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MF 795 Homework 1

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- 1 (0.4)Exercise: An experiment consists of tossing a coin countably infinitely many times. An *elementary outcome* from this experiment is an infinite sequence of the symbols H and T , which we can write as $(\varepsilon_i \in \{H, T\})_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$. Prove that the collection, Ω_∞ , of all such sequences is uncountable.

ANSWER:

Assume that the sequence $x = (x_k \in \Omega)_{k \in \mathbb{N}}$ is countable, from the definition,

$x = \{x_1, x_2, x_3, \dots\}$.

$x_1 : \mathbf{T}TTTTTTTTT\dots$

$x_2 : H\mathbf{H}HHHHHHH\dots$

$x_3 : HT\mathbf{T}HTHTH\dots$

Then there must be one element of Ω_∞ that is not contained in the sequence x , which is $HTH\dots$. Since the first toss is different from the first toss in x_1 , the second toss is different from the second toss in x_2 , and the third toss is different from the third toss in x_3 , etc, this is a new sequence which does not in Ω_∞ , and this is a contradiction with Ω_∞ is countable.

- 2 (0.5)Exercise: Prove that the open interval $]0,1[$ has the same cardinality as the entire real line \mathbb{R} .

ANSWER:

Firstly, we need to prove that the open interval $]0,1[$ has the same cardinality as the real line.

Define $f:(0,\pi) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ by

$$f(x) = \tan(x + \frac{\pi}{2}).$$

We need to show that the function is bijective. Since $f^{-1}(x) = \arctan(x + \frac{\pi}{2})$ is the inverse of f , we can say that the function f is bijective.

So, $]0,\pi[$ and \mathbb{R} have the same cardinality.

Then we need to show that $]0,1[$ and $]0,\pi[$ have the the same cardinality.

Define $g:]0,1[\rightarrow]0,\pi[$ by

$$g(x) = \pi x.$$

Then, the inverse is

$$g^{-1}(x) = \frac{x}{\pi}.$$

It is easy to show that $g(x)$ is the inverse of $g^{-1}(x)$. Therefore, g is a bijection, so $]0,1[$ and $]0,\pi[$ have the same cardinality. By transitivity, $]0,1[$ and \mathbb{R} have the same cardinality.

- 3 (0.6)Exercise: Give an example of a one-to-one mapping from the interval $[0,1]$ onto to the interval $[0,1[$. Then construct a one-to-one mapping from the closed interval $[0,1]$ onto the open interval $]0,1[$.

ANSWER:

(1)From the hint given by Dr. Andrew Lyasoff, we need to define a function $f : [0,1] \rightarrow [0,1)$

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{n+1} & \text{for } x = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

which $n \in \mathbb{N}_{++}$

This is injective: Let $f(x) = f(y)$ for some $x, y \in [0,1]$. This means they must be in one of the two categories and hence must be either both $\frac{1}{n}$ or both otherwise. In both cases, $x = y$ showing the function is injective.

This is surjective: Let $a \in [0,1)$, then we must have one of the following:

1. That $a = \frac{1}{n}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, in which case $f(\frac{1}{n}) = a$.
2. That $a \neq \frac{1}{n}$ and so $f(a) = a$ since $a \in [0,1) \subset [0,1]$

Since f is injective and surjective, it is one-to-one from $[0,1]$ to $[0,1)$

(2) Let $f : [0,1] \rightarrow (0,1)$ be given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2} & \text{for } x=0 \\ \frac{1}{n+2} & \text{for } x = \frac{1}{n} \text{ for some } n \in \mathbb{N} \\ x & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

This is injective: Let $f(x) = f(y)$ for some $x, y \in [0,1]$. This means they must be in one of the three categories and hence must be either both 0, both $\frac{1}{n}$ or both otherwise. In all cases, $x = y$ showing the function is injective.

This is surjective: Let $a \in (0,1)$, then we must have one of the following:

1. That $a = \frac{1}{2}$, in which case $f(0) = a$
2. That $a = \frac{1}{n+2}$ for some $n \in \mathbb{N}$, in which case $f(\frac{1}{n}) = a$.
3. That $a \neq \frac{1}{n}$ and so $f(a) = a$ since $a \in (0,1) \subset [0,1]$

Since f is injective and surjective, it is one-to-one from $[0,1]$ to $(0,1)$

- 4 (0.7)Exercise: Obviously, the set \mathbb{N} is countable by definition, but is the set $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ countable? What about the set $\mathbb{N} \times \dots \times \mathbb{N}$ (n-times)? Prove that the set of all rational numbers is countable. Prove that the union of any countable collection of countable sets is a countable set. Prove that the set of all points in \mathbb{R}^2 with rational coordinates is countable.

