \sup_{k \geq n} |X_k(\omega) - X(\omega)| \rightarrow 0.$$

However since  $\{\xi_n(\omega)\}$  is monotone, we may use (a).

(c) Since  $\{Y_n\}$  is non-increasing, we need only show convergence in probability. Let the  $n$  points be  $\{\exp\{2\pi i\theta_j\}, j = 1, \dots, n\}$  where  $\{\theta_j, 1 \leq j \leq n\}$  are iid  $U(0,1)$ . Then

$$\begin{aligned} [Y_n > \varepsilon] &\subset [\text{there is an arc of length at most } 1 - \varepsilon \\ &\quad \text{such that } n \text{ points are in it}] \\ &\subset [\text{within a } (1 - \varepsilon)\text{-neighborhood of some point,} \\ &\quad \text{there are } n - 1 \text{ points}] \\ &\subset \bigcup_{j=1}^n [\text{within a } (1 - \varepsilon)\text{-neighborhood of } e^{2\pi i\theta_j}, \\ &\quad \text{there are } (n - 1) \text{ points}]. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P[Y_n > \varepsilon] &\leq nP[\text{within a } (1 - \varepsilon)\text{-neighborhood of } e^{2\pi i\theta_1}, \\ &\quad \text{there are } (n - 1) \text{ points}] \\ &= n(1 - \varepsilon)^{n-1} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

(d) We have  $\{M_n\}$  non-decreasing, so it suffices to show convergence in probability. For  $x < x_0$ ,

$$P[M_n \leq x] = F^n(x) \rightarrow 0,$$

since  $F(x) < 1$ .

6.7.2. We have by the weak law of large numbers (which only requires existence of the first moment as will be shown in Chapter 7)

$$\frac{1}{n} \left( \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2 \right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2 - \bar{X}^2 \xrightarrow{P} E(X_1^2) - (EX_1)^2 = \sigma^2.$$

6.7.4. We have that  $\{S_n\}$  is  $L_2$  convergent iff  $\{S_n\}$  is  $L_2$  cauchy iff

$$\|S_n - S_m\|_2^2 = \text{Var}\left(\sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i X_i\right) = \sigma^2 \sum_{i=m+1}^n a_i^2 \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $m, n \rightarrow 0$ . The last statement is true iff  $\{\sum_{j=1}^n a_j^2\}$  is cauchy which holds iff  $\{\sum_{j=1}^n a_j^2, n \geq 1\}$  is convergent.

**6.7.5.** Given  $\{X_n\}$  iid,  $X_n \in L_1$ , we show that  $\{S_n/n\}$  is ui as follows. Note first that

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} E\left(\left|\frac{S_n}{n}\right|\right) \leq E(|X_1|) < \infty.$$

Next note that

$$E(|X_i|1_{[|X_i|>a]}) = E(|X_1|1_{[|X_1|>a]}) \rightarrow 0,$$

and therefore

$$\sup_{n \geq 1} E(|X_n|1_{[|X_n|>a]}) \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus  $\{X_i\}$  is ui. So given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $P(A) < \delta$ , then

$$\sup_i \int_A |X_i| dP < \varepsilon.$$

Therefore, given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , if  $P(A) < \delta$ ,

$$\sup_n \int_A \left|\frac{S_n}{n}\right| dP = \sup_n \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \int_A |X_i| dP \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \varepsilon = \frac{n\varepsilon}{n} = \varepsilon.$$

We conclude  $\{S_n/n\}$  is ui.

**6.7.6.** First of all we have

$$\sup_n E(|X_n - X|) \leq \sup_n E(|X_n|) + E(|X|) < \infty,$$

since  $\{X_n\}$  is ui.

Next, suppose we are given  $\varepsilon > 0$ . There exists  $\delta > 0$  such that if  $P(A) < \delta$  then

$$\int_A |X_n| dP < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}, \quad \int_A |X| dP < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

So if  $P(A) < \delta$ ,

$$\int_A |X_n - X| dP \leq \int_A |X_n| dP + \int_A |X| dP \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon.$$

**6.7.7.** We show  $\{X_n\}$  is ui iff  $\sup_n \sigma_n < \infty$ , where of course,  $\sigma_n^2 = \text{Var}(X_n)$ . Suppose  $N \sim N(0, 1)$ ; that is,  $N$  has a standard normal distribution. Then

$$X_n \stackrel{d}{=} \sigma_n N.$$

If  $\{X_n\}$  is ui, then

$$\infty > \sup_n E(|X_n|) = \sup_n \sigma_n E(|N|),$$

which implies the condition  $\sup_n \sigma_n < \infty$  is necessary for uniform integrability. If  $\sup_n \sigma_n < \infty$  is assumed, then  $\sup_n E(|X_n|) < \infty$  and

$$\sup_n \int_A |X_n| dP = \sup_n \sigma_n \int_A |N| dP.$$

Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , choose  $\delta > 0$  so small that for  $P(A) < \delta$ ,

$$\int_A |N| dP \leq \varepsilon / \sup_n \sigma_n.$$

**6.7.9.** How to get equality in the Schwartz inequality: With

$$t = E(XY)/E(Y^2)$$

we must have equality on (6.14) on page 186 so  $0 = E((X - ty)^2)$  yields

$$1 = P[X - ty = 0] = P[X = \frac{E(XY)}{EY^2} \cdot Y].$$

**6.7.13.** We have  $E(|X_1|^2) < \infty$  and

$$nP[|X_1| > \varepsilon\sqrt{n}] = E\left(n1_{\left[\frac{|X_1|^2}{n} \geq \varepsilon^2\right]}\right) \leq \frac{1}{\varepsilon^2} E\left(|X_1|^2 1_{[|X_1|^2 \geq \varepsilon^2 n]}\right) \rightarrow 0,$$

since  $|X_1|^2 \in L_1$ .

Then

$$P\left[\bigvee_1^n \frac{|X_k|}{\sqrt{n}} > \varepsilon\right] = P\left\{\bigcup_{k=1}^n [|X_k| > \varepsilon\sqrt{n}]\right\} \leq nP[|X_1| > \varepsilon\sqrt{n}] \rightarrow 0.$$

**6.7.15.** Write

$$\begin{aligned} E(|X_0 - X_n|) &\leq E((X_0 - X_n)1_{[X_0 \geq X_n]}) + E((X_n - X_0)1_{[X_n \geq X_0]}) \\ &= A + B. \end{aligned}$$

For  $A$ :

$$(X_0 - X_n)1_{[X_0 \geq X_n]} \leq X_0 \in L_1$$

and

$$P[(X_0 - X_n)1_{[X_0 \geq X_n]} > \varepsilon] \leq P[|X_0 - X_n| > \varepsilon] \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus, by dominated convergence,

$$A = E((X_0 - X_n)1_{[X_0 \geq X_n]}) \rightarrow 0.$$

For  $B$ , use a variant of Pratt's lemma (Problem 5.10.30): if

$$0 \leq \xi_n \leq \eta_n$$

and

$$\xi_n \xrightarrow{P} \xi_\infty, \quad \eta_n \xrightarrow{P} \eta_\infty,$$

and  $E(\eta_n) \rightarrow E(\eta_\infty) < \infty$ , then  $E(\xi_n) \rightarrow E(\xi_\infty) < \infty$  as well. To see this, let  $\{\xi_{n'}\}$  be a convergent subsequence. There exists a further subsequence  $\{n''\}$  such that along this subsequence both

$$\xi_{n''} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \xi_\infty, \quad \eta_{n''} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} \eta_\infty.$$

By Pratt,  $E(\xi_{n''}) \rightarrow E(\xi_\infty)$  and hence any convergent subsequence of  $\{E(\xi_n)\}$  converges to the correct limit; therefore the full sequence converges as well.

Back to  $B$ : We have

$$0 \leq (X_n - X_0)1_{[X_n \geq X_0]} \leq X_n$$

and  $E(X_n) \rightarrow E(X_0)$  and

$$P[(X_n - X_0)1_{[X_n \geq X_0]} > \epsilon] \rightarrow 0.$$

Thus

$$E((X_n - X_0)1_{[X_n \geq X_0]} > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$$

by the Pratt lemma variant.

Thus we conclude  $E(|X_n - X_0|) \rightarrow 0$  as required.

**6.7.16.** (a) If a sequence converges to 0, then its Cesaro averages converge to 0.

(b) If  $\|X_n\|_p \rightarrow 0$ , then by Minkowski (triangle) inequality

$$\left\| \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n} \right\|_p \leq \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \|X_i\|_p \rightarrow 0$$

since convergence to 0 always implies Cesaro convergence to 0.

(c) Let the probability space be  $[0, 1]$  with Lebesgue measure. Define  $X_1, X_2$  to be the indicators of  $(0, 1/2], (1/2, 1]$  so that  $X_1 + X_2 = 2$ . Then define  $X_3, X_4, X_5$  to be the indicators of the three subintervals of  $(0, 1]$  of length  $1/3$  so that  $X_3 + X_4 + X_5 = 3$ . Let  $X_6, \dots, X_9$  be the indicators of the 4 subintervals of length  $1/4$  so that  $X_6 + \dots + X_9 = 4$  and so on. Then  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$  since the length of the intervals on which any indicator is different from 0 shrinks. However

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}(X_1 + X_2) &= 1, \\ \frac{1}{5}(X_1 + \dots + X_5) &= \frac{2+3}{5} = 1, \\ \frac{1}{9}(X_1 + \dots + X_9) &= \frac{2+3+4}{9} = 1, \end{aligned}$$

and so on. Therefore  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_1^n X_i$  does not converge in probability to 0.

(d) We write

$$\frac{X_n}{n} = \frac{S_n}{n} - \left(\frac{n-1}{n}\right) \frac{S_{n-1}}{n-1} \xrightarrow{P} 0 - (1) \cdot 0 = 0.$$

**6.7.19.** We have for any  $\delta > 0$

$$P[|X_n| > \delta] \leq P[Y_n > \delta] \rightarrow 0,$$

since  $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ .

