# FINAL EXAMINATION January 2020 Duration: 120 minutes

SUBJECT: REAL ANALYSIS	
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INSTRUCTIONS: All documents and electronic devices are forbidden.

## Question 1

- (a) (10 marks) State (without proof) the dominated convergence theorem.
- (b) (15 marks) Suppose  $\mathcal{F}$  is a family of subsets of X with  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{F}$  and  $\mu : \mathcal{F} \to [0, \infty]$  satisfies  $\mu(\emptyset) = 0$ . For any  $A \subset X$ , define

$$\mu^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n) : A_n \in \mathcal{F} \text{ and } A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right\}.$$

If there is no sequence  $\{A_n\}$  of  $\mathcal{F}$  such that  $A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ , then we let  $\mu^*(A) = \infty$ . Prove that

- (i)  $\mu^*$  is an outer measure, and
- (ii)  $\mu^*(A) \le \mu(A)$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}$ .

# Question 2

- (a) (10 marks) Prove that if  $\mu^*$  is an outer measure on X and if  $B \subset X$ ,  $\mu^*(B) = 0$ , then  $\mu^*(A \cup B) = \mu^*(A \setminus B) = \mu^*(A)$  for all  $A \subset X$ .
- (b) (15 marks) Let  $(X, \mathcal{M})$  be a measurable space and  $f: X \to \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  a measurable function. Let c be a positive real number. Show that the set  $A = \{x \in X : |f(x)| \le c\}$  is measurable and the function  $g: X \to \overline{\mathbb{R}}$  defined by g(x) = f(x) if  $|f(x)| \le c$  and g(x) = 0 if |f(x)| > c, is measurable.

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**Question 3** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a measure space. Suppose that there exists an integrable function f on X which satisfies the condition: f(x) > 0 for all  $x \in X$ .

(a) (15 marks) Show that for each  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , the set

$$A_n = \left\{ x \in X : f(x) > \frac{1}{n} \right\}$$

has finite measure.

(b) (10 marks) Show that the measure  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite.

## Question 4

- (a) (15 marks) Given a signed measure  $\nu$  on a measurable space  $(X, \mathcal{M})$ . Show that a measurable set A is null for  $\nu$  if and only if  $|\nu|(A) = 0$ .
- (b) (10 marks) Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbf{P})$  be a probability space. If  $B \in \mathcal{F}$  with  $\mathbf{P}(B) > 0$  is given, then the set function  $\mathbf{Q} : \mathcal{F} \to \mathbb{R}$  defined by

$$\mathbf{Q}(A) = \frac{\mathbf{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbf{P}(B)}, \qquad A \in \mathcal{F},$$

is a probability measure on  $\mathcal{F}$ . Show that  $\mathbf{Q} \ll \mathbf{P}$  and find the Radon-Nikodym derivative  $\frac{d\mathbf{Q}}{d\mathbf{P}}$ .

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#### **SOLUTIONS**

**Question 1** (b) (i) It is clear that  $\mu^*(A) \geq 0$  for all subset A of X and  $\mu^*(\emptyset) = 0$  (take  $E_n = \emptyset$  for all n). Suppose  $A, A_n \in \mathcal{P}(X)$  with  $A \subset \bigcup_n A_n$ . We can assume that  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_n) < \infty$  since otherwise,  $\mu^*(A) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_n) = \infty$ . For every  $\epsilon > 0$  and every  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , since  $\mu^*(A_n) < \infty$ , there is a sequence  $\{E_{n,k}\}_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$  in  $\mathcal{E}$  with

$$A_n \subset \bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{n,k}$$
 and  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_{n,k}) \leq \mu^*(A_n) + \frac{\epsilon}{2^n}$ .

Then  $A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} (\bigcup_{k=1}^{\infty} E_{n,k})$  and we get

$$\mu^*(A) \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(E_{n,k}) \le \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\mu^*(A_n) + \frac{\epsilon}{2^n}\right) = \epsilon + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_n).$$

Because  $\epsilon > 0$  is arbitrary,  $\mu^*(A) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu^*(A_n)$  and  $\sigma$ -subadditivity follows. Thus  $\mu^*$  is an outer measure.

(ii) If  $A \in \mathcal{E}$ , choose  $A_1 = A$  and  $A_n = \emptyset$  for  $n \geq 2$ . Then  $\{A_n\} \subset \mathcal{E}$  and  $A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ . Thus  $\mu^*(A) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_n) = \mu(A)$ .

**Question 2** (a) We express  $A \cup B$  as union of disjoint sets  $A \cup B = (A \setminus B) \cup B$  and apply monotonicity and subadditivity to obtain

$$\mu^*(A) \le \mu^*(A \cup B) \le \mu^*(A \setminus B) + \mu^*(B) = \mu^*(A \setminus B) \le \mu^*(A).$$

Thus all inequalities are equalities, that is,  $\mu^*(A) = \mu^*(A \setminus B) = \mu^*(A \cup B)$ .

(b) Since f is measurable, so is |f|. Thus  $A = \{x \in X : |f(x)| \le c\}$  is measurable and so is  $\chi_A$ . Consider the function  $f\chi_A$ . If  $x \in A$ ,  $f\chi_A(x) = f(x) = g(x)$ . If  $x \notin A$ ,  $f\chi_A(x) = 0 = g(x)$ . Thus  $g = f\chi_A$ , a measurable function.

**Question 3** (a) Since  $A \subset \{f \geq 1/n\}$ , we apply monotonicity of  $\mu$  and Chebychev's inequality to obtain

$$\mu(A_n) \le \mu(\{f \ge 1/n\}) \le n \int_X f d\mu < \infty$$
 for all  $n$ .

(b) For each  $x \in X$ , f(x) > 0, so there is  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  such that f(x) > 1/n. It follows that  $X = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n$ . By part (a), each set  $A_n$  has finite measure. Thus  $\mu$  is  $\sigma$ -finite.

**Question 4** (a) Suppose that A is null for  $\nu$ . Let  $\{P, N\}$  be a Hahn decomposition for  $\nu$ . As  $A \cap P$  and  $A \cap N$  are measurable subsets of A and A is null for  $\nu$ , we have  $\nu(A \cap P) = \nu(A \cap N) = 0$ . Hence,

$$|\nu|(A) = \nu^+(A) + \nu^-(A) = \nu(A \cap P) - \nu(A \cap N) = 0.$$

Conversely, assume  $|\nu|(A) = 0$ . Then for any measurable subset B of A,

$$|\nu(B)| = |\nu^+(B) - \nu^-(B)| \le \nu^+(B) + \nu^-(B) = |\nu|(B) \le |\nu|(A) = 0.$$

The last inequality holds since  $|\nu|$  is a measure. Thus  $\nu(B) = 0$ , and hence, A is null for  $\nu$ .

(b) If  $\mathbf{P}(E) = 0$ , then  $\mathbf{P}(E \cap B) = 0$ , so  $\mathbf{Q}(E) = 0$ . This shows that  $\mathbf{Q} \ll \mathbf{P}$ . Furthermore,

$$\mathbf{Q}(A) = \frac{\mathbf{P}(A \cap B)}{\mathbf{P}(B)} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{P}(B)} \int_A \chi_B d\mathbf{P} = \int_A \frac{1}{\mathbf{P}(B)} \cdot \chi_B d\mathbf{P} \quad \text{for all } A \in \mathcal{F}.$$

Therefore  $d\mathbf{Q}/d\mathbf{P} = \frac{1}{\mathbf{P}(B)} \cdot \chi_B$ .