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INSTRUCTIONS

- (i) Attempt ALL questions
- (ii) Read through the paper carefully and follow the instructions on each respective question.
- (iii) Calculators and mathematical tables may be used.

1. [24 marks] State which of the following statements are **TRUE** or **FALSE**.

(a) If X and Y are independent random variables, then $E(XY) = E(X) + E(Y)$

(b) If $\int_0^T E(X^2(t))dt < \infty$, then $E\left(\int_0^T X(t)dB(t)\right) \neq 0$

(c) A Brownian path (motion), $B(t)$, is a continuous function of t .

(d) The covariance function of the process $X(t)$ is defined by

$$\text{Cov}(X(t), X(s)) = E(X(t)X(s)) - EX(t)EX(s)$$

(e) If $X(t)$ is a differentiable function, then the stochastic integral

$$\int_0^T X(t)dB(t) = X(t)B(t) - X(0)B(0)$$

(f) If X and Y are uncorrelated random variables, then $\text{Var}(X + Y) = \text{Var}(X) + \text{Var}(Y)$

(g) A Brownian motion is differentiable at some points

(h) If $\int_0^T E(X^2(t))dt < \infty$, then $E\left(\int_0^T X(t)dB(t)\right)^2 = \int_0^T E(X^2(t))dt$

2. Choose (a) OR (b)

(a) (i) [6 marks] Given

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} kt(1-t), & 0 < t < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

find the value of k so that this function is a probability density.

(ii) [6 marks] For what values of β is the Itô integral $\int_0^1 (1-t)^{2\beta-1} dB(t)$ defined?

(iii) [6 marks] The Itô formula for stochastic differential is given by

$$d(f(B(t))) = f'(B(t))dB(t) + \frac{1}{2}f''(B(t))dt. \text{ Hence find } d(e^{2B(t)}) \text{ for } f(x) = e^{2x}$$

(b) (i) [6 marks] Given

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} kt^2(1-t), & 0 < t < 1 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

find the value of k so that this function is a probability density.

(ii) [6 marks] For what values of β is the Itô integral $\int_0^1 (1-t)^{2\beta-1} dB(t)$ defined?

(iii) [6 marks] If $B(t)$ is a Brownian motion on $[0, T]$, then for any $t \leq T$,

$$f(B(t)) = f(0) + \int_0^t f'(B(s))dB(s) + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^t f''(B(s))ds. \text{ Hence find}$$

$$\ln B(t) \text{ for } f(x) = \ln x$$

3. Choose (a) OR (b)

(a) [7 marks] Take $f(t) = (2-t)^{\alpha/3-2}$. For what value of α does the condition that

$$\int_0^1 Ef^2(t)dt < \infty \text{ fail?}$$

(b) [7 marks] Take $f(t) = (t+3)^{3-\alpha/5}$. For what value of α does the condition that

$$\int_0^1 Ef^2(t)dt < \infty \text{ fail?}$$

4. Choose (a) OR (b)

(a) [18 marks] If the probability density of a random variable X is given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x-1, & 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 3-x, & 2 \leq x < 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the probabilities that a random variable having this probability density will take on a value (i) between 1.2 and 1.8, (ii) between 1.5 and 2.5. Also find (iii) $E(X)$, (iv) $\text{Var}(X)$

(b) [18 marks] A certain random variable X has probability density function

$f(x) = k \left(\frac{x+1}{\sqrt{x}} \right)$ on $[1, 4]$. Find the value of k and calculate the mean, the variance and the standard deviation. Also find $P(2 < X < 3)$.

5. Choose (a) OR (b)

(a) [15 marks] Let $f(t) = \begin{cases} 2t + 5, & -2 \leq t < -1 \\ 1 - t, & -1 \leq t < 1 \\ t^2 - 3, & 1 \leq t < 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Find the value under the condition that $\int_0^1 E(X^2(t))dt < \infty$ is satisfied.

(b) [15 marks] Let $f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}(t-2), & -1 \leq t < 1 \\ 1 - 2t, & 1 \leq t < 3 \\ \frac{1}{t}, & 3 \leq t < 4 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$

Find the value under the condition that $\int_0^1 E(X^2(t))dt < \infty$ is satisfied.

6. Choose (a) OR (b)

(a) [18 marks] Given $P(A) = 0.30$, $P(B) = 0.78$ and $P(A \cap B) = 0.16$, find

- (i) $P(A \cup B)$, (ii) $P(A \cap \bar{B})$, (iii) $P(\bar{A} \cap B)$, (iv) $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B})$, (v) $P(\bar{A} \cup \bar{B})$
 (vi) Are A and B independent?

(b) [18 marks] Suppose that a company has 50 employees who are classified according to their marital status (married M and not married \bar{M}) and according to whether they are college graduates (G) or not (\bar{G}). Given that 30 employees are married, 15 employees are college graduates and 10 are married employees who are college graduates. And suppose that each employee has a probability of $1/50$ of being elected. Find the probability that

- (i) a married employee is elected
 (ii) an employee who is a college graduate is elected
 (iii) an employee who is elected is married, a college graduate or both.
 (iv) an employee who is a married college graduate is elected.
 (v) a college graduate is elected, given that he/she is married.
 (vi) a married employee is elected, given that he/she is a college graduate