

mas550 homework

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**Problem (1.1.2).**

Let  $A = \prod_{i=1}^d (a_i, b_i]$ . Then

$$A = \left( \prod_{i=1}^d [a_i - 1, b_i] \right) \cap \left( \prod_{i=1}^d (a_i, b_i + 1) \right)$$

which is intersection of open set and closed set. So,  $A \in \mathcal{R}^d$  therefore  $\sigma(S_d) \subset \mathcal{R}^d$ .

On the other hand, let  $B = \prod_{i=1}^d (a_i, b_i)$  where  $-\infty < a_i < b_i < \infty$ . We can choose sequences  $\{a_{i,j}\}_{j=1}^\infty$  and  $\{b_{i,j}\}_{j=1}^\infty$  for each  $1 \leq i \leq d$  such that  $a_{i,j} \downarrow a_i$  and  $b_{i,j} \uparrow b_i$ . Then  $B_n = \prod_{i=1}^d (a_{i,n}, b_{i,n}] \uparrow B$ . So  $B$  is a countable union of open rectangles, hence  $B \in \sigma(S_d)$ . Since such  $B$  forms basis of topology on  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , we can conclude that  $\mathcal{R}^d \subset \sigma(S_d)$ .

**Problem (1.2.3).**

Let  $F$  be a distribution function. It is nonnegative, nondecreasing. So  $\lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y)$  and  $\lim_{y \uparrow x} F(y)$  always exist. Let  $x$  be a point where  $F$  is discontinuous. Since  $F$  is discontinuous at  $x$ , we can assume without loss of generality  $\lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y) > F(x)$ . Choose a rational number  $q_x \in (F(x), \lim_{y \downarrow x} F(y))$ . Then function  $x \mapsto q_x$  is injective since  $F$  is nondecreasing. So there is injection from set of discontinuities to rational numbers. Now we can conclude that set of discontinuities is at most countable.

**Problem (1.3.4).**

(a) Let  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a continuous function. Consider  $\mathcal{B} = \{U \subset \mathbb{R} : f^{-1}(U) \in \mathcal{R}^d\}$ .

It is well known that  $\mathcal{B}$  is a  $\sigma$ -field. By continuity of  $f$ ,  $\mathcal{B}$  contains every open set of  $\mathbb{R}$ , hence  $\mathcal{R} \subset \mathcal{B}$ . Therefore  $f$  is a measurable function.

(b) Let  $\mathcal{F}$  be a  $\sigma$ -field that makes all the continuous functions measurable.

Let  $\pi_i : \mathbb{R}^d \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be the projection on  $i$ -th factor, which is continuous. Then  $\cap_{i=1}^d \pi_i^{-1}((a_i, b_i)) = \prod_{i=1}^d (a_i, b_i) \in \mathcal{F}$ . Since  $\mathcal{F}$  contains every open rectangles in  $\mathbb{R}^d$ , we can conclude that  $\mathcal{R}^d \subset \mathcal{F}$ . This means  $\mathcal{R}^d$  is the smallest such  $\sigma$ -field. The fact that  $\mathcal{R}^d$  makes all the continuous functions measurable is written in (a).

**Problem (1.3.1).**

Since  $\sigma(X)$  is the smallest  $\sigma$ -field which makes  $X$  measurable, it is sufficient to show that  $X$  is measurable with respect to  $\sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$ .

Let  $X : \Omega \rightarrow S$ . It is clear that  $\{X \in A\} \in \sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . But by theorem 1.3.1, since  $\mathcal{A}$  generates  $\mathcal{S}$ ,  $X$  is measurable with respect to  $\sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}))$ .

Therefore we can conclude that  $\sigma(X^{-1}(\mathcal{A})) \subset \sigma(X)$ , and reverse inclusion is canonical since  $X^{-1}(\mathcal{A}) \subset \sigma(X)$ .

**Problem (1.4.1).**

Let  $E_n = \{x : f(x) > \frac{1}{n}\}$ . Then  $\int f d\mu \geq \int_{E_n} f d\mu \geq \int_{E_n} \frac{1}{n} d\mu = \frac{1}{n} \mu(E_n)$ . Therefore  $\mu(E_n) = 0$  for every positive integer  $n$ . So,  $\mu(\{f > 0\}) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_n) = 0$ . This says  $f = 0$  a.e.

**Problem (1.4.2).** Since  $E_{n+1,2m} \cup E_{n+1,2m+1} = E_{n,m}$  and  $\frac{2m+1}{2^{n+1}} \geq \frac{m}{2^n}$ , we can easily see that  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{m}{2^n} \mu(E_{n,m})$  is monotonically increasing as  $n$  grows.

For every positive integer  $M$ ,  $\sum_{m=1}^M \frac{m}{2^n} \mu(E_{n,m}) \leq \int f d\mu$ . So  $\sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{m}{2^n} \mu(E_{n,m}) \leq \int f d\mu$ .

Let  $s_n = \sum_{m=1}^{n2^n} \frac{m}{2^n} 1_{E_{n,m}}$ . Then  $\int s_n d\mu \leq \sum_{m \geq 1} \frac{m}{2^n} \mu(E_{n,m}) \leq \int f d\mu$ . But  $s_n \uparrow f$  monotonically. By monotone convergence theorem,  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int s_n d\mu = \int f d\mu$ . Hence by sandwich lemma, the desired result follows.

