

## Statistics 521, Problem Set 4 Solutions

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1. PFS, Exercise 2.3.4, page 32: (a) Suppose that  $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$  and  $g$  is continuous a.e.  $\mu_X$ . Then  $X_n \rightarrow_\mu X$  implies  $g(X_n) \rightarrow_\mu g(X)$ .  
 (b) Let  $g$  be uniformly continuous on the real line. Then  $X_n \rightarrow_\mu X$  implies that  $g(X_n) \rightarrow_\mu g(X)$ . (Here  $\mu(\Omega) = \infty$  is allowed.)

**Solution:** (a) Let  $\{n'\}$  be a subsequence. We want to show that for some subsequence  $\{n''\}$  it follows that  $g(X_{n''}) \rightarrow_{a.e.} g(X)$ . Then by (15) of Theorem 2.3.1 it follows that  $g(X_n) \rightarrow_\mu g(X)$ . But since  $X_n \rightarrow_\mu X$  we know, by (15) of Theorem 2.3.1, that there is a further subsequence  $\{n''\}$  such that  $X_{n''} \rightarrow_{a.e.} X$ . For this subsequence we have  $g(X_{n''}) \rightarrow_{a.e.} g(X)$  (by restricting in addition to the set  $[X \in C_g]$  with  $\mu([X \in C_g^c]) = \mu_X(C_g^c) = 0$  for which  $g$  is continuous). Thus we conclude that  $g(X_n) \rightarrow_\mu g(X)$ .

(b) Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Since  $g$  is uniformly continuous there is a  $\delta = \delta_\epsilon$  such that  $|y - x| < \delta_\epsilon$  implies  $|g(y) - g(x)| < \epsilon$ . Since  $X_n \rightarrow_\mu X$ , for every  $\gamma > 0$  there exists an  $N = N_{\epsilon, \gamma}$  such that

$$\mu([|X_n - X| \geq \delta_\epsilon]) < \gamma, \quad \text{for all } n \geq N_{\epsilon, \gamma}.$$

Then we have

$$\begin{aligned} & \mu([|g(X_n) - g(X)| \geq \epsilon]) \\ &= \mu([|g(X_n) - g(X)| \geq \epsilon] \cap [|X_n - X| \geq \delta_\epsilon]) \\ & \quad + \mu([|g(X_n) - g(X)| \geq \epsilon] \cap [|X_n - X| < \delta_\epsilon]) \\ &\leq \mu([|X_n - X| \geq \delta_\epsilon]) + \mu(\emptyset) \\ &\leq \gamma + 0 = \gamma \quad \text{for } n \geq N_{\epsilon, \gamma}. \end{aligned}$$

Thus  $\mu([|g(X_n) - g(X)| \geq \epsilon]) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ ; i.e.  $g(X_n) \rightarrow_\mu g(X)$ .

2. PFS, Exercise 3.2.1, page 42: If  $X \geq 0$  and  $\int X d\mu = 0$ , then  $\mu([X > 0]) = 0$ .

**Solution:** Let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Then  $X \geq \epsilon 1_{[X \geq \epsilon]}$ , and hence

$$0 = \int X d\mu \geq \epsilon \mu([X \geq \epsilon])$$

Since  $[X > 0] = \cup_{n=1}^{\infty} [X \geq 1/n] = \lim [X \geq 1/n]$ , We find that  $\mu([X > 0]) = \lim_n \mu([X \geq 1/n]) = \lim_n 0 = 0$ .

3. PfS, Exercise 3.2.2, page 42: Show that

$$\int_A X d\mu \begin{cases} = 0 \\ \geq 0 \end{cases} \quad \text{for all } A \in \mathcal{A}, \quad \text{implies} \quad X \begin{cases} = 0 \text{ a.e.} \\ \geq 0 \text{ a.e.} \end{cases}$$

**Solution:** Suppose first that  $\int_A X d\mu = 0$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . Then with  $A = [X^+ \geq 0]$  we have  $0 = \int X 1_{[X^+ \geq 0]} d\mu = \int Y d\mu$  where  $Y \equiv X 1_{[X^+ \geq 0]} = X^+ \geq 0$ . Then by the previous exercise,  $0 = \mu([Y > 0]) = \mu([X^+ > 0])$ ; i.e  $X^+ = 0$  a.e. Similarly, choosing  $A = [X^- \geq 0]$  yields  $X^- = 0$  a.e.; combining the two results gives  $X = X^+ - X^- = 0$  a.e.

Now suppose that  $\int_A X d\mu \geq 0$  for all  $A \in \mathcal{A}$ . Taking  $A = [X < 0] = [X^- > 0]$  yields  $0 \leq \int_A X d\mu = \int -X^- d\mu \leq 0$  since  $X^- \geq 0$ . Thus  $\int X^- d\mu = 0$ . By problem 2 this implies  $\mu([X < 0]) = \mu([X^- > 0]) = 0$ . Hence  $X \geq 0$  a.e.  $\mu$ .