ANSWER:

- (1). Let $f : N \times N \rightarrow N$ be defined by

$$f(n, m) = 2^n 3^m,$$

where $n, m \in N$. This is an injection, since if $f(n, m) = f(n', m')$, then $2^n 3^m = 2^{n'} 3^{m'}$, which implies $(n, m) = (n', m')$.

- (2). Let $f : N \times \dots \times N \rightarrow N$ be defined by

$$f(n, m, o, \dots, p) = 2^n 3^m 5^o \dots (n^{\text{th}} \text{ prime number})^p,$$

where $n, m, o, \dots, p \in N$, all base numbers are prime number. By Euclid's theorem, there are infinite prime number. This is an injection, since if $f(n, m, o, \dots, p) = f(n', m', o', \dots, p')$, then $2^n 3^m 5^o \dots 7^p = 2^{n'} 3^{m'} 5^{o'} \dots 7^{p'}$, which implies $(n, m, o, \dots, p) = (n', m', o', \dots, p')$.

- (3). Let $Q_+ \rightarrow N \times N$ be defined by

$$f(q) = (m, n),$$

where $n, m \in N, q = \frac{m}{n}$. This is injective, since if $f(q) = f(q')$, then $(m, n) = (m', n')$, which implies $q = q'$. Since $N \times N$ is countable by first part, Q_+ is countable.

Let $Q_+ \rightarrow Q_-$ be defined by

$$f(a) = -a,$$

where $a \in Q_+$. This is injective, since if $f(a) = f(b)$, then $-a = -b$, which implies $a = b$. So Q_- is countable. Hence set of all rational numbers is countable by part 4, the union of any countable collection of countable sets is a countable set.

- (4). Let $f : A_1 \cup A_2 \dots \cup A_N \rightarrow \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ be defined by

$$f(a_{n,m}) = (n, m),$$

where $A_1 = \{a_{1,1}, a_{1,2}, a_{1,3}, \dots\}, A_2 = \{a_{2,1}, a_{2,2}, a_{2,3}, \dots\}, A_3 = \{a_{3,1}, a_{3,2}, a_{3,3}, \dots\} \dots$
 $n, m \in \mathbb{N}$

This is an injection, since if $f(a_{n,m}) = f(a_{n',m'})$, then $(n, m) = (n', m')$, which implies $a_{n,m} = a_{n',m'}$. By part 1, $\mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N}$ is countable, so $A_1 \cup A_2 \dots \cup A_N$ is countable.

- (5) Let $f : R \times R \rightarrow N \times N$ be defined by

$$f(r_a, r_b) = (a, b)$$

where $a, b \in N$. Since R is countable, there is a natural number pair with a real number. This is injective, since if $f(r_a, r_b) = f(r_{a'}, r_{b'})$, then $(a, b) = (a', b')$, which implies $r_a = r_{a'}, r_b = r_{b'}$. Since $N \times N$ is countable, $R \times R$ is countable.

5 (1.1) Exercise: Find the values for x and y that give:

(a) $V_1(H) = 1$ and $V_1(T) = 0$;

(b) $V_1(H) = 0$ and $V_1(T) = 1$.

ANSWER:

(a)

$$V_1(H) = 1$$

$$V_1(T) = 0$$

$$xS_1(H) + yB_1(H) = 1$$

$$xS_1(T) + yB_1(T) = 0$$

$$xuS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 1 \quad (1)$$

$$xdS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 0 \quad (2)$$

$$x = \frac{1 - y(1+r)B_0}{uS_0} \quad \text{by (1)}$$

Put x into (2):

$$\frac{1 - y(1+r)B_0}{uS_0} dS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 0$$

