

1. Preliminaries of Probability Theory

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1. Probability Spaces

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Notations

- 1. (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) : [Probability space](#).
- 2. \mathcal{R}^d : The smallest σ -field containing all the open sets in \mathbb{R}^d ([Borel algebra](#)). When $d = 1$, we drop superscript.
- 3. $a_n \downarrow c$: a_n decreases monotonically to c .
- 4. $a_n \uparrow c$: a_n increases monotonically to c .
- 5. $\Delta_A F$: $A = (a_1, b_1] \times \cdots \times (a_d, b_d]$, $V = \{a_1, b_1\} \times \cdots \times \{a_d, b_d\}$, $-\infty < a_i < b_i < +\infty$, $\forall v \in V$, let $\text{sgn}(v) = (-1)^{\text{number of } a \text{ in } v}$,
 $\Delta_A F = \sum_{v \in V} \text{sgn}(v) F(v)$.

Definitions

- 1. **Probability Space, Probability Measure:**
 - 1. Suppose (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is a measure space. If $\Omega \in \mathcal{F}$ and $P(\Omega) = 1$, then we call (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) a **probability space**, P a **probability measure**.
 - 2. *Remark: Ω is a set of "outcomes", \mathcal{F} is a set of "events", P is a function that assigns probabilities to events.*
- 2. **Semialgebra:**
 - 1. A collection \mathcal{S} of sets is said to be a semialgebra if it satisfy:
 - 1. It is closed under intersection, i.e. $S, T \in \mathcal{S}$ implies $S \cap T \in \mathcal{S}$;
 - 2. If $S \in \mathcal{S}$, then S^c is a finite disjoint union of sets in \mathcal{S} .
- 3. **Stieltjes Measure Function:**
 - 1. A **Stieltjes measure function** is defined on \mathbb{R} and has the following properties:
 - 1. F is nondecreasing;
 - 2. F is right continuous.

Theorems

- 1. **Constructing A Measure Using A Stieltjes Measure Function (1 Dimensional Case):**
 - 1. **Statement:**
 - 1. Associated with each Stieltjes measure function F there is a unique measure μ on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$ with $\mu((a, b]) = F(b) - F(a)$.
- 2. **Constructing A Measure Using A Stieltjes Measure Function (High Dimensional Case):**
 - 1. **Statement:**
 - 1. Suppose $F : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow [0, 1]$ satisfy:
 - 1. F is nondecreasing;
 - 2. F is right continuous;
 - 3. If $x_n \downarrow -\infty$ (each coordinate does), then $F(x_n) \downarrow 0$. If $x_n \uparrow +\infty$ (each coordinate does), then $F(x_n) \uparrow 1$.

4. \forall Finite rectangles A , $\Delta_A F \geq 0$.

Then there is a unique probability measure μ on $(\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{R}^d)$ so that $\mu(A) = \Delta_A F$ for all finite rectangles.

2. Example:

1. $F(x) = \prod_{i=1}^d F_i(x)$, where F_i are Stieltjes measure functions. In this case, $\Delta_A F = \prod_{i=1}^d (F_i(b_i) - F_i(a_i))$.

2. Distributions

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Basic Assumptions

1. (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is a probability space.

Notations

1. X, Y : [Random variable\(s\)](#).
2. $X \in \mathcal{F}$: X is \mathcal{F} -measurable. (See [Definition 1.2](#))
3. \mathcal{R}^d : [Borel algebra](#) based on \mathbb{R}^d .
4. F : [Distribution function](#) of X .
5. F^{-1} : The [random variable](#) X . (Even though F may not be 1-1 map, we will call X the inverse of F and denote it by F^{-1})
6. $f_X(x)$: The [density function](#) of X .
7. $\mu_1 \perp \mu_2$: μ_1 and μ_2 are measures and they are [mutually singular](#).

Definitions

1. Random Variable:

1. A real-valued function X defined on Ω is said to be a **random variable** if for every [Borel set](#) $B \subset \mathbb{R}$ we have $X^{-1}(B) = \{\omega | X(\omega) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F}$.
2. When we want to emphasize \mathcal{F} is a σ -field, we also say X is \mathcal{F} -measurable or write $X \in \mathcal{F}$.
3. *Remark:*
 1. X is defined on Ω instead of \mathcal{F} .