**6.7.20.** Suppose  $Y$  is a non-negative random variable satisfying

$$E(Y) = 1, \quad E(Y^2) = b > 0.$$

Further suppose  $0 < a < 1$  and define

$$u(x) = \frac{(x-a)(a + \frac{2b}{1-a} - x)}{(b/(1-a))^2}.$$

Then  $u(\cdot)$  is a quadratic function with roots at  $a$  and  $a + 2b/(1-a)$  and with a positive maximum of 1 at the argument  $a + b/(1-a)$ . Note further that

$$u(x) \leq \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq a \text{ or } x > a + 2b/(1-a), \\ 1, & \text{if } x \in \mathbb{R}. \end{cases}$$

On the one hand,

$$\begin{aligned} Eu(Y) &= Eu(Y)1_{[Y \notin [a, a+2b/(1-a)]]} + Eu(Y)1_{[Y \in [a, a+2b/(1-a)]]} \\ &\leq 0 \cdot P[Y \notin [a, a+2b/(1-a)]] + 1 \cdot P[Y \in [a, a+2b/(1-a)]] \\ &\leq P[Y \geq a]. \end{aligned}$$

On the other hand,

$$\begin{aligned} Eu(Y) &= \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} E\left((Y-a)\left(a + \frac{2b}{1-a} - Y\right)\right) \\ &= \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} \{a + \frac{2b}{1-a} - b - a(a + \frac{2b}{1-a}) + a\} \\ &= \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} \{(a + \frac{2b}{1-a})(1-a) - b + a\} \\ &= \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} \{a(1-a) + 2b - b + a\} \\ &= \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} \{2a - a^2 + b\}. \end{aligned}$$

For  $0 < a < 1$ ,  $2a - a^2 \geq 0$  and so the above is bounded below by

$$\geq \frac{(1-a)^2}{b^2} \cdot b = \frac{(1-a)^2}{b}.$$

We conclude that

$$P[Y \geq a] \geq \frac{(1-a)^2}{b}.$$

Now for  $X$  satisfying  $E(X^2) = 1$  and  $E(|X|) \geq a > 0$ , set  $Y = |X|/E(|X|)$ . Then

$$E(Y) = 1, \quad E(Y^2) = \frac{E(X^2)}{E^2(|X|)} = \frac{1}{E^2(|X|)} =: b.$$

For  $0 < \lambda < 1$ ,

$$P[|X| \geq \lambda a] = P\left[Y \geq \frac{\lambda a}{E(|X|)}\right] = P[Y \geq a'],$$

for  $a' = \lambda a/E(|X|) \in (0, 1)$ , since  $0 < a/E(|X|) < 1$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} P[|X| \geq \lambda a] &= P[Y \geq a'] \geq \frac{(1-a')^2}{E(Y^2)} \\ &= \left(1 - \frac{\lambda a}{E(|X|)}\right)^2 \cdot E^2(|X|) \\ &= (E(|X|) - \lambda a)^2 = a \left(\frac{E(|X|)}{a} - \lambda\right)^2 \geq a(1-\lambda)^2. \end{aligned}$$

**6.7.23.** A sequence of random variables  $\{X_n\}$  converges in probability to  $\infty$  if for any  $M$ , we have

$$P[X_n \geq M] \rightarrow 1, \quad n \rightarrow \infty.$$

For any integer  $M$ ,

$$P[T(s) \geq M] = \sum_{k \geq M} (1-s)s^k = s^M \rightarrow 1,$$

as  $s \rightarrow 1$ . So  $T(s) \xrightarrow{P} \infty$ .

Note

$$(1-s)U(s) = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (1-s)s^n u_n = E(u_{T(s)}).$$

Now  $T(s) \xrightarrow{P} \infty$  as  $s \rightarrow 1$ , implies  $u_{T(s)} \xrightarrow{P} u$ . To see this, observe that given any  $\delta > 0$ , there exists  $n_0$  such that

$$|u_n - u| \leq \delta.$$

Therefore

$$P[|u_{T(s)} - u| > \delta] \leq P[T(s) \leq n_0] \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $s \rightarrow 1$ . The result now follows by applying dominated convergence to convergence in probability.

6.7.24. (a) We have for any  $\delta > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} P[|X_n - X|^2 > \delta^2] &\leq P[|X_n - X|^2 + |Y_n - Y|^2 > \delta^2] \\ &= P[d((X_n, Y_n), (X, Y)) > \delta] \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

(b) By part (a), it suffices to assume the range of  $f$  is  $\mathbb{R}$ .

Given any subsequence  $\{n(k)\}$ , there exists a further subsequence  $\{n(k')\} \subset \{n(k)\}$  such that

$$X_{n(k')} \rightarrow X, \quad Y_{n(k')} \rightarrow Y$$

almost surely and by continuity of  $f$ ,

$$f(X_{n(k')}, Y_{n(k')}) \rightarrow f(X, Y)$$

almost surely. By the subsequence characterization of convergence in probability we have

$$f(X_n, Y_n) \xrightarrow{P} f(X, Y).$$

(c) Define the continuous function  $f : \mathbb{R}^2 \mapsto \mathbb{R}^2$  by

$$f(x, y) = (x + y, xy).$$

Apply (b).

6.7.25. (d) Suppose it is possible to metrize almost sure convergence with the metric  $d(\cdot, \cdot)$ . Let  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  be a sequence of random variables such that  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$  but that  $\{X_n\}$  does not converge almost surely. For instance, Example 6.2.1 provides such a sequence. Since almost sure convergence fails, there exist a subsequence  $\{n_k\}$  and a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$d(X_{n_k}, X) > \delta.$$

Since  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ , given the subsequence  $\{n_k\}$ , there exists a further subsequence  $\{n_{k(j)}\} \subset \{n_k\}$  such that almost sure convergence holds along the subsubsequence:  $X_{n_{k(j)}} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} X$  and therefore

$$d(X_{n_{k(j)}}, X) \rightarrow 0.$$

However, this contradicts the previous display so metrizing almost sure convergence is impossible.

6.7.26. (a) If

$$X_n = \frac{n}{\log n} 1_{(0, 1/n)},$$

then

$$E(X_n) = \frac{n}{\log n} \cdot \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{\log n} \rightarrow 0.$$

Also we have

$$\begin{aligned} EX_n(s)1_{\{u: X_n(u) > a\}}(s) &= \int_0^{1/n} \frac{n}{\log n} 1_{\{u: n/\log n > a \text{ and } u < 1/n\}}(s) ds \\ &= \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\log n}, & \text{if } \frac{n}{\log n} > a, \\ 0, & \text{if } \frac{n}{\log n} < a. \end{cases} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore if we set  $U(x) = x/\log x$  we have

$$\sup_n \int_{[|X_n| > a]} |X_n| dP = \bigvee_{n/\log n > a} \frac{1}{\log n} \leq \bigvee_{n \geq U^{-1}(a)} \frac{1}{\log n} \rightarrow 0$$

as  $a \rightarrow \infty$ .

Finally, to see that there is no dominating variable, we suppose there is one and get a contradiction. Suppose

$$X_n \leq Y \in L_1(0, 1).$$

This means on  $(0, 1/n)$ , we have  $Y \geq n/\log n$ . Thus

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y) &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} E\left(Y(s)1_{[\frac{1}{n+1}, \frac{1}{n}]}(s)\right) \\ &\geq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{n}{\log n} \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{n+1}\right) \\ &= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(n+1)\log n} = \infty, \end{aligned}$$

by comparison with the integral  $\int_1^{\infty} y^{-1} dy$ .

(b) Suppose

$$X_n = n1_{(0, 1/n)} - n1_{[1/n, 2/n]}.$$

Then

$$E(X_n) = n \cdot \frac{1}{n} - n \cdot \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

and for any  $\epsilon > 0$

$$P[|X_n| > \epsilon] \leq P(0, 2/n) = 2/n \rightarrow 0.$$

Note that

$$|X_n(s)| = \begin{cases} n, & \text{if } 0 < s < \frac{2}{n} \\ 0, & \text{if } \frac{2}{n} < s < 1. \end{cases}$$



Therefore

$$E(|X_n|1_{[|X_n|>a]}) = \int_0^{2/n} n1_{\{u:n>a, u<2/n\}}(s)ds = \begin{cases} n \cdot \frac{2}{n} = 2, & \text{if } n > a, \\ 0, & \text{if } n < a, \end{cases}$$

and thus, finally,

$$\sup_n E(|X_n|1_{[|X_n|>a]}) = 2,$$

so the sequence  $\{X_n\}$  is not ui.

**6.7.31.** (a) Since  $X_n - c_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$ , we have  $P[|X_n - c_n| \leq \epsilon] \rightarrow 1$ . Thus for all large  $n$ ,

$$P[X_n \in [c_n - \epsilon, c_n + \epsilon]] \geq 1/2.$$

From Exercise 5.5.31, we get that

$$m(X_n) \in [c_n - \epsilon, c_n + \epsilon]$$

for all large  $n$ . Since  $\epsilon$  is arbitrary, we have  $m(X_n) - c_n \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

(b) Because  $X$  has a unique median  $m$ , for any  $\epsilon > 0$ , there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that

$$P[X \leq m - \epsilon] < \frac{1}{2} - \delta, \quad P[X \geq m + \epsilon] < \frac{1}{2} - \delta.$$

Therefore,

$$\begin{aligned} P[X_n \leq m - \epsilon] &= P[X_n \leq m - \epsilon, |X - X_n| \leq \epsilon/2] \\ &\quad + P[X_n \leq m - \epsilon, |X - X_n| > \epsilon/2] \\ &\leq P[X \leq m - \epsilon/2] + P[|X - X_n| \leq \epsilon/2] \\ &\leq \frac{1}{2} - \delta + o(1). \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, for all large  $n$ , we have  $m(X_n) \geq m - \epsilon/2$ . In a similar way, we show  $m(X_n) \leq m + \epsilon/2$ .