Though simplify,

$$y = \frac{d}{(d-u)(1+r)B_0}$$

Put y into previous x :

$$x = \frac{1}{(u-d)S_0}$$

(b)

$$V_1(H) = 0$$

$$V_1(T) = 1$$

$$xS_1(H) + yB_1(H) = 0$$

$$xS_1(T) + yB_1(T) = 1$$

$$xuS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 0 \quad (1)$$

$$xdS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 1 \quad (2)$$

$$x = \frac{-y(1+r)B_0}{uS_0} \quad \text{by (1)}$$

Put x into (2):

$$\frac{-y(1+r)B_0}{uS_0}dS_0 + y(1+r)B_0 = 0$$

Though simplify,

$$y = \frac{u}{(u-d)(1+r)B_0}$$

Put y into previous x :

$$x = \frac{1}{(d-u)S_0}$$

6 (1.2)Exercise: Calculate Φ_0^H and Φ_0^T as functions of S_0 , B_0 , d , u and r .

ANSWER: By 1.1,

$$x = x_H^* = \frac{1}{(u-d)S_0}$$

$$y = y_H^* = \frac{d}{(d-u)(1+r)B_0}$$

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_0^H &= x_H^*S_0 + y_H^*B_0 \\ \Phi_0^H &= \frac{1}{(u-d)S_0}S_0 + \frac{d}{(d-u)(1+r)B_0}B_0 \end{aligned}$$

After simplification:

$$\Phi_0^H = \frac{1+r-d}{(u-d)(1+r)}$$

By 1.1,

$$x = x_T^* = \frac{1}{(d-u)S_0}$$

$$y = y_T^* = \frac{u}{(u-d)(1+r)B_0}$$

By definition,

$$\begin{aligned} \Phi_0^T &= x_T^*S_0 + y_T^*B_0 \\ \Phi_0^T &= \frac{1}{(d-u)S_0}S_0 + \frac{u}{(u-d)(1+r)B_0}B_0 \end{aligned}$$

After simplification,

$$\Phi_0^T = \frac{u-r-1}{(u-d)(1+r)}$$

7 (1.7)Exercise: Using simple algebra, prove the relation

$$\Phi_0^H + \Phi_0^T = \frac{1}{1+r}.$$

ANSWER:

$$\Phi_0^H + \Phi_0^T = \frac{1+r-d}{(u-d)(1+r)} + \frac{u-r-1}{(u-d)(1+r)} = \frac{1+r-d+u-r-1}{(u-d)(1+r)} = \frac{1}{1+r}$$

8 (1.9)Exercise: Using elementary algebra, prove that

$$S_0 = \frac{1}{1+r}(S_1(H)\tilde{p} + S_1(T)\tilde{q}) \quad \text{and} \quad B_0 = \frac{1}{1+r}(B_1(H)\tilde{p} + B_1(T)\tilde{q}).$$

ANSWER:

$$\begin{aligned} (1) \\ & \frac{1}{1+r}(S_1(H)\tilde{p} + S_1(T)\tilde{q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+r}(uS_0 \frac{1+r-d}{u-d} + dS_0 \frac{u-1-r}{u-d}) \\ &= S_0 \frac{1}{1+r}(u \frac{1+r-d}{u-d} + d \frac{u-1-r}{u-d}) \\ &= S_0 \frac{1}{1+r}(\frac{u+ur-ud}{u-d} + \frac{du-d-dr}{u-d}) \\ &= S_0 \frac{1}{1+r} \frac{(u-d)(1+r)}{u-d} \\ &= S_0 \\ (2) \\ & \frac{1}{1+r}(B_1(H)\tilde{p} + B_1(T)\tilde{q}) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+r}((1+r)B_0 \frac{1+r-d}{u-d} + (1+r)B_0 \frac{u-1-r}{u-d}) \\ &= \frac{1}{1+r}(1+r)B_0 \frac{1+r-d+u-1-r}{u-d} \\ &= B_0 \end{aligned}$$

9 (1.12)Exercise: In the setting of the last example, calculate the probability for at least one ace in a hand of 13 cards.

ANSWER:

$$P(\text{at least one ace in a hand of 13 cards}) = 1 - P(\text{no ace in a hand of 13 cards}) = 1 - \frac{\binom{48}{13}}{\binom{52}{13}} = 14498/20825 \approx 0.696$$

10 (1.14)Exercise: In the context of the last example, calculate $P(A)$, where $A = \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \text{ is even}\}$.