2. Distribution:

1. If X is a random variable, then X induces a probability measure on \mathbb{R} called its **distribution** by setting $\mu(A) = P(X \in A)$, where A is a Borel set. (Note that X is a real-valued function)
2. Using the notation introduced previously, $P(X \in A)$ can also be written as $P(X^{-1}(A))$.

3. Distribution Function:

1. The distribution of X is usually described by giving its **distribution function**, $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$, $x \in \mathbb{R}_*$.

4. (For Random Variables) Equal In Distribution:

1. If X and Y induce the same distribution μ on $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$, we say X and Y are **equal in distribution**.

5. Density Function:

1. When the distribution function $F(x) = P(X \leq x)$ has the form $F(x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f(y)dy$, we say that X has **density function** f .
2. *Remark:* $P(X = x) = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{x-\epsilon}^{x+\epsilon} f(y)dy = 0$.

6. (Measure) Mutually Singular, Singular With Respect To:

1. Two measures μ_1 and μ_2 are said to be **mutually singular** if there exists a set A with $\mu_1(A) = 0$ and $\mu_2(A^c) = 0$.
2. In this case, we also say μ_1 is **singular with respect to** μ_2 and write $\mu_1 \perp \mu_2$.

7. Absolutely Continuous Distribution Function On \mathbb{R} :

1. A distribution function on \mathbb{R} is said to be **absolutely continuous** if it has a density.

8. Singular Distribution Function On \mathbb{R} :

1. A distribution function on \mathbb{R} is said to be **singular** if the corresponding measure is [singular with respect to](#) Lebesgue measure.

9. Discrete Probability Measure:

1. A probability measure P is said to be **discrete** if there is a countable set S with $P(S^c) = 0$.

Theorems

1. Properties of Distribution Function:

1. Statement:

1. Any distribution function F has the following properties:

1. F is nondecreasing;
2. F is right continuous
3. $\lim_{x \rightarrow +\infty} F(x) = 1$, $\lim_{x \rightarrow -\infty} F(x) = 0$;

4. If $F(x^-) = \lim_{y \uparrow x} F(y)$, then $F(x^-) = P(X < x)$;

5. $P(X = x) = F(x) - F(x^-)$.

2. Distribution Function Induces A Random Variable:

1. Statement:

1. If F has [properties 1, 2, 3](#) in [Theorem 1](#), then it is the distribution function of some random variable.

2. Idea:

1. Suppose the events can be represented by numbers, we hope to use the fact that $P(\{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}) = F(x)$.

3. Proof Steps:

1. Let $\Omega = (0, 1)$, \mathcal{F} = Borel Algebra, P is Lebesgue measure. If $\omega \in (0, 1)$, let $X(\omega) = \sup\{y | F(y) < \omega\}$.

2. Once we show that $\{\omega | X(\omega) \leq x\} = \{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}$, the desired result follows immediately since $P(\{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}) = F(x)$.

3. To check the result in step 2, we observe that if $\omega \leq F(x)$, since F is nondecreasing, then $x \geq \sup\{y | F(y) < \omega\}$, so $X(\omega) \leq x$.

Therefore $\{\omega | X(\omega) \leq x\} \supset \{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}$

4. On the other hand, if $\omega > F(x)$, then since F is right-continuous, there exists a $\epsilon > 0$ so that $F(x + \epsilon) < \omega$ and $X(\omega) \leq x + \epsilon > x$, this means $\{\omega | X(\omega) \leq x\}^c \supset \{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}^c$. Therefore $\{\omega | X(\omega) \leq x\} \subset \{\omega | \omega \leq F(x)\}$.

