

EXERCISE 1.1

Since the sequence $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \dots$ is expanding,
the union can be written as:

$$A = \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \quad \text{where each } A_n \text{ event grows larger}$$

Notice that $P(A_n) = P(A_1 \cup A_2 \cup \dots)$ is increasing because $A_1 \subset A_2 \subset \dots$

Then $P(A_1) \leq P(A_2) \leq \dots$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n)$ exists.

By the definition of the probability measure, the idea of continuity of probability can be seen:

$$P\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \quad \text{1.1}$$

Similarly, since the sequence $A_1 \supset A_2 \supset \dots$ is contracting
the union can be written as

$$B = \bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \quad \text{where each } A_n \text{ event becomes smaller}$$

If one event contains the other, its probability can not increase,
then $P(A_n) = P(A_1 \cap A_2 \cap \dots)$ and

$$P(A_1) \geq P(A_2) \geq \dots \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n) \text{ exists.}$$

Then by the definition of probability measure

$$P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n)$$

EXERCISE 1.2

Given that B_n is a contracting sequence ($B_1 \supset B_2 \supset \dots$), the results from Exercise 1.1 show that

$$\begin{aligned} P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right) &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(B_n) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(A_n \cup A_{n+1} \cup \dots) \end{aligned}$$

By the Boole inequality

$$P(B_n) \leq P(A_n) + P(A_{n+1}) + \dots$$

Assume that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n) < \infty$

Notice that when $n \rightarrow \infty$, the terms in $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A_n)$ get progressively smaller.

Therefore $P(B_n) \rightarrow 0$ when $n \rightarrow \infty$

$$P\left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(B_n) = 0$$

EXERCISE 1.3

X is a r.v. $\sigma(X)$ -measurable, by that for any Borel set A
 $\{X \in A\} = X^{-1}(A) \in \mathcal{F}$

Considering $\{f(X) \in B\}$ where B is a Borel set

$$\{f(X) \in B\} = X^{-1}(f^{-1}(B))$$

Notice that $X^{-1}(f^{-1}(B)) \in \sigma(X)$ because f is Borel.

And $\sigma(X)$ contains all events that depend on X including $\{X \in A\}$ where A is a Borel set.

And that implies that $f(X)$ is $\sigma(X)$ -measurable.

EXERCISE 1.4

① Assume $x_1 < x_2$, then the event $\{X \leq x_1\} \supset \{X \leq x_2\}$
meaning $P(X \leq x_1) \geq P(X \leq x_2)$

which implies $F_F(x_1) \geq F_F(x_2)$

Thus $F_F(x)$ is decreasing. ✓

② By the definition, $F_F(x_n) = P(\xi \leq x_n)$

And by Exercise 1.1

$$F_F(x_n) = P(\xi \leq x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\xi \leq x_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_F(x_n)$$
 ✓

Proving that F_F is right continuous.

② As $x \rightarrow -\infty$ the probability of $X \leq x$ goes to 0

$$\text{Therefore } \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_F(x) = P(\emptyset) = 0$$

Also, by Exercise 1.1 ✓

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} F_F(n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P(\xi \leq n) = P(\Omega) = 1$$

EXERCISE 1.5

By definition,

$$F_F(x) = P(\xi \leq x) = \int_{-\infty}^x f_F(x) dx$$
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Assuming that $f_F(x)$ is defined.

Now, assuming $f_F(x)$'s continuity and that F_F is differentiable:

$$\frac{d}{dx} F_F(x) = f_F(x)$$

EXERCISE 1.6

By definition: $F_{\xi}(x) = P(X \leq x) = \sum_{x_i \leq x} P(X = x_i)$

As $(s, t]$ is an interval that does not contain x_1, x_2, \dots , the probability of X taking any value is 0.

Therefore, for any $s < x < t$:

$$F_{\xi}(t) - F_{\xi}(s) = P(s < \xi \leq t) = 0$$

Now, the size of the jump is given by:

$$F_{\xi}(x_i) - \underbrace{F_{\xi}(\bar{x}_i)}_{\text{the value before } x_i} = P(\xi \leq x_i) - P(\xi < x_i) = P(\xi = x_i)$$

EXERCISE 1.8

The Schwarz inequality is given by

$$[E(\xi\eta)]^2 \leq E(\xi^2) \cdot E(\eta^2)$$

The objective is to prove that

$E(\xi^2)$ exists

Then if $\eta = 1$ is chosen:

$$\underline{[E(\xi \cdot 1)]^2 \leq E(\xi^2) \cdot E(1^2) = E(\xi^2) < \infty}$$

need $E|\xi| < \infty$

EXERCISE 1.9

$E(\eta^2)$ can be written as:

$$E(\eta^2) = \int_0^{\infty} t^2 dF_{\eta}(t) \quad \text{where} \quad F_{\eta}(t) = P(\eta \leq t)$$

Integrating by parts:

$$v = t^2, \quad dv = 2t dt$$

$$dv = dF_n(t), \quad v = 1 - F_n(t)$$

$$\int_0^\infty t^2 dF_n(t) = [t^2(1 - F_n(t))]_0^\infty - \int_0^\infty 2t(1 - F_n(t)) dt$$

$$\text{Then, } E(\eta^2) = 2 \int_0^\infty t(1 - F_n(t)) dt$$

Since $F_n(t) \rightarrow 1$ as $t \rightarrow \infty$, the integrable is finite and it is proven that $E(\eta^2)$ is square integrable.

EXERCISE 1.10

Given that B_1, B_2, \dots is a sequence of disjoint sets,

A can be written as:

$$A = (A \cap B_1) \cup (A \cap B_2) \cup \dots$$

By the property of additivity:

$$P(A) = P((A \cap B_1) \cup (A \cap B_2) \cup \dots)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A \cap B_n)$$

$$= \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(A | B_n) \cdot P(B_n)$$

EXERCISE 1.11

If A and B are independent, then $P(A|B) = P(A)$ and vice versa.

Therefore, if $P(B) \neq 0$, A and B are independent if and only if

$$P(A|B) = P(A)$$

Since $P(B) \neq 0$ we can multiply by $P(B)$ on both sides:

$$P(A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \Rightarrow P(A) \cdot P(B) = \frac{P(A \cap B) \cdot P(B)}{P(B)}$$

and find $P(A \cap B) = P(A) \cdot P(B)$

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1.1 how can we deduce this equality from the def. of prob. measure directly? need more explanation