

Probability and Statistics
Hints/Solutions to Test Set 1

1. Find $\liminf_n E_n$ and $\limsup_n E_n$, if E_n is given by
 - (i) $\liminf_n E_n = \phi$, $\limsup_n E_n = \phi$. Hence $\lim_n E_n$ exists.
 - (ii) $\liminf_n E_n = (0, 1)$, $\limsup_n E_n = (0, 1)$. Hence $\lim_n E_n$ exists.
 - (iii) $\liminf_n E_n = \{0, 1\}$, $\limsup_n E_n = \{x : x \text{ is rational in } [0, 1]\}$. Hence $\lim_n E_n$ does not exist.
 - (iv) $\liminf_n E_n = \left\{ (x, y) : \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq \frac{3}{4}, y = \frac{1}{2} \right\}$,
 $\limsup_n E_n = \left\{ (x, y) : 0 \leq \frac{3}{4}, \frac{1}{2} \leq y \leq 1 \right\} \cup \left\{ (x, y) : \frac{1}{4} \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{2} \right\}$.

2. Prove or disprove the following statements:
 - (i) It is a ring. Use definition to prove the statement.
 - (ii) Not necessarily a ring. Example: $\Pi = \{\phi, \{1\}, \{2\}\}$.
 - (iii) It is a ring. Use definition to prove the statement.
 - (iv) Not necessarily a σ -ring.

3. It is an algebra. Use definition to prove the statement.

4. Use definition to prove the first statement. Example for the second part:
 Let $\square_1 = \{\phi, \{a\}\}$, $\square_2 = \{\phi, \{b\}\}$. Then \square_1 and \square_2 are rings but $\square_1 \cup \square_2$ is not a ring.

5. Use definition to prove the statement.

6. Identify the following classes of subsets of X (X is an uncountable set) as ring and/or algebra:
 - (i) ring and algebra
 - (ii) $\{\phi, A, X\}$ ring but not algebra
 - (iii) $\{\phi, A, A^c, X\}$ ring and algebra
 - (iv) $P(X)$ ring and algebra
 - (v) The class of all finite subsets of X is ring but not algebra
 - (vi) The class of all countable subsets of X is a ring but not algebra.