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FOURTH YEAR SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION FOR
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN STATISTICS AND PROGRAMMING

SMA 465: MEASURE AND PROBABILITY

DATE: 26/7/2019

TIME: 11:00 – 1:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS:

Attempt Question one and any other two questions

QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY) (30 MARKS)

- a) Consider a non-empty set Ω . Define the following:
- i) A measurable space, (Ω, Π)
 - ii) A measure on (Ω, Π) , say μ
 - iii) A measure μ which is such that it is finite μ -a.e.
- (12 marks)
- b) State:
- i) The Lebesgue Monotone Convergence Theorem.
 - ii) Fatou's Lemma
- (6 marks)
- c) Prove any one of the results stated in Part (c).
- (4 marks)
- d) Let P be a Probability measure. If A and B are some two events,
- i) Define the conditional probability of A given B .
 - ii) Show that the conditional Probability of A given B is a Probability measure.
- (8 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20MARKS)

a)

i) State the axioms of a measure, μ .

ii) Show that the function m , defined on the Borel algebra, $\mathcal{B}$, by:

$m : (\mathcal{R}, \mathcal{B}) \rightarrow [0, \infty]$ such that $m\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^{\infty} (a_i, b_i]\right) = \sum_{i=1}^{\infty} (b_i - a_i)$, with a_i, b_i in $\mathcal{R}$, $a_i \leq b_i$, for $i=1, 2, \dots$, is a measure. (10 marks)

b) Explain, for a given measure space (Ω, Π, μ) ,

i) Completion of the measure space

ii) μ -a.e

iii) the Lebesgue-Stieltjes measure space (10 marks)

QUESTION THREE. (20MARKS)

a) Show that for a non-empty set Ω :

i) The set $\{\emptyset, \Omega\}$ is a σ -field

ii) The set $\{\emptyset, A, A^c, \Omega\}$ for $A \subset \Omega$, is a σ -field

(10 marks)

b) Show that if Π is a σ -field then $\bigcap_{i=1}^{\infty} A_i \in \Pi$ for all $A_i \in \Pi$, $i = 1, 2, 3, \dots$

(10 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Consider a non-empty set Ω . Define the following:

i) A measurable space, (Ω, Π)

ii) A measure on (Ω, Π) , say μ

iii) A measure μ which is such that it is finite μ -a.e. (12 marks)

b) Consider a function, f , which is given by:

$f : (\Omega_1, \Pi_1) \rightarrow (\Omega_2, \Pi_2)$

i) when is the function f said to be a measurable function? (4 marks)

ii) Suppose $\Omega_1 = \Omega_2 = \mathcal{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$ and $\Pi_1 = \Pi_2 = \text{Borel open subsets in } \mathcal{R} \cup \{-\infty, \infty\}$.

Show that the constant function $f(x) = c$, for some c in $\mathcal{R}$, is a measurable

function. (8 marks)

QUESTION FIVE. (20 MARKS)

- a) State the Chebychev's inequality. (5 marks)
- b) Prove the Chebychev's inequality. (5 marks)
- c) Let $X_n: n \geq 1$ be a sequence of random variables with $E(X_n) = \mu$,
for all $X_n: n \geq 1$. Show that the sample mean $\bar{X}_n$ converges to μ in probability.
(10 marks)