4. PfS, Exercise 3.2.4, page 43. Let  $Y \equiv g(X)$  in the context of Theorem 3.2.6 (the ‘‘Theorem of the unconscious statistician’’). Show that the second equality holds in:

$$\int_{X^{-1}(g^{-1}(B))} g(X(\omega)) d\mu(\omega) = \int_{g^{-1}(B)} g(x) d\mu_X(x) = \int_B y d\mu_Y(y) \quad \text{for } B \in \bar{\mathcal{B}}$$

where  $\mu_Y$  is the induced measure of  $Y$  on  $(\bar{R}, \bar{\mathcal{B}})$ .

**Solution:** This boils down to what is proved in the first equality with an appropriate identification of terms. Thus  $(\Omega, \mathcal{A})$  is replaced by  $(\Omega', \mathcal{A}')$ ,  $(\Omega', \mathcal{A}')$  is replaced by  $(\bar{R}, \bar{\mathcal{B}})$ ,  $g$  is replaced by the identity function  $h : (\Omega', \mathcal{A}') \mapsto (\bar{R}, \bar{\mathcal{B}})$  given by  $h(v) = v$ , and  $X$  is replaced by  $g : (\Omega', \mathcal{A}') \mapsto (\bar{R}, \bar{\mathcal{B}})$ , and  $\mu$  and  $\mu_X$  are replaced by  $\mu_X$  and  $\mu_Y$  respectively. Thus we think of the identity

$$\int g(X(\omega)) d\mu(\omega) = \int g(x) d\mu_X(x)$$

as being replaced by

$$\int h(g(x)) d\mu_X(x) = \int h(y) d\mu_{g(X)}(y) = \int h(y) d\mu_Y(y) \quad (1)$$

or, when  $h(v) = v$ , this yields

$$\int g(x)d\mu_X(x) = \int yd\mu_Y(y)$$

where  $Y \equiv g(X)$ . With this set of identifications the the slightly more general identity (1) follows from the first equality, and the desired second equality is given by the special case  $h(v) = v$ .

5. (i) PfS, Exercise 3.3, page 45, part (a).  
(ii) Suppose that  $\mu$  is Lebesgue measure on the unit interval  $[0, 1]$  and that  $(a, b) = (0, 1)$  in Exercise 3.3. If  $X(t, \omega) = 1_{[\omega \leq t]}$ , then for each  $t$ ,  $(\partial/\partial t)X(t, \omega) = 0$  almost everywhere. But  $\int X(t, \omega)d\mu(\omega)$  does not differentiate to 0. Why is this not a contradiction?

**Solution:** (i) We write  $h(t) \equiv \int_{\Omega} X(t, \omega)d\mu(\omega)$ . Then by linearity of the integral and the fundamental theorem of calculus it follows that

$$\begin{aligned} h(t + \epsilon) - h(t) &= \int_{\Omega} (X(t + \epsilon, \omega) - X(t, \omega)) d\mu(\omega) \\ &= \int_{\Omega} \left( \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) ds \right) d\mu(\omega), \end{aligned}$$

and hence that

$$\frac{h(t + \epsilon) - h(t)}{\epsilon} = \int_{\Omega} \left( \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) ds \right) d\mu(\omega)$$

where the integrand  $\epsilon^{-1} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) ds$  satisfies

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \epsilon^{-1} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) ds \right| &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \left| \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) \right| ds \\ &\leq \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} Y(\omega) ds \text{ if } [t, t + \epsilon] \subset (a, b) \\ &= Y(\omega) \in \mathcal{L}_1, \end{aligned}$$

and where

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} \int_t^{t+\epsilon} \frac{\partial}{\partial s} X(s, \omega) ds = \lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{1}{\epsilon} (X(t + \epsilon, \omega) - X(t, \omega)) = \frac{\partial}{\partial t} X(t, \omega)$$

for a.e.  $\omega$ . Thus it follows from the dominated convergence theorem that

$$\lim_{\epsilon \downarrow 0} \frac{h(t + \epsilon) - h(t)}{\epsilon} = \int_{\Omega} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} X(t, \omega) d\mu(\omega).$$

By using one-sided derivatives, the same argument works at the endpoints  $a$  and  $b$  of the interval  $[a, b]$ . Thus the claimed equality holds for all  $t \in [a, b]$ .

(ii) For  $X(t, \omega) = 1_{[\omega \leq t]}$  and  $\mu$  Lebesgue measure on  $[0, 1]$  we have

$$\int_{(0,1)} X(t, \omega) d\omega = \int_{(0,1)} 1_{[\omega \leq t]} d\omega = t,$$

so

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \int_{(0,1)} X(t, \omega) d\omega &= \frac{\partial}{\partial t} t = 1 \\ &\neq 0 = \int_{(0,1)} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} X(t, \omega) d\omega. \end{aligned}$$

This does not contradict (i) above because the derivative  $(\partial/\partial t)1_{[\omega \leq t]}$  does not exist at  $t = \omega$ , and hence (i) does not apply.