

General Probability Theory

1.1

$$(i) \because A \subset B \therefore A \cap B = A$$

$$\therefore P(B) = P(A \cap B) + P(B \cap A^c) = P(A) + P(B \cap A^c)$$

$$\therefore P(B) \geq P(A)$$

$$(ii) \because A \subset A_n \text{ for } \forall n \therefore A \cap A_n = A$$

$$\therefore 0 = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \geq \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A \cap A_n) = P(A)$$

$$\therefore P(A) = 0$$

1.2

(i) *An element of that does not appear in this list is*

the sequence whose first 2 components are heads if ω_1, ω_2 are tails and are tails if ω_1, ω_2 are heads

(ii) *Assume n is even, then:*

$$\text{Define } A_n = \{\omega = \omega_1 \omega_2 \omega_3 \dots \omega_n; \omega_1 = \omega_2, \omega_3 = \omega_4, \dots \omega_{n-1} = \omega_n\}$$

$$\therefore P(A_n) = (1 - 2 \times P(1 - P))^n \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = 0 \text{ if } 0 < P < 1$$

$$\therefore A_n \subset A \text{ for } \forall n \therefore P(A) = P(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) = 0$$

1.3

$$\mathbf{1.1.3:} \because \Omega \setminus \emptyset = \Omega \therefore P(\emptyset) = 1 - P(\Omega) = 0$$

1.1.4: *Assume A and B are disjoint,*

If both of them are finite:

$$A \cup B \text{ is still finite} \therefore P(A) + P(B) = P(A \cup B) = 0$$

If at least A is finite:

$$P(A \cup B) \geq P(A) = \infty \therefore P(A) + P(B) = P(A \cup B) = \infty$$

1.1.5: *If all of them are finite:*

$$\text{Their finite unite is still finite} \therefore P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^N A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n = 0$$

$$\text{Else: } P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^N A_n\right) = \sum_{n=1}^N A_n = \infty = P(\text{some infinite } A_n)$$

1.1.2: *Their infinite unite is the full collection:*

$$\therefore P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = 1 \text{ while } \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n = \infty$$

1.4

(i) *Construct the uniform distribution by: $X = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{Y_n}{2^n}$, denote the CDF of normal distribution as $N(x)$, then the normal distributed variable $Z = N^{-1}(X)$.*

(ii) $\because Z_1 \leq Z_2 \leq Z_3 \leq \dots \leq Z_n \leq \dots \leq Z$ and N^{-1} is monotone

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Z_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} N^{-1}(X_n) = N^{-1}\left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n\right) = N^{-1}(X) = Z$$

$$1.5 \because \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{\infty} I_{[0, X(\omega))}(x) dx dP(\omega) = \int_0^{\infty} \int_{\Omega} I_{[0, X(\omega))}(x) dP(\omega) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{and } \therefore \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{\infty} I_{[0, X(\omega))}(x) dx dP(\omega) \\
= \int_{\Omega} \int_0^{X(\omega)} dx dP(\omega) = \int_{\Omega} X(\omega) dP(\omega) = E(X)
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\text{and } \therefore \int_0^{\infty} \int_{\Omega} I_{[0, X(\omega))}(x) dP(\omega) dx &= \int_0^{\infty} P(X(\omega) > x) dx \\
&= \int_0^{\infty} 1 - F(x) dx
\end{aligned}$$

$$\therefore E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} 1 - F(x) dx$$

1.6

$$(i) \therefore E(e^{ux}) = \int e^{ux} f(x) dx = \int \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + ux} dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\therefore \int \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-\mu)^2}{2\sigma^2} + ux} dx \\
= e^{u\mu + \frac{1}{2}u^2\sigma^2} \int \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{(x-(\mu+\sigma^2u))^2}{2\sigma^2}} dx = e^{u\mu + \frac{1}{2}u^2\sigma^2}
\end{aligned}$$

$$(ii) \therefore E(\phi(X)) = e^{u\mu + \frac{1}{2}u^2\sigma^2}, \phi(E(X)) = e^{u\mu} \text{ and } e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2\sigma^2} \geq 1$$

$$\therefore E(\phi(X)) \geq \phi(E(X))$$

1.7

$$(i) f(x) = 0$$

$$(ii) \therefore f_n(x) \text{ is the PDF of } N(0, n)$$

$$\therefore \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_n(x) dx = 1 \text{ and } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f_n(x) dx = 1$$

(iii) With larger n , the PDF of normal distribution will be more fat – tailed. If $m < n$, we should expect that $f_m(x)$ is smaller than $f_n(x)$ when x is far from 0, but larger than $f_n(x)$ when x is close to 0. $f_m(x) \leq f_n(x)$ everywhere for $m < n$ is wrong.

Therefore the result does not violate the theorem because the given PDF function violates the theorem's assumption first.