ANSWER:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A) &= \sum_{\omega \in \{n \in \mathbb{N} : n \text{ is even}\}} e^{-c} \frac{c^\omega}{\omega!} = e^{-c} \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \frac{c^{2i}}{(2i)!} = e^{-c} \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{c^{2i}}{(2i)!} \\ \text{Let } f(x) &= \sum_{i=0}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2i}}{(2i)!}, \text{ and } f'(x) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{x^{2i-1}}{(2i-1)!}. \text{ By (1.13 EXAMPLE),} \\ f(x) + f'(x) &= e^x \end{aligned}$$

$$y' + y = e^x$$

$$P(x)=1 \quad Q(x)=e^x$$

By differential equation formula, $y = e^{-\int P(x)dx} [\int e^{\int P(x)dx} Q(x)dx + c]$

$$y=f(x)=\frac{1}{2}e^x + \frac{1}{2}e^{-x}$$

$$P(A)=e^{-c}f(x) = e^{-c}(\frac{1}{2}e^c + \frac{1}{2}e^{-c}) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}e^{-2c}$$

- 11 (1.15)Exercise: Let $\Omega = \{1, 2, \dots\}$. Suppose that the mass placed at the integer ω is $\frac{C}{\omega^2}$ for every $\omega \in \Omega$. Choose the constant C so that the total mass of Ω equals 1 - just as in (1.13). Would it be possible to make the same choice if the mass placed at the integer ω is $\frac{C}{\omega}$?

ANSWER:

Since $\sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} = \frac{\pi^2}{6}$, $\frac{6}{\pi^2} \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{i^2} = 1$. So $C = \frac{6}{\pi^2}$.

It is not possible to make the same choice if the mass placed at the integer ω is $\frac{C}{\omega}$ because $\sum_{x=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{x}$ diverges.

- 12 (1.20)Exercise: Prove that a nonempty collection of subsets, $\mathcal{A} \subseteq 2^\Omega$, is an algebra if and only if it is closed under finite union and complement, that is, $A, B \in \mathcal{A}$ implies $A \cup B \in \mathcal{A}$, and $A \in \mathcal{A}$ implies $A^C \in \mathcal{A}$.

ANSWER:

Prove:

\mathcal{A} is an algebra $\Leftrightarrow \mathcal{A}$ is closed under finite union and complement

\Rightarrow

closed under finite union and complement is the definition of algebra

\Leftarrow

$A \in \mathcal{A} \Rightarrow A^C \in \mathcal{A}$ is closed under complement

$\cup_{i \in N} A_i \in \mathcal{A}$ for $(A_i \in \mathcal{A})_{i \in N}$ is closed under finite union

To prove $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$

If $A \in \mathcal{A}$, then $A \cup A^C = \Omega \in \mathcal{A}$. Since $\Omega \in \mathcal{A}$, $\Omega^C = \emptyset \in \mathcal{A}$

- 13 (1.22)Exercise: Prove that the intersection of *any* (countable or uncountable) family of σ -fields (over one and the same sample space Ω) is always a σ -field, and explain why the same claim cannot be made about a union of σ -fields - even about the union of just two σ -fields.

ANSWER:

Intersection:

Assume $\mathcal{A}, \mathcal{B}, \dots$ are σ field. We need to prove $\mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots$ is σ field.

By definition, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A}, \emptyset \in \mathcal{B}, \dots$. So, $\emptyset \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots$

If $A \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots$, then $A \in \mathcal{A}, A \in \mathcal{B}, \dots$. So, $A^C \in \mathcal{A}, A^C \in \mathcal{B}, \dots$. Thus, $A^C \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots$

For any sequence $(A_i \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots)_{i \in N}$, then $\cup_{i \in N} A_i \in \mathcal{A}, \cup_{i \in N} A_i \in \mathcal{B}, \dots$. So, $\cup_{i \in N} A_i \in \mathcal{A} \cap \mathcal{B} \cap \dots$

Union:

Proof union of σ -fields is not a σ -fields by contradiction.

Assume $\Omega = \{a, b, c, d\}$:

$\mathcal{A} = \{\{a\}, \{b, c, d\}, \Omega, \emptyset\}$

$\mathcal{B} = \{\{a\}, \{b, c, d\}, \Omega, \emptyset\}$

$\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$ is a σ -fields.

Then $\mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B} = \{\{a\}, \{b\}, \{a, c, d\}, \{b, c, d\}, \Omega, \emptyset\}$. Since $\{a\} \cup \{b\} \notin \mathcal{A} \cup \mathcal{B}$, this is a contradiction. So union of σ -fields is not a σ -fields.

