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1. (1.a)

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Give the definition of a random variable on a probability space.

(1.b) Explain giving reasons which of the following is a random variable and which is not.

2 pts

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- (i) Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a probability space defined with $\Omega \equiv \mathbb{N}$, $\Sigma \equiv$ *smallest σ -algebra containing subsets consisting of even numbers*, and $\mu(\{2n\}) \equiv \frac{1}{2^n}, n \in \mathbb{N}$. Let

$$X \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\chi_{\{4,6\}} + \frac{1}{2}\chi_{\{1,2,3\}}$$

where χ_A denotes the characteristic function of a set A .

3 pts

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- (ii) Let $(\mathbb{R}, \Sigma_L, \gamma)$ be a probability space, where $\Sigma_L \equiv$ *Lebesgue measurable sets in \mathbb{R}* , and γ is the Gaussian measure with variance one and mean zero. Let

$$X_n(x) \equiv x^n.$$

- (iii) Let $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$, where $\Sigma_L \equiv$ is as in (ii), and λ is the *Lebesgue measure*. Let $A \subset [0, 1]$ and $A \notin \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1]$. Let

$$X(x) \equiv \chi_{A \cap \mathbb{Q}}.$$

4 pts

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- (1.c) Prove or disprove that there are uncountably many distribution functions on the real line which have jumps at the rational points.

6 pts

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2. (2.a)

4 pts

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Give the definition of mutually independent σ -algebras, explaining carefully all notions involved.

6 pts

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- (2.b) Let $[0, 2\pi]^{\times \mathbb{N}} \ni \omega \equiv (\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \mapsto \pi_j(\omega) := \omega_j$. Are the random variables

$$\{Y_j \equiv \cos(j\pi_j) \cos((j+1)\pi_{j+1})\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$$

on a probability space $([0, 2\pi], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 2\pi], \frac{1}{2\pi}\lambda)^{\otimes \mathbb{N}}$ mutually independent.

10 pts

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- (2.c) Prove the Weak Law of Large Numbers for the family $Z_k \equiv X_k X_{k+1}$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$, where (X_j) are mutually independent Gaussian random variables with mean zero and variance $\text{Var}(X_j) = \log(1+j)$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$, on the probability space $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$.

3. (3.a)

5 pts
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Let A_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, be a sequence of events in a probability space. Define the corresponding $\limsup_n A_n$ event. Prove that $\omega \in \limsup_n A_n$ if and only if ω belongs to infinitely many sets A_n .

8 pts
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(3.b) Let $\Omega \equiv \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ and, for a finite sequence $\alpha_k \in \{0, 1\}$, $k = 1, \dots, 6$, let

$$A_n \equiv \{\omega : \omega_{12n+k} = \alpha_k, k = 1, \dots, 6\}.$$

Suppose on Ω we are given a product probability measure

$$\mu \equiv \bigotimes_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \nu_j$$

where $\nu_j(\{0\}) = j^{-\frac{1}{3}}$. Explain giving reasons whether or not the pattern $\alpha_k = 0$, for all $k = 1, \dots, 6$, will appear infinitely many times with probability one? State the necessary theorems without giving their proofs.

7 pts
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(3.c)

Let r_j , $j \in \mathbb{N}$, be the Rademacher random variables on unit interval with the Lebesgue measure. Prove the Strong Law of Large Numbers for the random variables $R_j \equiv r_j r_{j+1} r_{j+2}$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$.

4. (4.a)

5 pts
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- (i) Give the definition of the characteristic function of a real valued random variable.
- (ii) Prove that the product of n characteristic functions satisfies all properties of a characteristic function.

6 pts
unseen

(4.b) Let random variables r_j , $j \in \mathbb{N}$, be as in Problem (3.c). Find a characteristic function of the following random variables

$$Y_j \equiv r_j r_{j+1}, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}$$

on the probability space $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$.

9 pts
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(4.c) Prove the Central Limit Theorem for the random variables $\{Y_{2j}\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ on a probability space $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$.

5. (5.a) State the Birkhoff Ergodic Theorem explaining carefully all notions involved.

5 pts

seen

7 pts

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(5.b) Let $r_k, k \in \mathbb{N}$, be the Rademacher functions on $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$. Using the Birkhoff Ergodic Theorem prove the Strong Law of Large Numbers for $r_k, k \in \mathbb{N}$.

8 pts

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(5.c) Let $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu) \equiv ([0, 2\pi], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 2\pi], \frac{1}{2\pi}\lambda)^\mathbb{N}$, where λ denotes the Lebesgue measure on $\Sigma_L \cap [0, 2\pi]$.

