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**MAS6352 Analysis II (Measure and Probability)**

**2 hours 30 minutes**

*Full marks may be obtained by complete answers to three questions. All answers will be marked, but credit will be given only for the best three answers. Total marks 99.*

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- 1 (i) Let  $(S, \Sigma)$  be a measurable space.
- (a) Write down the definition of a *measure* on  $(S, \Sigma)$ . (3 marks)
- (b) The *Dirac mass*  $\delta_x$  at a point  $x \in S$  is defined by

$$\delta_x(A) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

Show that  $\delta_x$  is a measure on  $(S, \Sigma)$ . (6 marks)

- (ii) Let  $(S, \Sigma, m)$  be a measure space.

- (a) If  $A, B \in \Sigma$ , show that

$$m(A \cup B) + m(A \cap B) = m(A) + m(B).$$

(3 marks)

- (b) Use induction to deduce that if  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n \in \Sigma$ , then

$$m\left(\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \leq \sum_{i=1}^n m(A_i).$$

(5 marks)

- (c) If  $(A_n)$  is a sequence of sets in  $\Sigma$ , show that

$$m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} m(A_n).$$

(5 marks)

[Hint: Use the fact that if  $(B_n)$  is a sequence of sets in  $\Sigma$ , with  $B_n \subseteq B_{n+1}$  for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ , then

$$m\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} B_n\right) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m(B_n).]$$

- (iii) Calculate the Lebesgue measure of the set

$$A = [0, 1] - [0, 1/2] - \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3^{n+1}}, \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3^n}\right).$$

(3 marks)

1 (continued)

- (iv) (a) If  $(S, \Sigma, m)$  is a measure space, what does it mean for the measure  $m$  to be  $\sigma$ -finite? *(2 marks)*
- (b) Deduce that Lebesgue measure on the real line (with its Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra) is  $\sigma$ -finite. *(2 marks)*
- (c) If  $(S, \Sigma, m)$  is a measure space and  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a non-negative measurable function, it is proved in the course that  $m_f$  is a measure on  $(S, \Sigma)$ , where for all  $A \in \Sigma$ ,

$$m_f(A) = \int_A f dm.$$

If  $f$  is a simple function, and  $m$  is  $\sigma$ -finite, show that  $m_f$  is  $\sigma$ -finite. *(4 marks)*

2 Throughout this question  $(S, \Sigma)$  is a measurable space, and  $\mathbb{R}$  is equipped with its usual Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra  $\mathcal{B}(\mathbb{R})$ .

(i) Recall that  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a *measurable function* if  $f^{-1}((a, \infty)) \in \Sigma$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that this is equivalent to the requirement that  $f^{-1}((-\infty, a]) \in \Sigma$  for all  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ . (4 marks)

(ii) The *indicator function*  $\mathbf{1}_A$  of the set  $A \in \Sigma$  is defined by

$$\mathbf{1}_A(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } x \in A \\ 0 & \text{if } x \notin A. \end{cases}$$

(a) Show that  $\mathbf{1}_A$  is a measurable function. (3 marks)

(b) Is  $\mathbf{1}_A$  measurable if  $A \notin \Sigma$ ? Justify your answer. (2 marks)

(c) If  $A, B \in \Sigma$  with  $B \subseteq A$ , show directly from the definition of indicator function that

$$\mathbf{1}_{A-B} = \mathbf{1}_A - \mathbf{1}_B.$$

(6 marks)

[Hint: There are three cases to consider.]

(iii) Explain why the following functions from  $\mathbb{R}$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  are measurable:

(a)  $f(x) = \sin(2x)$ ,

(b)  $f(x) = \mathbf{1}_{[0,1]}(x) + \sin(2x)$ ,

(c)  $f(x) = \mathbf{1}_{[0,1]}(x) \sin(2x)$ ,

(d)  $f(x) = \sqrt{\sin(2\mathbf{1}_{[0,1]}(x))}$ . (5 marks)

(iv) Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (c, \infty)$  be a measurable function, where  $c \geq 0$ . Define

$$g(x) = \frac{1}{f(x) - c}$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Show that  $g$  is measurable. If  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is measurable, deduce that  $F$  is a measurable function, where for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$F(x) = \frac{h(x)}{f(x) - c}.$$

(6 marks)

(v) Let  $(S, \Sigma, m)$  be a measure space. State *Markov's inequality* for a non-negative measurable function defined on  $S$ , and use it to prove that if  $f : S \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a measurable function for which  $\int_S f^2 dm = 0$ ,

then  $f = 0$  (a.e.). (7 marks)

**3** Throughout this question, the half-line  $[0, \infty)$  is equipped with Lebesgue measure on its Borel  $\sigma$ -algebra, and  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is an integrable function.

