

Statistics 522, Problem Set 4

Wellner; 1/27/2017

Reading:

Shorack, PfS Course Notes, Chapter 8, sections 9-10, pages 186 - 191;
Shorack, PfS Course Notes, Chapter 12, section 4, pages 312 - 315;
Shorack, PfS Course Notes, Chapter 13, Sections 1-3, pages 349 - 362.

Due: Wednesday, February 1, 2017.

Reminder: Makeup lectures: 1 February (Wednesday) and
8 February (Wednesday) in Low 105

1. Exercise 13.1.4, page 353, PfS Course Notes, Chapter 13. (Exercise 18.1.4, page 471, PfS, 2000.)
Let X_1, X_2, \dots be independent rv's with each $X_k \geq 0$ and $EX_k = 1$. Let $M_n \equiv \prod_{k=1}^n X_k$ for $1 \leq k \leq n$ with $M_0 \equiv 1$. Then $\{M_n : n \geq 0\}$ is a martingale with all $E(M_n) = 1$.
2. Exercise 13.1.6, page 353, PfS Course Notes, Chapter 13. (Exercise 18.1.6, page 471, PfS, 2000.)
Find the exponential martingale that corresponds to the martingale $\mathbb{M}(t)$ in example 1.12. Then differentiate this twice with respect to c , set $c = 0$ each time, and obtain the two martingales given in the example.
3. Exercise 8.9.2, page 186: In the same context as Example 9.1, turn $\{S_k^2, \mathcal{A}_k\}_{1 \leq k \leq n}$ into a martingale by centering it appropriately.
4. Exercise 8.10.1, page 189. (Exercise 8.11.1, page 249, PfS, 2000.)
Show that $\{T_k, \mathcal{A}_k\}_{n \leq k \leq N}$ is a martingale and that $Var(T_N)$ is equal to the right side of (b) on page 188.
5. Let Y_1, Y_2, \dots be independent random variables, and suppose that Y_k has either the density p_k or q_k with respect to some common dominating measure μ . Let $X_k \equiv q_k(Y_k)/p_k(Y_k)$ for $k \geq 1$, let P_k denote the probability measure on \mathbb{R}^∞ corresponding to p_k , and let $P = \prod_{k=1}^\infty P_k$ denote the resulting product measure on $(\mathbb{R}^\infty, \mathcal{B}^\infty)$.

- (a) Relate the X_k 's above to Kakutani's martingale as in Example 13.1.14 (PfS, page 343).
- (b) Relate the X_k 's above to the likelihood ratio martingale as in Example 13.1.13 (PfS, page 343).

6. **Bonus problem:** Find the 3rd and 4th order martingales obtained by differentiating the martingale $Y \equiv Y_c$ given in Example 13.1.8 three and four times respectively and setting $c = 0$. (Hint: The Hermite polynomials defined in Exercise 12.7.3, PfS page 325, (11.6.4) page 295, and (11.6.15) page 396, might be useful.)