Real Analysis Comprehensive Exam
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Do all problems. On this exam, $\lambda$ denotes Lebesgue measure.

1. True or false? Justify your answers. (In parts (c) and (d) the measure is Lebesgue measure on the Borel $\sigma$-algebra.)

(a) If $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is non-decreasing, then $f$ is Borel-measurable.

(b) If $\mu_1$ and $\mu_2$ are measures on a measurable space $(X, \mathcal{X})$, then $\nu(A) = \max(\mu_1(A), \mu_2(A))$ is a measure on $(X, \mathcal{X})$.

(c) If $f \in L_3([0, 1])$, then $f \in L_2([0, 1])$.

(d) If $f_n : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a sequence of measurable functions with $f_n \rightarrow 0$ a.e., then $f_n \rightarrow 0$ in measure.

2. Find (with justification)

$$\lim_{n \to \infty} n \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} \sin \frac{x}{n} \, dx.$$ 

3. Let $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$ be a convergent series with non-negative terms. Show that $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{a_{nt}}{n}$ converges for every $t > 0$. (Hint: For $t \geq 1$ this is just a calculus exercise. For $0 < t < 1$ use Hölder’s inequality for the counting measure.)

4. Let $\mu$ be a Borel measure on $\mathbb{R}$ (i.e., a measure on the Borel $\sigma$-algebra) with $\mu([a, b)) \leq b - a$ for all $a < b$. Show that $\mu \ll \lambda$ with $\frac{d\mu}{d\lambda} \leq 1 \lambda$-a.e.