**Problem (1.5.1).**

First, we will show that  $|g| \leq \|g\|_\infty$  a.e.

It is true because

$$\begin{aligned}\mu(|g| > \|g\|_\infty) &= \mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left\{|g| \geq \|g\|_\infty + \frac{1}{n}\right\}\right) \\ &\leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \mu\left(\left\{|g| > \|g\|_\infty + \frac{1}{n}\right\}\right) \\ &= 0\end{aligned}$$

by definition of  $\|g\|_\infty$ .

Hence  $|g| \leq \|g\|_\infty$  a.e.

Then,  $\int |fg| d\mu \leq \|g\|_\infty \int |f| d\mu = \|g\|_\infty \|f\|_1$ .

**Problem (1.5.3).**

(a) Since  $p > 1$ ,  $x \mapsto |x|^p$  is convex function.  $|f + g|^p \leq 2^{p-1}(|f|^p + |g|^p)$  follows from convexity of  $|x|^p$ .

$\int |f + g|^p d\mu \leq \int 2^p |f|^p d\mu + \int 2^p |g|^p d\mu$ . Therefore finiteness of  $\|f\|_p$  and  $\|g\|_p$  leads  $\|f + g\|_p < \infty$ .

Now, consider  $\int |f + g|^p d\mu = \int |f + g| |f + g|^{p-1} d\mu \leq \int |f| |f + g|^{p-1} d\mu + \int |g| |f + g|^{p-1} d\mu$ . Let  $q$  be Holder conjugate of  $p$ . Then by applying Holder inequality, we get  $\|f + g\|_p^p \leq \|f + g\|_p^{p/q} (\|f\|_p + \|g\|_p)$ . Simple calculating leads Minkowski's inequality.

(b) First consider  $p = 1$ . By using triangle inequality, the result follows directly. Next consider  $p = \infty$ .  $|f + g| \leq |f| + |g| \leq \|f\|_\infty + \|g\|_\infty$  a.e. Therefore  $\|f + g\|_\infty \leq \|f\|_\infty + \|g\|_\infty$ .

**Problem (1.6.8).**

First assume  $g = 1_A$ . Then  $\int g d\mu = \mu(A) = \int_A f(x) dx = \int 1_A f d\mu$  where  $m$  is Lebesgue measure.

Next, assume  $g = \sum_i a_i 1_{A_i}$ , simple function. Then  $\int g d\mu = \sum_i a_i \mu(A_i) = \sum_i a_i \int 1_{A_i} f d\mu$ .

Next, assume  $g$  is nonnegative measurable. Let  $\{s_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$  be increasing sequence of simple function converges to  $g$  pointwisely. Then  $\int g d\mu = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int s_n d\mu =$

$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int s_n f dm$ . But  $s_n f \uparrow gf$  since  $f$  is nonnegative. By monotone convergence theorem, we can get  $\int g d\mu = \int g f dm$ .

Last, assume  $g$  is integrable function. We can decompose  $g$  by  $g = g^+ - g^-$ . Applying 3rd step for  $g^+, g^-$  each, we can get  $\int g d\mu = \int g^+ f dm - \int g^- f dm = \int g f dm$  since  $f$  is nonnegative.

**Problem (1.6.13).**

Since  $X_n \uparrow X$ ,  $X_n^+ \uparrow X^+$  and  $X_n^- \downarrow X^-$ . And note that  $X_n^- \leq X_1^-$  which is integrable. Apply monotone convergence theorem to  $X_n^+$  and apply dominated convergence theorem to  $X_n^-$  to get  $\lim EX_n = \lim EX_n^+ - \lim EX_n^- = EX^+ - EX^- = EX$ .

**Problem (1.7.1).**

We need to show that  $\int_{X \times Y} |f| d(\mu_1 \times \mu_2) < \infty$ .

Since  $|f|^\pm$  is nonnegative, by Fubini's theorem,  $\int_X \int_Y |f|^\pm \mu_2(dy) \mu_1(dx) < \infty$ . Then, their sum is also finite, and the sum is  $\int_{X \times Y} |f| d(\mu_1 \times \mu_2)$  by Fubini's theorem. This leads the conclusion of the exercise.

Corollary is immediate if we take  $\mu_1 = c$  and  $\mu_2 = \mu$ .

**Problem (1.7.3).**

1.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(a,b]} \{F(y) - F(a)\} dG(y) &= \int_{(a,b]} \int_{(a,y]} 1 \mu(dx) \nu(dy) \\ &= \int_{a < x \leq y \leq b} 1 d(\mu \times \nu) \\ &= \mu \times \nu(1 < X \leq Y \leq b) \end{aligned}$$

by Fubini's theorem on nonnegative function 1.

2.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{(a,b]} F(y) dG(y) &= \int_{(a,b]} \int_{-\infty}^y 1 \mu(dx) \nu(dy) \\ &= \int_{(-\infty, a]} \int_{(a,b]} 1 \nu(dy) \mu(dx) + \int_{(a,b]} \int_{[x,b]} \nu(dy) \mu(dx) \\ &= F(a) \{G(b) - G(a)\} + G(b) \{F(b) - F(a)\} \\ &\quad - \int_{(a,b]} G(x) \mu(dx) + \int_{(a,b]} G(x) - G(x^-) \mu(dx) \end{aligned}$$

We can get similar result for  $\int_{(a,b]} G(y) dF(y)$ . By simple calculation, we get the conclusion of (2).

