

# ST5215 Advanced Statistical Theory, Lecture 5

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# Review

## Last time

- Properties of conditional expectation
- Conditional distribution
- Statistical models

## Today

- Exponential families
- Statistics

# Recap: Independence

## Definition

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{E}, P)$  be a probability space.

- (Independent events) The events in a subset  $\mathcal{C} \subset \mathcal{E}$  are said to be *independent* iff for any positive  $n$  and distinct events  $A_1, \dots, A_n \in \mathcal{C}$ ,

$$P(A_1 \cap \dots \cap A_n) = P(A_1) \dots P(A_n). \quad (1)$$

- (Independent collections) Collections  $\mathcal{C}_i \subset \mathcal{E}$ ,  $i \in \mathcal{I}$  are independent iff events in a collection of the form  $\{A_i \in \mathcal{C}_i : i \in \mathcal{I}\}$  are independent.
- (Independent random variables): random variables  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are said to be independent iff  $\sigma(X_1), \dots, \sigma(X_n)$  are independent.

Example:  $\mathcal{C}_1 = \{A_1, A_2\}$ ,  $\mathcal{C}_2 = \{A_3, A_4\}$ . Then  $\mathcal{C}_1$  and  $\mathcal{C}_2$  are independent iff 1).  $A_1$  and  $A_3$  are independent, 2).  $A_1$  and  $A_4$  are independent, 3).  $A_2$  and  $A_3$  are independent, 4).  $A_2$  and  $A_4$  are independent.

## Recap: Conditional expectation

### Definition

- Let  $X$  be an integrable random variable on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .
- Let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a sub- $\sigma$ -field of  $\mathcal{F}$ .

The *conditional expectation* of  $X$  given  $\mathcal{A}$ , denoted by  $\mathbb{E}(X \mid \mathcal{A})$ , is a random variable satisfying the following two conditions:

- ①  $\mathbb{E}(X \mid \mathcal{A})$  is measurable from  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A})$  to  $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B})$
- ②  $\int_C \mathbb{E}(X \mid \mathcal{A}) \, dP = \int_C X \, dP$  for any  $C \in \mathcal{A}$

Such  $\mathbb{E}(X \mid \mathcal{A})$  exists and is unique.

## Definition (Conditional expectation in $L^2$ sense)

Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space.

- 1 Define  $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  to be the collection of all Borel functions  $f$  on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  such that  $\int f^2 dP < \infty$ . (Inner product  $\langle X, Y \rangle := \mathbb{E}(XY)$  makes it a *Hilbert space*)
- 2 Let  $\mathcal{G}$  be a sub- $\sigma$ -field of  $\mathcal{F}$ . For any r.v.  $X \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , the conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $\mathcal{G}$ , denoted by  $\mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{G})$ , is defined as the orthogonal projection of  $X$  onto the closed subspace  $L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P)$ .

- Orthogonal projection:  $\langle X - \mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{G}), Z \rangle = 0$  for all  $Z \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P)$
- One can prove that  $\mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{G}) = \arg \min_{f \in L^2(\Omega, \mathcal{G}, P)} \mathbb{E}(X - f)^2$
- For any  $B \in \mathcal{G}$ , let  $Z = I_B$

$$\int_B X dP = \int_B \mathbb{E}(X | \mathcal{G}) dP, \quad (2)$$

so this definition is the same as the one defined before (of course, only when  $\mathbb{E}X^2 < \infty$ )

# Recap: Existence of conditional distributions

## Theorem

*Suppose*

- $X$  is a random  $n$ -vector on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ , and
- $Y$  is measurable from  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$  to  $(\Lambda, \mathcal{G})$ .

