Time Series and Stochastic Processes exams

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Description

See updates at https://github.com/bdemeshev/tssp_exams.

Click on red hyperlinks inside pdf, you can get to the answers and back!

Any comments? Bugs? https://github.com/bdemeshev/tssp_hse_exams/issues/.

Greatings to the contributors

Здесь перечислены стилевые особенности коллекции и самые популярные ошибки. Узнать технические подробности по теху можно, например, в учебнике К.В. Воронцова.

- 1. Дробную часть числа отделяй от целой точкой: 3.14- хорошо, 3.14- плохо. Это нарушает русскую традицию, но облегчает копирование-вставку в любой программный пакет.
- 2. Существует длинное тире, —, которое отличается от просто дефиса и нужно, чтобы разделять части предложения, Инструкция в картинках по набору тире :)
- 3. Выключные формулы следует окружать \[...\]. Никаких \$\$...\$\$!
- 4. Про остальные окружения: для системы уравнений подойдёт cases, для формул на несколько строк align*, для нумерации enumerate.
- 5. Русский текст внутри формулы нужно писать в \text{...}.
- 6. Для многоточий существует команда \ldots.
- 7. В преамбуле определены сокращения! Самые популярные: \P, \E, \Var, \Cov, \Corr, \cN.
- 8. Названия функций тоже идут со слэшем: \ln, \exp, \cos...
- 9. Таблицы нужно оформлять по стандарту booktabs. Самый удобный способ сделать это зайти на tablesgenerator и выбрать там опцию booktabs table style вместо default table style.
- 10. Уважай букву ё ставь над ней точки! :)
- 11. Начинай каждой предложение внутри теховского файла с новой строки. В готовом pdf предложения будут идти без разрыва, а читабельность теха повысится.
- 12. В перечислениях после «Найдите» используй в качестве знаков препинания точки с запятой и точку в конце.
- 13. Знак умножения пишем \cdot и никаких * :)

1. October exam

1.1. 2021-2022

Short rules: 120 minutes, online without proctoring. You may use any source you want but don't cheat.

Date: 2021-10-28

1. (10 points) Consider the Markov chain with the transition matrix

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} 0.2 & 0.2 & 0 & 0.6 \\ 0.3 & 0.3 & 0.4 & 0 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.1 & 0.9 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.8 & 0.2 \end{pmatrix}.$$

- a) (3 points) Split the chain in classes and classify them into closed or not closed.
- б) (2 points) Classify the states into recurrent or transient.
- B) (5 points) A Hedgehog starts in the state one and moves randomly between states according to the transition matrix.

What is the approximate probability that the Hedgehog will be in the state four after 10^{2021} moves?

Note: state number is the row (or column) number.

2. (10 points) Gleb Zheglov catches one criminal every day. With probability 0.2 the catched criminal is replaced by w new criminals. Initially there are n criminals in the town.

What is the expected time to the ultimate crime eradication in the town?

- a) (4 points) Solve the problem for w = 1 and n = 1.
- б) (6 points) Solve the problem for arbitrary w and n.
- 3. (10 points) The random variables X_i are independend and uniformly distributed on [0;1]. Find the probability limit

$$\min_{n \to \infty} \max \left\{ \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}, \frac{2\sum_{i=1}^n X_i^2}{n} \right\}.$$

4. (10 points) Taxis arrive to the station according to the Poisson process with rate 1 per 5 minutes.

Let Y_t be the number of taxis that will arrive between 0 and t minutes.

- a) (2 points) Sketch the expected value of Y_t as a function of t.
- б) (8 points) Sketch the probability $\mathbb{P}(Y_t = Y_{60})$ as a function of t.

Note: special points like intercepts or extrema should be explicitely marked.

5. (10 points) Prince Myshkin throws a fair coin until two consecutive heads appear. Let N be the number of throws. Find the moment generating function of N.

Hint: you may use the first step approach.

6. (20 points) Vincenzo Peruggia makes attempts to steal the Mona Lisa painting until the first success. Each attempt is successful with probability 0.1.

Let X be the number of attempts and $Z = \min\{X, 5\}$.

- a) (5 points) How many events are in sigma-algebras $\sigma(Z)$ and $\sigma(X)$?
- 6) (5 points) If possible provide an example of events A and B such that: $A \in \sigma(Z)$ but $A \notin \sigma(X)$; $B \in \sigma(X)$ but $B \notin \sigma(Z)$.
- B) (10 points) Find $\mathbb{E}(Z \mid X)$ and $\mathbb{E}(X \mid Z)$.

