

# Final Examination

STA 711: Probability & Measure Theory

Saturday, 2015 Dec 12, 2:00 – 5:00 pm

This is a closed-book exam. You may use a sheet of prepared notes, if you wish, but you may not share materials.

If a question seems ambiguous or confusing, *please* ask me to clarify it. Unless a problem states otherwise, you must **show** your **work**. There are blank worksheets at the end of the test if you need more room for this, and also a pdf/pmf sheet.

It is to your advantage to write your solutions as clearly as possible, and to box answers I might not find.

For full credit, answers must be given in **closed form** with no unevaluated sums, integrals, maxima, unreduced fractions. Wherever, possible **simplify**.

Good luck.

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**Problem 1:** Let  $Z \sim \text{No}(0, 1)$  and set  $X := Z^2$ ,  $\mathcal{G} := \sigma(Z)$ ,  $\mathcal{H} := \sigma(X)$ .

a) (5) Find  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$  such that the random variable  $Y := a + bZ$  is the orthogonal projection of  $X$  onto the span of  $Z$ , *i.e.*, satisfies

$$\mathbb{E}(X - Y)Z = 0 \quad \text{and} \quad \mathbb{E}(X - Y)1 = 0$$

$$Y = \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_a + \underbrace{\hspace{2cm}}_b Z$$

b) (5) Find the conditional expectation of  $X$ , given  $\mathcal{G} = \sigma(Z)$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[X \mid \mathcal{G}] = \underline{\hspace{4cm}}$$

c) (5) Find the conditional expectation of  $Z$ , given  $\mathcal{H} = \sigma(X)$ :

$$\mathbb{E}[Z \mid \mathcal{H}] = \underline{\hspace{4cm}}$$

d) (5) Give an event  $A \in \mathcal{G} = \sigma(Z)$  that is not in  $\mathcal{H} = \sigma(X)$ , if possible, and an event  $B \in \mathcal{H}$  that is not in  $\mathcal{G}$ , if possible. If not possible, explain why.

$$\mathcal{G} \setminus \mathcal{H} \ni A = \underline{\hspace{4cm}} \qquad \mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{G} \ni B = \underline{\hspace{4cm}}$$

**Problem 2:** Let  $X_n \rightarrow X$  *pr.* for some  $X \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ , and let  $Y \in L_2(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . For each part below answer “Yes” or “No”.

If *Yes*, indicate which theorem best justifies your answer by selecting **Fatou’s Lemma**, Lebesgue’s **Dominated** or **Monotone Convergence Theorems**, the **Borel/Cantelli lemma**, **Fubini’s Theorem**, or the inequalities of **Jensen**, **Minkowski**, **Hölder**, or **Markov**. No need to show work.

- a) If  $|X_n|^{1/2} \leq Y$  *a.s.*, does  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in  $L_1$ ?  No  Yes, by:  
 Fat  DCT  MCT  B/C  Fub  Jen  Min  Höl  Mar
- b) If  $X_n \nearrow X \leq Y$ , does  $X_n \rightarrow X$  in  $L_1$ ?  No  Yes, by:  
 Fat  DCT  MCT  B/C  Fub  Jen  Min  Höl  Mar
- c) If  $X_n \leq Y$ , is  $E[X] \geq \limsup E[X_n]$ ?  No  Yes, by:  
 Fat  DCT  MCT  B/C  Fub  Jen  Min  Höl  Mar
- d) If  $\sum_n \mathbf{1}_{\{X^2 > n\}} < \infty$  *a.s.*, is  $X \in L_2$ ?  No  Yes, by:  
 Fat  DCT  MCT  B/C  Fub  Jen  Min  Höl  Mar
- e) If  $(\forall \epsilon > 0) \sum \mathbb{P}[|X_n| > \epsilon] < \infty$ , does  $X_n \rightarrow 0$  *a.s.*?  No  Yes, by:  
 Fat  DCT  MCT  B/C  Fub  Jen  Min  Höl  Mar