3. An Inequality Related to The Normal Distribution:

1. Statement:

1. For $x > 0$, $(x^{-1} - x^{-3}) \exp(-\frac{x^2}{2}) \leq \int_x^{+\infty} \exp(-\frac{y^2}{2}) dy \leq x^{-1} \exp(-\frac{x^2}{2})$

Examples

1. A Singular Distribution: Uniform Distribution on the Cantor Set:

1. On the Cantor set C , we set $F(x) = 0$ for $x \leq 0$, $F(x) = 1$ for $x \geq 1$, $F(x) = \frac{1}{2}$ for $x \in [\frac{1}{3}, \frac{2}{3}]$, $F(x) = \frac{1}{4}$ for $x \in [\frac{1}{9}, \frac{2}{9}]$, $F(x) = \frac{3}{4}$ for $x \in [\frac{7}{9}, \frac{8}{9}]$, ... There is no f can be density function of F because such an f would be equal to 0 on a set of measure 1. From the definition, it is immediate that the corresponding measure has $\mu(C^c) = 0$, so F is singular with respect to Lebesgue measure.

3. Random Variables

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Basic Assumptions

1. " \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{S} " requires \mathcal{S} to be σ -field/ σ -algebra (while only ring or σ -ring).

Notations

1. r.v. : [Random variable](#).

2. X : A map from (Ω, \mathcal{F}) to (S, \mathcal{S}) . \mathcal{F} and \mathcal{S} are collection of subsets of Ω, S respectively.

3. \mathcal{R}^d : [Borel algebra](#) based on \mathbb{R}^d .

4. $\{X \in B\}$: $B \in \mathcal{S}$, $\{X \in B\} = \{\omega \in \Omega | X(\omega) \in B\}$.

5. $\sigma(X)$: The [sigma-field generated by \$X\$](#) .

6. X_∞ : $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} X_n$.

7. a.s. : [Almost surely](#).

Definitions

1. Measurable Map, Random Vector, Random Variable:

1. A function $X : \Omega \rightarrow S$ is said to be a **measurable map** from (Ω, \mathcal{F}) to (S, \mathcal{S}) if $\forall B \in \mathcal{S}$, $X^{-1}(B) = \{\omega | X(\omega) \in B\} \in \mathcal{F}$.

2. When $(S, \mathcal{S}) = (\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{R}^d)$ and $d > 1$, X is called a **random vector**.

3. When $(S, \mathcal{S}) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$, X is called a **random variable**. (See also [Definition 1.1 in Section 2](#))

2. σ -Field Generated by Random Variable:

1. The smallest σ -field on Ω that makes X a measurable map, i.e. $\{\{X \in B\} | \forall B \in \mathcal{S}\}$, where \mathcal{S} is a σ -field.

3. (Random Variables) Converges Almost Surely:

1. From [Theorem 4](#), we could know that $\Omega_o = \{\omega | \lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} X_n \text{ exists}\} = \{\omega | \limsup_{n \rightarrow +\infty} X_n - \liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} X_n = 0\}$ is a measurable set. If $P(\Omega_o) = 1$,

we say that $\{X_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ **converges almost surely**.

2. *Remark: This type of convergence is called "convergent almost everywhere" in measure theory.*

Theorems

1. Methods for Determining the Measurability of A Mapping:

1. Statement:

1. If $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}$, $\{\omega | X(\omega) \in A\} \in \mathcal{F}$, and \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{S} (i.e. \mathcal{S} is the smallest σ -field that contains \mathcal{A}), then X is measurable.

2. Proof Steps:

1. We need to prove $\forall B \in \mathcal{S}, X^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{F}$, and we already know $\forall A \in \mathcal{A}, X^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F}$, while $\mathcal{A} \subseteq \mathcal{S}$.
2. $\{X \in \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} B_i\} = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} \{X \in B_i\}$, $\{X \in B^c\} = \{X \in B\}^c$, so the class of sets $\mathcal{B} = \{B | \{X \in B\} \in \mathcal{F}\}$ is a σ -field.
3. Since $\mathcal{B} \supset \mathcal{A}$ and \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{S} , $\mathcal{B} \supset \mathcal{S}$.

3. *Remark:*

1. Utilizing the generated algebraic construct is the smallest one, we want to construct a set with target property, then prove this set is superset of target set, hence prove the statement. See also [Proof Steps of "The Uniqueness Theorem for Outer Extension" in Chapter 1, Section 3](#).
2. From these proof steps we could know that if \mathcal{S} is a σ -field, then $\{\{X \in B\} | B \in \mathcal{S}\}$ is a σ -field. It is the smallest σ -field on Ω that makes X a measurable map.