1.2. 2020-2021

Here (W_t) denotes the standard Wiener process.

Date: 2020-10-30

1. For r < s < t < u find the following expected values

a)
$$\mathbb{E}((W_u - W_t)^2 (W_s - W_r)^2);$$

б)
$$\mathbb{E}((W_u - W_s)(W_t - W_r));$$

B)
$$\mathbb{E}((W_t - W_r)(W_s - W_r)^2);$$

- r) $\mathbb{E}(W_rW_sW_t)$;
- \mathbf{H}) $\mathbb{E}(W_rW_sW_t \mid W_s)$;
- 2. Consider Ito process X_t

$$dX_t = \exp(t)W_t dt + \exp(2W_t) dW_t, \quad X_0 = 1.$$

Consider two processes, $A_t = 1 + t^2 + X_t^3$ and $B_t = 1 + t^2 + X_t^3 W_t^4$.

- a) Find dA_t and dB_t .
- 6) Write the corresponding explicit expressions for A_t and B_t :

$$const + \int_0^t \dots dW_u + \int_0^t \dots du$$

- в) Check whether X_t is a martingale.
- 3. Let $S_0 = 0$, $S_t = X_1 + X_2 + \ldots + X_t$. The increments X_t are independent and identically distributed:

$$\begin{array}{cccc}
 x & -1 & 0 & 1 \\
 \mathbb{P}(X_t = x) & 0.2 & 0.2 & 0.6
\end{array}$$

- a) If possible find all constants a such that $M_t = S_t + at$ is a martingale.
- б) If possible find all constants b such that $R_t = b^{S_t}$ is a martingale.
- 4. Consider the process X_t

$$X_t = tW_t + \int_0^t uW_u^2 dW_u.$$

- a) Find $\mathbb{E}(X_t)$, $Var(X_t)$.
- б) Find dX_t .
- в) Check whether X_t is a martingale.
- 5. A Hedgehog in the fog starts in (0,0) at t=0 and moves randomly with equal probabilities in four directions (north, south, east, west) by one unit every minute.

Let X_t and Y_t be his coordinates after t minutes and $S_t = X_t + Y_t$.

- a) Find $\mathbb{E}(X_2 \mid S_2)$;
- б) Find $Var(X_2 \mid S_2)$.

Hint: $Var(Y \mid X) = \mathbb{E}(Y^2 \mid X) - (\mathbb{E}(Y \mid X))^2$.

October exam 2020-2021

6. Vampire Petr and Markov Chains.

Vampire Petr drinks blood of a new victim every day. Unfortunately 20% of the population are vaccinated against vampires. If more than one victim of the last three victims are vaccinated then Petr will be instantaneously cured and will return to the normal life.

For simplicity let's assume that the last three victims were not vaccinated.

- a) What is the probability that vampire Petr will be cured in the next three days?
- б) How many victims will be bitten by vampire Petr on average?
- 7. Vampire Boris and Martingales.

To survive vampire Boris needs to bite 70 talented students.

These 70 talented students have formed a secret group. They have written their emails on small pieces of paper and have randomly distributed these pieces among them. Each student has exactly one piece of paper with an email¹.

Initially vampire Boris knows contacts of just two persons from the group. Today he will contact them, drink their blood and get the emails they have. Then vampire Boris will contact new victims and so on.

- a) For $t \ge 1$ consider the process M_t , the proportion of non bitten students after the day t. Is this process a martingale?
- 6) Using martingale stopping theorem or otherwise find the probability that vampire Boris will bite all 70 students.

¹The group is so secret that it is possible that a student has his own email on his piece of paper

2. December exam

2.1. 2021-2022

Short rules: 120 minutes, online without proctoring, (W_t) is a standard Wiener process.

Date: 2021-12-25

- 1. (10 points) Consider an Ito's process $I_t = 2022 + W_t t^2 + \int_0^t W_u^3 dW_u + \int_0^t W_u^2 du$.
 - a) Find dI_t and check whether I_t is a martingale.
 - 6) Check whether $J_t = I_t \mathbb{E}(I_t)$ is a martingale.
- 2. (10 points) The random variables (Z_t) are independent identically distributed with moment generating function given by $M_Z(u) = 1/(1-5u)^3$.

We define
$$X_t$$
 as $X_t = \exp(Z_1 + 2Z_2 + 3Z_3 + ... + tZ_t)$ with $X_0 = 0$.