**6.7.33.** Assuming that  $X_{ni} \geq 0$ , we have

$$\begin{aligned} P\left[\frac{S_n}{n} > \epsilon\right] &= P[S_n > n\epsilon] \leq P\left\{\bigcup_{j=1}^n [X_{nj} > \epsilon]\right\} \\ &= P\left[\bigvee_{j=1}^n X_{nj} > \epsilon\right] \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

## CHAPTER 7 SOLUTIONS

7.7.6. We have  $E(X_k) = \gamma_k$  so that  $\sum_k \gamma_k < \infty$  implies  $\sum_k E(X_k) < \infty$  and therefore  $\sum_k X_k < \infty$  a.s.

Conversely, if  $\sum_k X_k < \infty$  almost surely, then

$$0 < E\left(e^{-\sum_k X_k}\right) = E\left(\prod_1^\infty e^{-X_k}\right) = \prod_1^\infty E(e^{-X_k}) = \prod_{k=1}^\infty \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\gamma_k}$$

and  $\prod_k \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^{\gamma_k} > 0$  iff  $\sum_k \gamma_k (\log 2) < \infty$  iff  $\sum_k \gamma_k < \infty$ .

7.7.7. (a) If  $1_{\cup_{k=1}^n E_k}(\omega) = 1$ , then  $\omega \in \cup_{k=1}^n E_k$  and the left side equals the right side since both are 1. If  $1_{\cup_{k=1}^n E_k}(\omega) = 0$ , then both sides are zero.

Using (a) and the Schwartz inequality, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \left(E \sum_1^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2 &= \left(E\left(1_{\cup_{k=1}^n E_k} \cdot \sum_{k=1}^n 1_{E_k}\right)\right)^2 \leq E\left(1_{\cup_{k=1}^n E_k}^2\right) E\left(\sum_{k=1}^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2 \\ &= E\left(1_{\cup_{k=1}^n E_k}\right) E\left(\sum_{k=1}^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2 = P\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n E_k\right) E\left(\sum_{k=1}^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$P\left(\bigcup_{k=1}^n E_k\right) \geq \frac{\left(E \sum_1^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2}{E\left(\sum_1^n 1_{E_k}\right)^2}.$$

(b) Suppose

(i)  $\sum_{n=1}^\infty P E_n = \infty$ ,

(ii)  $P(E_m E_n) \leq c P(E_m) P E(n-m)$ .

Then

$$\begin{aligned}
P(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_n) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} E_j\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcup_{j=n+1}^{\infty} E_j\right) \\
&\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(E \sum_{j=n+1}^N 1_{E_j}\right)^2}{E\left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N 1_{E_j}\right)^2} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j)\right)^2}{\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j) + 2 \sum_{n+1 \leq j < k \leq N} P(E_j E_k)} \\
&\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j)\right)^2}{\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j) + 2c \sum_{n+1 \leq j < k \leq N} P(E_j) P(E_{k-j})} \\
&\geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j)\right)^2}{\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j) + 2c \left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j)\right)^2} \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{\left(\sum_{j=n+1}^N P(E_j)\right)^{-1} + 2c} = \frac{1}{2c} > 0.
\end{aligned}$$

(c) Suppose  $Y_n \geq 0$  are iid with common distribution  $G$  and  $X_n \geq 0$  are iid with common distribution  $F$ . We have from Fubini's theorem

$$\begin{aligned}
\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left[\frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} > \epsilon\right] &= \sum_n \iint_{\{(x,y): \frac{y}{x} > \epsilon\}} G(dy) F^n(dx) \\
&= \sum_n \int_{y \in [0, \infty)} \left[ \int_{\{x: y\epsilon^{-1} > x\}} F^n(dx) \right] G(dy) \\
&= \sum_n \int_0^{\infty} F^n\left(\frac{y}{\epsilon}\right) G(dy) \\
&= \int \frac{G(dy)}{1 - F(y/\epsilon)}.
\end{aligned}$$

So if

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{G(dy)}{1 - F(y/\epsilon)} < \infty, \quad \forall \epsilon > 0,$$

then

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P\left[\frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} > \epsilon\right] < \infty$$

and

$$P\left[\frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} > \varepsilon \text{ i.o.}\right] = 0,$$

which implies that

$$\frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} \rightarrow 0$$

almost surely.

For the converse, we suppose  $Y_n / \bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ . Set  $E_n = [\frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} > \varepsilon]$  so that  $P(E_n \text{ i.o.}) = 0$ . For  $m < n$

$$\begin{aligned} P(E_m E_n) &= P\left[\frac{Y_m}{\bigvee_{i=1}^m X_i} > \varepsilon, \frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i} > \varepsilon\right] \\ &\leq P\left[\frac{Y_m}{\bigvee_{i=1}^m X_i} > \varepsilon, \frac{Y_n}{\bigvee_{i=m+1}^n X_i} > \varepsilon\right] \\ &= P(E_m)P(E_{n-m}). \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(E_n) < \infty$ , and it follows that

$$\int \frac{G(dy)}{1 - F(\frac{y}{\varepsilon})} < \infty.$$

**7.7.8.** From problem 6.7.5, we have  $\{S_n/n, n \geq 1\}$  is ui and hence the SLLN plus Theorem 6.6.1 proves  $L_1$ -convergence.

**7.7.9.** Define  $X'_j = X_j 1_{[|X_j| \leq j]}$ . Then

$$\sum_j P\left[\frac{c_j X'_j}{j} \neq \frac{c_j X_j}{j}\right] \leq \sum_j P[|X_j| > j] = \sum_j P[|X_1| > j] < \infty$$

since  $E|X_1| < \infty$ . Therefore  $\sum_j \frac{c_j X_j}{j}$  converges almost surely iff  $\sum_j \frac{c_j X'_j}{j}$  converges almost surely and for this, it suffices to check

$$\sum_j \text{Var}\left(\frac{c_j X'_j}{j}\right) \leq \sum_j \frac{c_j^2}{j^2} E(X_j^2 1_{[|X_j| \leq j]}) < \infty.$$

To see that the right side expression indeed converges, note that it is bounded by

$$\bigvee_k |c_k|^2 \sum_j \frac{1}{j^2} E(X_j^2 1_{[|X_j| \leq j]}) < \infty.$$

Note,  $\sum_k |c_k|^2 < \infty$  since  $\{c_j\}$  is bounded and the sum of the expectations is finite by the argument used to prove the strong law of large numbers. We therefore conclude that

$$\sum_j \frac{c_j X_j}{j} \text{ converges almost surely}$$

and by the Kronecker lemma, we get

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{c_j X_j}{n} \rightarrow 0 \text{ a.s.}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

**7.7.10.** (a) Start by supposing that  $\{\xi_j\}$  are independent and  $E(\xi_j) = 0$ , and  $|\xi_j| \leq M$ . Then  $\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n \xi_j \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ . To see this, it suffices, by the Kronecker lemma, to show that  $\sum_j \frac{\xi_j}{j}$  converges almost surely. For this, it is enough to check the Kolmogorov convergence criterion that  $\sum_j \text{Var}(\xi_j/j) < \infty$ .

However, we have

$$\sum_j \text{Var}(\xi_j/j) = \sum_j \frac{1}{j^2} \text{Var}(\xi_j) \leq \sum_j \frac{1}{j^2} E(\xi_j^2) \leq \sum_j \frac{M^2}{j^2} < \infty.$$

Now let  $\xi_j^{(i)} = X_{i+j(m+1)}$  where  $\{X_n\}$  is  $m$ -dependent. From the above discussion, we have  $\sum_{j=1}^n \xi_j^{(i)}/n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . However,

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{\alpha=1}^n X_{\alpha} &= \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \sum_{j: i+j(m+1) \leq n} X_{i+j(m+1)} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} \frac{\lfloor \frac{n-i}{m+1} \rfloor}{n} \left( \sum_{j=0}^{\lfloor \frac{n-i}{m+1} \rfloor} \xi_j^{(i)} \right) \\ &\rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^{m+1} 1 \cdot 0 = 0. \end{aligned}$$

(b) We have

$$N_n(u_1, \dots, u_k) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{m=1}^n 1_{[X_m=u_1, \dots, X_{m+k-1}=u_k]}.$$

The indicators are  $k$ -dependent and

$$I_{[X_m=u_1, \dots, X_{m+k-1}=u_k]} - \prod_{i=1}^k p_{u_i}$$

is bounded so from (a)

$$\frac{N_n(u_1, \dots, u_k)}{n} - \prod_{i=1}^k p_{u_i} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0.$$

**7.7.12.** Let  $\{U_n, n \geq 0\}$  be iid  $U(0, 1)$  random variables. Then  $X_0 = U_0$  and  $X_{n+1} = U_{n+1}X_n$  so that  $X_{n+1} = \prod_{i=0}^{n+1} U_i$ . Therefore, by the strong law of large numbers

$$\frac{1}{n} \log X_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n \log U_i \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} -1,$$

since, for  $x > 0$ ,  $P[-\log U_1 > x] = P[U_1 \leq e^{-x}] = e^{-x}$  and  $-\log U_1$  has a unit exponential distribution.

