

#1 Prove that $((B_n(f))(x))^2 \leq (B_n(f^2))(x)$ for $x \in [0, 1]$.

Recall the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\left| \sum_{k=0}^n a_k b_k \right| \leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^n a_k^2} \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^n b_k^2}.$$

Recall also that

$$\sum_{k=0}^n P_k^n(x) = 1 \quad \text{where} \quad P_k^n(x) = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} x^k (1-x)^{n-k}.$$

Since $x \in [0, 1]$ then $P_k^n(x) \geq 0$.

By the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality

$$\begin{aligned} |(B_n(f))(x)| &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) P_k^n(x) \right| \\ &= \left| \sum_{k=0}^n f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right) \sqrt{P_k^n(x)} \cdot \sqrt{P_k^n(x)} \right| \\ &\leq \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^n \left(f\left(\frac{k}{n}\right)\right)^2 P_k^n(x)} \sqrt{\sum_{k=0}^n P_k^n(x)} \\ &= \sqrt{(B_n(f^2))(x)} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore

$$((B_n(f))(x))^2 \leq (B_n(f^2))(x).$$

#2 Let $U, V \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ be open subsets. Prove or disprove $\overline{U \cap V} = \overline{U} \cap \overline{V}$.

Counterexample

$$U = (0, 1) \quad V = (1, 2)$$

$$\text{then } \overline{U} = [0, 1] \quad \overline{V} = [1, 2] \quad \text{so } \overline{U \cap V} = \{1\}.$$

$$\text{However } U \cap V = \emptyset \quad \text{so } \overline{U \cap V} = \emptyset.$$

#3 Let \mathcal{E}, \mathcal{F} be collections of subsets of \mathbb{R} . Let $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E})$ be the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{E} , $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F})$ the σ -algebra generated by \mathcal{F} and $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{F})$ be the σ -algebra generated by $\mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{F}$.
Prove or disprove $\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E}) \cap \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{F})$.

Counter example

$$\mathcal{E} = \{ [0, 1] \}$$

$$\mathcal{F} = \{ [0, 1]^c \}$$

$$\text{Then } \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E}) = \{ \emptyset, [0, 1], [0, 1]^c, \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \{ \emptyset, [0, 1], [0, 1]^c, \mathbb{R} \}$$

$$\text{so } \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E}) \cap \mathcal{A}(\mathcal{F}) = \{ \emptyset, [0, 1], [0, 1]^c, \mathbb{R} \}.$$

However

$$\mathcal{A}(\mathcal{E} \cap \mathcal{F}) = \mathcal{A}(\emptyset) = \{ \emptyset, \mathbb{R} \}.$$

#75. For subsets $A, B \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ define $A+B = \{a+b : a \in A \text{ and } b \in B\}$.
Suppose B is a Borel set.

(a) Prove $A+B$ is a Borel set if A is countable.

Lemma: If $f, g \in \hat{C}$ then $f \circ g \in \hat{C}$.

Proof: We will use the characterization that

$$\hat{C} = \mathcal{F}_1 = \{f: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R} \text{ st. } f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{B} \text{ for all } B \in \mathcal{B}\}$$

which makes this lemma obvious.

Let $B \in \mathcal{B}$. Then $f^{-1}(B) \in \mathcal{B}$ since $f \in \hat{C}$. Thus

$$(f \circ g)^{-1}(B) = g^{-1}(f^{-1}(B)) \in \mathcal{B} \text{ since } g \in \hat{C}.$$

This implies $f \circ g \in \hat{C}$.

Lemma: If $B \in \mathcal{B}$ then $x+B \in \mathcal{B}$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof: Let $x \in \mathbb{R}$ and define $g(z) = z - x$. Then g is continuous and therefore $g \in \hat{C}$. Define $f = \chi_B$. Since $B \in \mathcal{B}$ then $f \in \hat{C}$. It follows that $f \circ g \in \hat{C}$. Thus

$$(f \circ g)(z) = \chi_B(g(z)) = \chi_B(z - x) = \chi_{x+B}(z)$$

shows that $\chi_{x+B} \in \hat{C}$.

Therefore $x+B \in \mathcal{B}$.

We now use these lemmas to prove (a)

Proof of (a)

Since A is countable we may enumerate the elements of A as $\{a_1, a_2, a_3, \dots\}$.

Thus

$$A+B = \bigcup (a_n + B)$$

Since $a_n + B \in \mathcal{B}$ then $A+B$ is a countable union of sets in \mathcal{B} . Since \mathcal{B} is a σ -algebra it follows that $A+B \in \mathcal{B}$.

(b) Prove that if A is open and B is Borel that $A+B$ is Borel.

Lemma If $A \in \mathcal{C}$ then $A+x \in \mathcal{C}$ for every $x \in \mathbb{R}$.

Proof: Let $z \in A+x$. Therefore $z-x \in A$.

Since A is open there is $r > 0$ such that

$$|z-x-y| < r \text{ implies } y \in A.$$

Now

$$|z-w| < r \text{ implies}$$

$$|z-x-(w-x)| < r \text{ implies}$$

$$|z-x-y| < r \text{ where } y = w-x.$$

Therefore

$$y \in A \text{ implies}$$

$$w-x \in A \text{ implies}$$

$$w \in A+x$$

It follows that $A+x$ is open.

We now use this lemma to prove (b).

Proof of (b) Since

$$A+B = \bigcup_{x \in B} (A+x)$$

and $A+x$ is open, then $A+B$ is a union of open sets. Since any union of open sets is open then $A+B$ is open.

Therefore

$$A+B \in \mathcal{C} \subseteq \mathcal{B}.$$

#6. Let I be any finite interval. Show for each $\epsilon > 0$ there is a closed interval $J \subseteq I$ such that $l(I) < l(J) + \epsilon$.

Let $\epsilon > 0$. If $l(I) < \epsilon$. Then take $J = [x, x]$ where x is some point in I . Then

$$l(I) < \epsilon = 0 + \epsilon = l(J) + \epsilon.$$

Otherwise I must be of the form

$$(a, b), (a, b], [a, b) \text{ or } [a, b]$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ and $a < b$.

In each of these cases $(a, b) \subseteq I$.

Claim: There is a closed interval $J \subset (a, b)$ with $b - a < l(J) + \epsilon$.

Since $b - a = l(I) \geq \epsilon$ then $a + \frac{\epsilon}{3} < b - \frac{\epsilon}{3}$.

Therefore $J = [a + \frac{\epsilon}{3}, b - \frac{\epsilon}{3}]$ is a closed interval.

Moreover

$$J = [a + \frac{\epsilon}{3}, b - \frac{\epsilon}{3}] \subseteq (a, b) \subseteq I$$

and

$$l(J) = a + \frac{\epsilon}{3} - (b - \frac{\epsilon}{3}) = a - b + \frac{2}{3}\epsilon$$

$$< a - b + \epsilon = l(I) + \epsilon,$$