(i) Show that the Laplace transform  $\mathcal{L}(f)$  exists, in that  $|\mathcal{L}(f)(u)| < \infty$  for all  $u \in [0, \infty)$ , where

$$\mathcal{L}(f)(u) = \int_{[0, \infty)} e^{-ux} f(x) dx.$$

Quote any results that you need from the course. **(4 marks)**

(ii) Obtain an expression for  $\mathcal{L}(f)(u)$  when  $f = \mathbf{1}_{[a,b]}$  for  $0 \leq a < b < \infty$ . **(3 marks)**

(iii) If  $f, g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  are integrable functions, and  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ , show that for all  $u \in [0, \infty)$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(af + bg)(u) = a\mathcal{L}(f)(u) + b\mathcal{L}(g)(u).$$

**(3 marks)**

(iv) State *Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem* and use it to prove that the mapping  $u \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(f)(u)$  is continuous from  $[0, \infty)$  to  $\mathbb{R}$ . **(7 marks)**

(v) Assuming that  $\int_{[0, \infty)} x|f(x)| dx < \infty$ , show that the mapping  $u \rightarrow \mathcal{L}(f)(u)$  is differentiable for all  $u \in (0, \infty)$ , and that its derivative is given by

$$\mathcal{L}(f)'(u) = -\mathcal{L}(g)(u),$$

where  $g(x) = xf(x)$ . **(8 marks)**

[Hint: Use Lebesgue's dominated convergence theorem and the fact that  $1 - e^{-y} \leq y$ , for all  $y \geq 0$ .]

(vi) Assume that  $f$  and  $g$  are integrable functions on  $[0, \infty)$ , and that  $g$  is bounded. Define the *convolution*  $f * g$  of  $f$  with  $g$  by

$$(f * g)(x) = \int_{[0, \infty)} f(x - y)g(y) dy,$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ .

(a) Show that  $|(f * g)(x)| < \infty$  for all  $x \in [0, \infty)$ . **(2 marks)**

(b) Show that  $f * g$  is integrable. **(3 marks)**

(c) Prove that the Laplace transform of the convolution is the product of the Laplace transforms, i.e. that for all  $u \geq 0$ ,

$$\mathcal{L}(f * g)(u) = \mathcal{L}f(u)\mathcal{L}g(u).$$

**(3 marks)**

[Hint: You may use the fact that the mapping  $(x, y) \rightarrow f(x - y)g(y)$  from  $S \times S$  to  $\mathbb{R}$  is measurable.]

- 4 (i) let  $(S, \Sigma, m)$  be a measure space wherein the measure  $m$  is finite.
- (a) If  $A \in \Sigma$ , what can you say about  $m(A) + m(A^c)$ ? **(2 marks)**
- (b) If  $(A_n)$  is a sequence of sets in  $\Sigma$ , define the sets  $\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$  and  $\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n$ . **(2 marks)**

- (c) Explain briefly why  $\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right)^c = \limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c$ , and hence deduce that

$$m\left(\limsup_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n^c\right) = M - m\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n\right),$$

where  $M$  is the *total mass* of the measure  $m$ . What form does the last identity take when  $m$  is a probability measure? **(4 marks)**

- (ii) Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space. State both parts of the *Borel–Cantelli lemma*, and prove the part that requires an independence assumption.

[Hint: Use the inequality  $e^{-x} \geq 1 - x$  for  $x \geq 0$ .] **(11 marks)**

- (iii) Consider a sequence of independent rolls of a fair die. Show that the run 614325 appears infinitely often. **(6 marks)**

- (iv) (a) Let  $(Y_n)$  be a sequence of non-negative random variables which are such that

$$P\left(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} \{Y_n < 1/n\}\right) = 1.$$

Show that  $Y_n \rightarrow 0$  (a.s.) **(4 marks)**

- (b) Let  $(X_n)$  be a sequence of random variables which are such that there exists  $K > 0$  so that for all  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,

$$P(|X_n| \geq 1/n) \leq \frac{K}{n^2}.$$

Show that  $X_n \rightarrow 0$  (a.s.) **(4 marks)**

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