3. If  $F = G$  continuous, Then  $\mu(\{x\}) = \nu(\{x\}) = F(x) - F(x^-) = G(x) - G(x^-) = 0$ . Therefore, by using (2), we can get the conclusion.

**Problem (2.1.3).**

1. If  $h(\alpha) = 0$  for some  $\alpha > 0$ , by mean value theorem,  $h'(\beta) = 0$  for some  $\beta \in (0, \alpha)$ . It contradicts to  $h'(x) > 0$  for positive  $x$ . Therefore  $h > 0$  for positive  $x$ .

$x = y$  iff  $\rho(x, y) = 0$  iff  $h(\rho(x, y)) = 0$ . And  $h(\rho(x, y)) = h(\rho(y, x))$  since  $\rho(x, y) = \rho(y, x)$ .

Now consider  $x \geq y > 0$  and  $\frac{h(x+y)-h(x)}{y} = h'(x+\theta)$  and  $\frac{h(y)}{y} = h'(y-\delta)$ . Since  $h'$  is decreasing,  $h(x+y) - h(x) \leq h(y)$ . Using this, we can prove triangle inequality of  $h \circ \rho$ .

2.  $h(x) = 1 - \frac{1}{1+x}$  so  $h'(x) = \frac{1}{(1+x)^2}$  and  $h''(x) = \frac{-2}{(1+x)^3}$ . Given  $h$  satisfies all of (1).

**Problem (2.1.9).**

Let  $\mathcal{A}_1 = \{\{1, 2\}, \{1, 3\}\}$ ,  $\mathcal{A}_2 = \{\{1, 4\}\}$ . For  $A_1 \in \mathcal{A}_1$  and  $A_2 \in \mathcal{A}_2$ ,  $P(A_1 \cap A_2) = P(A_1)P(A_2) = 1/4$ . But,  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}_1) = 2^\Omega$  and  $\sigma(\mathcal{A}_2) = \{\Omega, \{1, 4\}, \{2, 3\}, \emptyset\}$ . They are not independent by considering  $A_1 = \{2, 3, 4\}$  and  $A_2 = \{2, 3\}$ .

**Problem (2.2.3).**

(a)  $f(U_i)$ 's are iid because  $P(\bigcap_i (f \circ U_i) \in B_i) = P(\bigcap_i \{U_i \in f^{-1}(B_i)\}) = \prod_i P(U_i \in f^{-1}(B_i)) = \prod_i P(f(U_i) \in B_i)$ . Also, for borel set  $B$ ,  $P(f(U_i) \in B) = P(U_i \in f^{-1}(B))$  are all same for  $i$ .

$$Ef(U_i) = \int_0^1 f(x)dx, E|f(U_i)| = \int_0^1 |f(x)|dx < \infty.$$

Now, by WLLN,  $\frac{\sum f(U_i)}{n}$  converges to  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx$  in probability.

$$(b) P(|I_n - I| > a/n^{0.5}) \leq \frac{n}{a^2} E|I_n - I|^2 = \frac{n}{a^2} \text{Var}(I_n) = \text{Var}(\sum f(U_i))/na^2 = \text{Var}(f(U_i))/a^2 = \left[ \int_0^1 f(x)^2 dx - \left( \int_0^1 f(x) dx \right)^2 \right] / a^2.$$

**Problem (2.2.5).**

Note that  $P(X_i \leq a) = 0$  for all  $a < e$ .

$$xP(X_i > x) = \frac{e}{\log x} \rightarrow 0 \text{ as } x \rightarrow \infty.$$

$E|X_i| = EX_i = \int_e^\infty P(X_i > x)dx = \int_e^\infty \frac{e}{x \log x} dx = \infty$  since  $X_i \geq 0$  almost surely.

But  $\mu_n = \int_{|X_i| \leq n} X_i dP \uparrow EX_i = \infty$  by monotone convergence theorem.

Now, theorem 2.2.12 says  $\frac{s_n}{n} - \mu_n$  converges to 0 in probability.



**Problem (2.3.5).**

- (a) Let  $F_N = \{Y \leq N\}$  and  $Y_N = Y1_{F_N}$ . Then  $EY_N \uparrow EY$  by MCT. So choose  $N$  so that  $EY - EY_N < \varepsilon$ . Now consider  $|EX_n - EX| \leq E|X_n - X| \leq \int_{|X_n - X| > \varepsilon} 2Y dP + \int_{|X_n - X| \leq \varepsilon} |X_n - X| dP \leq \varepsilon + \int_{|X_n - X| > \varepsilon} 2Y dP$ .

Let  $E_n = \{|X_n - X| > \varepsilon\}$ . Then  $\int_{E_n} 2Y dP = \int_{E_n} 2Y - 2Y_N + 2Y_N dP \leq E(2Y - 2Y_N) + 2NP(E_n)$ , where the last term goes to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

- (b) Let  $h, g$  be continuous functions,  $h(0) = 0$ ,  $g > 0$  for large  $x$ ,  $|h|/g \rightarrow 0$  as  $|x| \rightarrow \infty$ , and  $Eg(X_n) \leq C < \infty$ .