- 14 (1.28)Exercise: Let $(\mathbb{X}, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ be any measure space and let $\emptyset \neq A \in \mathcal{S}$ be any nonempty element of \mathcal{S} . Prove that the set function

$$A \cap \mathcal{S} \ni B \rightsquigarrow \mu(B)$$

is a measure on the σ -field $A \cap \mathcal{S}$. It is called *the measure induced on A by μ* and is nothing but the restriction $\mu \upharpoonright (A \cap \mathcal{S})$. Since there is no risk of ambiguity, this restriction is still denoted by μ , and the measure space $(A, A \cap \mathcal{S}, \mu \upharpoonright (A \cap \mathcal{S}))$ is often written more succinctly in the form $(A, A \cap \mathcal{S}, \mu)$.

Conversely, show that if μ is a measure on $A \cap \mathcal{S}$, for some set $A \in \mathcal{S}$, then μ gives rise to a measure on \mathcal{S} given by $\mu(B) = \mu(B \cap A)$ for any $B \in \mathcal{S}$.

ANSWER:

Since $(\mathbb{X}, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ is an measure space, we have $\mu(\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_i)$. Given $\emptyset \neq A \in \mathcal{S}$, let $\mathcal{S} = A_1, A_2, \dots$. $A_1 \cap \mathcal{S} = \{A_1 \cap A_1, A_1 \cap A_2, A_1 \cap A_3, \dots\}$. Since \mathcal{S} is a σ -field, $A_1 \cap A_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \in \mathcal{S}$. So, μ is a measure on the σ -field $A \cap \mathcal{S}$.

Conversly, if μ is a measure on $A \cap \mathcal{S}$, for some set $A \in \mathcal{S}$, then $\mu(\cup_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_1 \cap A_i) = \sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_1 \cap A_i)$. Let $B \in \mathcal{S}$, Since $B \cap A_i \in A_1 \cap A_{i \in \mathbb{N}}$ and let $\mu(B) = \mu(B \cap A)$, so μ is a measure on \mathcal{S} .

- 15 (1.36)Exercise: Consider the following chain of partitions of Ω :

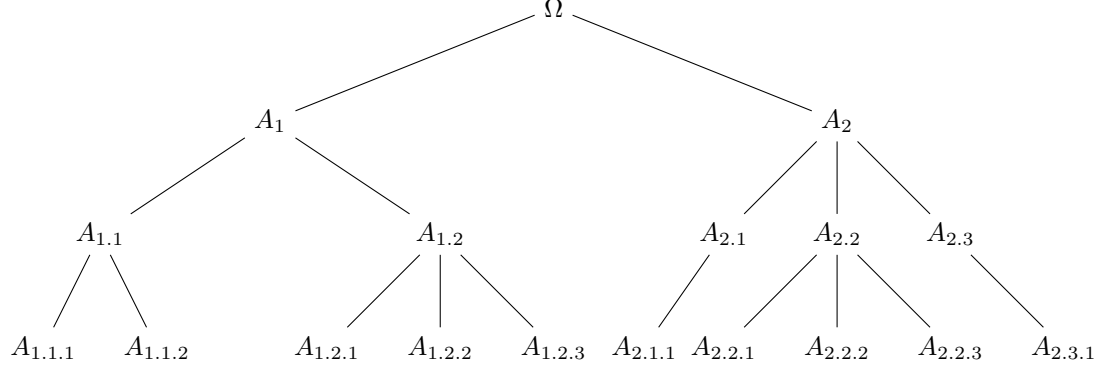
$$\mathcal{P}_0 = \{\Omega\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_1 = \{A_1, A_2\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_2 = \{A_{1,1}, A_{1,2}, A_{2,1}, A_{2,2}, A_{2,3}\},$$

$$\mathcal{P}_3 = \{A_{1,1,1}, A_{1,1,2}, A_{1,2,1}, A_{1,2,2}, A_{1,2,3}, A_{2,1}, A_{2,2,1}, A_{2,2,2}, A_{2,2,3}, A_{2,3}\},$$

where the addition of a subscript means partitioning of the respective subset; for example, $A_{1,1} \cup A_{1,2} = A_1$, $A_{1,2,1} \cup A_{1,2,2} \cup A_{1,2,3} = A_{1,2}$, etc. Plot the event tree associated with the chain of partitions $\{\mathcal{P}_0 \mathcal{P}_1 \mathcal{P}_2 \mathcal{P}_3\}$.



