

1. Show that there are Borel sets of positive Lebesgue measure in  $\mathbb{R}$  which do not contain any interval of positive length.

2. Consider the collection  $L$  of all real random variables on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Define

$$d(X, Y) = E \left\{ \frac{|X - Y|}{1 + |X - Y|} \right\}$$

- (a) For  $X \in L$ , define  $[X] = \{Y \in L, P(X = Y) = 1\}$ . Show that  $([L], d)$  is a metric space.
- (b) Show  $d(X_n, X) \rightarrow 0$  iff  $P(|X_n - X| > \epsilon) \rightarrow 0$  for every  $\epsilon > 0$ .
3. For a finite measure space  $(\Omega, \mu)$  show that  $L^r(\mu) \subset L^p(\mu)$  if  $1 \leq p < r$ . Will this be true if  $\mu$  is not a finite measure?
4. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independent random variables on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ .
- (a) If  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are all discrete rvs then show that they are independent iff  $P(X_1 = a_1, X_2 = a_2, \dots, X_n = a_n) = \prod P(X_i = a_i)$  for all numbers  $a_i \in \mathbb{R}$ .
- (b) Suppose  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are absolutely continuous random variables with densities  $f_1, \dots, f_n$  then show that for all Borel  $B \subset \mathbb{R}^n$ ,

$$P\{\omega : (X_1(\omega), \dots, X_n(\omega)) \in B\} = \int_B g(x_1, \dots, x_n) \prod_{i=1}^n dx_i,$$

where  $g : \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  given by  $g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = \prod f_i(x_i)$ .

Conversely, suppose that  $(X_1, \dots, X_n)$  have joint density  $g$  on  $\mathbb{R}^n$  and it is a product:  $g(x_1, \dots, x_n) = f_1(x_1)f_2(x_2) \dots f_n(x_n)$  for some nonnegative measurable functions of one variable. Show then that  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  are independent<sup>1</sup>.

(c) Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_{100}$  are independent. Let

$$Y_1 = h_1(X_1, X_2, X_{100}), Y_2 = h_2(X_3, X_4, \dots, X_{77}), Y_3 = h_3(X_{78}, X_{89}, X_{90}, X_{91}),$$

where  $h_1, h_2, h_3$  are measurable on the appropriate dimensional Euclidean space. Show that  $Y_1, Y_2, Y_3$  are independent.

<sup>1</sup>It is not assumed that  $f_i$  are densities.