*Then there exists a function  $P_{X|Y}(B | y)$  on  $\mathcal{B}^n \times \Lambda$  such that*

- ①  $P_{X|Y}(\cdot | y)$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathcal{R}^n, \mathcal{B}^n)$  for any fixed  $y \in \Lambda$ ,
- ②  $P_{X|Y}(B | y) = P[X \in B | Y = y]$  a.s.  $P_Y$  for any fixed  $B \in \mathcal{B}^n$ .

**Remark.**

- By definition, for any  $B \in \mathcal{B}^n$ ,  $P[X \in B | Y]$  is a random variable on  $(\Omega, \sigma(Y))$  and can be represented as  $h(Y)$ .
- This theorem ensures that for almost every fixed  $y \in \Lambda$ , we can find a probability measure  $P_{X|Y}(\cdot | y)$  such that the equation  $P_{X|Y}(B | y) = h(y)$  holds.

## Recap: Statistical models

- A *statistical model* is a set of assumptions on the population  $P$ , and is often expressed as

$$P \in \mathcal{P} = \{Q : Q \text{ satisfies some conditions}\} \quad (3)$$

- A *parametric model* refers to the assumption that the population  $P$  is in a parametric family  $\mathcal{P} = \{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ , where  $\Theta \subset \mathcal{R}^d$
- A parametric family  $\{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$  is said to be *identifiable* if and only if  $\theta_1 \neq \theta_2$  and  $\theta_1, \theta_2 \in \Theta$  imply  $P_{\theta_1} \neq P_{\theta_2}$
- Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a family of populations and  $\nu$  a  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ . If  $P \ll \nu$  for all  $P \in \mathcal{P}$ , then we say  $\mathcal{P}$  is *dominated* by  $\nu$ . In this case,  $\mathcal{P}$  can be identified by the family of densities  $\{\frac{dP}{d\nu} : P \in \mathcal{P}\}$ .

## Exercise

- Suppose  $P_\theta(X > x) = \exp(-x/\theta)$ , for  $\theta > 0, x > 0$ . Show that  $\{P_\theta\}$  is dominated.
- Suppose  $P_\theta$  is a point mass at  $\theta$ , i.e.,  $P_\theta(X = \theta) = 1$ , for any  $\theta \in \mathcal{R}$ . Show that  $\{P_\theta\}$  cannot be dominated.  
(Hint: Suppose it is dominated by  $\nu$ . Find an uncountable set  $A$  s.t.  $\nu(A)$  is finite. Then “exhaust” the measure of  $A$  by choosing a countable set.)



# Exponential families

## Definition

A parametric family  $\{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$  dominated by a  $\sigma$ -finite measure  $\nu$  on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{E})$  is called an *exponential family* iff

$$f_\theta(\omega) = \frac{dP_\theta}{d\nu}(\omega) = \exp \left\{ [\eta(\theta)]^\top T(\omega) - \xi(\theta) \right\} h(\omega), \quad \omega \in \Omega, \quad (4)$$

where  $T$  is a random  $p$ -vector,  $\eta$  is a function from  $\Theta$  to  $\mathcal{R}^p$ ,  $h$  is a nonnegative Borel function on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{E})$ , and

$$\xi(\theta) = \log \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \exp \{ [\eta(\theta)]^\top T(\omega) \} h(\omega) \, d\nu(\omega) \right\}. \quad (5)$$

- $T$  and  $h$  are functions of  $\omega$  only
- $\xi$  and  $\eta$  are functions of  $\theta$  only

## Exponential families (Cont.)

The representation of an exponential family is not unique:

- 1 Let  $D$  be a  $p \times p$  nonsingular matrix. Transforming  $\tilde{\eta} = D\eta(\theta)$  and  $\tilde{T} = D^{-\top} T$  gives another representation for the same family
- 2 Another measure that dominates the family also changes the representation:

Define  $\lambda(A) = \int_A h \, d\nu$  for any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , then we can represent the same exponential family with densities w.r.t.  $\lambda$

$$\frac{dP_{\theta}}{d\lambda}(\omega) = \exp \{ [\eta(\theta)]^{\top} T(\omega) - \xi(\theta) \}$$

# The canonical form

Reparametrize the family by  $\eta = \eta(\theta)$ , so that

$$f_{\eta}(\omega) = \exp\{\eta^{\top} T(\omega) - \zeta(\eta)\} h(\omega) \quad (6)$$

where  $\zeta(\eta) = \log \left\{ \int_{\Omega} \exp\{\eta^{\top} T(\omega)\} h(\omega) \, d\nu(\omega) \right\}$ .