If possible find a martingale of the form $Y_t = h(t)X_t$ where h(t) is a non-random function.

3. (10 points) The process (Z_t) in discrete time is called *stationary* if it has constant expected value and constant covariances γ_k that do not depend on t.

$$\begin{cases} \mathbb{E}(Z_t) = \mu; \\ \operatorname{Cov}(Z_t, Z_t) = \gamma_0; \\ \operatorname{Cov}(Z_t, Z_{t+1}) = \gamma_1; \\ \operatorname{Cov}(Z_t, Z_{t+2}) = \gamma_2; \\ \dots \end{cases}$$

- a) If possible provide an example of a martingale that is not stationary.
- 6) If possible provide an example of a stationary process that is not a martingale.
- 4. (10 points) Find $\mathbb{E}(W_1W_2W_3)$ and $\mathbb{E}(W_2W_3 \mid W_1)$.
- 5. (10 points) Ded Moroz would like to receive $X_T = S_T^{-1}$ at time T if $S_T < 1$ and nothing otherwise.

Assume the framework of Black and Scholes model, S_t is the share price, r is the risk free rate, σ is the volatility. How much Ded Moroz should pay now at t = 0?

6. (20 points) Martingales are everywhere:)

Consider the process $Y_t = \exp(-uW_t)$.

- a) Find a multiplier h(u,t) such that $M_t = h(u,t) \cdot Y_t$ is a martingale.
- б) Find dY_t , $\mathbb{E}(Y_t)$ and $Var(Y_t)$.
- в) Consider M_t that you have found as a function of u. Find the Taylor approximation of the function $M_t(u)$ up to u^4 .
- r) Consider the coefficient before u^4 in the Taylor expansion of $M_t(u)$. Is it a martingale?
- 7. Bonus point. Guess your exam result (out of 70 possible points).

2.2. 2020-2021

Today we celebrate Christmas Eve and 78 years of the Narkompros (People's Commissariat for Education) order governing the compulsory use of the letter «ë» in education process.

Date: 2020-12-24

1. Ded Moroz would like to receive S_1^3 roubles at time T=2, where S_t is the share price. Assume Black-Schëles model is valid, the risk-free rate is r=0.1 and current share price is $S_0=100$.

How much Ded Moroz should pay now at t = 0?

December exam 2020-2021

- 2. Consider stationary AR(2) model, $y_t = 2 + 0.3y_{t-1} 0.02y_{t-2} + u_t$, where (u_t) is a white noise with $Var(u_t) = 4$. The last two observations are $y_{100} = 2$, $y_{99} = 1$.
 - a) Find 95% predictive interval for y_{102} .
 - δ) Find the first two values of the autocorrelation function, $ρ_1$, $ρ_2$.
 - в) Find the first two values of the partial autocorrelation function, ϕ_{11} , ϕ_{22} .

Hint: you need no more than 10 seconds to find both partial autocorrelations provided (b) is sëlved.

3. The process y_t is described by a simple GARCH(1,1) model:

$$\begin{cases} y_t = \sigma_t \nu_t \\ \sigma_t^2 = 1 + 0.2y_{t-1}^2 + 0.3\sigma_{t-1}^2 \\ \nu_t \sim N(0; 1) \end{cases}$$

The variables ν_t are independent of past variables y_{t-k} , ν_{t-k} , σ_{t-k} for all $k \geqslant 1$. The precesses y_t , σ_t^2 are stationary.

Given $\sigma_{100}=1$ and $\nu_{100}=0.5$ find 95% predictive interval for y_{102} .

4. Snegurochka studies a stochastic analog of the Fibonacci sequence

$$y_t = y_{t-1} + y_{t-2} + u_t$$

where (u_t) is a white noise process.

- a) How many non-stationary solutions are there?
- 6) What can you say about the number and the structure of the stationary solutions?
- в) Can Snëgurochka find two starting constants $y_0 = c_0$ and $y_1 = c_1$ in such a way to make a solution stationary?

Be brave! There are two more exercises!

December exam 2020-2021

5. The semi-annual y_t is modelled by ETS(AAA) process:

$$\begin{cases} u_t \sim \mathbf{N}(0;4) \\ s_t = s_{t-2} + 0.1u_t \\ b_t = b_{t-1} + 0.2u_t \\ \ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + 0.3u_t \\ y_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + s_{t-2} + u_t \end{cases}$$

- a) Given that $s_{100}=2$, $s_{99}=-1.9$, $b_{100}=0.5$, $\ell_{100}=4$ find 95% predictive interval for y_{102} .
- б) In this problem particular values of parameters are specified. And how many parameters are estimated in semi-annual ETS(AAA) model before real forecasting?
- 6. The variables x_t take values 0 or 1 with equal probabilities. The variables u_t are normal N(0; 1). All variables are independent.