Choose  $M$  so large that  $g > 0$  on  $|x| > M$ .  $\varepsilon_M = \sup_{|x| \geq M} |h|/g$  and  $\bar{Y} = Y1_{|Y| \leq M}$ .

Then  $|Eh(X_n) - Eh(X)| \leq E|h(X_n) - Eh(\bar{X}_n)| + E|h(\bar{X}_n) - h(\bar{X})| + E|h(\bar{X}) - h(X)|$ . First term and third term are bounded by  $\varepsilon_M C$  which goes to 0 as  $M \rightarrow \infty$ . And the second term goes to 0 as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by bounded convergence thm.

Therefore the conclusions hold.

**Problem (2.3.6.).**

- (a) We already show that  $\rho(x, y) = \frac{|x-y|}{1+|x-y|}$  is a metric in problem 2.1.3.

First consider  $d(X, Y) = 0$  iff  $E \frac{|X-Y|}{1+|X-Y|} = 0$  iff  $\frac{|X-Y|}{1+|X-Y|} = 0$  a.s. iff  $X = Y$  a.s.

Next, it is trivial to check  $d(X, Y) = d(Y, X)$ .

Lastly,  $d(X, Z) = E\rho(X, Z) \leq E(\rho(X, Y) + \rho(Y, Z)) = E\rho(X, Y) + E\rho(Y, Z) = d(X, Y) + d(Y, Z)$ .

Therefore given function is a metric of class of random variables.

- (b) First assume  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in probability. Then  $\frac{|X_n - X|}{1+|X_n - X|} \leq 1$  and it goes to 0 in probability. So bounded convergence thm implies  $d(X_n, X) \rightarrow 0$ .

Next assume  $d(X_n, X) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
P(|X_n - X| > \varepsilon) &= P\left(\frac{|X_n - X|}{1 + |X_n - X|} > \frac{\varepsilon}{1 + \varepsilon}\right) \\
&\leq E \frac{|X_n - X|}{1 + |X_n - X|} \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \\
&= d(X_n, X) \frac{1 + \varepsilon}{\varepsilon} \rightarrow 0
\end{aligned}$$

by Markov's inequality.

**Problem (2.3.8).**

Independence of  $A_n$  implies independence of  $A_n^c$ . Let  $B_n = \cap_{k=1}^n A_k^c$ . Then  $0 = P(\cap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n^c) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(B_n)$ .

So, for arbitrary  $\varepsilon > 0$ , there is a positive integer  $N_\varepsilon$  such that  $n \geq N_\varepsilon$  implies  $P(B_n) = P(\cap_{k=1}^n A_k^c) = \prod_{k=1}^n (1 - P(A_k)) = e^{\sum_{k=1}^n \log(1 - P(A_k))} < \varepsilon$ . But as  $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} e^{\sum_{k=1}^n \log(1 - P(A_k))} = 0$$

This means that  $\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \log(1 - P(A_k)) = -\infty$ , therefore  $\log(1 - P(A_k))$  does not converge to 0, which is equivalent to that  $P(A_k)$  does not converge to 0. Therefore  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) = \infty$ .

**Problem (2.3.12).**

Let  $\Omega = \{\omega_i : i \in \mathbb{N}\}$ . Without loss of generality, we can assume  $P(\{\omega_i\}) > 0$  for all  $i \in \mathbb{N}$ .

If there is  $\omega_i$  such that  $X_n(\omega_i)$  does not converge to  $X(\omega_i)$ , then for some  $\varepsilon > 0$ , and for all  $N \in \mathbb{N}$ , there is  $n_N \geq N$  but  $|X_{n_N}(\omega_i) - X(\omega_i)| > \varepsilon$ .

This means  $\{|X_{n_N} - X| > \varepsilon\}$  contains  $\omega_i$  for all  $N$ . So  $0 < P(\{\omega_i\}) \leq P(|X_{n_N} - X| > \varepsilon)$ .

But  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in probability implies  $X_{n_N} \rightarrow X$  in probability. This contradicts to above. Therefore there is no such  $\omega_i$  hence  $X_n$  converges to  $X$  almost surely.

**Problem (2.5.2).**

If  $E|X_1|^p = \infty$ , then for each positive integer  $k$ ,  $E|X_1|^p \leq \sum_n P(|X_1|^p > nk) = \infty$ . But  $P(|X_1|^p > nk) = P(|X_n| > (nk)^{1/p})$ . Then by Borel Cantelli lemma  $P(|X_n| > (nk)^{1/p} \text{ i.o.}) = 1$ . That is,  $\limsup_n |X_n|/n^{1/p} \geq k^{1/p}$  for infinitely many  $k$ . Therefore  $\limsup_n |X_n|/n^{1/p} = \infty$ .

But  $|X_n| \leq |S_n| + |S_{n-1}|$ . That leads  $\limsup_n |S_n|/n^{1/p} = \infty$ . By taking contrapositive, we get the conclusion.

**Problem (2.5.5).**

The first one leads the second one directly because Kolmogorov's three series lemma with  $A = 1$  tells it.