- This is the *canonical form* for the family (still not unique)
- $\eta$  is called the *natural parameter*
- The *natural parameter space*:  $\Xi = \{\eta(\theta) : \theta \in \Theta\} \subset \mathcal{R}^p$
- An exponential family in its canonical form is called a *natural exponential family*
- *Full rank*: if  $\Xi$  contains an open set

## Example: Binomial distribution

The Binomial distributions  $\{\text{Binom}(\theta, n) : \theta \in (0, 1)\}$  is an exponential family. Here the density of  $\text{Binom}(\theta, n)$  w.r.t. the counting measure is

$$\begin{aligned} f_{\theta}(x) &= \binom{n}{x} \theta^x (1 - \theta)^{n-x} \\ &= \exp \left\{ x \log \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta} + n \log(1 - \theta) \right\} \binom{n}{x}, \quad x \in \Omega = \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \end{aligned}$$

- $T(x) = x$
- $\eta(\theta) = \log \frac{\theta}{1 - \theta}$
- $\xi(\theta) = -n \log(1 - \theta)$
- $h(x) = \binom{n}{x}$
- $\Theta = (0, 1)$

## Example: Binomial distribution (Canonical form)

We can turn it into its canonical form. Let  $\eta = \log \frac{\theta}{1-\theta}$ . The density becomes

$$f_{\eta}(x) = \exp\{\eta x - n \log(1 + e^{\eta})\} \binom{n}{x}, \quad \forall x \in \Omega = \{0, 1, \dots, n\}. \quad (7)$$

The parameter space is  $\Xi = \mathcal{R}$ .

## Example: Exponential distribution

The exponential distributions  $\{E(a, \theta) : \theta > 0\}$  for a fixed  $a \in \mathcal{R}$  is an exponential family. Here the density of  $E(a, \theta)$  is

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \theta^{-1} \exp\{-(x - a)/\theta\}, \quad \text{for } x > a. \quad (8)$$

- We can rewrite it as

$$f_{\theta}(x) = \exp\{-x/\theta + a/\theta - \log \theta\} I_{(a, \infty)}(x) \quad (9)$$

- $T(x) = x$
- $\eta(\theta) = -1/\theta$
- $\xi(\theta) = -a/\theta + \log \theta$
- $h(x) = I_{(a, \infty)}(x)$ .
- Note: if  $a$  is not fixed, then it is not an exponential family
- To turn it into a natural family, reparametrize  $\eta = -1/\theta$  and  $\Xi = (-\infty, 0)$ ; it is of full rank

## Example: Normal distribution

The normal family  $\{N(\mu, \sigma^2) : \mu \in \mathcal{R}, \sigma > 0\}$  is an exponential family. Here  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  has Lebesgue density

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} \exp \left\{ -\frac{1}{2\sigma^2} (x - \mu)^2 \right\}$$

- We rewrite the density as

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \exp \left\{ \frac{\mu}{\sigma^2} x - \frac{1}{2\sigma^2} x^2 - \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} - \log \sigma \right\}$$

- $T(x) = (x, -x^2)$ ,  $\eta(\theta) = (\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2}, \frac{1}{2\sigma^2})$
- $\theta = (\mu, \sigma^2)$
- $\xi(\theta) = \frac{\mu^2}{2\sigma^2} + \log \sigma$
- $h(x) = 1/\sqrt{2\pi}$
- To turn it into a natural family, reparametrize  
 $\eta = (\eta_1, \eta_2) = (\frac{\mu}{\sigma^2}, \frac{1}{2\sigma^2})$  and  $\Xi = \mathcal{R} \times (0, \infty)$ ; it is of full rank