**Problem 3:** Let  $\Omega := \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$  with probability assignment  $\mathbb{P}[E] := \sum_{\omega \in E} 2^\omega / 15$  for  $E \in \mathcal{F} := 2^\Omega$ . Consider events  $A := \{0, 1\}$  and  $B := \{0, 2\}$ , and random variables

$$W(\omega) = \omega \quad X(\omega) = 2^\omega \quad Y(\omega) = \mathbf{1}_A(\omega) \quad Z(\omega) = \mathbf{1}_B(\omega)$$

a) (5) Find the expectation of each RV:

$$\mathbb{E}W = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \mathbb{E}X = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \mathbb{E}Y = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \mathbb{E}Z = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

b) (5) Are  $\sigma(Y)$  and  $\sigma(Z)$  independent?  Yes  No Why?

c) (5) How many events are in the  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\sigma(Y, Z)$  generated by  $Y$  and  $Z$ ? You need not enumerate them.

d) (5) Find the conditional expectation  $\mathbb{E}[W \mid Y]$ .

**Problem 4:** Let  $\{X_n\}$  and  $Y$  be real-valued random variables on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  and for  $n, k \in \mathbb{N}$  set  $A_{n,k} := \{\omega : |X_n(\omega) - Y(\omega)| > \frac{1}{k}\}$ .

a) (5) Give the exact conditions on  $A_{n,k}$  for  $X_n \rightarrow Y$  *a.s.*

b) (5) Give the exact conditions on  $A_{n,k}$  for  $X_n \rightarrow Y$  *pr.*

c) (5) Use your expressions above to prove that almost-sure convergence implies convergence in probability.

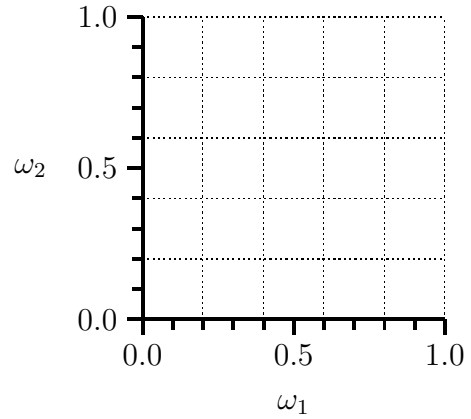
d) (5) Prove that  $\sin(X_n) \rightarrow \sin(Y)$  in  $L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  if  $X_n \rightarrow Y$  *a.s.*

**Problem 5:** Let  $\Omega = (0, 1]^2 = \{(\omega_1, \omega_2) : 0 < \omega_j \leq 1\}$  with Lebesgue measure  $\mathbb{P}$  on the Borel sets  $\mathcal{F}$ , and consider the random variables

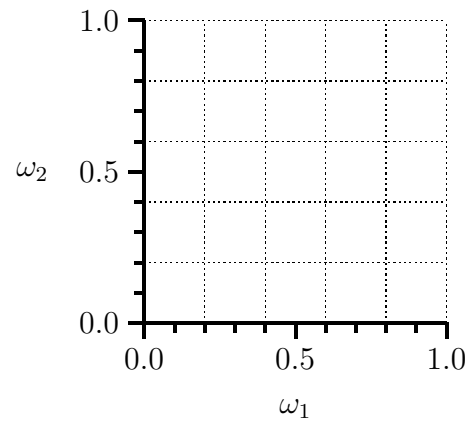
$$X(\omega) := \omega_1 \quad Y(\omega) := \omega_2 \quad R(\omega) := (\omega_1^2 + \omega_2^2)^{1/2} \quad \Theta(\omega) := \arctan \omega_2 / \omega_1$$

(so  $\omega_2 / \omega_1 = \tan \Theta$ , with  $0 < \Theta \leq \pi/2$ )

- a) (4) Sketch an event  $A \in \sigma(R)$  that is not in  $\sigma(X)$ ,  $\sigma(Y)$ , or  $\sigma(\Theta)$ .