The second one implies the third one because  $\frac{X_n}{1+X_n} \leq 1_{X_n>1} + X_n 1_{X_n \leq 1}$  and monotone convergence theorem.

The third one implies  $\sum_n \frac{X_n}{1+X_n} < \infty$  a.s. And convergence of  $\sum_n \frac{a_n}{1+a_n}$  for  $a_n \geq 0$  gives the convergence of  $\sum_n a_n$ . It is because  $\lim a_n = 0$  and  $|a_N + \dots + a_{N+n}| \leq (1+\varepsilon) \left| \frac{a_N}{1+a_N} + \dots + \frac{a_{N+n}}{1+a_{N+n}} \right|$  for large  $N$ . Therefore  $\sum_{k=1}^n a_k$  is Cauchy hence converges. Therefore  $\sum_n X_n$  converges a.s.

**Problem (3.2.4).**

Since  $X_n \rightarrow X_\infty$  in distribution, there are  $Y_n =_d X_n$  and  $Y_\infty =_d X_\infty$  such that  $Y_n \rightarrow Y_\infty$  a.s.

Then  $g(Y_n) \geq 0$  and  $g(Y_n) \rightarrow g(Y_\infty)$  a.s. Therefore by Fatou's lemma,  $\liminf Eg(Y_n) \geq Eg(Y_\infty)$  which is equivalent to  $\liminf Eg(X_n) \geq Eg(X_\infty)$  since  $X_n =_d Y_n$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N} \cup \infty$ .

**Problem (3.2.5).**

There are  $Y_n \rightarrow Y_\infty$  a.s. and distribution function of  $Y_n$  is equal to  $F_n$ .  $F_\infty = F$ .

Then by theorem 1.6.8,  $Eh(Y_n) \rightarrow Eh(Y_\infty)$  which is equivalent to  $\int h(x)dF_n(x) \rightarrow \int h(x)dF(x)$  because distribution function of  $Y_n$  is  $F_n$ .

**Problem (4.1.7).**

By definition of  $\text{Var}(X|\mathcal{F})$ , we get the following:

$$E(\text{Var}(X|\mathcal{F})) = EX^2 - E(E(X|\mathcal{F})^2)$$

And clearly,

$$\text{Var}(E(X|\mathcal{F})) = E(E(X|\mathcal{F})^2) - (E(E(X|\mathcal{F})))^2$$

Therefore, by summing them vertically, we can get

$$\text{Var}(E(X|\mathcal{F})) + E(\text{Var}(X|\mathcal{F})) = EX^2 - (E(E(X|\mathcal{F})))^2$$

which is equal to  $\text{Var}(X)$  since the last term is equal to square of  $EX$ .  $\square$

**Problem (4.1.9).**

$$\begin{aligned} \int |X - Y|^2 dP &= \int X^2 - 2XY + Y^2 dP \\ &= \int X^2 - 2E(XY|\mathcal{G}) + Y^2 dP \\ &= \int X^2 - 2XE(Y|\mathcal{G}) + Y^2 dP \\ &= \int X^2 - 2X^2 + Y^2 dP \\ &= EY^2 - EX^2 \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $|X - Y|^2 = 0$  a.s. which implies  $X = Y$  a.s. Note that  $XY$  is integrable by Holder's inequality for  $p = q = 2$  and finite second moment of  $X, Y$ .  $\square$

**Problem (4.2.3).**

Clearly  $\mathcal{F}_m \subset \mathcal{F}_{m+1}$  for all positive integer  $m$ . Let  $Z_n = X_n \vee Y_n$ , then  $Z_n$  is clearly  $\mathcal{F}_n$  measurable.

Now, let  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ . Then,

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_A E(Z_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) dP &= \int_A Z_n dP \\
&\geq \int_A X_n dP \vee \int_A Y_n dP \\
&= \int_A E(X_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) dP \vee \int_A E(Y_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) dP \\
&\geq \int_A X_{n-1} dP \vee \int_A Y_{n-1} dP
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore  $\int_A E(Z_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) dP \geq \int_A X_{n-1}, Y_{n-1} dP$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$ . Since  $E(Z_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1})$  is  $\mathcal{F}_{n-1}$  measurable, we can conclude that conditional expectation of  $Z_n$  with respect to  $\mathcal{F}_{n-1}$  is equal or greater than  $X_{n-1}$  and  $Y_{n-1}$  a.s.

So,  $Z_n$  is a submartingale.  $\square$

**Problem (4.2.9).**

Note that  $\{N > n\} = \{N \leq n\}^c \in \mathcal{F}_n$  and  $\{N < n\} = \{N \leq n-1\} \in \mathcal{F}_{n-1}$  since  $N$  is integer valued. Now, consider the following:

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Z_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) &= 1_{N \geq n} E(X_n^1 | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) + 1_{N < n} E(X_n^2 | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) \\
&\leq 1_{N \geq n} X_{n-1}^1 + 1_{N < n} X_{n-1}^2 \\
&= 1_{N > n-1} X_{n-1}^1 + 1_{N \leq n-1} X_{n-1}^2 \\
&\leq 1_{N \geq n-1} X_{n-1}^1 + 1_{N < n-1} X_{n-1}^2 \\
&= Z_{n-1}
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $Z_n$  is supermartingale.

