

7.1 (Durrett 5.1.4)

a.) Existence: $Y := \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} Y_M$ exists, because Y_n is increasing in M .

The monotone convergence theorem implies that for $A \in \mathcal{F}$

$$\int_A Y dP = \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_A Y_M dP \stackrel{Y_n = E(X_M | \mathcal{F})}{=} \lim_{M \rightarrow \infty} \int_A X_M dP \stackrel{X_M \nearrow X}{=} \int_A X dP,$$

so Y will do.

b.) Uniqueness If Y and Z are both \mathcal{F} -measurable and $\int_A Y dP = \int_A Z dP$

for every $A \in \mathcal{F}$, then $Y = Z$ a.s. because for $\forall \varepsilon > 0, M > 0$

$$A_{\varepsilon, M} := \{\omega \mid Y + \varepsilon \leq Z \leq M\} \text{ is } \mathcal{F}\text{-measurable,}$$

$$\text{so } 0 = \int_A (Z - Y) dP \geq \varepsilon P(A_{\varepsilon, M}) \Rightarrow P(A_{\varepsilon, M}) = 0 \quad \forall \varepsilon, M$$

$$\text{but } \{Z > Y\} = \bigcup_n A_{\frac{1}{n}, n}, \text{ so } P(\{Z > Y\}) = 0 \text{ and similarly } P(\{Y > Z\}) = 0 \quad \square$$

7.6 (Durrett 5.1.10)

Let $g(z) := \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(N=k) z^k = E(z^N)$ be the generating fn. of N .

Let $\Psi_Y(t) = E(e^{itY_k})$ be the common characteristic fn. of the Y_k

and let $\Psi_X(t) = E(e^{itX})$ be the char. fn. of X .

Then $g(1) = 1, g'(1) = EN$ and $g''(1) = E(N^2 - N)$

$$\Psi_Y(0) = 1, \Psi_Y'(0) = i\mu \text{ and } \Psi_Y''(0) = -(\sigma^2 + \mu^2)$$

$$\Psi_X'(0) = iEX \text{ and } \Psi_X''(0) = -(\text{Var} X + E^2 X)$$

The theorem of total expectation gives

$$\Psi_X(t) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(N=k) E(e^{itX} | N=k) = \sum_{k=0}^{\infty} P(N=k) (E e^{itY_k})^k = g(\Psi_Y(t)).$$

Differentiating this, we get

$$\Psi_x'(t) = g'(\Psi_Y(t)) \Psi_Y'(t) \xrightarrow{t=0} \Psi_x'(0) = g'(1) \cdot \Psi_Y'(0)$$

$$i \mathbb{E}X = \mathbb{E}N \cdot i\mu$$

$$\Psi_x''(t) = g''(\Psi_Y(t)) [\Psi_Y'(t)]^2 + g'(\Psi_Y(t)) \Psi_Y''(t)$$

$$\mathbb{E}X = \mu \mathbb{E}N$$

$\Downarrow t=0$

$$\Psi_x''(0) = g''(1) [\Psi_Y'(0)]^2 + g'(1) \Psi_Y''(0)$$

$$-\mathbb{E}X^2 - \text{Var} X = (\mathbb{E}N^2 - \mathbb{E}N) (i\mu)^2 + \mathbb{E}N (-\sigma^2 - \mu^2)$$

$$\text{Var} X = \mu^2 \mathbb{E}N^2 - \mu^2 \mathbb{E}N + \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}N + \mu^2 \mathbb{E}N - \mu^2 \mathbb{E}^2 N - \sigma^2 \mathbb{E}N + \mu^2 \text{Var} N \quad \square$$

[4.9] (Durrett 5.2.3) $X_n = -\frac{1}{n}$ is increasing, so it is a submartingale,

but $X_n^2 = \frac{1}{n^2}$ is decreasing, so it is a supermartingale.

[4.10] (Durrett 5.2.4) Let $\mathbb{P}(S_k = -1) = 1 - 2^{-k} = 1 - \mathbb{P}(S_k = 2^k - 1)$,

so $\mathbb{E}S_k = (1 - 2^{-k})(-1) + 2^{-k}(2^k - 1) = -1 + 2^{-k} + 1 - 2^{-k} = 0$, but the

Borel-Cantelli lemma says that with probability 1,

$S_k = -1$ for all but finitely many k 's.

So $X_n = S_1 + \dots + S_n$ is a martingale, but almost surely $X_n \rightarrow -\infty$. \square