Let

$$f_k(\omega) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^2} \prod_{j=1}^n \omega_{j+k}^{\frac{1}{n}} \cos\left(n \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_{j+k}\right).$$

Using the Birkhoff Ergodic Theorem prove that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f_k = 0$$

in \mathbb{L}_1 and almost everywhere.

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Solutions

1. Solution

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(1.a)

Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a probability space. A function $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called a random variable iff for any Borel set $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ we have

$$X^{-1}(A) \equiv \{\omega \in \Omega : X(\omega) \in A\} \in \Sigma.$$

2 pts

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(1.b) (i) Let $\Omega \equiv \mathbb{N}$, $\Sigma \equiv$ *smallest σ -algebra containing subsets consisting of even numbers*, and $\mu(\{2n\}) \equiv \frac{1}{2^n}$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$. If

$$X \equiv -\frac{1}{2}\chi_{\{4,6\}} + \frac{1}{2}\chi_{\{1,2,3\}}$$

where χ_A denotes the characteristic function of a set A , then we have

$$X^{-1}\left(\left\{\frac{1}{2}\right\}\right) = \{1, 2, 3, 4, 6\}$$

which does not belong to Σ . Hence X is not a random variable.

3 pts

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(ii) Let $(\mathbb{R}, \Sigma_L, \gamma)$, where $\Sigma_L \equiv$ *Lebesgue measurable sets in \mathbb{R}* , and γ is the Gaussian measure with variance one and mean zero. Let

$$X_n(x) \equiv x^n.$$

Since preimage by X_n of an interval is an interval and intervals generate the Borel σ -algebra which is contained in Σ_L , X_n is a random variable.

4 pts

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(iii) Let $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$, where $\Sigma_L \equiv$ *Lebesgue measurable sets in \mathbb{R}* , and λ is the *Lebesgue measure*. Let $A \subset [0, 1]$ and $A \notin \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1]$. Let

$$X(x) \equiv \chi_{A \cap \mathbb{Q}}.$$

We note that rational numbers have Lebesgue measure zero and hence $A \cap \mathbb{Q}$ is of measure zero too. Since sets of measure zero belong to Σ_L by definition of the σ -algebra of Lebesgue measurable sets, this implies that X is a random variable.

6 pts

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(1.c) Since rationals form a countable set $\mathbb{Q} \equiv (q_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ we can assign a probability measure $\nu(\cdot)$ on the σ -algebra of Borel or Lebesgue measurable sets by setting

$$\nu(\{q_n\}) = \alpha_n, \quad \text{with} \quad \alpha_n \geq 0, \quad \sum_n \alpha_n = 1$$

and consequently zero for any set not containing rational points. It is clear that there is uncountable many choices of such measures. Then the distribution function of the function *id* on \mathbb{R} has jumps on the set of rational points.

2. Solution

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(2.a)

Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a probability space and let Σ_i , $i = 1, \dots, n$, $n \in \mathbb{N}$, be a collection of sub σ -algebras in Σ . We say that the σ -algebras in this collection are mutually independent iff

$$\forall A_i \in \Sigma_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n, \quad \mu(\cap_{i=1, \dots, n} A_i) = \prod_{i=1, \dots, n} \mu(A_i).$$

6 pts

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(2.b) Let $[0, 2\pi]^{\times \mathbb{N}} \ni \omega \equiv (\omega_j)_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \mapsto \pi_j(\omega) := \omega_j$. By definition of the product measure the σ -algebra $\pi_j^{-1}(\mathcal{B}_{\mathbb{R}})$ are mutually independent. Hence all random variables Y_j and Y_k for $|j - k| \geq 2$ are mutually independent. Next we note that

$$E(Y_j^2) = E(\cos^2(j\pi_j) \cos^2((j+1)\pi_{j+1})) = E\left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2j\pi_j) + 1) \frac{1}{2}(\cos(2(j+1)\pi_{j+1}) + 1)\right) = \frac{1}{4}$$

and so

$$E(Y_{j-1}^2) E(Y_j^2) = \frac{1}{16}$$

On the other hand

$$\begin{aligned} E(Y_{j-1}^2 Y_j^2) &= E(\cos^2((j-1)\pi_{j-1}) \cos^4(j\pi_j) \cos^2((j+1)\pi_{j+1})) \\ &= E\left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2(j-1)\pi_{j-1}) + 1) \left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2j\pi_j) + 1)\right)^2 \frac{1}{2}(\cos(2(j+1)\pi_{j+1}) + 1)\right) \\ &= E\left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2(j-1)\pi_{j-1}) + 1)\right) E\left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2j\pi_j) + 1)\right)^2 E\left(\frac{1}{2}(\cos(2(j+1)\pi_{j+1}) + 1)\right) = \frac{3}{16} \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$E(Y_{j-1}^2 Y_j^2) \neq E(Y_{j-1}^2) E(Y_j^2)$$

and hence the random variables Y_{j-1} and Y_j as well as Y_{j+1} and Y_j are not mutually independent;