Consider the process $z_t = x_t(1 - x_{t-2})u_t$.

- a) Find the covariance $Cov(z_t, z_s)$. Is the process z_t stationary?
- 6) Given that $z_{100}=2.3$ find shërtest predictive intervals for z_{101} and z_{102} with probability of coverage at least 95%.

Bënus: How many letters «ë» have you spotted?

3. April exam

3.1. 2021-2022

Short rules: 120 minutes, one A4 cheat sheet allowed.

Date: 2022-04-04

1. Consider
$$ETS(AAN)$$
 model,
$$\begin{cases} y_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + u_t \\ \ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + b_{t-1} + \alpha u_t \\ b_t = b_{t-1} + \beta u_t \\ u_t \sim \mathrm{N}(0; \sigma^2). \end{cases}$$

Let
$$\ell_{100} = 50$$
, $b_{100} = 2$, $\alpha = 0.4$, $\beta = 0.5$, $\sigma^2 = 16$.

Calculate one step and two steps ahead 95% predictive intervals.

- 2. Consider the process $y_t = 4 + u_t + u_{t-1} + 2u_{t-2}$, where (u_t) is a white noise with variance 16.
 - a) Is this process stationary? Explain.
 - δ) Find the autocorrelation function of this process. Explain the meaning of $ρ_2$.
 - B) Consider the process $d_t = \Delta y_t$. Is it ARIMA(p,d,q)? If yes, then find p,d and q.
- 3. Consider the stationary AR(2) process $y_t = 5 0.9y_{t-1} 0.2y_{t-2} + u_t$, where (u_t) is a white noise.
 - a) Find the first value of autocorrelation function ρ_1 .
 - 6) Find the partial autocorrelation function of this process. Explain the meaning of ϕ_{22} .
 - B) What is the relationship between values of autocorrelation function ρ_{100} , ρ_{99} and ρ_{98} .

Hint: values ϕ_{22}, ϕ_{33} etc may be calculated almost effortlessly :)

4. Consider iid sample from bivariate normal distribution, $\binom{X_i}{Y_i} \sim \mathrm{N}\left(\begin{pmatrix} \theta \\ 2\theta \end{pmatrix}; \begin{pmatrix} 4 & 1 \\ 1 & 9 \end{pmatrix} \right).$

Calculate Fischer information for the following cases:

- a) You observe X_1 only.
- б) You observe $X_1, ..., X_n$.
- в) You observe $X_1, ..., X_n, Y_1, ..., Y_n$.

Hint: the multivariate normal density is $f(u) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{\det(2\pi\Sigma)}} \exp\left(-\frac{1}{2}(u-\mu)^T \Sigma^{-1}(u-\mu)\right)$.

- 5. Random variables $X_1, ..., X_n$ are independent with density $f(x) = \begin{cases} -\ln(a) \cdot a^x, & \text{if } x \geqslant 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$
 - a) Estimate a using maximum likelihood.
 - б) Check whether the estimator is unbiased and consistent.
 - B) Check whether the corresponding Cramer-Rao lower bound is attained.
- 6. Consider the ARCH(1) model, $u_t = \sigma_t \nu_t$, where ν_t are iid N(0;1) and $\sigma_t^2 = 1 + 0.3u_{t-1}^2$.
 - a) Find 95% predictive interval for u_{101} if $u_{100} = -2$.
 - б) Find the autocorrelation function of $r_t=u_t^2$.

April exam 2020-2021

3.2. 2020-2021

Date: 2021-04-13, Rock 'N' Roll day

Estimation questions

1. To go to the mountain top I use a gondola lift in the morning. I go back from the top using the same gondola lift in the evening. Cabins are numbered from 1 to a.

I have noticed that the absolute difference of cabin numbers of my two trips was 10.

- a) Estimate a using maximum likelihood.
- δ) Estimate a using method of moments.
- 2. Random variables $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ are independent identically distributed with density

$$f(x_i \mid \lambda, a) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \exp(-\lambda |x_i - a|).$$

Observed values for n = 3 are -3, 1, 11.

