# **Measure Theory Cheat Sheet**

# Topology

A collection T os subsets of a set X is said to be a **topology** in X if T satisfies the following properties,

- $\emptyset \in T$  and  $X \in T$
- Closed under finite intersections
- Closed under arbitrary unions

Members of T are called open sets.

If X, Y are topological spaces then  $f: X \to Y$  is continuous if  $f^{-1}(V)$  is open in X for all open sets  $V \in Y$ .

# $\sigma$ -algebra

A collection F of subsets of X is called a  $\sigma-$ algebra if the following properties hold.

- $X \in F$
- If  $A \in F$  then  $A^C = A X \in F$
- Closed under unions

# Measureability

- If F is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of X then X is a **measurable space** and members of F are **measurable sets** in X.
- If X is a measurable space and Y is a topological space, then  $f: X \to Y$  is said to be **measurable** if  $f^{(-1)}(V)$  is a measurable set in X for all open sets V in Y.

Characteristic function: It is a measurable function defined as follows . If E is a measurable set in X define  $\chi_E(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in E \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin E \end{cases}$ 

### Borel σ-algebra

**Generated**  $\sigma$ -**algebra:** For any collection of subsets F of X there exists a smallest  $\sigma$ -algebra which contains F. It is the intersection of all  $\sigma$ -algebras containing F.

**Borel**  $\sigma$ - **algebra:** For a topological space X the  $\sigma$ -algebra generated by the family of open sets of X. Elements of a Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra are called Borel sets. **Borel mapping:** A map between two topological spaces  $f: X \to Y$  if the inverse image of an open set in Y is an element of the Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra of X.

• If  $f: X \to [-\infty, \infty]$  and F is a  $\sigma$ -algebra of X, then f is measurable if  $f^{(-1)}((a,\infty)) \in F$  for all a.

### Pointwise convergence and measurability

- If  $f_n: X \to [-\infty, \infty]$  is measurable for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  then  $\sup, \inf, \limsup, \liminf \inf f_n$  are also measurable.
- o the limit of every pointwise convergent sequence of measurable functions is measurable.
- If *f* is measurable then so is  $f^+ = \max\{f, 0\}, f^{-1} = -\min\{f, 0\}$

### Simple functions

A complex function whose range consists of only finitely many points. If  $\alpha_1 \dots, \alpha_n$  are the distinct values of the simple function s and  $A_i = x : s(x) = \alpha_i$  then

$$s = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \alpha_i \chi_{A_i}$$

• Every measurable function  $f:X\to [0,\infty]$  can be written as a pointwise limit of a sequence of simple functions.

### Positive measure

A **positive measure**  $\mu$  is a measure along with the following additional properties,

# • Its range is in $[0, \infty]$ • Countable additivity: $\mu(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i)$ A *measure* space refers to a measurable space with a positive measure.

**Product measures**