**7.7.13.** Use Problem 7.7.15. Then  $\sum_n X_n < \infty$  almost surely iff for any  $c > 0$ ,

$$(1) \sum_n P[|X_n| > c] = \sum_n e^{-\lambda_n c} < \infty.$$

$$(2) \sum_n E(X_n 1_{|X_n| \leq c}) = \sum_n [\lambda_n^{-1}(1 - e^{-\lambda_n c}) - ce^{-\lambda_n c}] < \infty.$$

Now (1) implies  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \infty$  and thus (1) and (2) hold iff

$$(2') \sum_n \lambda_n^{-1}(1 - e^{-\lambda_n c}) < \infty$$

and (1) hold. However the series in (2') is the same as  $\sum_n \lambda_n^{-1} - \sum_n \lambda_n^{-1} e^{-\lambda_n c}$  and thus, we have that (1) and (2) hold iff (1) holds.

**7.7.14.** If  $\sum_n \sigma_n^2 < \infty$ , then by the Kolmogorov criterion,  $\sum_n (X_n - \mu_n)$  converges almost surely and since  $\sum_n \mu_n$  converges, we get  $\sum_n X_n$  converges almost surely.

Conversely, suppose  $\sum_n X_n$  converges almost surely. Let  $\{X'_j\}$  be iid copies of  $\{X_n\}$  and then  $\sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - X'_j)$  converges almost surely. Note

$$\text{Var}\left(\sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - X'_j)\right) = 2 \sum_{j=1}^n \sigma_j^2 =: s_n^2$$

and  $N_n := \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - X'_j)$  is a normal random variable with mean 0 and variance  $s_n^2$ . So we assume

$$N_n \Rightarrow X_\infty$$

since  $\{N_n\}$  is almost surely convergent, where  $X_\infty$  is some proper random variable. For the purposes of getting a contradiction, suppose  $s_n \rightarrow \infty$ . Let  $N(0, 1)$  be a standard normal rv with mean 0 and variance 1 and then for any  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\begin{aligned} P[N_n \leq x] &= P[s_n N(0, 1) \leq x] = P[N(0, 1) \leq \frac{x}{s_n}] \\ &\rightarrow P[N(0, 1) \leq 0] = \frac{1}{2} = P[X_\infty \leq x] \end{aligned}$$

which means  $X_\infty$  cannot be proper.

Therefore,  $\sum_j \sigma_j^2 < \infty$  and  $\sum_j (X_j - \mu_j)$  is convergent by the Kolmogorov criterion. Since  $\sum_j X_j$  is convergent, we get  $\sum_j \mu_j$  is convergent.

**7.7.15.** We suppose that  $V_n > 0$  and that

$$\sum_n P[V_n > c] < \infty, \quad \sum_n E(V_n 1_{[V_n \leq c]}) < \infty.$$

Then it follows that

$$\sum_n \text{Var}(V_n 1_{[V_n \leq c]}) \leq \sum_n E(V_n^2 1_{[V_n \leq c]}) \leq c \sum_n E(V_n 1_{[V_n \leq c]}) < \infty.$$

**7.7.16.** Since  $|S_n/n| \sim |\mu| \neq 0$  by the strong law of large numbers, it suffices to show

$$\frac{1}{n} M_n := \frac{1}{n} \bigvee_{i=1}^n |X_i| \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0,$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Since  $E(|X_1|) < \infty$ , we have

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} |X_n(\omega)| = 0,$$

for  $\omega \in \Lambda$  and  $P(\Lambda) = 1$ . Now for each  $n$ , there exists  $k(n) \leq n$  (which is random) such that  $M_n = X_{k(n)}$  and therefore,

$$\frac{1}{n} M_n \leq \frac{|X_{k(n)}|}{k(n)}.$$

Suppose  $\omega \in \Lambda$ . There are two cases. In case 1,  $k(n, \omega) \rightarrow \infty$ , so that

$$\frac{1}{n} M_n(\omega) \leq \frac{|X_{k(n, \omega)}(\omega)|}{k(n, \omega)} \rightarrow 0.$$

In case 2, for some integer  $M(\omega) < \infty$ , we have  $k(n, \omega) \leq M$  so that

$$\frac{1}{n} M_n(\omega) \leq \frac{1}{n} \bigvee_{i=1}^{M(\omega)} |X_i(\omega)| \rightarrow 0.$$

The desired result follows for either case.

7.7.17. We have

$$\sum_k P[X_k = k^2] = \sum_k \frac{1}{k^2} < \infty$$

so  $P[X_k = k^2 \text{ i.o.}] = 0$  and for  $k \geq k_0(\omega)$ , we have for almost all  $\omega$  that  $X_k(\omega) = -1$ . Therefore,  $\sum_k X_k = -\infty$ .

7.7.18. We have that  $\sum_j \frac{X_j}{j^{1/2} \log j}$  converges almost surely by the Kolmogorov convergence criterion, since

$$\sum_j \text{Var} \left( \frac{X_j}{j^{1/2} \log j} \right) = \sum_j \frac{1}{j(\log j)^2} < \infty.$$

By Kronecker's lemma

$$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n X_j}{n^{1/2} \log n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0.$$

7.7.21. We need the fact that  $\sum_{i=1}^{n+1} X_i(\theta)$  has density

$$f_\theta(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} (x/\theta)^n e^{-x/\theta} / n!, \quad x > 0,$$

so that

$$\bar{X}_{n+1}(\theta) = \frac{1}{n+1} \sum_{i=1}^{n+1} X_i(\theta) \text{ has density } (n+1)f_\theta((n+1)x), \quad x > 0.$$

By the weak law of large numbers

$\vdots$

$$\bar{X}_n(\theta) \xrightarrow{P} \theta$$

and by continuity we also get

$$u(\bar{X}_n(\theta)) \xrightarrow{P} u(\theta),$$

and since  $u$  is bounded, dominated convergence yields

$$E_\theta(u(\bar{X}_n(\theta))) = \int_0^\infty n f_\theta(nx) u(x) dx \rightarrow u(\theta).$$

We now check uniform convergence on a compact interval  $I = [a, b]$ . Let  $I^+ = [a/2, 2b]$ . Define the modulus of continuity of  $u$  for any compact interval  $J$  by

$$\omega_\delta(J) := \sup_{\substack{|x-y| \leq \delta \\ x, y \in J}} |u(x) - u(y)|$$



and since  $u$  is uniformly continuous on  $J$ , we have  $\omega_\delta(J) \rightarrow 0$  as  $\delta \downarrow 0$ . Now decompose as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{\theta \in I} |E_\theta(u(\bar{X}_n(\theta))) - u(\theta)| &\leq \sup_{\theta \in I} E_\theta |u(\bar{X}_n(\theta)) - u(\theta)| \\ &\leq \sup_{\theta \in I} E_\theta |u(\bar{X}_n(\theta)) - u(\theta)| 1_{[|\bar{X}_n(\theta) - \theta| \leq \delta]} \\ &\quad + \sup_{\theta \in I} E_\theta |u(\bar{X}_n(\theta)) - u(\theta)| 1_{[|\bar{X}_n(\theta) - \theta| \geq \delta]} \end{aligned}$$

which for  $\delta$  small has an upper bound

$$\begin{aligned} &\leq \omega_\delta(I^+) + 2\|u\| \sup_{\theta \in I} P_\theta[|\bar{X}_n(\theta) - \theta| > \delta] \\ &= I + II. \end{aligned}$$

Here,  $\|u\| = \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |u(x)| < \infty$ . Now for  $II$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} II &\leq 2\|u\| \frac{1}{\delta^2} \sup_{\theta \in I} \text{Var}(\bar{X}_n(\theta)) = 2\|u\| \frac{1}{\delta^2} \sup_{\theta \in I} \frac{1}{n} \text{Var}(X_1(\theta)) \\ &= 2\|u\| \frac{1}{\delta^2} \frac{1}{n} \sup_{\theta \in I} \theta^2 \rightarrow 0 \end{aligned}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . Therefore

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sup_{\theta \in I} |E_\theta(u(\bar{X}_n(\theta))) - u(\theta)| \leq \omega_\delta(I^+),$$

for any  $\delta > 0$  and letting  $\delta \downarrow 0$ , yields the result.

**7.7.22.** (a) You can differentiate under the integral sign; this is justified by dominated convergence. For instance,

$$\begin{aligned} -\left(\frac{\hat{F}(\lambda + \delta) - \hat{F}(\lambda)}{\delta}\right) &= \int_0^\infty \frac{1}{\delta} (1 - e^{-\delta x}) e^{-\lambda x} F(dx) \\ &= \int_0^\infty \left(\int_0^x e^{-\delta y} dy\right) e^{-\lambda x} F(dx). \end{aligned}$$

Set

$$G_\lambda(dx) = e^{-\lambda x} F(dx) / \hat{F}(\lambda), \quad H_\delta(x) = \int_0^x e^{-\delta y} dy.$$

Then

$$H_\delta(x) \leq x \in L_1(G_\lambda)$$

and as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$

$$H_\delta(x) \rightarrow x.$$

Therefore, by dominated convergence, as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$

$$\begin{aligned} -\left(\frac{\hat{F}(\lambda + \delta) - \hat{F}(\lambda)}{\delta}\right) &= \int_0^\infty H_\delta(x) G_\lambda(dx) \cdot \hat{F}(\lambda) \\ &\rightarrow \int_0^\infty x G_\lambda(dx) \cdot \hat{F}(\lambda) = \int_0^\infty x e^{-\lambda x} F(dx). \end{aligned}$$

(b) Fix  $\theta$ . Then by the weak law of large numbers

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i(\theta) \xrightarrow{P} \theta,$$

since the limit is the mean. The rest follows from the fact that  $\sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i(\theta)$  has a Poisson distribution with parameter  $n\theta$ .