- a) Estimate λ using method of moments for fixed a=1.
- б) Estimate λ and a using maximum likelihood.
- 3. Random variables $X_1, ..., X_n$ are independent and normally distributed N(1, 1/b).
 - a) Estimate b using maximum likelihood.
 - б) Does the estimator achive the Cramer-Rao lower bound?
 - в) Is the estimator consistent?
 - r) Is the estimator unbiased?
- 4. Random variables $X_1, X_2, ..., X_n$ are independent identically distributed with density

$$f(x_i \mid \lambda) = \frac{\lambda}{2} \exp(-\lambda |x_i|).$$

For n = 100 I have 40 negative values with sum equal to -300 and 60 positive values with sum equal to 500.

- a) Test the hypothesis $\lambda = 1$ using LR approach at significance level $\alpha = 0.01$.
- 6) Test the hypothesis $\lambda = 1$ using LM approach at significance level $\alpha = 0.01$.

April exam 2020-2021

Distribution questions

- 5. I have three problems in the home assignment. Time spent on each problem is modelled by independend exponentially distributed random variables with rate λ : X_1 , X_2 , X_3 .
 - a) Find the moment generating function of X_i and hence the moment generating function of $S = X_1 + X_2 + X_3$.
 - б) Find $\mathbb{E}(S^3)$.
 - B) Find the joint density of $R = X_1/(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)$ and S.
- 6. I have 100 numbers written on small sheets of paper: $x_1, x_2, ..., x_{100}$. The sum of these numbers is 1. Find the possible values of the sum

$$\frac{x_1}{\sqrt{1-x_1}} + \frac{x_2}{\sqrt{1-x_2}} + \ldots + \frac{x_{100}}{\sqrt{1-x_{100}}}.$$

Hint: consider a randomly selected number X and apply the Jensen's inequality.

4. Final exam

4.1. 2021-2022

Short rules: 120 minutes, offline, one A4 cheat sheet allowed.

Date: 2022-06-25

1. Consider ETS(ANN) model, $\begin{cases} y_t = \ell_{t-1} + u_t \\ \ell_t = \ell_{t-1} + \alpha u_t \\ u_t \sim \mathrm{N}(0; \sigma^2). \end{cases}$ Let $\ell_{99} = 50, \, \alpha = 1/2, \, \sigma^2 = 16, \, y_{98} = 48, \, y_{99} = 52,$

 $y_{100} = 55$. Calculate 95% predictive interval for y_{101} .

2. Young investor Winnie-the-Crypto compares two trading strategies: buying bitcoins from good bees and from bad bees. Let d_t be the price difference at day t (bad minus good). Winnie-the-Crypto would like to test H_0 : $\mathbb{E}(d_t) = 0$ against H_a : $\mathbb{E}(d_t) \neq 0$ at 5% significance level.

Winnie assumed that (d_t) can be approximated by a MA(1) process and estimated the parameters using T=400 observations, $\hat{d}_t=2+u_t+0.7u_{t-1}$ with $\hat{\sigma}_u^2=4$.

- a) Estimate $\mathbb{E}(d_t)$, $Var(d_t)$ and $Cov(d_t, d_{t-1})$.
- 6) Estimate $\mathbb{E}(\bar{d})$, $\mathrm{Var}(\bar{d})$ and help Winnie by considering $Z=\frac{\bar{d}-0}{se(\bar{d})}$.
- 3. The variables $X_1, ..., X_n$ are independent and uniformly distributed on [0; 2a] for some positive a.
 - a) Find any sufficient statistic for a.
 - 6) How the answer will change if $X_i \sim U[-a; 2a]$?
- 4. Consider an estimator \hat{a} with $\mathbb{E}(\hat{a}) = 0.5a + 3$. For the given sample size the Fisher information is $I_F(a) = 400/a^2$.
 - a) What is the theoretical minimal variance of \hat{a} ?
 - 6) Assume that \hat{a} attains the minimal variance boundary and is asymptotically normal. Given that $\hat{a}=2022$ provide 95% CI for a.
- 5. You observe $X_1, ..., X_{400}$ and $Y_1, ..., Y_{400}, \bar{X} = 5, \bar{Y} = 6$. All variables are independent.

Consider the null hypothesis that all random variables are exponentially distributed with common parameter λ against alternative that parameter is λ_X for every X_i and λ_Y for every Y_j .