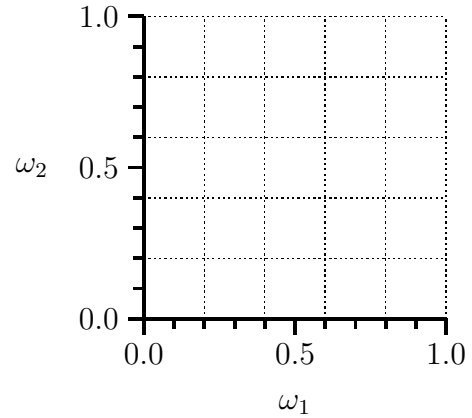


- b) (4) Sketch an event  $B \in \sigma(\Theta)$  that is not in  $\sigma(X)$ ,  $\sigma(Y)$ , or  $\sigma(R)$ .



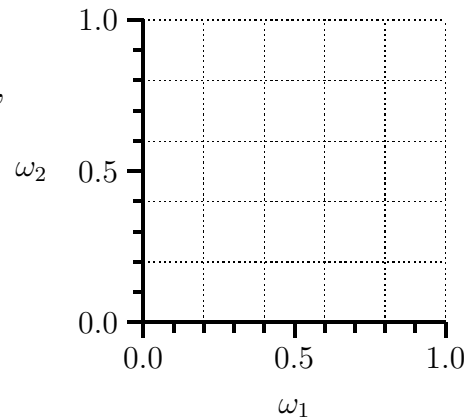
**Problem 5 (cont'd):** Recall  $\Omega = (0, 1]^2$  with Lebesgue measure

- c) (4) Sketch and label **independent** events  $D \in \sigma(R)$  and  $E \in \sigma(\Theta)$  that are non-trivial—*i.e.*, have probabilities  $0 < P(D), P(E) < 1$ .



XC) (+2) Are  $\sigma(R)$  and  $\sigma(\Theta)$  independent?  Yes  No Why?

- d) (8) Sketch and label the events  $F := \{\omega : 0 < \omega_1 \leq \omega_2 \leq 1\}$  and  $G := \{\omega : 0 < \omega_1 \leq \frac{1}{2}, 0 < \omega_2 \leq 1\}$ , and compute  $E[\mathbf{1}_F | \mathbf{1}_G]$ . No need to prove anything, just compute the conditional expectation.



$E[\mathbf{1}_F | \mathbf{1}_G] =$

**Problem 6:** Let  $\{A_n\}$  be independent events on some probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$  with  $\mathbb{P}(A_n) = 2^{-n}$  for  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ . Fix  $\alpha > 0$  and set

$$X_n := \alpha^n \mathbf{1}_{A_n}.$$

In d) and e), “converge” means “converge to some finite random variable”.

a) (4) For which (if any)  $\alpha > 0$  is  $\{X_n\}$  uniformly bounded in  $L_1$ ? Why?

b) (4) For which (if any)  $\alpha > 0$  is  $\{X_n\}$  uniformly bounded in  $L_4$ ? Why?

c) (4) For which (if any)  $\alpha > 0$  is  $\{X_n\}$  uniformly bounded in  $L_\infty$ ? Why?

d) (4) For which (if any)  $\alpha > 0$  does  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$  converge *a.s.*? Why?

e) (4) For which (if any)  $\alpha > 0$  does  $\sum_{n \in \mathbb{N}} X_n$  converge in  $L_1$ ? Why?



**Problem 7:** Let  $\mathcal{H} \subset \mathcal{G} \subset \mathcal{F}$  be  $\sigma$ -fields on the set  $\Omega = (0, 1]$ , and let  $Y$  be a  $\mathcal{G}$ -measurable random variable.

a) (10) Does it follow that  $Y$  is also  $\mathcal{H}$ -measurable?  Yes  No  
 If “Yes”, give a proof; if “No”, give a counter-example<sup>1</sup>.

b) (10) Does it follow that  $Y$  is also  $\mathcal{F}$ -measurable?  Yes  No  
 If “Yes”, give a proof; if “No”, give a counter-example<sup>1</sup>.