(c) Write

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \leq nx} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} n^j \hat{F}^{(j)}(n) &= \int_0^\infty \sum_{j \leq nx} e^{-ns} \frac{(ns)^j}{j!} F(ds) \\ &= \int_0^\infty P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds), \end{aligned}$$

where  $PO(ns)$  is a Poisson random variable with parameter  $ns$ . Note for any  $x > 0$ ,

$$P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x > s, \\ 0, & \text{if } x < s. \end{cases}$$

If  $F$  is continuous at  $x$ , then for any  $\delta > 0$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{j \leq nx} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} n^j \hat{F}^{(j)}(n) &= \int_0^{x-\delta} P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds) + \int_{x-\delta}^{x+\delta} P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds) \\ &\quad + \int_{x+\delta}^\infty P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds). \end{aligned}$$

By dominated convergence

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{x-\delta} P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds) &\rightarrow F(x - \delta), \\ \int_{x+\delta}^\infty P\left[\frac{1}{n} PO(ns) \leq x\right] F(ds) &\rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j \leq nx} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} n^j \hat{F}^{(j)}(n) \geq F(x - \delta) \rightarrow F(x)$$

as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$  and

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{j \leq nx} \frac{(-1)^j}{j!} n^j \hat{F}^{(j)}(n) \leq F(x + \delta) + F(x - \delta, x + \delta] \rightarrow F(x),$$

as  $\delta \rightarrow 0$ . This shows the result.

**7.7.23.** We have

$$E(X_1^2) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{2} x^2 dx = \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}.$$

The rest follows from the weak law of large numbers since

$$2^{-n} \lambda_n(B_{n,\delta} \cap I_n) = P[\sqrt{1/3} - \delta < \frac{\|X\|_n}{\sqrt{n}} < \sqrt{1/3} + \delta] \rightarrow 1.$$

**7.7.43.** We have that the series defining  $Y$  converges from the fact that  $\{\sum_{i=1}^n B_i/2^i, n \geq 1\}$  is non-decreasing in  $n$  and therefore has a limit. The limit must be finite since

$$\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = 1.$$

The range of  $Y$  is 0 (when all  $B_i$ 's are 0) to 1 (when all  $B_i$ 's are 1).

We have

$$E(Y) = E\left(\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i}\right) = p \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2^i} = p,$$

and

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{\text{Var}(B_i)}{2^{2i}} = \frac{pq}{3}.$$

Let  $x \in [0, 1]$  be represented by its non-terminating dyadic expansion

$$x = .x_1 x_2 x_3 \dots = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{x_i}{2^i},$$

where  $x_i \in \{0, 1\}$ . Then  $Q_p$  concentrates on the following subset of  $[0, 1]$ :

$$\Lambda_p := \{x \in [0, 1] : \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n x_i = p\}.$$

Consequently, if  $p \neq p'$ , then

$$Q_p(\Lambda_p) = 1, \quad Q_p(\Lambda_{p'}) = 0.$$

(b) Denote a dyadic interval of length  $1/2^{n+1}$  by

$$I(b_1, \dots, b_n) := [.b_1 \dots b_n 0, .b_1 \dots b_n 1).$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} P[Y \in I(b_1, \dots, b_n)] &= P[B_i = b_i, i = 1, \dots, n, B_{n+1} = 0] \\ &= p^{\sum_{i=1}^n b_i q^n - \sum_{i=1}^n b_i q}. \end{aligned}$$

So for  $x \in [0, 1]$ ,  $x \in I(x_1, \dots, x_n)$  and therefore

$$Q_p(\{x\}) \leq P[Y \in I(x_1, \dots, x_n)] = p^{\sum_{i=1}^n x_i q^n - \sum_{i=1}^n x_i q} \rightarrow 0,$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and therefore  $Q_p(\{x\}) = 0$  and  $F_p(\cdot)$  is continuous.

To see that  $F_p$  is strictly continuous, note that if  $x_1 < x_2$ , then for big enough  $n$ , there is a dyadic interval  $I$  on the  $1/2^n$  grid which is contained in  $(x_1, x_2]$  and therefore

$$Q_p(x_1, x_2] \geq Q_p(I) > 0.$$

If  $x \leq 1/2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x\right] &= P[B_1 = 0, \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x] \\ &= qP\left[\sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x\right] = qP\left[\frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_{i+1}}{2^i} \leq x\right] \\ &= qP\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq 2x\right], \end{aligned}$$

since  $\{B_j, j \geq 2\} \stackrel{d}{=} \{B_j, j \geq 1\}$ .

If  $\frac{1}{2} \leq x \leq 1$ , then

$$P\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x\right] = P\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x, B_1 = 0\right] + P\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x, B_1 = 1\right]$$

and since  $B_1 = 0$  implies  $Y \leq 1/2$  we get

$$\begin{aligned} &= q + pP\left[\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{i=2}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x\right] \\ &= q + pP\left[\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq x\right] \\ &= q + pP\left[\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{B_i}{2^i} \leq 2(x - \frac{1}{2})\right]. \end{aligned}$$

**7.7.45.** By the strong law of large numbers, we have

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{-\log p_n(X_1, \dots, X_n)}{n} &= \frac{-1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n p_{X_i} \\ &\xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} E(-\log p_{X_1}) = -\sum_{i=1}^r p_i \log p_i = H.\end{aligned}$$

**7.7.46.** For the Cauchy distribution,  $E(|X_1|) = \infty$  so the conclusion for the sums follows by the strong law of large numbers.

Note as  $x \rightarrow \infty$

$$P[X_1 > x] = \int_x^\infty \frac{1}{\pi(1+u^2)} du \sim \frac{1}{\pi x}$$

so for  $x > 0$

$$nP[X_1 > nx/\pi] \sim n \cdot \frac{1}{\pi nx} \rightarrow x^{-1}.$$

Therefore, for  $x > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}P\left[\bigvee_{i=1}^n X_i \leq nx/\pi\right] &= (P[X_1 \leq nx/\pi])^n = \left(1 - \frac{nP[X_1 > nx/\pi]}{n}\right)^n \\ &\rightarrow \exp\{-x^{-1}\}.\end{aligned}$$

## CHAPTER 8 SOLUTIONS

8.8.2. (a) We have  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$  since  $P[|X_n| > \epsilon] = \frac{1}{n} \rightarrow 0$ .

(b) We have  $X_n \Rightarrow 0$  since for a constant limit, convergence in probability is equivalent to convergence in distribution.

(c) We have

$$\sum_n P[X_n = n] = \sum_n \frac{1}{n} = \infty$$

and therefore

$$P\{[X_n = n] \text{ i.o.}\} = 1$$

and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{X_n}{n} = 1$ . We conclude  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \infty$  almost surely.

Also  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = 0$  since  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$  implies that for some subsequence  $\{n_k\}$ , we have  $X_{n_k} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0$ . Thus  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n \leq 0$ . Since also  $P[X_n \geq 0] = 1$  we have  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = 0$ .

8.8.3. Note  $-\log U \stackrel{d}{=} E$  where  $P[E > x] = e^{-x}$ ,  $x > 0$ . By the strong law of large numbers,

$$-\log \prod_{j=1}^n (U_j)^{\frac{1}{n}} = \frac{-\sum_{j=1}^n \log U_j}{n} \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n E_i}{n} \rightarrow 1 \text{ a.s.}$$

By the central limit theorem

$$\sum_{j=1}^n \frac{-\log U_j - 1}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$$

so  
 $\vdots$   
 $\vdots$

$$\sqrt{n} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n -\log U_j^{\frac{1}{n}} - 1 \right) \Rightarrow N(0, 1).$$

Let  $g(x) = e^{-x}$ . By the delta method,

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n} \left( \prod_1^n U_j^{\frac{1}{n}} - e^{-1} \right) &= \sqrt{n} g \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (-\log U_j) - g(1) \right) \\ &\Rightarrow g'(1) N(0, 1) = -e^{-1} N(0, 1). \end{aligned}$$

8.8.4. (a) Suppose  $X_n$  has distribution  $F_n$  for  $n \geq 0$ . Suppose  $X_n \Rightarrow X_0$ . Given  $k$  and  $\varepsilon < \frac{1}{2}$ , we have  $(k - \varepsilon, k + \varepsilon)$  is an interval of continuity of  $F_0(x)$  and so

$$P[X_n = k] = P[X_n \in (k - \varepsilon, k + \varepsilon]] \rightarrow P[X_0 \in (k - \varepsilon, k + \varepsilon]] = P[X_0 = k].$$

Conversely, suppose  $a < b$  are not integers. Given that  $P[X_n = k] \rightarrow P[X_0 = k]$ , we have

$$P[X_n \in (a, b)] = \sum_{k \in (a, b)} P[X_n = k] \rightarrow \sum_{k \in (a, b)} P[X_0 = k] = P[X_0 \in (a, b)],$$

so  $P[X_n \in I] \rightarrow P[X_0 \in I]$  for intervals of continuity.

(b) Let  $\mu$  be counting measure on the integers so that

$$\mu(A) = \# \text{ integers } k \in A = \sum_k 1_A(k).$$

Set  $p_n(x) = \sum_k P[X_n = k] 1_{\{k\}}(x)$ . Define

$$F_n(A) = P[X_n \in A] = \sum_{k \in A} P[X_n = k] = \int_A p_n(x) \mu(dx).$$

From (a),  $F_n \Rightarrow F_0$  iff  $P[X_n = k] \rightarrow P[X_0 = k]$  iff  $p_n(x) \rightarrow p_0(x)$ , for all integral  $x$ . But according to Scheffé's lemma,  $p_n(x) \rightarrow p_0(x)$  implies  $p_n \rightarrow p_0$  in  $L_1(d\mu)$ , that is

$$\sum_k |P[X_n = k] - P[X_0 = k]| = \int |p_n(x) - p_0(x)| \mu(dx) \rightarrow 0.$$

(c) From (a):  $1_{A_n} \rightarrow 1_{A_0}$  iff

$$P[1_{A_n} = 1] = P(A_n) \rightarrow P[1_{A_0} = 1] = P(A_0).$$

(d) Suppose  $x_n \rightarrow x_0$ . Let  $f$  be bounded and continuous. Then

$$\int f dF_n = f(x_n) \rightarrow f(x_0) = \int f dF_0$$

and hence  $F_n \Rightarrow F_0$  by the Portmanteau theorem.