2. Measurability of Composite Mappings:

1. Statement:

1. If $X : (\Omega, \mathcal{F}) \rightarrow (S, \mathcal{S})$ and $f : (S, \mathcal{S}) \rightarrow (T, \mathcal{T})$ are measurable maps, then $f(X)$ is a measurable map from (Ω, \mathcal{F}) to (T, \mathcal{T}) .

3. A Measurable Mapping of A Random Variable is Still A Random Variable:

1. Statement:

1. If X_1, \dots, X_n are random variables and $f : (\mathbb{R}^n, \mathcal{R}^n) \rightarrow (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$ is measurable, then $f(X_1, \dots, X_n)$ is a random variable.

4. Different Limits of A Sequence of Random Variables are Still Random Variables:

1. Statement:

1. If $\{X_i\}_{i=1}^{\infty}$ is a sequence of random variables, then $\inf_n X_n$, $\sup_n X_n$, $\limsup_n X_n$, $\liminf_n X_n$ are also random variables.

2. Proof Steps:

1. Refer to ["The Limit of A Sequence of Measurable Functions" in Chapter 0, Section 5](#).
2. Note that

1. $\{\inf_n X_n < a\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{X_n < a\} \in \mathcal{F}$
2. $\{\sup_n X_n > a\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \{X_n > a\} \in \mathcal{F}$
3. $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \sup_n \left(\inf_{m \geq n} X_m \right)$
4. $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n = \inf_n \left(\sup_{m \geq n} X_m \right)$

3. *Remark:*

1. To see the meaning of $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$, $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n$, refer to [Notation 6](#) and [Notation 7](#) in [Section 5, Chapter 0](#).

Examples

1. Example for \mathcal{A} and \mathcal{S} in [Theorem 1](#):

1. If $(S, \mathcal{S}) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$, then $\mathcal{A} = \{(-\infty, x] | x \in \mathbb{R}\}$ or $\{(-\infty, x) | x \in \mathbb{Q}\}$.
2. If $(S, \mathcal{S}) = (\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{R}^d)$, then $\mathcal{A} = \{(a_1, b_1) \times \dots \times (a_d, b_d) | -\infty < a_i < b_i < +\infty\}$.

Exercises

1. **Statement:** Show that if \mathcal{A} generates \mathcal{S} , then $X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}) = \{\{X \in A\} | \forall A \in \mathcal{A}\}$ generates $\sigma(X) = \{\{X \in B\} | \forall B \in \mathcal{S}\}$.

1. Proof Steps:

1. From [the property](#) of generated σ -ring, we know that $\sigma(X) \subseteq \sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$.
2. For all $E \in \sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$, there must exist a sequence of sets in \mathcal{A} : $\{A_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$ satisfy $\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X^{-1}(A_n) = E$. Since

$$\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} X^{-1}(A_n) = X^{-1}\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right), \quad \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \in \mathcal{S}, \quad E \in \sigma(X). \quad \text{Therefore } \sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A})) \subseteq \sigma(X).$$

4. Integration

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Basic Assumptions

1. μ is a σ -finite measure on (Ω, \mathcal{F}) .
2. $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is a measure space.

Notations

1. $a \wedge b$: $a, b \in \mathbb{R}, a \wedge b = \min(a, b)$.
2. \mathcal{R}^d : [Borel algebra](#) based on \mathbb{R}^d .
3. Notation of integrals for special cases:
 1. When $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = (\mathbb{R}^d, \mathcal{R}^d, m)$, we write $\int f(x)dx$ for $\int f dm$;

2. When $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R}, m)$ and $E = [a, b]$, we write $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ for $\int_E f dm$;
3. When $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R}, \mu)$ with $\mu((a, b]) = G(b) - G(a)$ for $a < b$, we write $\int f(x)dG(x)$ for $\int f d\mu$;
4. When Ω is a countable set, \mathcal{F} is collection of subsets of Ω , and μ is counting measure, we write $\sum_{i \in \Omega} f(i)$ for $\int f d\mu$.

