

Karatzas and Shreve Section 1.2

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Problem 1.2.2 Let \mathcal{C} be the collection of subsets A of Ω such that $1_A(\omega_1) = 1_A(\omega_2)$. Note that \mathcal{C} is a σ -algebra (simple to show). Assume $X_s(\omega_1) = X_s(\omega_2)$ for some s . Then $1_A(\omega_1) = 1_A(\omega_2)$ for all $A \in \sigma(X_s)$ so $\sigma(X_s) \subset \mathcal{C}$. Since $X_t(\omega_1) = X_t(\omega_2)$ for all $t \in [0, T(\omega_1)]$ have $\sigma(X_{T(\omega_1)}) \subset \mathcal{C}$. So $1_A(\omega_1) = 1_A(\omega_2)$ for all A in $\sigma(X_{T(\omega_1)})$. Note that $B = \{\omega : T(\omega) = T(\omega_1)\}$ in $\mathcal{F}_{T(\omega)}^X$ and $1_B(\omega_1) = 1$. So $1_B(\omega_2) = 1$ which implies $\omega_2 \in B$. Thus $T(\omega_1) = T(\omega_2)$ as well.

Problem 1.2.6 We wish to show that $\{H_\Gamma < t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t . For $t = 0$, $\{H_\Gamma < 0\} = \emptyset$ so is in \mathcal{F}_0 . Let $t > 0$. Consider the set $\{H_\Gamma < t\}$.

$$\begin{aligned} \{H_\Gamma < t\} &= \{\omega \in \Omega : H_\Gamma(\omega) < t\} \\ &= \{\omega \in \Omega : \inf(s \geq 0 : X_s(\omega) \in \Gamma) < t\} \end{aligned}$$

Let $\omega \in \{H_\Gamma < t\}$. By the definition of infimum, there is some $s < t$ such that $X_s(\omega) \in \Gamma$. Since Γ is open there is some open ball B_ϵ such that $X_s(\omega) \in B_\epsilon \subset \Gamma$. Since $X_t(\omega)$ is right continuous there is some rational number r such that $s \leq r < t$ and $X_r(\omega) \in B_\epsilon \subset \Gamma$.

In fact, we can see that $\omega \in \{H_\Gamma < t\}$ if and only if there is some rational number $r < t$ such that $X_r(\omega) \in \Gamma$. (We have shown one direction, other direction is trivial). Thus:

$$\{H_\Gamma < t\} = \bigcup_{r \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, t)} \{X_r \in \Gamma\}$$

If $\{X_r \in \Gamma\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for each r , we are done (because \mathcal{F}_t is closed under countable unions). Note X_t is adapted so $\{X_r \in \Gamma\} \in \mathcal{F}_r \subset \mathcal{F}_t$.

Problem 1.2.7 We wish to show that $\{H_\Gamma \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t . Begin with $t = 0$.

$$\begin{aligned} \{H_\Gamma \leq 0\} &= \{\omega \in \Omega : X_0(\omega) \in \Gamma\} \\ &= \{X_0 \in \Gamma\} \end{aligned}$$

Since X is adapted, $\{X_0 \in \Gamma\} \in \mathcal{F}_0$. (Does not rely on fact that Γ is closed).

Now assume $t > 0$. Let us instead show that $\{H_\Gamma \leq t\}^C = \{H_\Gamma > t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$. We argue that for closed set Γ that

$$\{H_\Gamma > t\} = \bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\}$$

If $\omega \in \{H_\Gamma > t\}$ then it is certainly true that $X_s(\omega) \in \Gamma^C$ for all $s \leq t$, so $\{H_\Gamma > t\} \subset \bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\}$

Now assume $\omega \in \bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\}$. It is clear that $H_\Gamma(\omega) \not\leq t$. But is it possible that $X_t(\omega) \in \Gamma^C$ and $t = H_\Gamma(\omega)$? No. If $t = H_\Gamma(\omega)$ there are two possibilities. Either $X_t(\omega) \in \Gamma$ (but have already seen assumed that $X_t(\omega) \in \Gamma^C$ so contradiction). OR, there is a sequence $\{t_n\}$ such that $t \leq t_n$, $t_n \rightarrow t$ and $X_{t_n}(\omega) \in \Gamma$ for each t_n . Then by continuity of sample paths $X_{t_n}(\omega) \rightarrow X_t(\omega)$. Thus $X_t(\omega)$ is a limit point of Γ . Since Γ is closed, $X_t(\omega) \in \Gamma$. Thus, $X_t(\omega) \in \Gamma \cap \Gamma^C$, again a contradiction. Hence $\bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\} \subset \{H_\Gamma > t\}$.

Now we just need to show $\bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\}$ is in fact a countable union of measurable sets. This follows directly from continuity of sample paths.

$$\bigcap_{s \leq t} \{X_s \in \Gamma^C\} = \bigcap_{r \in \mathbb{Q} \cap [0, t]} \{X_r \in \Gamma^C\}$$

And $\{X_r \in \Gamma^C\} \in \mathcal{F}_r \subset \mathcal{F}_t$ for each r by the fact that X_t is adapted.

Problem 1.2.10

i). We wish to show that $\{S + T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$. This is equivalent to showing that $\{S + T > t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$. Note that :

$$\{S + T > t\} = \{S \geq t, T > 0\} \cup \{S > 0, T \geq t\} \cup \{S < t, T < t, S + T > t\}$$

The first two sets on the right hand side are in \mathcal{F}_t by our preliminary assumptions. Consider the last set.