Conversely, if  $x_n \not\rightarrow x_0$ , then there exists  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and there exists a subsequence  $\{n'\}$  such that  $|x_{n'} - x_0| > \varepsilon$ . Define  $f(x) = |x_0 - x| \wedge 1$  which is bounded and continuous. Then

$$\int f dF_{n'} = |x_0 - x_{n'}| \wedge 1 \geq \varepsilon \quad \text{and} \quad \int f dF_0 = |x_0 - x_0| = 0$$

so  $\int f dF_n \not\rightarrow \int f dF_0$  and  $F_n \not\Rightarrow F_0$ .

(e) For  $f$  bounded and continuous

$$\begin{aligned} Ef(X_n) &= \frac{1}{2}f(1 - \frac{1}{n}) + \frac{1}{2}f(1 + \frac{1}{n}) \rightarrow \frac{1}{2}f(1) + \frac{1}{2}f(1) \\ &= f(1) = Ef(x) \end{aligned}$$

and therefore  $X_n \Rightarrow X$ . Define the mass functions

$$f_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \notin \{1 + \frac{1}{n}, 1 - \frac{1}{n}\} \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x = 1 - \frac{1}{n}, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } x = 1 + \frac{1}{n} \end{cases} \quad f_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } x = 1, \\ 0, & \text{if } x \neq 1. \end{cases}$$

Then for every  $x$ ,  $f_n(x) \not\rightarrow f_0(x)$ .

**8.8.5.** (a) On  $[a, b]$ ,  $u_0$  is uniformly continuous so given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that for  $t_1, t_2 \in [a, b]$  we have

$$|t_1 - t_2| < \delta \text{ implies } |u_0(t_1) - u_0(t_2)| < \varepsilon. \quad (*)$$

Let  $N_\delta(t) = \{s : |t - s| < \delta\}$  be a  $\delta$ -neighborhood of  $t$ . Then

$$[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{t \in [a, b]} N_\delta(t)$$

and by compactness of  $[a, b]$ , there is a finite subcover

$$[a, b] \subset \bigcup_{i=1}^k N_\delta(t_i).$$

Without loss of generality we can suppose

$$t_0 = a \leq t_1 < t_2 < \dots < t_k = b$$

and

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^k |t_i - t_{i-1}| < \frac{\delta}{2},$$

since if necessary, we can increase the subcover to achieve this. Pick  $n_0$  so large that for  $n \geq n_0$

$$\sup_{0 \leq i \leq n} |u_n(t_i) - u_0(t_i)| < \varepsilon. \quad (\#)$$

For  $x \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$ , since  $u_n$  is nondecreasing, we get for  $n \geq n_0$  that

$$\begin{aligned} |u_n(x) - u_0(x)| &\leq |u_n(x) - u_n(t_i)| + |u_n(t_i) - u_0(t_i)| + |u_0(t_i) - u_0(x)| \\ &= A + B + C. \end{aligned}$$

For  $A$  we have

$$\begin{aligned} A &\leq u_n(t_i) - u_n(t_{i-1}) && \text{(by monotonicity)} \\ &\leq u_0(t_i) + \varepsilon - (u_0(t_{i-1}) - \varepsilon) && \text{(from \#)} \\ &= 2\varepsilon + u_0(t_i) - u_0(t_{i-1}) \leq 3\varepsilon && \text{(from *)}. \end{aligned}$$



We also get  $B \leq \varepsilon$  (from #) and  $C \leq \varepsilon$  (from \*). We conclude that

$$\sup_{x \in [a, b]} |u_n(x) - u_0(x)| \leq \bigvee_{i=1}^k \sup_{x \in [t_i, t_{i-1}]} |u_n(x) - u_0(x)| \leq 5\varepsilon,$$

provided  $n \geq n_0$ .

(b) Given  $\varepsilon > 0$ , pick  $M > 0$  such that

$$F_0(-M) \bigvee (1 - F_0(M)) \leq \varepsilon. \quad (\#\#)$$

Then pick  $n_0$  such that for  $n \geq n_0$

$$|F_n(\pm M) - F_0(\pm M)| \leq \varepsilon \text{ and } \sup_{x \in [-M, M]} |F_n(x) - F_0(x)| \leq \varepsilon. \quad (**)$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(x) - F_0(x)| &\leq \sup_{x \leq -M} \bigvee \sup_{-M \leq x \leq M} \bigvee \sup_{x \geq M} \\ &\leq (F_n(M) \bigvee F_0(M)) \bigvee \sup_{x \in [-M, M]} |F_n(x) - F_0(x)| \\ &\quad \bigvee [(1 - F_n(M)) \bigvee (1 - F_0(M))] \\ &\leq ((F_0(M) + \varepsilon) \bigvee F_0(M)) \bigvee \varepsilon \\ &\quad \bigvee (1 - F_0(M) + \varepsilon) \bigvee (1 - F_0(M)) \\ &\leq 2\varepsilon \bigvee \varepsilon \bigvee 2\varepsilon = 2\varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$

(c) We now verify the Glivenko-Cantelli lemma for this special case: Let  $F_n(x, \omega) = \sum_{j=1}^n 1_{[X_j \leq x]}(\omega)$ . There exists  $N_x \in \mathcal{B}$ , such that  $PN_x = 0$  and if  $\omega \notin N_x^c$  then  $F_n(x, \omega) \rightarrow F(x)$ . Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  denote the rational numbers and we have that

$$\omega \in \bigcap_{x \in \mathbb{Q}} N_x^c \text{ implies } F_n(x, \omega) \rightarrow F(x).$$

Now  $\Lambda := \bigcap_{x \in \mathbb{Q}} N_x^c \in \mathcal{B}$ , and  $P(\Lambda) = 1$  and for  $\omega \in \Lambda$ ,  $F_n(\cdot, \omega) \xrightarrow{w} F(\cdot)$ .

Hence by (b), for all  $\omega \in \Lambda$ :

$$\sup_{x \in \mathbb{R}} |F_n(x, \omega) - F(x)| \rightarrow 0.$$

**8.8.6.** (i) If  $F(ax + b) = F(cx + d)$  then

$$\frac{F^{\leftarrow}(y) - b}{a} = \frac{F^{\leftarrow}(y) - d}{c}.$$

Proceed as in convergence to types theorem.

(ii) It is enough to show  $F(Ax + B) = F(x)$  implies  $A = 1, B = 0$ . If  $A = 1$ , then

$$F(y) = F(y + B) = F(y + B + B) = F(y + 2B) = \dots = F(y + nB)$$

and letting  $n \rightarrow \infty$  gives  $F(y) = 1$ , (if  $B > 0$ ) or  $= 0$  (if  $B < 0$ ) for all  $y$  which contradicts the fact that  $F$  is non-degenerate. If  $A \neq 1$ , then

$$\begin{aligned} F(y + \frac{B}{1-A}) &= F(A(y + \frac{B}{1-A}) + B) = F(Ay + \frac{AB + B - AB}{1-A}) \\ &= F(Ay + \frac{B}{1-A}). \end{aligned}$$

Define  $G(y) = F(y + \frac{B}{1-A})$  and  $G(y) = G(Ay)$ . So iterating, we get  $G(y) = G(A^n y)$ . If  $A > 1, y > 0$  we get  $G(y) = G(\infty) = 1$  and if  $y < 0, G(y) = G(-\infty) = 0$  so  $G$  is degenerate at 0. If  $A < 1$  then  $G(y) = G(0)$ , for all  $y$  which also contradicts  $G$  being proper and non-degenerate.

**8.8.8.** We have

$$\begin{aligned} P[X_{\ell,n} \leq x] &= P[\text{at least } \ell \text{ observations } \leq x] \\ &= \sum_{k=\ell+1}^n \binom{n}{k} F^k(x) (\bar{F}(x))^{n-k} \end{aligned}$$

and thus the density is

$$f_{X_{\ell,n}}(x) = F^{\ell-1}(x) f(x) (1 - F(x))^{n-\ell} \frac{n!}{(\ell-1)!(n-\ell)!}.$$

Since  $F(x) = 1 - e^{-x}$  for  $x > 0$ , we get

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{n} f_{X_{\ell,n}}\left(\frac{x}{n}\right) &= \frac{1}{n} (1 - e^{-\frac{x}{n}})^{\ell-1} e^{-\frac{x}{n}} (e^{-\frac{x}{n}})^{n-\ell} \frac{n!}{(\ell-1)!(n-\ell)!} \\ &\sim \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{x}{n}\right)^{\ell-1} (1 + o(1)) e^{-\frac{x}{n}} e^{-x} \frac{n!}{(\ell-1)!(n-\ell)!} \\ &\sim \frac{x^{\ell-1} e^{-x}}{(\ell-1)!} \frac{n(n-1) \dots (n-\ell+1)}{n^\ell} \\ &\sim \frac{x^{\ell-1} e^{-x}}{(\ell-1)!}. \end{aligned}$$

**8.8.10.** We have for any  $\delta > 0$  that

$$P[|X_n - X| > \delta] \geq P[Y = 0, X = 1] = \frac{1}{4}.$$

This does not converge to 0. Note  $X_n \Rightarrow X$  since  $X_n \stackrel{d}{=} X$ .

**8.8.13.** If  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu_0$ , and  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma_0$  then the densities converge

$$n(\mu_n, \sigma_n, x) \rightarrow n(\mu_0, \sigma_0, x)$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  and Scheffe lemma applies.