- 16 (1.38)Exercise: (follow-up to (1.36))There are 10 level-3 nodes in the event-tree introduced in (1.36), or, to put it another way, the partition \mathcal{P}_3 consists 10 non-overlapping subsets of Ω . Suppose that all elements of \mathcal{P}_3 have equal probability, so that $P(A) = \frac{1}{10}$ for every $A \in \mathcal{P}_3$. Calculate the probabilities of the following events from the σ -field $\sigma(\mathcal{P}_3)$:

$$A_1, \quad A_2, \quad A_{1,2} \cup A_2, \quad A_1 \cup A_{2,1} \cup A_{2,2,2} \cup A_{2,2,3}.$$

ANSWER:

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1) &= P(A_{1,1}) \cup P(A_{1,2}) = P(A_{1,1,1} \cup A_{1,1,2} \cup A_{1,2,1} \cup A_{1,2,2} \cup A_{1,2,3}) = \\ &P(A_{1,1,1}) + P(A_{1,1,2}) + P(A_{1,2,1}) + P(A_{1,2,2}) + P(A_{1,2,3}) = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_2) &= P(A_{2,1}) \cup P(A_{2,2}) \cup P(A_{2,3}) = P(A_{2,1,1} \cup A_{2,2,1} \cup A_{2,2,2} \cup A_{2,2,3} \cup A_{2,3,1}) = \\ &P(A_{2,1,1}) + P(A_{2,2,1}) + P(A_{2,2,2}) + P(A_{2,2,3}) + P(A_{2,3,1}) = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_{1,2} \cup A_2) &= P(A_{1,2,1} \cup A_{1,2,2} \cup A_{1,2,3} \cup A_2) = P(A_{1,2,1}) + P(A_{1,2,2}) + P(A_{1,2,3}) + \\ &P(A_2) = \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{2} = \frac{4}{5} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} P(A_1 \cup A_{2,1} \cup A_{2,2,2} \cup A_{2,2,3}) &= P(A_1 \cup A_{2,1,1} \cup A_{2,2,2} \cup A_{2,2,3}) = P(A_1) + \\ &P(A_{2,1,1}) + P(A_{2,2,2}) + P(A_{2,2,3}) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} + \frac{1}{10} = \frac{4}{5} \end{aligned}$$

- 17 (1.40)Exercise: Prove that all probability measures P_t , $t \in \mathbb{N}$, are compatible, in the sense that for every fixed $u > t$, $P_u(A) = P_t(A)$ for every $A \in \mathcal{F}_t$.

ANSWER:

Set $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_t} A_{t,i}$ where $A_{t,i} \in \mathcal{P}_t$. Since \mathcal{P}_{t+1} is a refinement of \mathcal{P}_t , we will have $A = \bigcup_{i=1}^{n_{t+1}} A_{t+1,i}$ where $A_{t+1,i} \in \mathcal{P}_{t+1}$.

Given $P_t(A_{t,i}) = \frac{1}{2^t}$, $A_{t,i} = A_{t+1,i_1} \cup A_{t+1,i_2}$, $P_{t+1}(A_{t,i}) = P_{t+1}(A_{t+1,i_1}) + P_{t+1}(A_{t+1,i_2}) = \frac{1}{2^{t+1}} + \frac{1}{2^{t+1}} = \frac{1}{2^t} = P_t(A_{t,i})$. This is true for all t , by recursion, it is true for all u, t , where $u, t \in \mathbb{N}$. So all probability measures $P_t, t \in \mathbb{N}$, are compatible.

- 18 (1.46)Exercise: Prove that for any $\omega \in \Omega_\infty$, the singleton $\{\omega\}$ is a measurable set (that is $\{\omega\} \in \mathcal{F}_\infty$) and that $P_\infty(\{\omega\}) = 0$.