Assume that $S, T < t$ and let $\{q_n\}_{n=1}^\infty$ be the set of all rational numbers in $[0, t)$. Note that

$$\{T > q_n\} = \bigcup_{k=m}^\infty \{T \geq q_n + \frac{1}{k}\}$$

where m can be chosen to be sufficiently large so that $q_n + \frac{1}{m} < t$. Then $\{T > q_n\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for each q_n . and so $\{S \geq t - q_n, T > q_n\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$.

Finally note that

$$\{S, T < t, S + T > t\} = \bigcup_{n=1}^\infty \{S \geq t - q_n, T > q_n\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$$

ii).

$$\{S + T > t\} = \{T > t\} \cup \{T < t, S \geq t\} \cup \{S, T < t, S + T > t\}$$

Recall if T is a stopping time it is also an optional time, so we can use the same work in previous part to show last set on right hand side is in \mathcal{F}_t .

Problem 1.2.13. Assume $A \in \mathcal{F}_T$, i.e $A \cap \{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t . Note

$$A^C \cap \{T \leq t\} = \{T \leq t\} \setminus \{A \cap \{T \leq t\}\}$$

The right hand side is in \mathcal{F}_t by definition of \mathcal{F}_T . So $A^C \in \mathcal{F}_T$. Now let $A_n \in \mathcal{F}_T$ for each n . Note that

$$\left(\bigcup A_n\right) \cap \{T \leq t\} = \bigcup (A_n \cap \{T \leq t\})$$

Since \mathcal{F}_t is closed under countable unions, $\bigcup A_n \in \mathcal{F}_T$. So \mathcal{F}_T is closed under complements and countable unions, so it is a σ -algebra.

Problem 1.2.14 Wish to show that $\{S \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t . One equivalent definition of $S \in \mathcal{F}_T$ is that $\{S \leq s\} \in \mathcal{F}_T$ for all $s \in \mathbb{R}$. Note $\{S \leq s\} \in \mathcal{F}_T$ by definition means $\{S \leq s\} \cap \{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t . So $\{S \leq s\} \cap \{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all s, t . In particular, let $s = t$. Then for all t we have:

$$\{S \leq t\} \cap \{T \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$$

But since $S \geq T$, $\{S \leq t\} \cap \{T \leq t\} = \{S \leq t\}$. Thus, $\{S \leq t\} \in \mathcal{F}_t$ for all t .

Problem 1.2.17

i). Recall definition of restriction to $\{T \leq S\}$. For all $A \in \mathcal{F}$, we take $A \cap \{T \leq S\}$. Note that since $\{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_T$ we have $A \cap \{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_T$ for all $A \in \mathcal{F}_T$. Similarly, $A \cap \{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_S$. Thus $A \cap \{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_{S \wedge T}$.

Want to show that $E[Z|\mathcal{F}_T] = E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}]$ so pick a set A in larger σ -algebra, \mathcal{F}_T . Then for such an A (and on $\{T \leq S\}$) we have:

$$\begin{aligned} E[1_A 1_{T \leq S} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_T]] &= E[1_{A \cap \{T \leq S\}} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_T]] \\ &= E[1_{A \cap \{T \leq S\}} Z] \\ &= E[1_{A \cap \{T \leq S\}} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}]] \\ &= E[1_A 1_{T \leq S} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}]] \end{aligned}$$

ii). Similar to previous, we can show that $E[Z|\mathcal{F}_S] = E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}]$ on $\{S < T\}$. Why? In previous, didn't use specific form of inequality ($T \leq S$ versus $T < S$), just used fact that these sets are in $\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}$.

Now to show (ii), will show it on the two disjoint sets $\{T \leq S\}$ and $\{S < T\}$. By (i) we see that

$$\begin{aligned} 1_{\{T \leq S\}} E[E[Z|\mathcal{F}_T]|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}] &= E[1_{\{T \leq S\}} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_T]|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}] \quad \text{since } \{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S} \\ &= E[1_{\{T \leq S\}} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}]|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}] \quad \text{by (i)} \\ &= 1_{\{T \leq S\}} E[Z|\mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S}] \quad \text{since } \{T \leq S\} \in \mathcal{F}_{T \wedge S} \end{aligned}$$

And on $\{S > T\}$ have something similar, by justification above.

Problem 1.2.19

Y_t should be progressively measurable by simply invoking Tonelli/Fubini Theorem, the assumptions just guarantee that this is appropriate.

Fix $t \in [0, \infty)$. Since $f(s, x)$ is measurable on $[0, t] \times \mathbb{R}$ and X_s is progressively measurable, we see that $f(s, X_s)$ is measurable. And since f is bounded we have $f \in L^1([0, t] \times \Omega)$. By Fubini, we can hold one component constant and get a measurable function from the integral. That is, for each fixed element of Ω we have:

$$h(\omega) = \int_0^t f(s, X_s(\omega)) ds$$

is a measurable function of t . Thus,

$$Y_t(\omega) = \int_0^t f(s, X_s(\omega)) ds$$

is $\mathcal{B}([0, t]) \times \mathcal{F}_t$ measurable for each t and so is progressively measurable.

Now consider Y_T . Note

$$Y_T = \int_0^{T(\omega)} f(s, X_s(\omega)) ds$$

The fact that this is \mathcal{F}_T measurable follows from a previous result.