

ASSIGNMENT 3: MEASURE THEORY

1. Deduce the monotone convergence theorem from Fatou's lemma.
2. Suppose $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is a measure space and $\{f_n\}$ is a sequence of nonnegative measurable functions. Show that the inequality

$$\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} f_n d\mu \leq \int_{\Omega} \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} f_n d\mu$$

is not true in general. (Hint: Try to construct a sequence of functions, all with integral 1 but $\limsup f_n = 0$.)

What happens if we further assume that $f_n \leq f$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, with f integrable?

3. Suppose $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is a measure space and $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an integrable function such that for all $E \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\int_E f d\mu \geq 0.$$

Prove that $f(\omega) \geq 0$ for a.e. $\omega \in \Omega$.

4. Prove that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^\alpha}, & x \geq 1, \\ 0, & x < 1, \end{cases}$$

is integrable on \mathbb{R} if and only if $\alpha > 1$.

(Hint: You have seen it as an improper Riemann integral. Try to apply MCT.)

5. Prove that the function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{x^\alpha}, & 0 < x \leq 1, \\ 0, & x \notin (0, 1], \end{cases}$$

is integrable on \mathbb{R} iff $\alpha < 1$.

6. Suppose $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is a finite measure space, that is, $\mu(\Omega) < \infty$. Prove that every bounded measurable function is integrable. Is this true for infinite measure spaces?
7. Determine all $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\int_{(0, \infty)} e^{-x} x^\alpha d\lambda(x) < \infty.$$

(Hint: Decompose the integral suitably. This should remind you of the Gamma function.)

8. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is Lebesgue measurable. If f is integrable then is xf integrable? If xf is integrable then is f integrable?

(Here $(xf)(x) = xf(x)$.)

(Hint: Have a look at Problems 4 and 5.)

9. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable and xf is also integrable. Prove that the function

$$F(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) \sin(xy) dx$$

is differentiable.

(Hint: First find what should be the derivative and then try to use DCT to justify your guess.)

10. Suppose $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable and $f(x) = 0$ for $|x| > 1$. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{[0,1]} x^n f(x) d\lambda(x).$$

(Hint: A typical application of DCT.)

11. Evaluate the sum

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \left(\int_{[0,\pi/2]} (1 - \sqrt{\sin x})^n \cos x d\lambda(x) \right).$$

(Hint: Interchange sum and integral.)

12. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{(0,1]} \frac{n \cos x}{1 + n^2 x^{3/2}} d\lambda(x).$$

13. Fix $0 < a < b$ and define $f_n(x) = ae^{-nax} - be^{-nbx}$, $x \in (0, \infty)$. Prove

(a) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{[0,\infty)} |f_n| d\lambda = \infty$.

(b) $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \int_{[0,\infty)} f_n d\lambda = 0$.

(c) $\int_{[0,\infty)} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} f_n d\lambda$ does not exist.

14. Construct sequences of integrable real-valued functions $\{f_n\}$ and $\{g_n\}$ such that

(a) $f_n \rightarrow 0$ a.e. but $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |f_n| d\lambda \not\rightarrow 0$.

(b) $\int_{\mathbb{R}} |g_n| d\lambda \rightarrow 0$ but $g_n \not\rightarrow 0$ a.e.

15. Suppose $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is a measure space and $\{f_n\}, f$ are integrable.

(a) Prove that

$$\int_{\Omega} |f - f_n| d\mu \rightarrow 0 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_{\Omega} |f_n| d\mu \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} |f| d\mu.$$

(b) If $f_n \rightarrow f$ a.e., prove that

$$\int_{\Omega} |f_n| d\mu \rightarrow \int_{\Omega} |f| d\mu \quad \Rightarrow \quad \int_{\Omega} |f - f_n| d\mu \rightarrow 0.$$

(Hint: Apply Fatou's lemma to $g_n = |f| + |f_n| - |f - f_n|$.)

16. Does there exist a nonnegative Lebesgue measurable function f on \mathbb{R} such that for all $E \in \mathcal{L}$

$$\delta_0(E) = \int_E f d\lambda?$$

17. Suppose $f : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable. Prove that

$$\sup_{\alpha > 0} \alpha \mu(\{\omega \in \Omega : |f(\omega)| > \alpha\}) \leq \int_{\Omega} |f| d\mu,$$

where δ_0 is the Dirac delta measure at 0. (This is Chebyshev's inequality.)

Give an example to show that $\int_{\Omega} |f| d\mu = \infty$, but

$$\sup_{\alpha > 0} \alpha \mu(\{\omega \in \Omega : |f(\omega)| > \alpha\}) < \infty$$

18. Suppose $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, \mu)$ is σ -finite. If $f : \Omega \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ is integrable then prove there exists a sequence $\{f_n\}$ of integrable functions such that $f_n \uparrow f$, each f_n vanishes outside a set of finite measure, and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_{\Omega} f_n d\mu = \int_{\Omega} f d\mu.$$

19. Let $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable and continuous at $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$. Evaluate

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} n \int_{[x_0, x_0 + \frac{1}{n}]} f(x) d\lambda(x).$$

(Hint: The answer is $f(x_0)$.)

20. Let $f : \Omega \rightarrow (0, \infty)$ be measurable. For each $i \in \mathbb{Z}$ define

$$a_i = \mu(f^{-1}((2^{i-1}, 2^i])).$$

Prove that f is integrable iff

$$\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} 2^i a_i < \infty,$$

where

$$\sum_{i=-\infty}^{\infty} a_i = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=-n}^n a_i.$$