Theorems

1. Approximation of A Sequence of Integrals:

1. Statement:

1. Suppose $f \geq 0$, let $E_n \uparrow \Omega$ have $\mu(E_n) < +\infty$. Then $\int_{E_n} (f \wedge n) d\mu \uparrow \int_{\Omega} f d\mu$ as $n \uparrow \infty$. The definition of f can be seen in [Definition 2.2.1 in Chapter 0 Section 7](#).

2. Proof Steps:

1. The left-hand side increases as n does. Since $h = (f \wedge n)1_{E_n}$ is a probability in the sup, each term is smaller than the integral on the right.
2. To prove that the limit is $\int_{\Omega} f d\mu$, observe that if $0 \leq h \leq f$, $h \leq M$, and $\mu(\{x|h(x) > 0\}) < +\infty$, then for $n \geq M$ using $h \leq M$, $\int_{E_n} (f \wedge n) d\mu \geq \int_{E_n} h d\mu = \int_{\Omega} h d\mu - \int_{E_n^c} h d\mu$.
3. Now $0 \leq \int_{E_n^c} h d\mu \leq M\mu(E_n^c \cap \{x|h(x) > 0\}) \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow +\infty$, so $\liminf_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \int_{E_n} (f \wedge n) d\mu \geq \int_{\Omega} h d\mu$, which proves the desired result by the definition of the integral of f .

5. Properties of the Integral

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Basic Assumptions

1. $\int f d\mu$ represents the integral over the entire domain.

Notations

1. $\|f\|_p$: $(\int |f|^p d\mu)^{\frac{1}{p}}$ for $1 \leq p < +\infty$.

Theorems

1. Jensen's Inequality:

1. Statement:

1. Suppose φ is convex, if μ is a probability measure, and f and $\varphi(f)$ are integrable, then $\varphi(\int f d\mu) \leq \int \varphi(f) d\mu$.

2. Proof Steps:

1. Let $c = \int f d\mu$ and let $l(x) = ax + b$ be a linear function that has $l(c) = \varphi(c)$ and $\varphi(x) \geq l(x)$.
2. To see such a function exists, recall that convexity implies $\lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(c) - \varphi(c-h)}{h} \leq \lim_{h \downarrow 0} \frac{\varphi(c+h) - \varphi(c)}{h}$, the limit exist since the sequence are monotone. If we let a be any number between the two limits and let $l(x) = a(x - c) + \varphi(c)$, then l has the desired properties.
3. $\int \varphi(f) d\mu \geq \int (af + b) d\mu = a \int f d\mu + b = l(\int f d\mu) = \varphi(\int f d\mu)$.

2. Holder's Inequality:

1. Statement:

1. If $p, q \in (1, +\infty)$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then $\int |fg| d\mu \leq \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$.

2. Proof Steps:

1. If $\|f\|_p = 0$ or $\|g\|_q = 0$, then $|fg| = 0$, a. e., so it suffices to prove the result when $\|f\|_p$ and $\|g\|_q > 0$ or by dividing both sides by $\|f\|_p \|g\|_q$, when $\|f\|_p = \|g\|_q = 1$.
2. Fix $y \geq 0$ and let $\varphi(x) = \frac{x^p}{p} + \frac{y^q}{q} - xy$ for $x \geq 0$, $\varphi'(x) = x^{p-1} - y$, $\varphi''(x) = (p-1)x^{p-2}$, so φ has a minimum at $x_o = y^{\frac{1}{p-1}}$.
3. Since $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$ and $x_o^p = y^{\frac{p}{p-1}} = y^q$, so $\varphi(x_o) = y^q(\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q}) - y^{\frac{1}{p-1}} y = 0$.
4. Since x_o is the minimum, it follows that $xy \leq \frac{x^p}{p} + \frac{y^q}{q}$.
5. Letting $x = |f|$, $y = |g|$, and integrating $\int |fg| d\mu \leq \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1 = \|f\|_p \|g\|_q$.

6. Expected Value

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Basic Assumptions

1. $\int f d\mu$ represents the integral over the entire domain.
2. (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P) is probability space.
3. X is a random variable on (Ω, \mathcal{F}, P)
4. Unless specified, $n \rightarrow \infty$ means n goes to $+\infty$.