10 pts

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(2.c) Using mutual independence of the Gaussian random variables X_j and $EX_j = 0$, we have

$$E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right)^2 = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n E(Y_j^2).$$

We also note that

$$E(Y_j^2) = EX_j^2 X_{j+1}^2 = \log(1+j) \log(2+j).$$

Hence

$$E\left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j\right)^2 = \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{j=1}^n \log(1+j) \log(2+j) \leq \frac{\log(1+n) \log(2+n)}{n}$$

which goes to zero as $n \rightarrow \infty$. This implies that

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n Y_j \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

in probability.

3. (3.a)

5 pts

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For be a sequence of events A_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, in some probability space (Ω, Σ, μ) , the corresponding $\limsup_n A_n$ event is defined as follows

$$\limsup_n A_n := \bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{k \geq n} A_k$$

By definition of the intersection of sets in the set theory, we have

$$\bigcap_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{k \geq n} A_k = \{\omega \in \Omega : \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \omega \in \bigcup_{k \geq n} A_k\}$$

so, using the definition of the union of the sets, we get the following equivalence

$$\omega \in \limsup_n A_n \iff \forall n \in \mathbb{N} \quad \exists k_n \geq n \quad \omega \in A_{k_n}$$

i.e. exists an infinite sequence A_{k_n} , $k_n \in \mathbb{N}$, such that for $\omega \in \limsup_n A_n$, we have $\omega \in A_{k_n}$ for infinitely many sets A_{k_n} .

8 pts

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(3.b) Let $\Omega \equiv \{0, 1\}^{\mathbb{N}}$ and, for a finite sequence $\alpha_k \in \{0, 1\}$, $k = 1, \dots, 6$, let

$$A_n \equiv \{\omega : \omega_{12n+k} = \alpha_k, k = 1, \dots, 6\}.$$

Suppose we are given a product probability measure

$$\mu \equiv \bigotimes_{j \in \mathbb{N}} \nu_j$$

where $\nu_j(\{0\}) = j^{-\frac{1}{3}}$. Then we have

$$\mu(A_n) = \mu \left(\bigcap_{k=1, \dots, 6} \{\omega_{12n+k} = 0\} \right) = \prod_{k=1, \dots, 6} \nu_{12n+k}(\{0\}) = \prod_{k=1, \dots, 6} (12n+k)^{-\frac{1}{3}} \leq (12n)^{-2}$$

Since $\sum_n (12n)^{-2} < \infty$, we get

$$\sum_n \mu(A_n) < \infty.$$

Next we use the following theorem.

Borel-Cantelli Lemma: For a sequence of events A_n , $n \in \mathbb{N}$, in a probability space (Ω, Σ, μ) , if

$$\sum_n \mu(A_n) < \infty,$$

then

$$\mu(\limsup_n A_n) = 0.$$

This implies that in our case the pattern of six zeros appears infinitely many times with probability zero.

(3.c)

Let r_j , $j \in \mathbb{N}$, be the Rademacher random variables on unit interval with the Lebesgue measure and let $R_j \equiv r_j r_{j+1} r_{j+2}$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$. Define

$$s_n \equiv \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1, \dots, n} R_j.$$

We have

$$E(s_n^4) = \frac{1}{n^4} \sum_{i,j,k,l=1, \dots, n} E(R_i R_j R_k R_l)$$

Since the Rademacher random variables are mutually independent, have mean zero and their square equals to one, we have

$$\begin{aligned} n^4 \cdot E(s_n^4) &= \sum_{i=j=k=l=1, \dots, n} E(R_i R_j R_k R_l) + \sum_{i=j, k=l \in \{1, \dots, n\}} E(R_i R_j R_k R_l) \\ &\quad + \sum_{i=k, j=l \in \{1, \dots, n\}} E(R_i R_j R_k R_l) + \sum_{i=l, j=k \in \{1, \dots, n\}} E(R_i R_j R_k R_l) \\ &= n + 3n^2. \end{aligned}$$

This implies that

$$E(s_n^4) \leq \frac{1}{n^4} (n + 3n^2) \leq 4 \frac{1}{n^2}$$

and so we have

$$\sum_n E(s_n^4) < \infty.$$

From this, using the monotone convergence theorem and necessary condition for convergence of series, we conclude that

$$s_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

with probability one.

