

**Problem 1.** Find a random variable  $X$ , and two  $\sigma$ -algebras  $\mathcal{G}, \mathcal{H}$  so that  $\mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{G})|\mathcal{H}) \neq \mathbb{E}(\mathbb{E}(X|\mathcal{H})|\mathcal{G})$ . (Hint: a finite  $\Omega$  is possible).

**Problem 2.** If a random variable has characteristic function  $\varphi(t) = (1 - |t|)^+$ , find its density.

**Problem 3.** If  $X_n$  converge in distribution to  $X$ , and  $Y_n$  converge in probability to 0, show that  $X_n + Y_n$  converge in distribution to  $X$ .

**Problem 4.** • If  $X_n \rightarrow X$  and  $Y_n \rightarrow Y$  in probability show that  $X_n + Y_n \rightarrow X + Y$  in probability.

- Do the same for convergence in  $L^p$  for  $p \geq 1$ .
- Show this fails for convergence in  $L^p$  for  $p < 1$ .
- Show this fails for convergence in distribution.

**Problem 5.** Suppose random variables  $(X, Y)$  have joint density  $f(x, y)$  on  $\mathbb{R}^2$ . Let  $Z(y) = \int_{\mathbb{R}} xf(x, y)dx / \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x, y)dx$ . Show that  $Z = \mathbb{E}(X|Y)$  using the definition.

**Problem 6.** Construct a martingale  $X_n$  so that  $X_n \rightarrow \infty$  a.s.

**Problem 7. Do not hand this in; a related problem will be in the exam instead.** Let  $X_i$  be i.i.d. bounded integer random variables, and let  $S_n = \sum_{i \leq n} X_i$ . Suppose  $\mathbb{P}(X > 0)$  and  $\mathbb{P}(X < 0)$  are both non-zero, and  $\mathbb{E}X \neq 0$ .

- (a) Show that there is some  $0 < q \neq 1$  so that  $q^{S_n}$  is a martingale.
- (b) Find that  $q$  when  $X_n$  is  $\pm 1$  with probabilities  $p, 1 - p$ .
- (c) Use this to find  $\mathbb{P}_k(T_n < T_0)$ , where  $T_a = \inf\{t : X_t = a\}$ .

**\*\*Problem 8.** If  $X_n$  are independent random variables such that  $\sum \mathbb{E}X_n$  exists, and that  $\sum X_n$  converges a.s., must it be that  $\mathbb{E} \sum X_n = \sum \mathbb{E}X_n$ ?