Notations

1. $EX, E(X)$: Expected value of X .
2. $E(X; A)$: $\int_A X dP$.
3. \mathcal{R}^d : **Borel algebra** based on \mathbb{R}^d .
4. $a \wedge b$: $\min(a, b)$

Definitions

1. Expected Value/ Mean of Random Variables:

1. If $X \geq 0$, we define its **expected value** to be $EX = \int X dP$ (equals to ∞ is allowed).
2. For general case, $EX = EX^+ - EX^-$.
3. EX is often called the **mean** of X .
4. *Remark: The element of $\{X \in A\}$ is not the value of X but the event in Ω : $\{X \in A\} = \{\omega \in \Omega | X(\omega) \in A\}$.*

2. Expected Value Exists:

1. For **general case**, we declare that EX **exists** whenever the subtraction makes sense, i.e., $EX^+ < +\infty$ or $EX^- < +\infty$.

3. (kth) Moment, Mean, Variance of Random Variables:

1. If k is a positive integer, then EX^k is called the **kth moment** of X .
2. The first moment EX is usually called the **mean**.
3. If $EX^2 < \infty$, then the **variance** of X is defined to be $Var(X) = E(X - EX)^2$.
4. *Remark: $Var(X) = EX^2 - (EX)^2$.*

Theorems

1. Basic Properties of Expectation:

1. Statement:

1. Suppose $X, Y \geq 0$ or $E|X|, E|Y| < +\infty$,
 1. $E(X + Y) = EX + EY$;
 2. $E(aX + b) = aEX + b$ for any real numbers a, b ;
 3. If $X \geq Y$, then $EX \geq EY$.
2. $EX < \infty$ implies $X < \infty$ a. s.

2. Jensen's Inequality:

1. Statement:

1. Suppose φ is convex, then $E(\varphi(X)) \geq \varphi(EX)$ provided both expectations exist, i.e., $E|X|$ and $E|\varphi(X)| < +\infty$.

2. Corollary:

1. $|EX| \leq E|X|$, $(EX)^2 \leq E(X^2)$.

3. Holder's Inequality:

1. Statement:

1. If $p, q \in [1, \infty]$ with $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$, then $E|XY| \leq \|X\|_p \|Y\|_q$. Here $\|X\|_r = (E|X|^r)^{\frac{1}{r}}$ for $r \in [1, \infty)$; $\|X\|_\infty = \inf\{M | P(|X| > M) = 0\}$.

4. Chebyshev's Inequality:

1. Statement:

1. Suppose $\varphi : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ has $\varphi \geq 0$, let $A \in \mathcal{R}$ and $i_A = \inf\{\varphi(y) | y \in A\}$, then $i_A P(X \in A) \leq E(\varphi(X); X \in A) \leq E\varphi(X)$.

2. Proof Steps:

1. The definition of i_A and the fact that $\varphi \geq 0$ imply that $i_A 1_{(X \in A)} \leq \varphi(X) 1_{(X \in A)} \leq \varphi(X)$.
2. Taking expected values.

3. Remark:

1. *Some authors call this result "Markov's inequality".*
2. *They use the name Chebyshev's inequality for the special case in which $\varphi(x) = x^2$, $A = \{x | |x| \geq a\}$: $a^2 P(|X| \geq a) \leq EX^2$.*

5. Interchange Limits and Integrals (Theorem on Convergence of Integrals, Expected Value Version):

1. Statement:

1. Fatou's Lemma:

1. If $X_n \geq 0$, then $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} EX_n \geq E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} X_n)$.

2. Monotone Convergence Theorem:

1. If $0 \leq X_n \uparrow X$, then $EX_n \uparrow EX$.

3. Dominated Convergence Theorem:

1. If $X_n \rightarrow X$ a. s., $|X_n| \leq Y$ for all n , and $EY < +\infty$, then $EX_n \rightarrow EX$.

4. Bounded Convergence Theorem:

1. The special case of **dominated convergence theorem** in which Y is constant.

6. Another Result on Integration to the Limit:

1. Statement:

- Suppose $X_n \rightarrow X$ a. s. Let g, h be continuous functions with $g \geq 0$ and $g(x) \rightarrow \infty$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$; $\frac{|h(x)|}{g(x)} \rightarrow 0$ as $|x| \rightarrow \infty$;
 $Eg(X_n) \leq K < +\infty$ for all n . Then $Eh(X_n) \rightarrow Eh(X)$.