1.8

$$(i) \because \theta \leq t \therefore |Y_n| = \left| \frac{e^{tX} - e^{s_n X}}{t - s_n} \right| = X e^{\theta X} \leq X e^{tX}$$

$$\therefore E(X e^{tX}) < \infty \text{ for } t \in R \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n) = E(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n)$$

$$\text{As } s_n \rightarrow t, \theta \rightarrow t, \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n) = E(X e^{tX})$$

$$(ii) \because E(|X| e^{tX}) < \infty$$

$$\therefore |Y_n^+| = \left| \frac{e^{tX} - e^{s_n X}}{t - s_n} \right| = X^+ e^{\theta X^+} \leq X^+ e^{tX^+}, E(X^+ e^{tX^+}) < \infty;$$

$$\text{and } |Y_n^-| = \left| \frac{e^{tX} - e^{s_n X}}{t - s_n} \right| = X^- e^{\theta X^-} \leq X^- e^{tX^-}, E(X^- e^{tX^-}) < \infty$$

$$\therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n^+) = E(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n^+), \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n^-) = E(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n^-)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(Y_n) &= E(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n^+) - E(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y_n^-) \\ &= \int X^+ e^{tX^+} dP(\omega) - \int X^- e^{tX^-} dP(\omega) = E(X e^{tX}) \end{aligned}$$

1.9 $\because X$ is independent from $A \therefore X(\Omega)$ is independent from $\omega = A$

$$\int_A g(X(\omega))dP(\omega) = \int_{\Omega} I_A(X(\omega))g(X(\omega))dP(\omega) = P(A) \times E(g(X))$$

1.10

(i) $Z \geq 0$, and $E(Z) = 0 \times \frac{1}{2} + 2 \times \frac{1}{2} = 1$

(ii) For both 2 cases Z is constant,

$$\therefore \tilde{P}(\omega) = Z(\omega) \int_A dP(\omega) = Z(\omega)P(\omega) \therefore \text{if } P(\omega) = 0, \tilde{P}(\omega) = 0$$

(iii) When $A = \left[0, \frac{1}{2}\right)$, $\tilde{P}(\omega) = 0$ for $Z(A) = 0$, but $P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$

$$\begin{aligned} 1.11 \quad \tilde{E}(e^{uY}) &= E(Ze^{uY}) = e^{u\theta - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2} E(e^{-\theta x}) + e^{-\frac{1}{2}\theta^2} E(e^{(u-\theta)x}) \\ &= e^{u\theta} + e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2 - u\theta} = e^{\frac{1}{2}u^2} \end{aligned}$$

$$1.12 \quad \because \hat{Z} \times Z = e^{\theta(Y-X) - \theta^2} \text{ and } Y - X = \theta \therefore \hat{Z} \times Z = 1$$

$$\therefore \hat{Z} = \frac{1}{Z} \text{ and } \hat{P}(A) = \int_A \hat{Z}(\omega)d\tilde{P}(\omega) = \int_A Z(\omega)\hat{Z}(\omega)dP(\omega) = P(A)$$

1.13

(i) By the Mean Value Theorem, $\exists \omega$ that $X(\omega) \in B\left(x + \frac{\epsilon}{2}, x - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)$,

such that $P\left(x + \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) - P\left(x - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right) = \epsilon \times P'(X(\omega)) = P\{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\}$

$$\therefore \frac{P\{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\}}{\epsilon} = \frac{e\left(-\frac{X^2(\omega)}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

$\therefore \bar{\omega}$ always in $X \in B(x, \epsilon)$ and B is small

$$\therefore X(\omega) \approx X(\bar{\omega}), \frac{P\{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\}}{\epsilon} \approx \frac{e\left(-\frac{X^2(\bar{\omega})}{2}\right)}{\sqrt{2\pi}}$$

(ii) Replace x with y , X with Y and P with \tilde{P} then yield the result.

(iii) Given $X = Y - \theta \therefore x = X(\omega) = Y(\omega) - \theta = y - \theta$

$$\therefore \{Y \in B(y, \epsilon)\} = \{(Y - \theta) \in B(x, \epsilon)\} = \{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\}$$

(iv) Divide the result from (iii) by the result of (ii):

$$\frac{\tilde{P}\{Y \in B(y, \epsilon)\}}{P\{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\}} = e^{-\frac{Y^2(\omega) - X^2(\omega)}{2}}$$

substitute $\{Y \in B(y, \epsilon)\} = \{X \in B(x, \epsilon)\} = A$ and $Y = X + \theta$

$$\text{yield} = \frac{\tilde{P}(A)}{P(A)} = e^{-\theta X(\bar{\omega}) - \frac{1}{2}\theta^2}$$

1.14

$$(i) \tilde{P}(\Omega) = \int_{\Omega} Z dP = \int_{\Omega} \tilde{\lambda} e^{-\tilde{\lambda} X} dX = 1$$

$$(ii) \tilde{P}(X \leq a) = \int_{-\infty}^a \tilde{\lambda} e^{-\tilde{\lambda} X} dX = 1 - e^{-\tilde{\lambda} a}$$

1.15

$$(i) E(Z) = \int_R Z f(X) dX = \int_R h(g(X)) g'(X) dX = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} h(g) dg = 1$$

$$(ii) \text{ Given } g(y) \text{ is monotone and } \lim_{y \rightarrow \pm\infty} g(y) = \pm\infty$$

$$\tilde{P}(Y \leq y) = \tilde{P}(X \leq g^{-1}(y)) = \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} h(g(X)) g'(X) dX$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{g^{-1}(y)} h(g(X)) dg(X) = \int_{-\infty}^y h(Y) dY$$