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**EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF MASTER OF SCIENCE IN APPLIED MATHEMATICS**

**MATH 842: MEASURE AND PROBABILITY THEORY**

**STREAMS: Msc APPLIED STATISTICS PART TIME**

**TIME: 3 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE : WEDNESDAY 6 /10/ 2021**

**2.30 PM – 5.30 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS:**

- Answer Any THREE Questions

**QUESTION ONE (20MARKS)**

(a) State and explain the eight set operations given that  $CCP(\Omega)$  is a collection of subsets  $\Omega$

[8 Marks]

(b) State the four definitions related to weak convergence of probability measures given that  $\mu$  is a probability distribution function and  $F$  is also a probability distribution which is not necessarily proper.

[8 Marks]

(c) Define the following terms as described under random elements of metric spaces.

(i) Random variable [2 Marks]

(ii) Random vector [2 Marks]

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

a) Let  $\Omega = R$  and that  $P$  is a probability measure on  $R$ . Show  $F(x) = P(\infty, x)$ ,  $x \in R$  is  $\Omega = R$

(i) Right continuous

(ii) Monotone Increasing

(iii) Has limits at  $\pm \infty$

[10 Marks]

- (b) The Fatou lemma states that if  $x_n \geq 0$  then  $E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(x_n)$ .

If there exists  $Z \in L_1$  and  $x_n \geq Z$ , then prove that  $E(\liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} x_n) \leq \liminf_{n \rightarrow \infty} E(x_n)$

[10 Marks]

**QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)**

- a) If  $\{x_n\}$  are independent random variables with tail  $\sigma$ -field  $T$ , then  $A \in T$  implies  $P(A) = 0$  or 1 so that the tail  $\sigma$ -field  $T$  is almost trivial (Hint; Kolmogorov zero-one law)

[15 Marks]

- b) Given that  $A = \{9, 8, 10, 11, 12\}$  and  $B = \{6, 7, 9, 11, 12, 14, 18\}$

Find the following indicator functions

- (i)  $I_A$
- (ii)  $I_B$
- (iii)  $I_{A \cap B}$
- (iv)  $I_{A \cup B}$
- (v)  $I_{B^c}$

[5 Marks]

**QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)**

State the properties of the expectation operator  $E$

[20 Marks]

**QUESTION 5 (20 MARKS)**

- (a) Suppose that  $\{x_n, n \geq 1, x\}$  are random variables on a probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  if  $x_n \rightarrow x$  a.s then prove  $x_n \xrightarrow{P} x$ .
- [5 Marks]
- (b) Let  $\{x_n, n \geq 1\}$  be iid random variables with  $E(x_n) = \mu$  and  $\text{Var}(x_n) = \sigma^2$ . Suppose  $N$  is a random variable with  $N(0,1)$  distribution if  $S_n = x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n$  Then

prove that  $\frac{S_n - n\mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}} \Rightarrow N$

[15

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