2. Idea:

- We could take up a method similar to "3 ϵ " principle.

$$A \rightarrow B \iff |A - B| < \epsilon \iff |A - A_1| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, |A_1 - B_1| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, |B_1 - B| < \frac{\epsilon}{3} \iff |A_1 - A| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, |A_1 - B_1| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}, |B_1 - B| < \frac{\epsilon}{3}.$$

3. Proof Steps:

- By subtracting a constant from h , we can suppose without loss of generality that $h(0) = 0$.
- Pick M large so that $P(|X| = M) = 0$ and $g(x) > 0$ when $|x| \geq M$.
- Given a random variable Y , let $\bar{Y} = Y\mathbb{1}(|Y| \leq M)$. Since $X_n \rightarrow X$, $P(|X| = M) = 0$, then $\bar{X}_n \rightarrow \bar{X}$, a. s. Since \bar{X}_n is bounded, h is continuous, $h(\bar{X}_n)$ is also bounded, and it follows from the [bounded convergence theorem](#) that $Eh(\bar{X}_n) \rightarrow Eh(\bar{X})$.
- To control the error, we use the following: $|Eh(\bar{Y}) - Eh(Y)| \leq E|h(\bar{Y}) - h(Y)| \leq E(|h(Y)|; |Y| > M) \leq \epsilon_M Eg(Y)$ where $\epsilon_M = \sup \left\{ \frac{|h(x)|}{g(x)} \mid |x| \geq M \right\}$. Taking $Y = X_n$ and using $Eg(X_n) \leq K < +\infty$, it follows that $|Eh(\bar{X}_n) - Eh(X_n)| \leq K\epsilon_M$.
- To estimate $|Eh(\bar{X}) - Eh(X)|$, we observe that $g \geq 0$ and g is continuous, so Fatou's lemma implies $Eg(X) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} Eg(X_n) \leq K$.
 Taking $Y = X$, we have $|Eh(\bar{X}) - Eh(X)| \leq K\epsilon_M$.
- The triangle inequality implies $|Eh(X_n) - Eh(X)| \leq |Eh(X_n) - Eh(\bar{X}_n)| + |Eh(\bar{X}_n) - Eh(\bar{X})| + |Eh(\bar{X}) - Eh(X)|$. Taking limits, we have $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} |Eh(X_n) - Eh(X)| \leq 2K\epsilon_M$.

7. Change of Variables Formula:

1. Statement:

- Let X be a random element of (S, \mathcal{S}) with distribution μ , i.e., $\mu(A) = P(X \in A)$. If f is a measurable function from (S, \mathcal{S}) to $(\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R})$ so that $f \geq 0$ or $E|f(X)| < \infty$, then $Ef(X) = \int_S f(y)\mu(dy)$.

2. Idea:

- We will prove this result by verifying it in four increasingly more general special cases that similar to the way that the integral was defined.

3. Proof Steps:

- Case 1: For indicator functions: If $B \in \mathcal{S}$ and $f = \mathbb{1}_B$, then $E\mathbb{1}_B(X) = P(X \in B) = \mu(B) = \int_S \mathbb{1}_B(y)\mu(dy)$. (Recall that μ is the measure in (S, \mathcal{S})).
- Case 2: For simple functions: Let $f(x) = \sum_{m=1}^n c_m \mathbb{1}_{B_m}$ where $c_m \in \mathbb{R}$, $B_m \in \mathcal{S}$. The linearity of expected value, the result of [Case 1](#), and the linearity of integration imply $Ef(X) = \sum_{m=1}^n c_m E\mathbb{1}_{B_m}(X) = \sum_{m=1}^n c_m \int_S \mathbb{1}_{B_m}(y)\mu(dy) = \int_S f(y)\mu(dy)$.
- Case 3: For nonnegative functions: Now if $f \geq 0$ and we let $f_n(x) = \left(\frac{[2^n f(x)]}{2^n}\right) \wedge n$, then the f_n are simple and $f_n \uparrow f$, so using the result for simple functions and the [monotone convergence theorem](#):
 $Ef(X) = \lim_n Ef_n(X) = \lim_n \int_S f_n(y)\mu(dy) = \int_S f(y)\mu(dy)$.
- Case 4: For integrable functions: The general case now follows by writing $f(x) = f^+(x) - f^-(x)$. The condition $E|f(x)| < \infty$ guarantees that $Ef^+(X)$ and $Ef^-(X)$ are finite. So
 $Ef(X) = Ef^+(X) - Ef^-(X) = \int_S f(y)^+ \mu(dy) - \int_S f(y)^- \mu(dy) = \int_S f(y)\mu(dy)$.