## Example: Normal distribution (Cont.)

A subfamily  $\{N(\mu, \mu^2) : \mu \in \mathcal{R}, \mu \neq 0\}$  is also an exponential family

- $\eta = \left(\frac{1}{\mu}, \frac{1}{2\mu^2}\right)$
- $\Xi = \{(x, y) : y = 2x^2, x \in \mathcal{R}, y > 0\}$ .
- It is not of full rank



# Properties

Exercise: show the following result.

Suppose  $X_i \sim f_i$  independently and each  $f_i$  is in an exponential family, then the joint distribution of  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  is again in an exponential family.

## Properties (Cont.)

- For an exponential family  $P_\theta$ , there is a nonzero measure  $\lambda$  such that  $\frac{dP_\theta}{d\lambda}(\omega) > 0$  for all  $\omega$  ( $\lambda$ -a.e.) and  $\theta$ .
- Use this property to show that some families of distributions are not exponential families.

## Example (Uniform distribution)

Let  $U(0, \theta)$  denote the uniform distribution on  $(0, \theta)$ . Let  $\mathcal{P} = \{U(0, \theta) : \theta \in \mathcal{R}_+\}$ . Show that this family is not an exponential family.

- $\Omega = \mathcal{R}$
- If this is an exponential family, then  $\frac{dP_\theta}{d\lambda}(\omega) > 0$  for all  $\theta$ , all  $\omega \in \mathcal{R}$  for some measure  $\lambda$
- For any  $t > 0$ , there is a  $\theta < t$  such that  $P_\theta([t, \infty)) = 0$
- Then  $\lambda([t, \infty)) = 0$  for any  $t > 0$ , and further  $\lambda((0, \infty)) = 0$
- Also, for any  $\theta > 0$ ,  $P_\theta((-\infty, 0]) = 0$ , which implies  $\lambda((-\infty, 0]) = 0$
- Then  $\lambda(\mathcal{R}) = 0$

# Properties of natural exponential families

Let  $\mathcal{P}$  be a natural exponential family with PDF

$$f_{\eta}(x) = \exp\{\eta^{\top} T(x) - \zeta(\eta)\} h(x) \quad (10)$$

- Let  $T = (Y, U)$  and  $\eta = (\vartheta, \varphi)$ , where  $Y$  and  $\vartheta$  have the same dimension. Then  $Y$  has the PDF

$$f_{\eta}(y) = \exp\{\vartheta^{\top} y - \zeta(\eta)\} \quad (11)$$

w.r.t. a  $\sigma$ -finite measure depending on  $\varphi$ .

In particular,  $T$  has a p.d.f. in a natural exponential family.

- Furthermore, the conditional distribution of  $Y$  given  $U = u$  has the p.d.f. (w.r.t. a  $\sigma$ -finite measure depending on  $u$ )

$$f_{\vartheta,u}(y) = \exp\{\vartheta^{\top} y - \zeta_u(\vartheta)\}$$

which is in a natural exponential family indexed by  $\vartheta$

- If  $\eta_0$  is an interior point of the natural parameter space, then the MGF  $\psi_{\eta_0}(t)$  of  $T(X)$  (with  $P = P_{\eta_0}$ ) is finite in a neighborhood of  $t = 0$  and is given by

$$\psi_{\eta_0}(t) = \exp\{\zeta(\eta_0 + t) - \zeta(\eta_0)\}. \quad (12)$$

- Furthermore, if  $f$  is a Borel function satisfying  $\int |f| dP_{\eta_0} < \infty$  then the function

$$\int f(\omega) \exp\{\eta^\top T(\omega)\} h(\omega) d\nu(\omega)$$

is infinitely often differentiable in a neighborhood of  $\eta_0$ , and the derivatives may be computed by differentiation under the integral sign.

