Assignment 1 MAT 457

Q3a: If we let  $A_k = \bigcap_{n \geq k} E_n$  it is clear that  $A_1 \subset A_2 \dots$  Hence by measure continuity, we get that

$$\mu(\bigcup_{k\geq 1} A_k) = \lim_{k\to\infty} \mu(A_k) = \lim_{k\to\infty} \mu(\bigcap_{n\geq k} E_n)$$

However from the properties of the measure, namely  $A \subset B$  implies that  $\mu(A) \leq \mu(B)$ , we can deduce that for any k,

$$\mu(\bigcap_{n\geq k} E_n) \leq \inf_{n\geq k} \mu(E_n)$$

Since measure continuty holds, by applying limits we see that

$$\lim \inf_{n} E_{n} = \mu(\bigcap_{k \ge 1} \bigcup_{n \ge k} E_{n}) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \mu(\bigcap_{n \ge k} E_{n}) \le \lim_{k \to \infty} \inf_{n \ge k} \mu(E_{n}) = \lim \inf_{n} \mu(E_{n}) \quad \blacksquare$$

Q3b: If we define  $A_k = \bigcup_{n \geq k} E_k$  we see that  $A_1 \supset A_2 \ldots$ , and  $\mu(A_1) < \infty$  as given. Hence we can apply measure continuity to get that

$$\mu(\bigcap_{k\geq 1} A_k) = \lim_{k\to\infty} \mu(A_k) = \lim_{k\to\infty} \mu(\bigcup_{n\geq k} E_n)$$

Similarly to 3a, we can reason that

$$\mu(\bigcup_{n\geq k} E_n) \geq \sup_{n\geq k} \mu(E_n)$$

Since measure continuity holds we can apply limits and conclude that

$$\mu(\limsup_{n} E_n) = \mu(\bigcap_{k \ge 1} \bigcup_{n \ge k} E_n) = \lim_{k \to \infty} \mu(\bigcup_{n \ge k} E_n) \ge \lim_{k \to \infty} \sup_{n \ge k} \mu(E_n) = \limsup_{n} \mu(E_n) \quad \blacksquare$$

If we did not have the hypothesis that  $\mu(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} E_n)$  is finite this result would not hold. Consider the collection  $\{E_n\}$  with  $E_n = (-n, n]$ . We see that  $\mu(\limsup_n E_n) = \mu(E_1) = 2$  but  $\limsup_n \mu(E_n) = \infty$ . It is certainly false that  $2 \ge \infty$ .