Now, consider the  $Y_n$ :

$$First, Y_n = X_n^1 1_{N > n} + X_n^2 1_{N = n} + X_n^2 1_{N < n} \leq X_n^1 1_{N \geq n} + X_n^2 1_{N < n}.$$

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y_n | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) &\leq 1_{N \geq n} E(X_n^1 | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) + 1_{N < n} E(X_n^2 | \mathcal{F}_{n-1}) \\
&\leq 1_{N \geq n} X_{n-1}^1 + 1_{N < n} X_{n-1}^2 \\
&= 1_{N > n-1} X_{n-1}^1 + 1_{N \leq n-1} X_{n-1}^2 \\
&= Y_{n-1}
\end{aligned}$$

So,  $Y_n$  is also a supermartingale.  $\square$

**Problem (4.2.8).**

Let  $\nu = \inf \{k : \prod_{m=1}^k (1 + Y_m) > M\}$  for  $M > 0$ . Let  $U_n = M X_n \prod_{m=1}^{n-1} (1 + Y_m)^{-1}$ . Clearly  $\nu$  is a stopping time. Now we claim that  $U_{n \wedge \nu}$  is positive supermartingale.

$$\begin{aligned} E(U_{n+1 \wedge \nu} | \mathcal{F}_n) &= E(U_\nu 1_{\{n+1 > \nu\}} + U_{n+1} 1_{\{n+1 \leq \nu\}} | \mathcal{F}_n) \\ &\leq U_\nu 1_{\{\nu \leq n\}} + 1_{\{n+1 \leq \nu\}} M \prod_{m=1}^n (1 + Y_m)^{-1} X_n (1 + Y_n) \\ &= U_\nu 1_{\{\nu \leq n\}} + 1_{\{n < \nu\}} M \prod_{m=1}^{n-1} (1 + Y_m)^{-1} X_n \\ &= U_{\nu \wedge n} \end{aligned}$$

Above manipulation is possible since  $\{n+1 \leq \nu\} = \{\nu \leq n\}^c$ . Thus  $U_{n \wedge \nu}$  is a positive supermartingale, so it converges almost surely.

Note that  $\sum Y_n < \infty$  implies  $\prod (1 + Y_n) < \infty$  by considering  $1 + x \leq \exp(x)$  and its partial product. Now fix  $w$  so that  $U_{\nu \wedge n}(w)$  and  $\prod (1 + Y_n(w))$  are convergent. Choose  $M > \prod (1 + Y_n)$ . Then  $\nu = \infty$ , so  $U_{\nu \wedge n} = U_n$ . But we know that  $U_{\nu \wedge n}(w)$  converges, say to  $K$ . Then for that  $w$ ,  $X_n(w) \rightarrow K(w) \prod (1 + Y_n(w)) / M$ . Thus we can say that  $X_n$  converges almost surely.  $\square$

**Problem (4.3.3).**

It is very similar to #4.2.8.

Let  $\nu = \inf \{k : \sum_{m=1}^k Y_m > M\}$  for  $M > 0$ . Clearly,  $\nu$  is a stopping time. Let  $U_n = X_n - \sum_{m < n} Y_m + M$ . Then clearly,  $U_{n \wedge \nu}$  is nonnegative random variables. Now we claim that  $U_{n \wedge \nu}$  is a supermartingale.

$$\begin{aligned} E(U_{n+1 \wedge \nu} | \mathcal{F}_n) &= E(U_\nu 1_{\{\nu < n+1\}} + U_{n+1} 1_{\{n+1 \leq \nu\}} | \mathcal{F}_n) \\ &\leq U_\nu 1_{\{\nu < n+1\}} + 1_{\{n+1 \leq \nu\}} \left( X_n + Y_n - \sum_{m < n+1} Y_m + M \right) \\ &= U_\nu 1_{\{\nu \leq n\}} + U_n 1_{\{n < \nu\}} \\ &= U_{\nu \wedge n} \end{aligned}$$

Above is possible since  $\{\nu \geq n+1\} = \{\nu \leq n\}^c \in \mathcal{F}_n$ . Thus  $U_{n \wedge \nu}$  is a positive supermartingale, so it converges almost surely.

Now, fix  $w$  so that  $U_{n \wedge \nu}(w), \sum Y_n(w)$  both are convergent. Choose  $M > \sum Y_n(w)$ . Then  $\nu = \infty$  so  $U_{n \wedge \nu} = U_n$ . Then we can say that  $U_n(w) \rightarrow K(w)$ , so  $X_n(w) \rightarrow K(w) - M + \sum Y_n(w)$ . Thus  $X_n$  converges almost surely.

□

**Problem (4.3.4).**

Let  $\{Y_n\}_{n=1}^{\infty}$  be a sequence of independent random variables such that  $P(Y_n = 1) = p_n$ . Also let  $P(Y_n = 0) = 1 - p_n$ . Since  $Y_n$  are independent, by Borel Canteli lemma (1st and 2nd both) implies that

$$\sum_{n \geq 1} p_n = \sum_{n \geq 1} P(Y_n = 1) = \infty \Leftrightarrow P(Y_n = 1 \text{ i.o.}) = 1$$

Note that  $\cap_{n=N}^{N+k} \{Y_n = 0\} \downarrow \cap_{n=N}^{\infty} \{Y_n = 0\}$ . So  $\Pi_{n=N}^{N+k}(1-p_n) \rightarrow \Pi_{n=N}^{\infty}(1-p_n)$  as  $k \rightarrow \infty$ .

