## G. PLEBANEK *Measures on topological spaces* NO. 5

Below  $X, Y, \ldots$  always denote separable metrizable spaces.

- 1. For completeness, the diagonal principle used in Theorem 7.7 says that if  $h_n$  is a uniformly bounded (say by 1) sequence of functions on a countable set D the there is  $N \subseteq \mathbb{N}$  such that  $(h_n(d))_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges for every  $d \in D$ . Recall the usual diagonal proof or use a nonprincipal ultrafilter  $\mathcal{U}$ : define  $h(d) = \lim_{n \to \mathcal{U}} h_n(d)$ . Then h lies in the closure of  $\{h_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  in  $[-1, 1]^D$ , and....
- **2.** Note that if K is compact and metrizable then P(K) is a continuous image of  $P(2^{\mathbb{N}})$  so to prove that P(K) is compact it suffices to check compactness of  $P(2^{\mathbb{N}})$ . Here the Riesz representation theorem is much simpler.
- **3.** Prove that convergence of measures is productive: If  $\mu_n, \mu \in P(X)$  and  $\nu_n, \nu \in P(Y)$  then  $\mu_n \otimes \nu_n \longrightarrow \mu \otimes \nu$  if and only if  $\mu_n \longrightarrow \mu$  and  $\nu_n \longrightarrow \nu$
- 4. Let  $\mu_n, \mu \in P(X)$  be absolutely continuous with respect to  $\lambda \in P(X)$  and have densities (Radon-Nikodym derivatives)  $g_n$  and g, respectively.

Check that if  $\lim_n g_n = g \lambda$ -almost everywhere then  $\mu_n \longrightarrow \mu$ ; however, the inverse implication does not hold in general.

- 5. A sequence of  $f_n : \Omega \longrightarrow \mathbb{R}$  of measurable functions (random variables) on some probability measure space  $(\Omega, \nu)$  is said to be convergent *in distribution* if  $f_n[\nu] \in P(\mathbb{R})$  converge weakly. Check that if  $f_n \longrightarrow f$  in probability then  $f_n \longrightarrow f$  in distribution, but not conversely.
- **6.** Let  $Y \subseteq X$ ; then we may think that P(Y) is a subset of P(X). Check that P(Y) is a subspace of P(X), i.e., the original topology on P(Y) agrees with the one inherited from P(X).

This may be compared with the fact that  $C_b(Y)$  is, in general, **not** a subspace of  $C_b(X)$ .

- 7. Give a simple direct argument for the fact that if the sequence of  $\mu_n \in P(\mathbb{R}^d)$  is converging then the family  $\{\mu_n : n \in \mathbb{N}\}$  is uniformly tight.
- 8. Prove that a sequence  $\mu_n \in P(\mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}})$  converges to  $\mu$  if and only if  $\pi_k[\mu_n] \longrightarrow \pi_k[\mu]$  for every k. Here  $\pi_k : \mathbb{R}^{\mathbb{N}} \to \mathbb{R}^k$  denotes the projection onto the first k coordinates.
- **9.** A sequence of  $x_n \in X$  is said to be uniformly distributed with respect to  $\mu \in P(X)$ , if  $1/n \sum_{k=1}^n \delta_{x_k} \longrightarrow \mu$ .

Construct a uniformly distributed sequence in [0, 1] with respect to the Lebesgue measure on [0, 1].

**10.** For a given  $\theta \in \mathbb{R} \setminus \mathbb{Q}$ , set  $x_n = n \cdot \theta - [n \cdot \theta]$ . Try to prove that  $(x_n)$  is uniformly distributed. with respect to the Lebesgue measure on [0, 1].

HINT. An 'elementary' proof may be found in Billingsley, *Probability and measure* (25.1 in Polish 1987 edition). For an 'educated proof' test the convergence on (complex-valued) trygonometric polynomials  $w_k(t) = \exp(2\pi i k t)$ , and use the next item.

11. For  $\mu_n, \mu \in P([0,1]), \mu_n \longrightarrow \mu$  if and only if  $\lim_n \int_0^1 w_k \, d\mu_n = \int_0^1 w_k \, d\mu$  for every integer k (those trygonometric polynomials are defined above). This (Weyl's criterion) may be derived from the Stone-Weierstrass theorem.