**8.8.23.** (i) We use the delta method with  $g(x) = x^2$  to get

$$\begin{aligned} \sqrt{n}(g(\bar{X}_n) - g(\mu)) &= \frac{g(\bar{X}_n) - g(\mu)}{\bar{X}_n - g(\mu)} \cdot \sqrt{n}(\bar{X}_n - g(\mu)) \\ &\Rightarrow g'(\mu)N(0, \sigma^2) = 2\mu\sigma N. \end{aligned}$$

(ii) Use  $g(x) = e^x$  so the limit is  $g'(\mu)N(0, \sigma^2) \stackrel{d}{=} e^\mu \sigma N(0, 1)$ .

**8.8.34.** Observe that if  $P[E_1 > x] = e^{-x}$ , for  $x > 0$ , then with  $g(x) = x^{1/\alpha}$  we have

$$P[g(E_1) > x] = P[E_1 > g^{-1}(x)] = e^{-x^\alpha}, \quad x > 0,$$

so that  $\{W_n, n \geq 1\} \stackrel{d}{=} \{g(E_n), n \geq 1\}$  and because  $g(\cdot)$  is non-decreasing

$$\bigvee_{i=1}^n W_i \stackrel{d}{=} \bigvee_{i=1}^n g(E_i) = g\left(\bigvee_{i=1}^n E_i\right).$$

Write

$$Y_n := \bigvee_{i=1}^n E_i - \log n \Rightarrow Y.$$

By the Baby Skorohod theorem, there exists  $Y_n^\#$  and  $Y^\#$  such that  $Y_n^\# \stackrel{d}{=} Y_n$  and  $Y^\# \stackrel{d}{=} Y$  and  $Y_n^\# \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} Y^\#$ . So we have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\bigvee_{i=1}^n W_i - g(\log n)}{g'(\log n)} &\stackrel{d}{=} \frac{g(Y_n^\# + \log n) - g(\log n)}{g'(\log n)} \\ &= \frac{\int_{\log n}^{Y_n^\# + \log n} g'(s) ds}{g'(\log n)} \end{aligned}$$

which by the mean value theorem is

$$= \frac{g'(\zeta_n^\#)}{g'(\log n)} Y_n^\#,$$

where  $\zeta_n^\#$  is between  $\log n$  and  $Y_n^\# + \log n$ . Since  $Y_n^\# \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} Y^\#$ , we have  $\zeta_n^\# / \log n \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 1$  from which follows

$$\frac{g'(\zeta_n^\#)}{g'(\log n)} = \left(\frac{\zeta_n^\#}{\log n}\right)^{1/\alpha-1} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 1.$$

Thus

$$\frac{\bigvee_{i=1}^n W_i - g(\log n)}{g'(\log n)} \stackrel{d}{=} \frac{g'(\zeta_n^\#)}{g'(\log n)} Y_n^\# \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 1 \cdot Y^\# \stackrel{d}{=} Y.$$

## CHAPTER 9 SOLUTIONS

9.9.2. (a) We have

$$E(e^{itX_n}) = e^{\lambda_n(e^{it}-1)}$$

and therefore  $X_n \Rightarrow X_0$  iff  $\lambda_n \rightarrow \lambda_0$ .

(b) If  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu_0$ , and  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma_0$  then

$$\phi_{X_n}(t) = e^{it\mu_n} e^{-\sigma_n^2 t^2/2} \rightarrow e^{it\mu_0 - \sigma_0^2 t^2/2}$$

so

$$X_n \sim N(\mu_n, \sigma_n^2) \Rightarrow X_0 \sim N(\mu_0, \sigma_0^2).$$

Conversely: Suppose  $X_n \Rightarrow X_0$ . Let  $\{X'_n\}$  be iid and independent of  $\{X_n\}$  and have the same marginal distribution:  $X'_n \stackrel{d}{=} X_n$ . Then  $X_n - X'_n \Rightarrow X_0 - X'_0$ . So

$$\phi_{X_n - X'_n}(t) = e^{-2\sigma_n^2 t^2/2} \rightarrow e^{-2\sigma_0^2 t^2/2} = \phi_{X_0 - X'_0}(t),$$

and therefore  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma_0$ . But if  $\sigma_n \rightarrow \sigma_0$ , then from convergence of the chf's we get  $\mu_n \rightarrow \mu_0$ .

9.9.3. We have

$$EX_k^2 = 1 - \frac{1}{k^2} + k^2 \cdot \frac{1}{k^2} = 2 - \frac{1}{k^2} \rightarrow 2,$$

and therefore,

$$\text{Var}\left(\frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}}\right) = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(2 - \frac{1}{k^2}\right) \rightarrow 2.$$

Next, let

$$X_k^* = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } X_k = 1 \text{ or } k \\ -1, & \text{if } X_k = -1 \text{ or } -k. \end{cases}$$

Thus  $\{X_k^*\}$  are Bernoulli random variables with

$$P[X_k^* = 1] = \frac{1}{2} = P[X_k^* = -1]$$

and  $S_n^*/\sqrt{n} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$ . Let

$$\begin{aligned} m_0 &= \sup\left\{m : \sum_{k=1}^m k \leq \epsilon\sqrt{n}\right\} = \sup\left\{m : \frac{m}{2}(1+m) \leq \epsilon\sqrt{n}\right\} \\ &\geq \sup\{m : (m+1)^2 \leq 2\epsilon\sqrt{n}\} = \sqrt{2\epsilon\sqrt{n}} - 1. \end{aligned}$$

If  $|S_n^* - S_n| > \epsilon\sqrt{n}$ , then it means that there exists  $i \geq m_0$  such that  $X_i \neq X_i^*$ , since if  $i < m_0$  we would not get a big enough contribution to the difference. Thus

$$\begin{aligned} P[|S_n - S_n^*| > \epsilon\sqrt{n}] &\leq P\left\{\bigcup_{m_0 \leq k \leq n} [X_k \neq X_k^*]\right\} \\ &\leq \sum_{k=m_0}^n \frac{1}{k^2} \leq \sum_{k=\sqrt{2\epsilon\sqrt{n}-1}}^n \frac{1}{k^2} \\ &\sim (\sqrt{2\epsilon}n^{\frac{1}{4}})^{-1} - n^{-1} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

It follows that

$$\frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}} - \frac{S_n^*}{\sqrt{n}} \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

and by Slutsky's lemma  $\frac{S_n}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow N(0, 1)$ .

**9.9.4. (a)** We have

$$EU_k^2 = \frac{a_k^2}{3}, \quad E|U_k|^3 = a_k^3/4$$

and the Liapunov condition becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{E|U_k|^3}{s_n^3} &= \text{const} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^3}{(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \leq M \text{const} \frac{\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2}{(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \\ &= \frac{M \text{const}}{(\sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \rightarrow 0. \end{aligned}$$

(b) We have  $s_n^2 = \frac{1}{3} \sum_{k=1}^n a_k^2 \uparrow s_\infty < \infty$  so

$$\frac{1}{s_n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n EU_k^2 1_{[|\frac{U_k}{s_n}| > \epsilon]} \geq \frac{1}{s_\infty^2} \sum_{k=1}^n EU_k^2 1_{[|U_k| > \epsilon s_\infty]} \not\rightarrow 0.$$

**9.9.5.** We know that

$$\phi_{X_n}(t) \rightarrow \phi_{X_0}(t) \text{ and } \phi_{Y_n}(t) \rightarrow \phi_{Y_0}(t)$$

so if  $X_n$  is independent of  $Y_n$  we have

$$\phi_{X_n+Y_n}(t) = \phi_{X_n}(t)\phi_{Y_n}(t) \rightarrow \phi_{X_0}(t)\phi_{Y_0}(t) = \phi_{X_0+Y_0}(t).$$

**9.9.6. (a)** We have

$$\phi_n(t) = \int_{-n}^n e^{itx} \frac{1}{n} dx = \frac{2 \cos tn}{itn} \rightarrow 0.$$

(b) This follows from the cosine function being bounded by 1.

(c) No. This does not contradict the continuity then since the limit does not satisfy  $\phi(0) = 1$ .

9.9.7. If

$$f(x) = x^{-3}, \quad |x| > 1,$$

then  $E(X_n) = 0$ , and  $E(X_n^2) = \infty$ . Set

$$Y_n = X_n 1_{[|X_n| \leq \sqrt{n} \log n]}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_n^3) &= E|X_n|^3 1_{[|X_n| \leq \sqrt{n} \log n]} = 2 \int_1^{\sqrt{n} \log n} x^3 x^{-3} dx \\ &= \sqrt{n} \log n - 1 \sim \sqrt{n} \log n. \end{aligned}$$

Also, we have

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_n^2) &= E(X_n^2 1_{[|X_n| \leq \sqrt{n} \log n]}) = 2 \int_1^{\sqrt{n} \log n} x^2 x^{-3} dx \\ &= 2 \log(\sqrt{n} \log n) \sim \log n. \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$s_n^2 = \sum_1^n E(Y_j^2) \sim \int_1^n \log x dx \sim n \log n$$

and

$$\frac{\sum_1^n E|Y_n|^3}{s_n^3} \sim \frac{\int_1^n \sqrt{x} \log x dx}{(n \log n)^{3/2}} \sim \frac{n^{\frac{3}{2}} \log n}{n^{\frac{3}{2}} (\log n)^{\frac{3}{2}}} \sim \frac{1}{(\log n)^{\frac{1}{2}}} \rightarrow 0.$$

So we see that the Liapunov condition holds for  $\{Y_n\}$  and consequently  $\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j/s_n \Rightarrow N$  and by the convergence to types theorem

$$\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j / \sqrt{n \log n} \Rightarrow N.$$

Lastly observe that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_n P[X_n \neq Y_n] &= \sum_n P[|X_n| > \sqrt{n} \log n] = \sum_n 2 \int_{\sqrt{n} \log n}^{\infty} x^{-3} dx \\ &= \sum_n \frac{1}{n(\log n)^2} < \infty. \end{aligned}$$