Since  $P(Y_n = 1 \text{ i.o.}) = P(\cap_{N=1}^{\infty} \cup_{n \geq N} \{Y_n = 1\}) = 1$ , we can get the following:

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcap_{N \geq 1} \bigcup_{n \geq N} \{Y_n = 0\}\right) &= 0 = \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n \geq N} \{Y_n = 0\}\right) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} P\left(\bigcap_{n=N}^{N+k} \{Y_n = 0\}\right) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \lim_{k \rightarrow \infty} \Pi_{n=N}^{N+k}(1-p_n) \\ &= \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) \end{aligned}$$

But,  $\Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) \leq \Pi_{n \geq M}(1-p_n)$  where  $M \geq N$  since  $1-p_n \leq 1$ . Therefore we can see that  $\Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) \leq \lim_{N \rightarrow \infty} \Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) = 0$  by above. So,  $\Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) = 0$  for all positive integer  $N$ .

For the other direction, suppose  $\Pi_{n \geq 1}(1-p_n) = 0$ . Then its partial product must converge to zero. It means that  $\Pi_{n \geq N}(1-p_n) = 0$  for every  $N$ . Then  $\lim_N P(\cap_{n \geq N} \{Y_n = 0\}) = 0$ . So  $P(Y_n = 1 \text{ i.o.}) = 1$  which implies the result.

□

**Problem (4.4.7).**

$\lambda > 0$ . For  $c > 0$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} X_m \geq \lambda\right) &\leq P\left(\max_{1 \leq m \leq n} (X_m + c)^2 \geq (\lambda + c)^2\right) \\ &\leq \frac{E(X_n + c)^2}{(\lambda + c)^2} \end{aligned}$$

since  $(X_m + c)^2$  is a submartingale, and by the Doob's inequality.

Note that  $E(X_n + c)^2 = EX_n^2 + c^2$  since  $EX_n = EX_0 = 0$ . The minimum of the last term (with respect to  $c$ ) occurs when  $c = EX_n^2/\lambda$  by differentiating it. And, its minimum value is  $EX_n^2/(EX_n^2 + \lambda^2)$ .

□

**Problem (4.4.9).**

Consider the following:

$$\begin{aligned} E(X_m - X_{m-1})(Y_m - Y_{m-1}) &= EX_m Y_m - EX_m Y_{m-1} - EX_{m-1} Y_m + EX_{m-1} Y_{m-1} \\ &= EX_m Y_m - E(E(X_m Y_{m-1} | \mathcal{F}_{m-1})) \\ &\quad - E(E(X_{m-1} Y_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1})) + EX_{m-1} Y_{m-1} \\ &= EX_m Y_m - E(Y_{m-1} E(X_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1})) \\ &\quad - E(X_{m-1} E(Y_m | \mathcal{F}_{m-1})) + EX_{m-1} Y_{m-1} \\ &= EX_m Y_m - EX_{m-1} Y_{m-1} \end{aligned}$$

So the result follows directly. Note that  $X_m Y_m$  is integrable due to the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality.

□

**Problem (4.4.10).**

By the problem 4.4.9,  $EX_n^2 = EX_0^2 + \sum_{m=1}^n E\xi_m^2 \leq EX_0^2 + \sum_{m=1}^\infty E\xi_m^2 < \infty$ . So  $\sup_n E|X_n|^2 \leq EX_0^2 + \sum_{m=1}^\infty E\xi_m^2 < \infty$ . Therefore, the  $L_2$  martingale convergence theorem implies the result.

□

**Problem (4.6.1).**



Let  $\mathcal{F}_n = \sigma(Y_1, \dots, Y_n)$ . Then  $E(\theta|Y_1, \dots, Y_n) = E(\theta|\mathcal{F}_n)$ . By theorem 4.6.8,  $E(\theta|\mathcal{F}_n) \rightarrow E(\theta|\mathcal{F}_\infty)$  a.s. and in  $L_1$ . Now, it remains to show that  $E(\theta|\mathcal{F}_\infty) = \theta$ .

Conditioning on  $\theta$ , we can get the followings:

$$E(Y_i|\theta) = E(Z_i + \theta|\theta) = \theta + E(Z_i|\theta) = \theta$$

$$E(|Y_i - \theta|^2|\theta) = E(Z_i^2|\theta) = E(Z_i^2) = 0$$

by independence of  $Z_i$  and  $\theta$ .

Define  $X_n = \sum_{i=1}^n Y_i/n$ . Clearly,  $X_n$  are  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$  measurable. By the above observations, we can easily check that  $E(|X_n - \theta|^2|\theta) = 1/n$ . So, by integrating both sides,  $E|X_n - \theta|^2 = 1/n$ . Therefore  $X_n \rightarrow \theta$  in  $L_2$ . By the fact that  $L_2$  convergent sequence has a almost sure convergent subsequence, we can say that  $X_{n_k} \rightarrow \theta$ . But each  $X_{n_k}$  is  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$  measurable, we can say that  $\theta$  is  $\mathcal{F}_\infty$  measurable.

