## **PROBABILITY THEORY I**

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**Exercise 1**. Prove that  $f(t) = \frac{\sin t}{t}$  is not integrable on  $[0, \infty)$  and that  $\lim_{T \to \infty} \int_0^T \frac{\sin t}{t} dt = \frac{\pi}{2}$ .

**Exercise 2.** Let X be a nonnegative random variable with  $\mathbb{E}(X) = 0$ . Prove that X is 0 almost surely.

**Exercise 3**. Calculate  $\mathbb{E}(X)$  for the following probability measures  $\mathbb{P}^X$ .

- (i)  $\mathbb{P}^X$  has Gaussian density  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi\sigma}}e^{-(x-\mu)^2/(2\sigma^2)}$ , for some  $\sigma > 0$  and  $\mu \in \mathbb{R}$ ;
- (ii)  $\mathbb{P}^X$  has exponential dentity  $\lambda e^{-\lambda x} \mathbb{1}_{x>0}$  for some  $\lambda > 0$ ;
- (iii)  $\mathbb{P}^X = p\delta_a + q\delta_b$  where p + q = 1,  $p, q \ge 0$  and  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ; (iv)  $\mathbb{P}^X$  is the Poisson distribution:  $\mathbb{P}^X(\{n\}) = e^{-\lambda} \frac{\lambda^n}{n!}$  for any integer  $n \ge 0$ , for some  $\lambda > 0$ .

**Exercise 4.** Let X be a standard Gaussian random variable. What is the density of  $1/X^2$ ?

**Exercise 5.** Let X be uniformly distributed on [0, 1] and  $\lambda > 0$ . Show that  $-\lambda^{-1} \log X$  has the same distribution as an exponential random variable with parameter  $\lambda$ .

**Exercise 6**. A samouraï wants to create a triangle with a (rigid) spaghetti. With his saber, he cuts this spaghetti on two places, chosen uniformly and independently along this traditional pasta. What is the probability that he can create a triangle with sides these three pieces of spaghetti?

**Exercise 7**. Assume that  $X_1, X_2, \ldots$  are independent random variables uniformly distributed on [0, 1]. Let  $Y^{(n)} = n \inf\{X_i, 1 \le i \le n\}$ . Prove that it converges weakly to an exponential random variable, i.e. for any continuous bounded function  $f : \mathbb{R}^+ \to \mathbb{R}$ ,

$$\mathbb{E}\left(f(Y^{(n)})\right) \xrightarrow[n \to \infty]{} \int_{\mathbb{R}^+} f(u)e^{-u} \mathrm{d}u.$$

**Exercise 8.** Let  $f: [0,1] \to \mathbb{R}$  be continuous. For any  $y \in \mathbb{R}$ , let  $N(y) \in \mathbb{R} \cup \{\infty\}$  be the number of solutions to f(x) = y. Prove that N is measurable.

**Exercise 9.** Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \to \mathbb{R}$  be additive (f(a+b) = f(a) + f(b) for all a, b) and measurable. Prove that it is linear.

What if f is not assumed to be measurable? What about  $f : \mathbb{R}^d \to \mathbb{R}$ ?