The demonstration can now be completed with the Equivalence Proposition 7.1.1 since we have

$$\frac{\sum_{j=1}^n X_j}{s_n} - \frac{\sum_{j=1}^n Y_j}{s_n} \xrightarrow{\text{a.s.}} 0.$$

9.9.8. (a) Observe that if  $\{X_n\}$  is iid with Poisson distribution with parameter 1, then  $S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$  is Poisson distributed with parameter  $n$ . Therefore, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} E\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^- &= \sum_{k=0}^n \left(\frac{n-k}{\sqrt{n}}\right) P[S_n = k] = \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n-k}{\sqrt{n}} \frac{e^{-n} n^k}{k!} \\ &= \frac{e^{-n}}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{k=0}^n (n-k) \frac{n^k}{k!} = \frac{e^{-n}}{\sqrt{n}} \left( \sum_{k=0}^n \frac{n^{k+1}}{k!} - \frac{n^k}{(k-1)!} \right) \end{aligned}$$

and because this last sum telescopes, we get

$$= \frac{e^{-n} n^{n+1}}{\sqrt{n} n!} = \frac{e^{-n} n^{n+\frac{1}{2}}}{n!}.$$

(b) From the central limit theorem,

$$\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \Rightarrow N,$$

where  $N$  is a standard normal random variable, since  $E(X_n) = 1$ , and  $\text{Var}(X_n) = 1$ . From the continuous mapping theorem

$$\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^- \Rightarrow N^-.$$

(c) We have

$$\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^- \leq \left|\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right|$$

and therefore,

$$\left(\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^-\right)^2 \leq \left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^2,$$

so that

$$\sup_n E \left( \left( \frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^- \right)^2 \leq \sup_n E \left( \frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}} \right)^2 = 1.$$

So from the Crystal Ball Condition (6.13) we get that

$$\left(\frac{S_n - n}{\sqrt{n}}\right)^- \text{ is ui.}$$

Therefore the mean of the displayed random variable converges to  $E(N^-)$ .

(d) We compute

$$E(N^-) = E(N^+) = \int_0^\infty x \frac{e^{-x^2/2}}{\sqrt{2\pi}} dx$$

and making the change of variable  $y = x^2/2$  so that  $dy = x dx$  we get

$$= \int_0^\infty \frac{e^{-y} dy}{\sqrt{2\pi}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}.$$

We conclude

$$\frac{n^{n+\frac{1}{2}} e^{-n}}{n!} \rightarrow \sqrt{2\pi}$$

or

$$n! \sim \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-n} n^{n+1/2}.$$

**9.9.9.** (a) We have

$$\phi(t) = \int_0^\infty e^{itx} e^{-x} dx = \frac{1}{1-it}$$

Also, note that  $\frac{1}{1+it} = \phi(-t)$  which is the characteristic function of  $-X$ .

(b) The chf of  $X_1$  is  $\frac{e^{it} + e^{-it}}{2} = \cos t$ .

(c) Observe that  $(\cos t)^{17}$  is the chf of  $X_1 + \dots + X_{17}$  where  $\{X_n\}$  are iid Bernoulli.

(d) We have

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - \operatorname{Re} \phi(t)}{t^2} dt &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty \frac{1 - E(\cos tX)}{t^2} dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \int_0^\infty E\left(\frac{1 - \cos tX}{t^2}\right) dt \end{aligned}$$

and applying Fubini's theorem, and then the fact that  $\cos$  is an even function we get

$$\begin{aligned} &= \frac{2}{\pi} E \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1 - \cos tX}{t^2} \right) dt \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} E \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1 - \cos t|X|}{t^2} \right) dt \end{aligned}$$

and with the change of variable  $s = t|X|$ , we get

$$= 2 \int_0^\infty \left( \frac{1 - \cos(s)}{\pi s^2} \right) ds E|X| = 2E|X|,$$



since  $(1 - \cos(s))/(\pi s^2)$  is a density.

**9.9.10.** We have

$$E(e^{it(Y_s - s)/\sqrt{s}}) = \exp\{s[e^{it/\sqrt{s}} - 1 - it/\sqrt{s}]\}$$

so it suffices to show

$$\left| s[e^{it/\sqrt{s}} - 1 - it/\sqrt{s}] + t^{\frac{3}{2}} \right| \rightarrow 0.$$

However

$$\begin{aligned} \left| s[e^{it/\sqrt{s}} - 1 - \frac{it}{\sqrt{s}}] + \frac{1}{2}t^2 \right| &= \left| s[e^{it/\sqrt{s}} - 1 - \frac{it}{\sqrt{s}} - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{it}{\sqrt{s}}\right)^2] \right| \\ &\leq s \left| e^{it/\sqrt{s}} - 1 - \frac{it}{\sqrt{s}} - \frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{it}{\sqrt{s}}\right)^2 \right| \\ &\leq \frac{s}{3} \left| \frac{it}{\sqrt{s}} \right|^3 = O\left(\frac{1}{s^{1/2}}\right) \rightarrow 0, \end{aligned}$$

as  $s \rightarrow \infty$ .

**9.9.12.** Let  $X'_j = X_j 1_{[|X_j| \leq ta_n]}$  so that

$$P \left[ \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{X'_j}{a_n} \neq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right] \leq P \left[ \bigcup_{j=1}^n [|X_j| > ta_n] \right] \leq \sum_{j=1}^n P[|X_j| > ta_n] \rightarrow 0.$$

So

$$\frac{S'_n}{a_n} - \frac{S_n}{a_n} \xrightarrow{P} 0$$

and it suffices to show  $\frac{S'_n}{a_n} \Rightarrow N$  by Slutsky's theorem. Mimic the standard proof: The statement

$$E e^{it S'_n / a_n} = \prod_1^n E e^{it X'_j / a_n} \rightarrow e^{-t^2/2} \quad (1)$$

follows from

$$\sum_{j=1}^n E(e^{it X'_j / a_n}) - 1 + t^2/2 \rightarrow 0 \quad (2)$$

since

$$\exp\left\{\sum_{j=1}^n E(e^{it X'_j / a_n}) - 1\right\} - \prod_{j=1}^n E e^{it X'_j / a_n} \rightarrow 0. \quad (3)$$

The reason for (3) is that by the product comparison lemma, the difference in (3) is

$$\begin{aligned}
 |3| &\leq \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \exp\{Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1\} - Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} \right| \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n \left| \exp\{Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1\} - 1 - E(e^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1) \right| \\
 &= \sum_{j=1}^n |e^{z_j} - 1 - z_j|,
 \end{aligned}$$

where  $z_j = Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1$ . Now

$$|z_j| = |Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1| = |Ee^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1 - itX'_j/a_n|,$$

(since  $EX'_j = 0$  due to symmetry of  $P[X_j \leq x]$ )

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\leq E\left(\frac{1}{2}t^2 \frac{(X'_j)^2}{a_n^2} = \frac{t^2}{2} E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right)^2 1_{\left[\frac{|X_j|}{a_n} \leq t\right]}\right) \\
 &\leq \frac{t^2}{2} \bigvee_{j=1}^n E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right)^2 1_{\left[\frac{|X_j|}{a_n} \leq t\right]} \rightarrow 0
 \end{aligned} \tag{*}$$

as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ . The reason for the convergence to 0 is that for any  $\varepsilon > 0$

$$\begin{aligned}
 E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right)^2 1_{\left[\frac{|X_j|}{a_n} \leq t\right]} &\leq E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right)^2 1_{\left[\frac{|X_j|}{a_n} \leq \varepsilon\right]} + E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right)^2 1_{\left[\varepsilon < \frac{|X_j|}{a_n} \leq t\right]} \\
 &\leq \varepsilon^2 + t^2 \sum_{j=1}^n P\left[\left|\frac{X_j}{a_n}\right| > \varepsilon\right] \rightarrow \varepsilon^2 + 0 = \varepsilon^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

We conclude that as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $|z_j| \rightarrow 0$  uniformly in  $j$ . It follows that for any  $\delta > 0$  and  $n$  sufficiently large,

$$|3| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n |e^{z_j} - 1 - z_j| \leq \delta \sum_{j=1}^n |z_j| \leq \frac{\delta t^2}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n E\left(\frac{(X'_j)^2}{a_n^2}\right)$$

(by \*)

$$= \frac{\delta t^2}{2} \sum_{j=1}^n E\left(\frac{X_j}{a_n} 1_{[|X_j| \leq a_n t]}\right) \rightarrow \frac{\delta t^2}{2}.$$

Since  $\delta$  is arbitrary  $|3| \rightarrow 0$ .

It remains to show (2) or what is the same thing

$$\sum_{j=1}^n E \left( e^{itX'_j/a_n} - 1 - \frac{(itX'_j/a_n)^2}{2} \right) \rightarrow 0, \quad (2')$$

since

$$\sum_{j=1}^n E \left( \frac{X'_j}{a_n} \right)^2 = \sum_1^n E \left( \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right)^2 1_{\left[ \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| \leq t \right]} \rightarrow 1.$$

Now

$$|2'| \leq \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{|t|^3}{3!} E \left( \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right|^3 1_{\left[ \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| \leq t \right]} \right)$$

and for  $\epsilon < t$  this is

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{j=1}^n \frac{|t|^3}{3!} \left( E \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right|^3 1_{\left[ \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| \leq \epsilon \right]} + E \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right|^3 1_{\left[ \epsilon < \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| \leq t \right]} \right) \\ &\leq \frac{\epsilon |t|^3}{3!} \left( \sum_{j=1}^n E \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right|^2 1_{\left[ \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| \leq \epsilon \right]} \right) + \frac{|t|^3}{3!} \sum_{j=1}^n P \left[ \left| \frac{X_j}{a_n} \right| > \epsilon \right] \end{aligned}$$

and since the first sum converges to 1 and the second converges to 0, we get

$$\rightarrow \frac{\epsilon |t|^3}{3!} + 0.$$

Now  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary so  $2' \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .



















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