Thus,  $E(\theta|\mathcal{F}_\infty) = \theta$ .

□

**Problem (4.6.7).**

By triangle inequality,

$$|E(Y_n|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y|\mathcal{F}_\infty)| \leq |E(Y_n|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y|\mathcal{F}_n)| + |E(Y|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y|\mathcal{F}_\infty)|$$

Write the above as  $S_1 \leq S_2 + S_3$ . Then clearly  $ES_3 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$  by theorem 4.6.8. To estimate  $ES_2$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} ES_2 &\leq E(E(|Y_n - Y||\mathcal{F}_n)) \\ &= E|Y_n - Y| \end{aligned}$$

by Jensen's inequality. Therefore,  $L_1$  convergence of  $Y_n$  implies  $ES_2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

□

**Problem (4.7.2).**

Let  $w_N = \sup \{|Y_n - Y_m| : m, n \leq N\}$ . Then clearly  $|Y_n - Y_{-\infty}| \leq w_N$  for  $n \leq N$ . Since  $Y_n \rightarrow Y_{-\infty}$  a.s. as  $n \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $w_N \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow -\infty$  almost surely. Note that  $w_N \leq 2Z \in L_1$ . Thus  $w_N \in L_1$ . So,  $\mathbb{E}(w_N|\mathcal{F}_{-\infty}) \rightarrow 0$  as  $N \rightarrow -\infty$ .

Let

$$\begin{aligned} & |E(Y_n|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_{-\infty})| \\ & \leq |E(Y_n|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_n)| + |E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_{-\infty})| \\ & = S_1 + S_2 \end{aligned}$$

Now, consider the following:

$$\begin{aligned} \limsup_{n \rightarrow -\infty} |E(Y_n|\mathcal{F}_n) - E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_n)| & \leq \limsup_{n \rightarrow -\infty} E(|Y_n - Y_{-\infty}||\mathcal{F}_n) \\ & \leq \lim_{n \rightarrow -\infty} E(w_N|\mathcal{F}_n) \\ & = E(w_N|\mathcal{F}_{-\infty}) \end{aligned}$$

So, by  $N \rightarrow -\infty$ ,  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow -\infty} S_1 = 0$ .  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow -\infty} S_2 = 0$  because  $E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_n)$  is a backward martingale so it converges to  $E(Y_{-\infty}|\mathcal{F}_{-\infty})$  a.s. and in  $L_1$ . □

**Problem (4.8.4).**

Let  $M_n = S_n^2 - n\sigma^2$ . Then  $M_n$  is a quadratic martingale. Since  $n \wedge T$  is bounded stopping time, we have  $EM_{n \wedge T} = EM_0 = 0$ . Thus  $ES_{n \wedge T}^2 = \sigma^2 E(n \wedge T)$ . As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ,  $E(n \wedge T) \rightarrow ET$  by MCT.

Now consider  $E|S_T - S_{n \wedge T}|^2 = E\left(\sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} 1_{(m \leq T)} \xi_m\right)^2$ . Note that

$$E(1_{m \leq T})(1_{m+k \leq T})\xi_m \xi_{m+k} = (E\xi_{m+k})E1_{m \leq T}1_{m+k \leq T}\xi_m = 0$$

Thus  $E|S_T - S_{n \wedge T}|^2 = \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} E1_{(m \leq T)}\xi_m^2 = \sigma^2 \sum_{m=n+1}^{\infty} P(m \leq T)$ . But,  $\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} P(m \leq T) = ET < \infty$ . So we can say  $E|S_T - S_{n \wedge T}|^2 \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Therefore  $S_{n \wedge T} \rightarrow S_T$  in  $L_2$ , so  $S_{n \wedge T}^2 \rightarrow S_T^2$  in  $L_1$ , which leads the conclusion. □

**Problem (4.8.7).**

Note that  $ET = a^2$  by theorem 4.8.7. Claim :  $(b, c) = (3, 2)$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
E(Y_{n+1}|\mathcal{F}_n) \\
&= 1 + 6S_n^2 + S_n^4 - 6(n+1)(1 + S_n^2) + 3(n+1)^2 + 2(n+1) \\
&= S_n^4 - 6nS_n^2 + 3n^2 + 2n
\end{aligned}$$

Since  $n \wedge T$  is bounded stopping time, we can get  $EY_0 = EY_{n \wedge T}$ . Thus  $3E(n \wedge T)^2 = 6E[(n \wedge T)S_{n \wedge T}^2] - ES_{n \wedge T}^4 - 2E_{n \wedge T}$ .

But, by MCT,  $E(n \wedge T)^2 \rightarrow ET^2$  and  $E(n \wedge T) \rightarrow ET$ . And  $S_{n \wedge T}$  is bounded, so BCT implies  $ES_{n \wedge T}^m \rightarrow a^m$ . Thus,  $3ET^2 = 6a^4 - a^4 - 2ET = 5a^4 - 2a^2$ .

Note that  $(n \wedge T)S_{n \wedge T}^2 \leq a^2T \in L_1$ . Thus  $E(n \wedge T)S_{n \wedge T}^2 \rightarrow a^4$  by DCT.

□

**Problem (4.8.9).**

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