

**MATH 525a MIDTERM EXAM**  
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Problem	Points	Score
1	22	
2	30	
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4	25	
Total	100	

**Notes:**

- (1) This is a closed book exam—no books or notes allowed.
- (2) Write on the backs of the sheets if you need more space. Do not use your own scratch paper.
- (3) Cross out anything you don't want counted when the exam is graded.
- (4) Longer problems, or parts of problems, have a \* by the problem number.

(1)(22 points)(a) Prove the following part of Proposition 1.10: Let  $\mathcal{E} \subset \mathcal{P}(X)$  and let  $\rho : \mathcal{E} \rightarrow [0, \infty]$  satisfy  $\emptyset \in \mathcal{E}, X \in \mathcal{E}$  and  $\rho(\emptyset) = 0$ . For all  $A \subset X$  define

$$\mu^*(A) = \inf \left\{ \sum_{j=1}^{\infty} \mu(E_j) : E_j \in \mathcal{E}, A \subset \cup_{j=1}^{\infty} E_j \right\}.$$

Show that  $\mu^*$  is countably subadditive.

(b) For a set  $X$  ordered by a relation  $\leq$ , state what it means for  $X$  to be *well-ordered*.

(2)(30 points) Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a measure space.

(a) Suppose  $f_n, f$  are real-valued measurable functions on  $X$ ,  $f_n \rightarrow f$  in measure, and  $F : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is uniformly continuous. Show that  $F \circ f_n \rightarrow F \circ f$  in measure.

(b) Let  $E_n, n \geq 1$  be measurable sets. What condition on the values  $\mu(E_n)$  or  $\mu(E_n^c)$  is equivalent to  $\chi_{E_n} \rightarrow 1$  in measure? HINT: This isn't really related to part (a). Also, 1 means the constant function everywhere equal to 1.

(c\*) Let  $g \in L^1(\mu)$  be nonnegative, let  $D = \{x : g(x) > 0\}$ , and define  $\nu(E) = \int_E g \, d\mu$ . Let  $E_n, n \geq 1$  be measurable sets and suppose  $\mu(E_n^c \cap D) \rightarrow 0$ . Show that  $\chi_{E_n} \rightarrow 1$  in  $\nu$ -measure. HINT: Note the convergence is in  $\nu$ -measure, not  $\mu$ -measure. You may use the fact from homework that given  $\epsilon > 0$  there exists  $\delta > 0$  such that  $\mu(A) < \delta \implies \int_A g \, d\mu < \epsilon$ .

(3)(23 points) Let  $(X, \mathcal{M}, \mu)$  be a  $\sigma$ -finite measure space, and let  $\mathcal{A}$  be a disjoint collection of measurable sets, each of strictly positive measure. Show that  $\mathcal{A}$  is at most countable.

HINT: Let  $B_1 \subset B_2 \subset \dots$  with  $\mu(B_n) < \infty$  and  $\cup_n B_n = X$ . For given  $n, k$  consider the collection of sets  $\{A \in \mathcal{A} : \mu(A \cap B_n) > 1/k\}$ .

(4\*)(25 points) Suppose  $\mu_n, \mu$  are finite measures on  $(X, \mathcal{M})$ , and  $\mu_n(E) \rightarrow \mu(E)$  for all  $E \in \mathcal{M}$ . Show that for every bounded measurable  $f : X \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ , we have  $\int f d\mu_n \rightarrow \int f d\mu$ .

HINT: You can approximate  $f$  by a simple function. Is the approximation uniform?