

# AMATH 561: Homework 1

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1. Setting  $A$  as  $B$  and as  $\phi$ , we find that  $B, \phi \in \mathcal{G}$ .

If  $A_1, A_2, A_3, \dots \in \mathcal{F}$ , then  $\cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ .

Since  $\cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

$$\cup_i (A_i \cap B) = (\cup_i A_i) \cap B \text{ exists in } \mathcal{G}.$$

For any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , there exist its complement  $A^c$ .

So, the following exist.

$$Y_1 = A \cap B, Y_2 = A^c \cap B$$

The relative complement of  $Y_1$  with respect to  $B$  is given by

$$B \setminus Y_1 = B \setminus (A \cap B) = (B \setminus B) \cup (B \setminus A) = \phi \cup (B \setminus A) = B \setminus A = B \cap A^c = Y_2$$

So, if  $Y$  is an element in  $\mathcal{G}$ , then its complement exists as well in  $\mathcal{G}$ .

Thus,  $\mathcal{F}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra on  $B$

2. Since  $\mathcal{F}$  and  $\mathcal{G}$  are  $\sigma$ -algebra,

$$\phi \in \mathcal{F}, \phi \in \mathcal{G}$$

So,

$$\phi \in \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$$

Also, if  $A$  is in  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$ , then

$$A \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } A \in \mathcal{G}$$

and

$$A^c \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } A^c \in \mathcal{G}$$

Thus,

$$A^c \in \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$$

Finally, if

$$A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, \dots \in \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$$

then for countable unions,

$$\cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$$

since

$$A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, \dots, \cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } A_1, A_2, A_3, A_4, \dots, \cup_i A_i \in \mathcal{G}$$

Thus,  $\mathcal{F} \cap \mathcal{G}$  is a  $\sigma$ -algebra.

3. (a) Here,  $\Omega$  is the set of all possible outcomes and is given by

$$\Omega = \{TTT, HHH, HTT, HHT, HTH, THH, THT, TTH\}$$

The trivial  $\sigma$ -algebra is given by

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \{\phi, \Omega\}$$

with the probability measure maps them to 0,1 A slightly more resolved  $\sigma$ -algebra is given by

$$\mathcal{F}_1 = \{\phi, \Omega, HXX, TXX\}$$

where HXX represents the event where the first coin shows a Head while TXX is its complement where the first coin shows a tail.

If  $p$  is the probability of getting a Head, the probability measure maps the  $\sigma$ -algebra to  $\{0, 1, p, 1-p\}$

- (b)

$$\Omega = \{BlueBlue, RedRed, BlueRed, RedBlue\}$$

A slightly resolved  $\sigma$ -algebra is given by

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\phi, \Omega, \text{'Two balls of same color'}, \text{'Two balls of different color'}\}$$

The probability measure maps this  $\sigma$ -algebra to  $\{0, 1, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}\}$

- (c) Here,  $\Omega$  is infinite and given by

$$\Omega = \{H, TH, TTH, TTTH, TTTTH, TTTTTH, \dots\}$$

A  $\sigma$ -algebra is given by

$$\mathcal{F} = \{\phi, \Omega, \text{'Events where you get Head within 3 tries'}, \text{'Events where you don't get Head within 3 tries'}\}$$

If  $p$  is the probability of getting a Head is  $p$ , the probability measure maps this  $\sigma$ -algebra to  $\{0, 1, p + (1-p)p + (1-p)^2p, 1-(p + (1-p)p + (1-p)^2p)\}$

4. Since  $g$  is a strictly increasing function, it is a one-one function. Since it is continuous, it is onto. Thus,  $g$  is invertible.

So, we can write

$$F_Y(x) = P(Y \leq x) = P(g(X) \leq x) = P(X \leq g^{-1}(x)) = F_X(g^{-1}(x))$$

By using chain rule, we can get

$$f_Y(x) = F'_Y(x) = F'_X(g^{-1}(x))g^{-1'}(x)$$

5. (a)

$$F_Y(x) = P(Y \leq x) = P(X^2 \leq x) = P(-\sqrt{x} \leq X \leq \sqrt{x}) = F_X(\sqrt{x}) - F_X(-\sqrt{x})$$

Here,  $x$  should be greater than or equal to 0. So,

$$F_Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ F_X(\sqrt{x}) - F_X(-\sqrt{x}) & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

(b)

$$F_Y(x) = P(Y \leq x) = P(\sqrt{|X|} \leq x) = P(|X| \leq x^2) = P(-x^2 \leq X \leq x^2) = F_X(x^2) - F_X(-x^2)$$

Since usually the square root function is assumed to be its positive value and not multivalued, So,

$$F_Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ F_X(x^2) - F_X(-x^2) & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$$

(c)

$$F_Y(x) = P(Y \leq x) = P(\sin(X) \leq x)$$

This is only valid for  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . Within this region, for  $\sin(X) \leq x$ , the random variable  $X$  can take any value in  $\mathbb{R}$  depending on  $x$ . Also, for a particular  $x$ , the corresponding  $X$  such that  $\sin(X) \leq x$  is a collection of infinitely many sets since  $\sin(x)$  is periodic.

We define

$$\eta = \cup_k \{-\pi + 2k\pi \leq X \leq \arcsin(x) + 2k\pi\} \forall k \in \mathbb{Z}$$

Then,

$$F_Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < -1 \\ \int_{\eta} dx F'_X(x) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

(d)

$$F_Y(x) = P(Y \leq x) = P(F_X(X) \leq x)$$

Although  $F_X$  is non-decreasing, it may not be continuous and increasing. So, it may not be invertible. But, for any  $x$ , the random variable  $X$  that satisfies  $F_X(X) \leq x$  by an open or closed set like in the graph below (since it's non-decreasing and right-continuous). Thus, everything is defined on a Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra and  $F_X(x)$  is still a measurable function.

Unlike the previous case, here the set  $\{X : F_X(X) \leq x\}$  is one single set (since  $F_X$  is non-decreasing). So, we can find  $F_Y$  by evaluating  $F_X$  at  $K$  such that  $K = \sup\{X : F_X(X) \leq x\}$ .

$$F_Y = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } x < 0 \\ F_X(\sup\{X : F_X(X) \leq x\}) & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 1 & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$

6. (a) We need  $\mathbb{E}Z = 1$ . By definition,

$$\mathbb{E}Z = \int_R dx Z f(x) = \int_R dx \frac{g(x)}{f(x)} f(x)$$

Since  $f > 0$  always, we don't need to worry about singularities in the integral.

$$\mathbb{E}Z = \int_R dx Z f(x) = \int_R dx g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} g(x) dx$$

That is the distribution function corresponding to  $g$  evaluated at infinity, which should be 1. Thus,

$$\mathbb{E}Z = 1$$

Also, since  $g \geq 0$  because it is a density function and  $f > 0$ ,  $Z \geq 0$ .

Thus,  $Z$  fulfills the requirements to be a Radon-Nikodym derivative.

- (b) To find the density of  $X$ , we start with the distribution of  $X$  (under the new probability measure).

$$\tilde{\mathcal{P}}(X \leq b) = \mathbb{E}Z 1_{\{X \leq b\}} = \int_{\{X \leq b\}} dx Z f(x) = \int_{\{X \leq b\}} dx g(x) = \int_{-\infty}^b g(x) dx$$

Looking at this, we can see that the density function of  $X$  under the new measure is  $g(x)$ .