

**Measure theory with  
ergodic horizons****HOMEWORK 11****Due: May 13**

1. Let  $(X, \mu)$  be a measure space. Recall that an equivalence relation  $E$  on  $X$  is called **ergodic** if every  $E$ -invariant measurable set is null or conull. Prove that every  $E$ -invariant<sup>1</sup> measurable function  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is constant a.e. i.e. there is a constant  $c \in \mathbb{R}$  such that  $f = c$  a.e.

HINT: There are two ways to prove it.

- (1) Devide  $\mathbb{R}$  into countably many intervals and notice that exactly one of them has a conull preimage. Next define each interval by into two equal pieces, and again, exactly one of them has conull preimage. Continue...
- (2) If  $f$  isn't constant a.e. then the pushforward  $f_*\mu$  isn't a Dirac measure, so there is a set  $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$  such that both  $A$  and  $\mathbb{R} \setminus A$ ...

2. **Tightness of the Fubini–Tonelli hypothesis.**

- (a) **Non- $\sigma$ -finite.** Let  $X := [0, 1]$ , and let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be, respectively, Lebesgue and counting measures on  $X$ . Because  $\nu$  is not  $\sigma$ -finite, the product measure  $\mu \times \nu$  is not unique, but we let  $\mu \times \nu$  denote the largest of them, namely, the outer measure  $(\mu \times \nu)^*$  induced by the premeasure  $\mu \times \nu$  on the algebra generated by  $\mathcal{B}(X) \times \mathcal{B}(X)$ .

For the diagonal  $\Delta := \{(x, x) : x \in X\}$ , compute

$$\int \nu(\Delta_x) d\mu(x), \int \mu(\Delta^y) d\nu(y), \text{ and } \mu \times \nu(\Delta)$$

to verify that no two are equal to each other.

HINT: To compute  $\mu \times \nu(\Delta)$ , recall the definition of the outer measure.

- (b) **Non-integrable.** Let  $\mu = \nu$  be the counting measure on  $\mathbb{N}$  (defined on  $\mathcal{P}(\mathbb{N})$ ). Let  $f : \mathbb{N} \times \mathbb{N} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be defined by setting  $f(x, y)$  to be 1 if  $x = y$ ,  $-1$  if  $x = y + 1$ , and 0 otherwise. Verify that  $f$  is not  $\mu \times \nu$ -integrable, and although the integrals  $\int \int f d\mu d\nu$  and  $\int \int f d\nu d\mu$  both exist, they are unequal.
- (c) [Optional] **Non-measurable.** Let  $X := \omega_1$  and let  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{N}$  be the  $\sigma$ -algebra of countable and co-countable subsets of  $\omega_1$ . Let  $\mu = \nu$  be defined to be 0 on countable and 1 on co-countable sets. Let  $R := <$ , i.e.  $R := \{(x, y) \in \omega_1 \times \omega_1 : x < y\}$ . Then  $R$  is not in  $\mathcal{M} \times \mathcal{N}$ . However, the fibers  $R_x$  and  $R^y$  are in  $\mathcal{M} = \mathcal{N}$  for each  $x, y \in \omega_1$ , and the integrals  $\int \nu(R_x) d\mu(x)$  and  $\int \mu(R^y) d\nu(y)$  exist, but they are unequal.

3.  **$\mu \times \nu$ -measurable Fubini–Tonelli.** Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  and  $(Y, \mathcal{N}, \nu)$  be  $\sigma$ -finite measure spaces and let  $f : X \times Y \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a  $\mu \times \nu$ -measurable function. Prove:

<sup>1</sup>A function  $f$  on  $X$  is called  **$E$ -invariant** if it is constant on every  $E$ -class, i.e.  $xEy \implies f(x) = f(y)$  for all  $x, y \in X$ .

- (a) The fibers  $f_x$  and  $f^y$  are respectively  $\nu$  and  $\mu$  measurable for  $\mu$ -a.e.  $x \in X$  and  $\nu$ -a.e.  $y \in Y$ .

CAUTION: Folland claims  $\mathcal{M}$  and  $\mathcal{N}$  measurability instead, which is wrong.

- (b) If  $f \geq 0$ , then functions  $g : x \mapsto \int f_x d\nu$  and  $h : y \mapsto \int f^y d\mu$  are defined respectively  $\mu$ -a.e. and  $\nu$ -a.e., and they are respectively  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  measurable. Moreover,

$$(*) \quad \int \int f d\nu d\mu = \int f d\mu \times \nu = \int \int f d\mu d\nu.$$

- (c) If  $f$  is  $\mu \times \nu$ -integrable, then in fact  $g$  and  $h$  are  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  integrable and  $(*)$  holds.

**4. Namioka's trick.** Let  $f : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a Lebesgue integrable function. Prove:

- (a)  $g(x) := \int_x^\infty t^{-1} f(t) d\lambda(t)$  is well-defined for each  $x > 0$ , i.e.  $t \mapsto \mathbb{1}_{(x, \infty)}(t) t^{-1} f(t)$  is a Lebesgue integrable function.
- (b) The function  $g : (0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is Lebesgue integrable and

$$\int_0^\infty g d\lambda = \int_0^\infty f d\lambda.$$