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<sup>1</sup>For counter-examples, you might use the  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{F}_n := \sigma \{(0, i/2^n] : 0 \leq i \leq 2^n\}$

**Problem 8:** Let  $\{X, Y, Z\}$  and  $\{X_n\}$  be RVs on the same probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ . Choose True or False below; no need to explain (unless you can't resist). Each is 2pt.

- a) T F If  $\mathbb{E}[\exp(X)] < \infty$  then also  $\mathbb{E}|X| < \infty$ .
  
- b) T F If  $X_n \rightarrow X$  *pr.* and if  $\Omega$  is countable then  $X_n \rightarrow X$  *a.s.*
  
- c) T F If  $X, Y$  are independent and both are in  $L_2$  then the product  $XY$  is in  $L_2$  too.
  
- d) T F If  $Z = g(X, Y)$  for some Borel function  $g : \mathbb{R}^2 \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  then  $\sigma(Z) \subseteq \sigma(X, Y)$ .
  
- e) T F If the events  $A := [X < x]$  and  $B := [Y > y]$  are independent for each  $x, y \in \mathbb{R}$  then  $X, Y$  are independent RVs.
  
- f) T F If  $\sigma(X) \perp \sigma(Y)$  and  $X, Y \in L_1$  then  $\mathbb{E}[X | Y]$  is the constant random variable with value  $\mathbb{E}[X]$ .
  
- g) T F If the sum  $\sum_n \mathbb{P}(A_n) < \infty$  for the events  $A_n := [|X| > n]$ , then  $X \in L_1(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mathbb{P})$ .
  
- h) T F If  $X, Y \in L_6$  then  $XY \in L_3$  with  $\|XY\|_3 \leq \|X\|_6 \|Y\|_6$ .
  
- i) T F Let  $\phi(\omega) := \mathbb{E}[e^{i\omega X}]$  and  $\psi(\omega) := \mathbb{E}[e^{i\omega Y}]$  be the ch.f.s for  $X$  and  $Y$ . Then the ch.f. for  $Z := X - Y$  is  $\phi(\omega)/\psi(\omega)$  if  $X, Y$  are independent.
  
- j) T F If  $\mathbb{P}[|X| > t] \geq \mathbb{P}[|Y| > t]$  for each  $t > 0$  then  $\|X\|_2 \geq \|Y\|_2$ .

