

1. THEORY OF PROBABILITY EXAM 1

Question 1 (1.1). Let $\{f_n\}$ be a sequence of measurable functions on the measure space (S, \mathcal{S}, μ) where μ is finite. Consider the following statements: (1) Every subsequence $\{f_{n_k}\}$ has a further subsequence which converges a.e. to 0, (2) $f_n \rightarrow 0$, in measure. Show $1 \implies 2$ ($2 \implies 1$).

Proof. (a)

Suppose $f_n \not\rightarrow 0$ in measure. This means that, for some choice of $\epsilon, \delta > 0$, $\mu(|f_n - f| \geq \epsilon) > \delta$ for infinitely many n . Construct a sequence $\{n_k\}$ of values of n for which the above inequality holds. Consider $\{f_{n_k}\}$. No subsequences of this sequence converge in measure, so no subsequences of this sequence converge a.e. (since a.e. convergence implies convergence in measure). \square

Question 2 (1.2). Let $f \in \mathcal{L}_+^0(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$, where μ is a finite measure, be such that $\limsup_{t \rightarrow \infty} t^{p_0} \mu(f > t) < \infty$, where $p_0 > 1$. Show that $f \in \mathcal{L}^p(S, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ for all $p \in [1, p_0)$.

Proof. From our assumption, there exists some C, N , such that $\mu(f > t) \leq Ct^{-p_0}$, for all $t > N$.

$$\int_S f^p d\mu$$

$= \int_0^\infty p t^{p-1} \mu(f > t) dt \leq \int_0^N p t^{p-1} \mu(f > t) dt + \int_N^\infty p t^{p-1} \mu(f > t) dt \leq C_1 + C \int_N^\infty t^{p-p_0} dt$. This is certainly finite whenever $p - p_0 > 1$.*** \square