## Example (MGF of binomial distribution)

Recall that

- the canonical form of  $\text{Binom}(n, e^\eta/(1 + e^\eta))$  is given by

$$f_\eta(x) = \exp\{\eta x - n \log(1 + e^\eta)\} \binom{n}{x}, \quad \forall x \in \Omega = \{0, 1, \dots, n\} \quad (13)$$

- $\zeta(\eta) = n \log(1 + e^\eta)$
- $T(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \psi_{\eta_0}(t) &= \exp\{\zeta(\eta_0 + t) - \zeta(\eta_0)\} = \exp\{n \log(1 + e^{\eta_0+t}) - n \log(1 + e^{\eta_0})\} \\ &= \left( \frac{1 + e^{\eta_0} e^t}{1 + e^{\eta_0}} \right)^n = (1 - \theta + \theta e^t)^n \end{aligned}$$

since  $\theta = e^{\eta_0}/(1 + e^{\eta_0})$ .

# Statistics

A **statistic**  $T(X)$  is a measurable function of sample  $X$ .

- $T(X)$  only depends on  $X$
- $T$  is a known function:  $T(X)$  is a known value whenever  $X$  is known.
- Trivial statistics:  $X$  itself, any constant
- Nontrivial statistic:  $T(X)$  is simpler than that of  $X$  but contains some information about  $X$ . For instance,  $X$  may be a random  $n$ -vector and  $T(X)$  may be a random  $p$ -vector with  $1 \leq p \leq n$
- Some examples are:
  - ▶ sample mean:  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i X_i$
  - ▶ sample variance:  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_i (X_i - \bar{X})^2$
  - ▶ order statistics,  $X_{(1)} \leq X_{(2)} \leq \dots \leq X_{(n)}$
  - ▶ sample median: middle value of ordered statistics
  - ▶ sample minimum:  $X_{(1)}$
  - ▶ sample maximum:  $X_{(n)}$

## Example: Sample mean and sample variance

Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be i.i.d. sample from  $P$  and  $X = (X_1, \dots, X_n)$ .

- Sample mean:  $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_i X_i$
- Sample variance:  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_i (X_i - \bar{x})^2$

### Moments

- Assume that  $P$  has a finite mean denoted by  $\mu$ . Then

$$E\bar{X} = \mu$$

- ▶ If  $P$  is in a parametric family  $\{P_\theta : \theta \in \Theta\}$ , then  $E\bar{X} = \int x dP_\theta = \mu(\theta)$  for some function  $\mu(\cdot)$ . Even if the form of  $\mu$  is known,  $\mu(\theta)$  may still be unknown when  $\theta$  is unknown.

- Assume now that  $P$  has a finite variance denoted by  $\sigma^2$ . Then

$$\text{Var}(\bar{X}) = \sigma^2/n.$$

- ▶ If  $P$  is in a parametric family,  $\text{Var}(\bar{X})$  equals  $\sigma^2(\theta)/n$  for some function  $\sigma^2(\cdot)$ .



## Example: Sample mean and sample variance (Cont.)

### Distributions

- If  $P$  is in a parametric family, we can often find the distribution of  $\bar{X}$ .
  - ▶ if  $P$  is  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$  then  $\bar{X}$  is  $N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$ ;
  - ▶ if  $P$  is the exponential distribution  $E(0, \theta)$ ,  $n\bar{X}$  has the gamma distribution  $\Gamma(n, \theta)$
- Usually hard to find the exact form of the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  if  $P$  is not in a parametric family
  - ▶ one can use the *Central Limit Theorem* to approximate the distribution of  $\bar{X}$  by  $N(\mu, \sigma^2/n)$  where  $\mu$  and  $\sigma^2$  are the mean and variance of  $P$  (assumed to be finite)