4. (4.a)

5 pts

seen

- (i) Let X be a real valued random variable on a probability space (Ω, Σ, μ) . A characteristic function of X is defined by

$$\varphi_X(t) := \int e^{itX} d\mu.$$

- (ii) Let $\varphi_i(t)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, be characteristic functions of some random variables X_i on some probability spaces $(\Omega_i, \Sigma_i, \mu_i)$. Let

$$\varphi(t) \equiv \prod_{j=1, \dots, n} \varphi_j(t).$$

Since all $\varphi_i(t)$ are uniformly continuous and have value one at $t = 0$, so does the function $\varphi(t)$. The uniform continuity follows from the following bound

$$\begin{aligned} |\varphi(t+h) - \varphi(t)| &\leq |\varphi_1(t+h) - \varphi_1(t)| \prod_{k>1} |\varphi_k(t)| \\ &+ \sum_{j=1, \dots, n-1} \prod_{k<j} |\varphi_k(t+h)| \prod_{k>j} |\varphi_k(t)| \cdot |\varphi_j(t+h) - \varphi_j(t)| + \\ &\quad \prod_{k<n} |\varphi_k(t+h)| \cdot |\varphi_n(t+h) - \varphi_n(t)| \\ &\leq \sum_{j=1, \dots, n} |\varphi_j(t+h) - \varphi_j(t)| \end{aligned}$$

where in the last step one uses the fact that any characteristic function satisfies $|\varphi_k(t)| \leq 1$. To show positive definiteness, it is sufficient to show that for $n = 2$ and use the mathematical induction for the general case. We note that any positive definite matrix C can be represented as follows

$$C = A^* A$$

with some matrix A and with A^* denoting the adjoint of A . Hence if

$$\varphi_1(t_i - t_j) = (A^* A)_{ij} \quad \text{and} \quad \varphi_2(t_i - t_j) = (B^* B)_{ij},$$

we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i,j} \varphi_1(t_i - t_j) \varphi_2(t_i - t_j) \bar{z}_i z_j &= \sum_{i,j} (A^* A)_{ij} (B^* B)_{ij} \bar{z}_i z_j \\ &= \sum_{k,l} \sum_{i,j} A_{ik}^* A_{kj} B_{il}^* B_{lj} \bar{z}_i z_j = \sum_{k,l} \left| \sum_j A_{kj} B_{lj} z_j \right|^2 \geq 0 \end{aligned}$$

That is the product of characteristic functions satisfy the positive definiteness condition.

6 pts

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(4.b) Let

$$Y_j \equiv r_j r_{j+1}, \quad j \in \mathbb{N}$$

on the probability space $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$. Since r_j are mutually independent Bernoulli random variable taking on values ± 1 with equal probability, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^{itY_j} d\lambda &= e^{it} \lambda(\{Y_j = 1\}) + e^{-it} \lambda(\{Y_j = -1\}) \\ &= e^{it} \lambda(\{r_j = 1, r_{j+1} = 1\} \cup \{r_j = -1, r_{j+1} = -1\}) \\ &\quad + e^{-it} \lambda(\{r_j = 1, r_{j+1} = -1\} \cup \{r_j = -1, r_{j+1} = 1\}) \\ &= \cos(t) \end{aligned}$$

where we have used

$$\begin{aligned} \lambda(\{r_j = 1, r_{j+1} = 1\} \cup \{r_j = -1, r_{j+1} = -1\}) \\ &= \lambda(\{r_j = 1, r_{j+1} = 1\}) + \lambda(\{r_j = -1, r_{j+1} = -1\}) \\ &= \lambda(\{r_j = 1\})\lambda(\{r_{j+1} = 1\}) + \lambda(\{r_j = -1\})\lambda(\{r_{j+1} = -1\}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

and similarly for the probability of $\{Y_j = -1\}$.

9 pts

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(4.c) Central Limit Theorem : If $\{Y_{2j} \equiv r_{2j} r_{2j+1}\}_{j \in \mathbb{N}}$ are the random variables on a probability space $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$, then

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1, \dots, n} Y_{2j}$$

converges in distribution to the Gaussian random variable with mean zero and covariance one.