4. Remark:

- We should note the method described in [Idea](#), since it will be used several times. This is because the definitions of the integral of a simple function and a nonnegative function are different from the integral of a general function.
- We also need to pay attention to the way we construct the simple function to approximate the original function.
- We usually apply this [statement](#) with $S = \mathbb{R}^d$ for doing calculus. Therefore we can compute expected values of functions of random variables by performing integrals on the real line.

7. Product Measures, Fubini's Theorem

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Basic Assumptions

- Let (X, \mathcal{A}, μ_1) and (Y, \mathcal{B}, μ_2) be two σ -finite measure spaces. Let $\Omega = X \times Y = \{(x, y) \mid x \in X, y \in Y\}$, $\mathcal{S} = \{A \times B \mid A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\}$. Let $\mathcal{F} = \mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$ be the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{S} .

Notations

- $\mathcal{A} \times \mathcal{B}$: $\sigma(\{A \times B \mid A \in \mathcal{A}, B \in \mathcal{B}\})$.

Theorems

- The Uniqueness of Product Measure:**

1. Statement:

1. There is a unique measure μ on \mathcal{F} with $\mu(A \times B) = \mu_1(A)\mu_2(B)$.

2. Proof Steps:

1. By [Theorem 7.1 in Chapter 0, Section 3](#), it is enough to show that μ is σ -finite, namely if $A \times B = \bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (A_i \times B_i)$ is a finite or countable disjoint union, then $\mu(A \times B) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu(A_i \times B_i)$.
2. For each $x \in A$, let $I(x) = \{i | x \in A_i\}$, $B = \bigcup_{i \in I(x)} B_i$ is a disjoint union, so $\mathbb{1}_A(x)\mu_2(B) = \sum_{i \in I(x)} \mathbb{1}_{A_i}(x)\mu_2(B_i)$.
3. Integrating with respect to μ_1 and using [monotone convergence theorem](#) gives $\mu_1(A)\mu_2(B) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \mu_1(A_i)\mu_2(B_i)$. (If $g_m \geq 0$, then $\int \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} g_m d\mu = \sum_{m=0}^{\infty} \int g_m d\mu$)

3. Corollary:

1. Using induction, it follows that if $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i, \mu_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, n$, are σ -finite measure spaces and $\Omega = \Omega_1 \times \dots \times \Omega_n$, there is a unique measure μ on the σ -algebra \mathcal{F} generated by sets of the form $A_1 \times \dots \times A_n$, $A_i \in \mathcal{F}_i$, which has $\mu(A_1 \times \dots \times A_n) = \prod_{m=1}^n \mu_m(A_m)$.

4. Remark:

1. *This theorem is a special case of [Theorem 5.1.3 in Chapter 0, Section 9](#). The proof can be seen on the page 297 of [Reference 1 for Chapter 0](#).*
2. *μ is often denoted by $\mu_1 \times \mu_2$.*
3. *In [Corollary 1](#), when $(\Omega_i, \mathcal{F}_i, \mu_i) = (\mathbb{R}, \mathcal{R}, \lambda)$ for all i , the result is Lebesgue measure on the Borel subsets of n dimensional Euclidean space on \mathbb{R}^n .*

2. Fubini's Theorem:

1. Statement:

1. (Based on the notation of [Basic Assumption 1](#) and [Theorem 1](#)) If $f \geq 0$ or $\int |f| d\mu < \infty$, then $\int_X \int_Y f(x, y) \mu_2(dy) \mu_1(dx) = \int_{X \times Y} f d\mu = \int_Y \int_X f(x, y) \mu_1(dx) \mu_2(dy)$.

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