ANSWER:

Assume that we have Ω_∞ and $A \in \mathcal{A} = \bigcup_{t=1}^\infty \mathcal{F}_t$, where $\mathcal{F}_t = \sigma(P_t)$. Let $F_\infty = \sigma(\mathcal{A})$. Assume singleton $\{\omega\} = \{+1, +1, -1, -1, \dots\}$, $A_1 \in P_1, \{\omega\} \in A_1$; $A_2 \in P_2, \{\omega\} \in A_2 \dots$ So, $\omega \in A_t$ with the consequence. The singleton $\{\omega\} = \bigcap_{t=1}^\infty A_t$ because it cannot contain two element. If there are two elements, there will be another partition. So $\{\omega\} = \bigcap_{t=1}^\infty A_t$. Since $A_t \in \mathcal{F}_t \in \mathcal{F}_\infty$, $\{\omega\} \in \mathcal{F}_\infty$.

Since $A_i \subseteq A_{i+1}$ for all $i \in \mathbb{N}$ and $A = \bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i$, then $P(A) = \lim_i P(A_i)$.

So here is $P(\bigcap_{t=1}^\infty A_t) = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2^t} = 0$

- 19 (1.49)Exercise: Explain why the random event in \mathcal{E}_1 can be described as "infinitely many events A_i occur" and can be expressed as $\{A_i \text{ i.o.}\}$.

ANSWER:

$\bigcap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} \bigcup_{j \geq i} A_j$ can be explained with two part. Firstly, $\bigcup_{j \geq i} A_j$ means that if this union happen, there is at least one A_j happens. Secondly, intersect means and. At this whole event, this means whatever from which A_i , there are always some A_j happen after the A_i . So there are infinitely many events A_i occur.

- 20 (1.51)EXERCISE: Prove – yet again, but this time using the first Borel–Cantelli lemma – that the probability to toss a coin infinitely many times and to never observe "heads," after some, however large, finite number of tosses, is 0.

ANSWER:

If we want to know the probability of never observe "heads", we can use the first Borel-Cantelli lemma. Let A_i be the event that the first i^{th} tosses don't have heads. $\sum_{i \in \mathbb{N}} p(A_i) = \sum_{i=1}^\infty 2^{-i} = 1 < \infty$, so $p(\limsup_i A_i) = 0$

- 21 (1.58)EXERCISE: Prove that if the set function $\mu_* : \mathcal{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}_+$, defined through the relation \mathbf{E}_2 for some increasing function $F : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ can be claimed to be countably additive, then the function $F(\cdot)$ must also be right-continuous, that is to say, must be an increasing càdlàg function.

ANSWER:

If μ_* is countably additive, then $\mu_*(]a, b + \frac{1}{n}[) \rightarrow \mu_*(]a, b])$.

So, $F(b + \frac{1}{n}) - F(a)$ converge to $F(b) - F(a)$.

So, $F(b + \frac{1}{n})$ converge to $F(b)$ which means F is right continuous.

- 22 (1.63)Exercise: Prove that the Lebesgue measure Λ (or, more generally, Λ^n) is nonatomic: for any $x \in \mathbb{R}$, one has $\{x\} \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ and $\Lambda(\{x\}) = 0$. Conclude that for every $-\infty < a < b < +\infty$,

$$\Lambda([a, b]) = \Lambda(]a, b]) = \Lambda([a, b[) = \Lambda(]a, b[).$$

Prove that if $C \subset \mathbb{R}$ is any countable set inside \mathbb{R} , then $C \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ and $\Lambda(C) = 0$. Conclude that the set \mathbb{Q} of all rational numbers is a Borel set and $\Lambda(\mathbb{Q}) = 0$. Prove that the set of all points in \mathbb{R}^2 that have rational coordinates is a Borel set and Lebesgue measure of that set is 0.

ANSWER:

$$(1): \Lambda(\{x\}) = \Lambda(]x - \frac{1}{n}, x]) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} = 0$$

(2):

$$\Lambda([a, b]) = \Lambda(\{a\} \cup]a, b]) = 0 + (b - a) = b - a$$

$$\Lambda(]a, b]) = b - a$$

$$\Lambda([a, b[) = \Lambda(\{a\} \cup]a, b[\setminus \{b\}) = b - a$$

$$\Lambda(]a, b[) = \Lambda(]a, b] \setminus \{b\}) = b - a$$

So these four are equal.

(3):

Since $C \subset \mathbb{R}$ is any countable set inside \mathbb{R} , every element in C is singleton. Since $\{x\} = \cap_{n \in \mathbb{N}}]x - \frac{1}{n}, x + \frac{1}{n}[$, every singleton is Borel Set. So C is Borel Set which is union of singleton.