Proof : By definition and mutual independence of the Rademacher functions r_k , $k \in \mathbb{N}$, the random variables $Y_{2j} \equiv r_{2j} r_{2j+1}$, $j \in \mathbb{N}$, are i.i.d. with mean zero and variance one. Using (4.b) we have

$$\int \exp \left(it \frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1, \dots, n} Y_{2j} \right) d\lambda = \left(\cos \left(\frac{t}{\sqrt{n}} \right) \right)^n = \left(1 - \frac{t^2}{2n} + \mathcal{O} \left(\frac{1}{n^{3/2}} \right) \right)^n \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{-\frac{1}{2}t^2}.$$

and hence by Levy's continuity theorem $\frac{1}{\sqrt{n}} \sum_{j=1, \dots, n} Y_{2j}$ converges in distribution to the Gaussian random variable with mean zero and covariance one.

5. (5.a)

5 pts

Let (Ω, Σ, μ) be a probability space. A map $T : \Omega \rightarrow \Omega$ is called measure preserving if for any $A \in \Sigma$

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$$\mu(T^{-1}A) = \mu(A).$$

A set $A \in \Sigma$ is called T -invariant iff the symmetric difference $A \setminus T^{-1}A \cup T^{-1}A \setminus A$ has probability zero. Let \mathcal{I} denote σ -algebra of T -invariant sets and let $E_\mu(\cdot|\mathcal{I})$ be the corresponding conditional expectation associated to the probability measure μ .

Birkhoff's Ergodic Theorem : Suppose $X \in \mathbb{L}_1(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$. Then

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^n X(T^j \omega) \rightarrow_{n \rightarrow \infty} E_\mu(X|\mathcal{I})$$

in $\mathbb{L}_1(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu)$ and almost surely.

7 pts

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(5.b) Let r_k be the Rademacher functions on $([0, 1], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 1], \lambda)$.

If

$$T(t) = \begin{cases} 2t & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 2(t - \frac{1}{2}) & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Let

$$\epsilon(t) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } 0 \leq t \leq \frac{1}{2} \\ 0 & \text{for } \frac{1}{2} < t \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

and define

$$\epsilon_k(t) \equiv \epsilon(T^{k-1}(t)).$$

Then the Rademacher functions are related to ϵ_k s as follows

$$r_k(t) = 1 - 2\epsilon_k(t)$$

and so

$$r_k(t) = r_1(T^{k-1}(t)).$$

We note that the corresponding σ -algebra at infinity is given by

$$\bigcap_n \sigma(\{r_k, k \geq n\}),$$

where $\sigma(\{r_k, k \geq n\})$ denotes the smallest σ -algebra s.t. all $\{r_k, k \geq n\}$ are measurable. By the Kolmogorov 0-1 Law this σ -algebra is trivial. On the other hand we note that

$$T^{-1}\sigma(\{r_k, k \geq n+1\}) = \sigma(\{r_k, k \geq n\}),$$

which implies that the σ -algebra at infinity contains the T invariant sets. Hence, using the triviality of σ -algebra at infinity, the Birkhoff's Ergodic Theorem implies the Strong Law of Large numbers for Rademacher functions.

- (5.c) Let $(\Omega, \Sigma, \mu) \equiv ([0, 2\pi], \Sigma_L \cap [0, 2\pi], \frac{1}{2\pi}\lambda)^\mathbb{N}$, where λ denotes the Lebesgue measure on $\Sigma_L \cap [0, 2\pi]$.

Let

$$f_k(\omega) = \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^{n+2}} \prod_{j=1}^n \omega_{j+k}^{\frac{1}{n}} \cos\left(n \sum_{j=1}^n \omega_{j+k}\right)$$

We note first that

$$\int \prod_{j=1}^n \omega_j^{\frac{1}{n}} d\mu = \prod_{j=1}^n \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \omega_j^{\frac{1}{n}} d\omega_j = n^n 2\pi$$

and so

$$\int |f_k| d\mu = \int |f_0| d\mu \leq \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^{2+\varepsilon}} \int \prod_{j=1}^n \omega_j^{-1+\frac{1}{n}} d\mu \leq 2\pi \sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{1}{n^2} < \infty$$

This means that $f_k \in \mathbb{L}_1(\mu)$. A map $T : \mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^\mathbb{N}$ defined by

$$(T\omega)_j = \omega_{j+1}$$

is preserving the product measure. Since we have $\pi_{j+1} = \pi_j \circ T$, we get

$$f_k = f_1 \circ T^{k-1}$$

Using the Birkhoff ergodic theorem we conclude that

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f_k = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f_1 \circ T^{k-1} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} 0$$

almost everywhere and in \mathbb{L}_1 . We use here the fact that by Kolmogorov 0-1 the σ -algebra at infinity is trivial.