

**Statistics 330b/600b, Math 330b spring 2018**

Homework # 8

Due: Thursday 29 March

- \*[1] Suppose  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{B}, \mathbb{Q})$  is a probability space and  $g_1, g_2 \in \mathcal{M}^+(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{B})$  have the property that

$$\mathbb{Q}g_1(y) \mathbb{1}\{y \in B\} \leq \mathbb{Q}g_2(y) \mathbb{1}\{y \in B\} \quad \text{for all } B \text{ in } \mathcal{B}.$$

Prove that  $g_1(y) \leq g_2(y)$  a.e.  $[\mathbb{Q}]$ .

Hint: Consider sets of the form  $\{g_1(y) \geq r > s \geq g_2(y)\}$  for constants  $r$  and  $s$ .

- [2] Let  $\mathcal{K}_0$  be an essentially closed, convex subset of  $\mathcal{L}^2 := \mathcal{L}^2(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$ . For a fixed  $f$  in  $\mathcal{H} \setminus \mathcal{K}_0$  define  $\delta := \inf\{\|f - h\|_2 : h \in \mathcal{K}_0\}$ . Show that:

- (i) There is an  $f_0$  (unique up to  $\mu$ -equivalence) in  $\mathcal{K}_0$  for which  $\|f - f_0\|_2 = \delta$ .  
 (ii)  $\mathcal{K}_0$  is contained in the half-space  $\{h \in \mathcal{L}^2 : \langle h - f_0, f - f_0 \rangle \leq 0\}$ .

*You do not need to repeat steps that are identical to those in the Hilbert handout. You might find it helpful to draw a picture of  $t \mapsto \|f - (1-t)f_0 - th\|_2^2 - \delta^2$  for a fixed  $h$  in  $\mathcal{K}_0$ .*

- \*[3] Suppose  $\mathcal{A}$  is a sigma-field on a set  $\mathcal{X}$  and  $\mathcal{B} = \sigma(\mathcal{E})$  is a sigma-field on a set  $\mathcal{Y}$ . Suppose also that  $\mathcal{E}$  is a countable field (stable under complements, pairwise unions, and pairwise intersection) that separates the points of  $\mathcal{Y}$ : if  $y_1 \neq y_2$  there exists a set  $E \in \mathcal{E}$  for which  $\mathbb{1}_E(y_1) \neq \mathbb{1}_E(y_2)$ . For a given  $\mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{B}$ -measurable map  $T$  from  $\mathcal{X}$  into  $\mathcal{Y}$ , define  $G := \{(x, y) \in \mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y} : y = Tx\}$ .

- (i) Define  $H := \cup_{E \in \mathcal{E}} (T^{-1}(E^c) \times E)$ . Show that  $H \subseteq G^c$ .  
 (ii) If  $(x, y) \in G^c$  show that there exists an  $E \in \mathcal{E}$  for which  $\mathbb{1}_E(Tx) \neq \mathbb{1}_E(y)$ .  
 (iii) Deduce that  $G = H^c \in \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ .  
 (iv) Suppose  $\mathbb{P}$  is a probability measure on  $\mathcal{A}$  whose image under  $T$  is a probability measure  $\mathbb{Q}$  on  $\mathcal{B}$ . Define  $\psi(x) = (x, Tx)$ . Let  $\gamma$  be the image (on  $\mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B}$ ) of  $\mathbb{P}$  under  $\psi$ . Finally, suppose  $\mathcal{K} = \{K_y : y \in \mathcal{Y}\}$  is a set of probability measures on  $\mathcal{A}$  for which  $\gamma f = \mathbb{Q}^y K_y^x f(x, y)$  for each  $f$  in  $\mathcal{M}^+(\mathcal{X} \times \mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{A} \otimes \mathcal{B})$ . Show that

$$K_y\{x \in \mathcal{X} : Tx \neq y\} = 0 \quad \text{a.e. } [\mathbb{Q}].$$

- [4] Suppose  $(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A}, \mu)$  and  $(\mathcal{Y}, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$  are both measure spaces and  $T$  is an  $\mathcal{A} \setminus \mathcal{B}$ -measurable map from  $\mathcal{X}$  to  $\mathcal{Y}$ . Suppose also that  $\Lambda = \{\lambda_y : y \in \mathcal{Y}\}$  is a set of measures on  $\mathcal{A}$  for which

$$\lambda f(x) = \mu^y \lambda_y^x f(x) \quad \text{for each } f \text{ in } \mathcal{M}^+(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A}).$$

and  $\lambda_y\{x : Tx \neq y\} = 0$  a.e.  $[\mu]$ .

**Remark.** It is implicit that  $y \mapsto \lambda_y^x f(x)$  should be  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable.

UGMTP Appendix F gives conditions under which such a decomposition exists.

Suppose  $\mathbb{P}$  is a probability measure on  $\mathcal{A}$  that has density  $p(x)$  with respect to  $\lambda$ . Let  $\mathbb{Q}$  be the image of  $\mathbb{P}$  under  $T$ .

- (i) Show that  $\mathbb{Q}$  has density  $q(y) := \lambda_y^x p(x)$  with respect to  $\mu$  and  $\mathbb{Q}\{y : q(y) = 0\} = 0$ .  
 (ii) Define  $\mathbb{P}_y$  to be the measure on  $\mathcal{A}$  that has density  $p(x | y) = \mathbb{1}\{q(y) > 0\} p(x) / q(y)$  with respect to  $\lambda_y$ . Show that  $y \mapsto \mathbb{P}_y f(x)$  is  $\mathcal{B}$ -measurable for each  $f$  in  $\mathcal{M}^+(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A})$ .  
 (iii) For each  $f$  in  $\mathcal{M}^+(\mathcal{X}, \mathcal{A})$  show that

$$\mathbb{Q}^y \mathbb{P}_y^x f(x) = \mathbb{P}^x \mathbb{1}\{q(Tx) > 0\} f(x) = \mathbb{P} f(x).$$