

Exercise Sheet #3

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P1. (Problem 3.3.) (Borel–Cantelli lemma) If $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ is a family of measurable subsets of a probability space (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) and $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_n) < \infty$, then

$$\mu(\{x \in X \mid x \in A_n \text{ for infinitely many } n \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 0.$$

P2. Let (X, \mathcal{B}, μ) be a probability space, and $(A_n)_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$ a family of *independent* measurable subsets such that $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} \mu(A_n) = \infty$. By independence we mean that for any finite index set \mathcal{I} , we have $\mu(\bigcap_{n \in \mathcal{I}} A_n) = \prod_{n \in \mathcal{I}} \mu(A_n)$. Show that

$$\mu(\{x \in X \mid x \in A_n \text{ for infinitely many } n \in \mathbb{N}\}) = 1.$$

Hint: Note the useful inequality $1 - a \leq e^{-a}$ for $a \in [0, 1]$.

P3. Let (X, \mathcal{F}, μ) be a measure space and f a measurable function. Prove the Markov-Chebyshev inequality:

$$\forall \alpha > 0, \mu(\{|f| > \alpha\}) \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \int_{\{|f| > \alpha\}} |f| d\mu \leq \frac{1}{\alpha} \int |f| d\mu,$$

where we denote $\{|f| > \alpha\} = \{x \in X \mid |f(x)| > \alpha\}$.

P4. Let (X, \mathcal{F}_X, μ) and (Y, \mathcal{F}_Y, ν) be probability spaces, and let $T : X \rightarrow Y$ be a measurable function. Define $T\mu(A) := \mu(T^{-1}(A))$ for each $A \in \mathcal{F}_Y$. Prove that $\nu = T\mu$ if and only if for all integrable function f :

$$\int_Y f d\nu = \int_X f \circ T d\mu.$$