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Week1-template

Math 563, Fall 2022

Q 1. (Analysis, Set Theory Review)

Q 1.1. Carefully state the **Axiom of Choice**. Use proper notation, consistent with the book.

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Q 1.2. Let $x_i, i \in I$, be an uncountable family of positive real numbers. Let $|J|$ denote the cardinality of a subset $J \subseteq I$. Prove that

$$\sup_{J \subseteq I, |J| < \infty} \sum_{i \in J} x_i = \infty.$$

Make sure to show the step which relies upon the Axiom of Choice.

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- Q 2.** (Durrett, Problem 1.1.1) Let $\Omega = \mathbb{R}$, \mathcal{F} = all subsets so that A or A^c is countable, $\mathbb{P}(A) = 0$ in the first case and $= 1$ in the second. Show that $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ is a probability space.
- Q 2.1.** Which are the **axioms** of a σ -algebra? (When in doubt, follow the book.)

- ☐ (A) closed under complement
- ☐ (B) closed under finite intersection
- ☐ (C) closed under countable union
- ☐ (D) contains empty set \emptyset
- ☐ (E) contains Ω
- ☐ (F) contains all subsets of Ω

Q 2.2. Prove that \mathcal{F} is a σ -algebra.

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Q 2.3. Which are **properties** (including the axioms) of \mathbb{P} , a general probability measure? (When in doubt, follow the book.)

- (A) The domain of \mathbb{P} is 2^Ω .
- (B) The domain of \mathbb{P} is \mathcal{F} .
- (C) $\mathbb{P}(A \cup B) = \mathbb{P}(A) + \mathbb{P}(B)$ for $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$.
- (D) $\mathbb{P}(A^c) = \mathbb{P}(A)$
- (E) $\mathbb{P}(A^c) = 1 - \mathbb{P}(A)$
- (F) $\mathbb{P}(\emptyset) = 0$.
- (G) If $\mathbb{P}(A) = 0$ then $A = \emptyset$.
- (H) If $A \subseteq B$ then $\mathbb{P}(A) \leq \mathbb{P}(B)$ for $A, B \in \mathcal{F}$.

Q 2.4. Prove that \mathbb{P} defined in 1.1.1 is a probability measure.

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Q 3. (Durrett 1.1.2) Let \mathcal{S}_d = the empty set plus all sets of the form

$$(a_1, b_1] \times \dots \times (a_d, b_d] \subset \mathbb{R}^d$$

where $-\infty \leq a_i < b_i \leq \infty$. Show that $\sigma(\mathcal{S}_d) = \mathcal{R}^d$, the Borel subsets of \mathbb{R}^d .

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- Q 4.** (Durrett 1.1.3) A σ -field \mathcal{F} is said to be countably generated if there is a countable collection $\mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{F}$ so that $\sigma(\mathcal{C}) = \mathcal{F}$. Show that \mathcal{R}^d is countably generated.

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Q 5. (Durrett 1.1.4)

Q 5.1. (i) Show that if $\mathcal{F}_1 \subseteq \mathcal{F}_2 \subseteq \dots$ are σ -algebras, then $\bigcup_i \mathcal{F}_i$ is an algebra.

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Q 5.2. (ii) Give an example to show that $\bigcup_i \mathcal{F}_i$ need not be a σ -algebra.

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Q 6. (Durrett 1.1.5) A set $A \subseteq \{1, 2, \dots\}$ is said to have asymptotic density θ if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} |A \cap \{1, 2, \dots, n\}|/n = \theta$$

Let \mathcal{A} be the collection of sets for which the asymptotic density exists.

Q 6.1. Is \mathcal{A} a σ -algebra?

☐ (A) Yes

☐ (B) No

Q 6.2. an algebra?

☐ (A) Yes

☐ (B) No

Q 6.3. Justify the answers in previous parts.

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