# Tutorial

- ❶ Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are independent and identically distributed. Show that

$$E(f \mid f + g) = (f + g)/2, \text{ a.s.} \quad (14)$$

- ❷ Suppose  $F(x)$  is a continuous CDF of  $P$ , where  $P$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B})$ . Show that  $\int F(x) \, dP(x) = 1/2$
- ❸ Suppose  $\nu$  is a  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $f$  is a nonnegative measurable function and  $\alpha > 0$ . Show that

$$\int f^\alpha \, d\nu = \alpha \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha-1} \nu(f > t) \, dt \quad (15)$$

- ❹ Suppose  $\nu$  and  $\phi$  are finite measures on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ . Show that there exist two measures  $\phi_c$  and  $\phi_s$  such that

- ❶  $\phi = \phi_c + \phi_s$ ,
- ❷  $\phi_c \ll \nu$ , and
- ❸ there exists  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\phi_s(N) = \nu(N^c) = 0$ . (Note that in this case, we denote  $\phi_s \perp \nu$  and say that  $\phi_s$  and  $\nu$  are singular with each other.)

(Hint: make use of  $\frac{d\phi}{d(\phi+\nu)}$  by Radon-Nikodym theorem)

## Ex 1

Suppose  $f$  and  $g$  are independent and identically distributed. Show that

$$E(f \mid f + g) = (f + g)/2, \text{ a.s.} \quad (16)$$

Proof:

- Define a mapping  $\phi(x, y) = (x, x + y)$ . It is easy to show  $(f, g) \stackrel{d}{=} (g, f)$  (here  $\stackrel{d}{=}$  means that the two sides have the same distribution), and thus  $\phi(f, g) \stackrel{d}{=} \phi(g, f)$ . That is

$$(f, f + g) \stackrel{d}{=} (g, f + g) \quad (17)$$

- We then have for any Borel function  $h$  on  $\mathcal{R}$ ,

$$\int f h(f + g) \, dP = \int g h(f + g) \, dP, \quad (18)$$

and thus for any  $A \in \sigma(f + g)$

$$\int_A f \, dP = \int_A g \, dP. \quad (19)$$

## Ex 1 (Cont.)

- Therefore, any  $A \in \sigma(f + g)$

$$\int_A E(f \mid f + g) \, dP = \int_A E(g \mid f + g) \, dP, \quad (20)$$

which implies that  $E(f \mid f + g) = E(g \mid f + g)$  a.s.

- But  $E(f \mid f + g) + E(g \mid f + g) = E(f + g \mid f + g) = f + g$ .
- So  $E(f \mid f + g) = (f + g)/2$  a.s.

## Ex 2

Suppose  $F(x)$  is a continuous CDF of  $P$ , where  $P$  is a probability measure on  $(\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B})$ . Show that  $\int F(x) \, dP(x) = 1/2$

Proof: Suppose  $P$  is the probability of r.v.  $X$ , i.e.  $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$ .

We need a useful result:

### Lemma

*Let  $X$  be a random variable having a continuous c.d.f.  $F$ . Then  $Y = F(X)$  has the uniform distribution  $\text{Unif}(0, 1)$ .*

*Here  $\text{Unif}(0, 1)$  is defined as the probability on  $\mathcal{R}$  with Lebesgue p.d.f.  $I_{(0,1)}$ , whose CDF is  $F(x) = x \cdot I_{(0,1)}(x) + I[1, \infty)(x)$  and is continuous*

Using the lemma and change of variable:

$$\int F(x) \, dP(x) = \int Y \, dP_Y = \int_0^1 y \, dy = 1/2 \quad (21)$$

## Ex 2 (Cont.)

Proof of Lemma:

- Define the inverse of  $F$  by  $F^{-1}(t) = \inf\{x : F(x) > t\}$
- One can show that  $F(x) < t \Leftrightarrow F^{-1}(t) > x$
- For any  $y \in (0, 1)$ ,

$$\begin{aligned}P(Y < y) &= P(F(X) < y) \\&= P(F^{-1}(y) > X) \\&= \lim_n P(X \leq F^{-1}(y) - 1/n) \\&= \lim_n F(F^{-1}(y) - 1/n) \\&= F(F^{-1}(y)) = y\end{aligned}$$

- ▶ The 3rd equality is due to continuity of  $P$
- ▶ The 5th equality is due to the continuity of  $F$
- ▶ The 6th equality is due to the definition of  $F^{-1}$  and the continuity of  $F$

## Ex 3

Suppose  $\nu$  is a  $\sigma$ -finite measure on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ ,  $f$  is a nonnegative measurable function and  $\alpha > 0$ . Show that

$$\int f^\alpha \, d\nu = \alpha \int_0^\infty t^{\alpha-1} \nu(f > t) \, dt \quad (22)$$

Proof:

- For any  $x \in \mathcal{R}_+$ , we have

$$x^\alpha = \int_{(0,\infty)} \alpha t^{\alpha-1} I_{t < x} \, dm(t) \quad (23)$$

- Apply Fubini's theorem to the bivariate function  $\alpha t^{\alpha-1} I_{t < f(\omega)}$  of  $(\omega, t)$  w.r.t.  $\nu \times m$ .
- See also page 13 of Lecture 2.

## Ex 4

Suppose  $\nu$  and  $\phi$  are finite measures on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F})$ . Show that there exist two measures  $\phi_c$  and  $\phi_s$  such that

- ❶  $\phi = \phi_c + \phi_s$ ,
- ❷  $\phi_c \ll \nu$ , and
- ❸ there exists  $N \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\phi_s(N) = \nu(N^c) = 0$ .

Proof:

- Note that  $\phi \ll (\phi + \nu)$ , so Radon-Nikodym derivative  $\frac{d\phi}{d(\phi+\nu)}$  exists.
- For any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ , we have
$$0 \leq \int_A \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi+\nu)} d(\phi + \nu) = \phi(A) \leq \phi(A) + \nu(A) = \int_A 1 d(\phi + \nu),$$
which implies that  $0 \leq \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi+\nu)} \leq 1$  a.e.
- Let  $N = \{\omega \in \Omega : \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi+\nu)}(\omega) < 1\}$ ,  $\phi_c(A) = \phi(A \cap N)$ , and  $\phi_s(A) = \phi(A \cap N^c)$ . Then  $\phi = \phi_c + \phi_s$ .



## Ex 4 (Cont.)

To show that  $\phi_c \ll \nu$ :

For any  $A \in \mathcal{F}$  such that  $\nu(A) = 0$ , it holds that

$$\begin{aligned} & \int_{A \cap N} \left[ 1 - \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi + \nu)} \right] d(\phi + \nu) \\ &= (\phi + \nu)(A \cap N) - \phi(A \cap N) \\ &= \nu(A \cap N) = 0. \end{aligned}$$

- But  $\left[ 1 - \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi + \nu)} \right](\omega) > 0$  for any  $\omega \in N$
- So  $(\phi + \nu)(A \cap N) = 0$
- Thus,  $\phi_c(A) = 0$ .

## Ex 4 (Cont.)

To show  $\nu(N^c) = 0$ :

$$\begin{aligned}\phi(N^c) &= \int_{N^c} \frac{d\phi}{d(\phi + \nu)} d(\phi + \nu) \\ &= \int_{N^c} 1 d(\phi + \nu) \\ &= \phi(N^c) + \nu(N^c),\end{aligned}$$

which implies that  $\nu(N^c) = 0$  because  $\phi(N^c)$  is a finite number.

**Remark.** The result of this exercise can be generalized to  $\sigma$ -finite measures, and is known as *Lebesgue decomposition*.