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**Another Blank Worksheet**

Name	Notation	pdf/pmf	Range	Mean $\mu$	Variance $\sigma^2$
<b>Beta</b>	$\text{Be}(\alpha, \beta)$	$f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+\beta)}{\Gamma(\alpha)\Gamma(\beta)} x^{\alpha-1} (1-x)^{\beta-1}$	$x \in (0, 1)$	$\frac{\alpha}{\alpha+\beta}$	$\frac{\alpha\beta}{(\alpha+\beta)^2(\alpha+\beta+1)}$
<b>Binomial</b>	$\text{Bi}(n, p)$	$f(x) = \binom{n}{x} p^x q^{(n-x)}$	$x \in 0, \dots, n$	$np$	$npq$ ( $q = 1 - p$ )
<b>Exponential</b>	$\text{Ex}(\lambda)$	$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$1/\lambda$	$1/\lambda^2$
<b>Gamma</b>	$\text{Ga}(\alpha, \lambda)$	$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^\alpha}{\Gamma(\alpha)} x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\lambda x}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$\alpha/\lambda$	$\alpha/\lambda^2$
<b>Geometric</b>	$\text{Ge}(p)$	$f(x) = p q^x$	$x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$	$q/p$	$q/p^2$ ( $q = 1 - p$ )
		$f(y) = p q^{y-1}$	$y \in \{1, \dots\}$	$1/p$	$q/p^2$ ( $y = x + 1$ )
<b>HyperGeo.</b>	$\text{HG}(n, A, B)$	$f(x) = \frac{\binom{A}{x} \binom{B}{n-x}}{\binom{A+B}{n}}$	$x \in 0, \dots, n$	$nP$	$nP(1-P) \frac{N-n}{N-1}$ ( $P = \frac{A}{A+B}$ )
<b>Logistic</b>	$\text{Lo}(\mu, \beta)$	$f(x) = \frac{e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}}{\beta[1+e^{-(x-\mu)/\beta}]^2}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$\mu$	$\pi^2 \beta^2 / 3$
<b>Log Normal</b>	$\text{LN}(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$f(x) = \frac{1}{x\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(\log x - \mu)^2 / 2\sigma^2}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$e^{\mu + \sigma^2 / 2}$	$e^{2\mu + \sigma^2} (e^{\sigma^2} - 1)$
<b>Neg. Binom.</b>	$\text{NB}(\alpha, p)$	$f(x) = \binom{x+\alpha-1}{x} p^\alpha q^x$	$x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$	$\alpha q / p$	$\alpha q / p^2$ ( $q = 1 - p$ )
		$f(y) = \binom{y-1}{y-\alpha} p^\alpha q^{y-\alpha}$	$y \in \{\alpha, \dots\}$	$\alpha / p$	$\alpha q / p^2$ ( $y = x + \alpha$ )
<b>Normal</b>	$\text{No}(\mu, \sigma^2)$	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma^2}} e^{-(x-\mu)^2 / 2\sigma^2}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$
<b>Pareto</b>	$\text{Pa}(\alpha, \epsilon)$	$f(x) = (\alpha/\epsilon)(1+x/\epsilon)^{-\alpha-1}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$\frac{\epsilon}{\alpha-1}^*$	$\frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha}{(\alpha-1)^2 (\alpha-2)}^*$
		$f(y) = \alpha \epsilon^\alpha / y^{\alpha+1}$	$y \in (\epsilon, \infty)$	$\frac{\epsilon \alpha}{\alpha-1}^*$	$\frac{\epsilon^2 \alpha}{(\alpha-1)^2 (\alpha-2)}^*$ ( $y = x + \epsilon$ )
<b>Poisson</b>	$\text{Po}(\lambda)$	$f(x) = \frac{\lambda^x}{x!} e^{-\lambda}$	$x \in \mathbb{Z}_+$	$\lambda$	$\lambda$
<b>Snedecor <math>F</math></b>	$F(\nu_1, \nu_2)$	$f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu_1+\nu_2}{2}) (\nu_1/\nu_2)^{\nu_1/2}}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu_1}{2})\Gamma(\frac{\nu_2}{2})} \times x^{\frac{\nu_1-2}{2}} \left[1 + \frac{\nu_1}{\nu_2} x\right]^{-\frac{\nu_1+\nu_2}{2}}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_2-2}^*$	$\left(\frac{\nu_2}{\nu_2-2}\right)^2 \frac{2(\nu_1+\nu_2-2)^*}{\nu_1(\nu_2-4)}$
<b>Student <math>t</math></b>	$t(\nu)$	$f(x) = \frac{\Gamma(\frac{\nu+1}{2})}{\Gamma(\frac{\nu}{2})\sqrt{\pi\nu}} [1+x^2/\nu]^{-(\nu+1)/2}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}$	$0^*$	$\nu/(\nu-2)^*$
<b>Uniform</b>	$\text{Un}(a, b)$	$f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$	$x \in (a, b)$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
<b>Weibull</b>	$\text{We}(\alpha, \beta)$	$f(x) = \alpha\beta x^{\alpha-1} e^{-\beta x^\alpha}$	$x \in \mathbb{R}_+$	$\frac{\Gamma(1+\alpha^{-1})}{\beta^{1/\alpha}}$	$\frac{\Gamma(1+2/\alpha) - \Gamma^2(1+1/\alpha)}{\beta^{2/\alpha}}$