Since C is countable, and $\Lambda(\{x\}) = 0$, $\Lambda(C) = 0$.

(4)

$$\forall \{x\} = (\{x_1\}, \{x_2\}) \in \mathbb{R}^2$$

$(\{x_1\}, \{x_2\}) = (\cap_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_1 - \frac{1}{n}, x_1 + \frac{1}{n}), \cap_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_2 - \frac{1}{n}, x_2 + \frac{1}{n}))$, so it is Borel set.

$$\begin{aligned} \Lambda^2(x) &= \Lambda(\cap_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_1 - \frac{1}{n}, x_1 + \frac{1}{n})) \Lambda(\cap_{n \rightarrow \infty} (x_2 - \frac{1}{n}, x_2 + \frac{1}{n})) \\ &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} ((x_1 + \frac{1}{n} - x_1 - \frac{1}{n})(x_2 + \frac{1}{n} - x_2 - \frac{1}{n})) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (\frac{2}{n})^2 = 0 \end{aligned}$$

- 23 (1.65)Prove that if μ is any purely atomic measure on \mathbb{R} , then $\mu \perp \Lambda$. Explain how one can construct a purely atomic measure \mathbb{Q} on \mathbb{R} that is supported on the (countable) set of rational numbers \mathbb{Q} , in that $\mathbb{Q}(\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}) = 0$.

ANSWER:

(1)Let $(\mathbb{X}, \mathcal{S}, \mu)$ be a measure. $\mu(A) = \sum_{x \in \mathcal{X} \cap A} \mu(\{x\})$ for all $A \in \mathcal{S}$ (=0 if

$$\mathcal{X} \cap A = \emptyset$$

By definition, \mathcal{X} is countable so $\mathcal{X} \cap A$ is countable. So $\mu(A^C) = 0$. $\Lambda(A) = 0$ by previous questions. So $\mu(A^C) = \Lambda(A) = 0$

(2). Let $Q(A) = A \cap 1$, then $Q(\mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}) = 0$

- 24 (1.68) Exercise: Prove that the Cantor set C is a Borel set ($C \in \mathcal{B}([0,1])$) and that $\Lambda(C) = 0$. Construct a nonatomic probability measure P on $\mathcal{B}([0,1])$ which is supported by the Cantor set C , in that $P(C^C) = 0$, and is therefore singular to $\Lambda(P \perp \Lambda)$.

ANSWER:

(1) Since every time the origin set change to two smaller Borel sets, the intersection of many Borel set is still Borel set. (2) A_i is a sequence of sets, $\Lambda(\cap_{i \in \mathbb{N}} A_i) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} (\frac{2}{3})^n = 0$

(2) Since $P_\infty(C) = 1$, we need to extend P_∞ to $\mathcal{B}([0,1])$, where $P_\infty([0,1] \setminus C) = 0 = \Lambda(C)$

- 25 (1.69) Exercise: Prove that the set of real numbers $[0,1]$ is an uncountably infinite. Conclude that the same property must hold also for the set of all reals \mathbb{R} .

ANSWER:

Since Cantor set on $[0,1]$ is part of real number on $[0,1]$ and Cantor set on $[0,1]$ is uncountably infinite, set of real numbers $[0,1]$ is also uncountably infinite. Since real number on $[0,1]$ is part of whole real number set, all reals is uncountably infinite.

- 26 (1.70) Exercise: Consider the graph of the function $y = x^2$ as a subset of \mathbb{R}^2 :

$$\Gamma = \{(x, x^2) : -\infty < x < \infty\} \subset \mathbb{R}^2$$

. Prove that $\Gamma \in \mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R}^2)$ and compute $\Lambda^2(\Gamma)$.

ANSWER:

Suppose we have $[a,b]^* [a,b]$, P_i is partition with 2^i elements. Let A_i be the union of rectangles in P_i cover the curve. $A_1 \subseteq A_2 \subseteq A_3 \subseteq \dots, \Gamma = \cap_{n=1}^\infty A_i$, every rectangle is a borel set on \mathbb{R}^2 so the Γ is borel set.

Since this is a outer continuity, $\Lambda^2(\Gamma) = \lim_{i \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^{2^n} (t_i - t_{i-1})^2 = 0$