- a) Estimate common λ using maximum likelihood for the restricted model.
- б) Estimate both λ_X and λ_Y using maximum likelihood in the unrestricted model.
- B) Use LR-test to test the null hyphotesis at 5% significance level.
- 6. The ultimate goal of this exercise is to prove the good upper bound for tail probability of a normal distribution: if $X \sim N(0; \sigma^2)$ then $\mathbb{P}(X > c) \leq \exp(-c^2/2\sigma^2)$.

Here are the guiding hints (you free to use not use them):

- a) State the MGF of *X*. You may derive it or simply write it if you remember.
- 6) Consider $Y = \exp(uX)$. Using Markov inequality provide the upper bound for $\mathbb{P}(Y > \exp(uc))$.
- B) Prove that $\mathbb{P}(X > c) \leq MGF_X(u) \exp(-uc)$ for any u.
- r) Find the value of u that makes the upper bound as tight as possible.
- 7. (bonus) Draw good bees and bad bees selling crypto. Any funny statistics/math joke is also ok!

Final exam 2020-2021

4.2. 2020-2021

Today: +31°, World Refrigiration Day:)

You have 100 minutes. You can use A4 cheat sheet and calculator. Be brave!

Date: 2021-06-26

- 1. I throw a fair die until the sequence 626 appears. Let N be the number of throws.
 - a) What is the expected value $\mathbb{E}(N)$?
 - 6) Write down the system of linear equations for the moment generating function of N. You don't need to solve it!
- 2. Consider the following stationary process

$$y_t = 1 + 0.5y_{t-2} + u_t + u_{t-1}$$

where random variables u_t are independent N(0; 4).

- a) Find the 95% predictive interval for y_{101} given that $y_{100} = 2$, $y_{99} = 3$, $y_{98} = 1$, $u_{99} = -1$.
- б) Find the point forecast for y_{101} given that $y_{100} = 2$.
- 3. I have an unfair coin with probability of heads equal to $h \in (0, 1)$.
 - a) Let N be the number of tails before the first head. Find the MGF of N.
 - 6) Let S be the number of tails before k heads (not necessary consecutive). Find the MGF of S.
 - B) What is the limit of $MGF_S(t)$ when $k \to \infty$ and $k \times h \to 0.5$? What is the name of the corresponding distribution?
- 4. Consider the stochastic process $X_t = f(t) \cos(2021W_t)$.
 - a) Find dX_t .
 - б) Find any $f(t) \neq 0$ such that X_t is a martingale.
 - B) Using f(t) from the previous point find $\mathbb{E}(\cos(2021W_t))$.

5. October exam solutions

5.1. 2021-2022

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5.2. **2020-2021**

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6. December exam solutions

6.1. 2021-2022

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6.2. 2020-2021

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7. April exam solutions

7.1. 2021-2022

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7.2. 2020-2021

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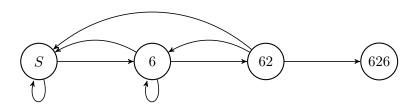
8. Final exam solutions

8.1. 2021-2022

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8.2. 2020-2021

1. Let's draw the chain



The system of equations for expected values:

$$\begin{cases} x_s = 1 + \frac{1}{6}x_6 + \frac{5}{6}x_s \\ x_6 = 1 + \frac{1}{6}x_6 + \frac{1}{6}x_{62} + \frac{4}{6}x_s \\ x_{62} = 1 + \frac{1}{6} \cdot 0 + \frac{1}{6}x_6 + \frac{4}{6}x_s \end{cases}$$

The system of equations for moment generating functions:

$$\begin{cases} m_s(t) = \exp(t) \left(\frac{1}{6} m_6(t) + \frac{5}{6} m_s(t) \right) \\ m_6(t) = \exp(t) \left(\frac{1}{6} m_6(t) + \frac{1}{6} m_{62}(t) + \frac{4}{6} m_s(t) \right) \\ m_{62}(t) = \exp(t) \left(\frac{1}{6} \cdot 1 + \frac{1}{6} m_6(t) + \frac{4}{6} m_s(t) \right) \end{cases}$$

2. a) Let's denote by x all available information,

$$x = \begin{pmatrix} y_{100} \\ y_{99} \\ y_{98} \\ u_{99} \end{pmatrix}$$

Let's use t = 100:

$$y_{100} = 1 + 0.5y_{98} + u_{100} + u_{99}$$

Using all available information we obtain $u_{100} = 1.5$ and hence

$$y_{101} \mid x \sim N(1 + 0.5y_{99} + u_{100}; 4)$$

б) Here we work with true betas:

$$\mathbb{E}(y_{101} \mid y_{100}) = \mu_y + \frac{\text{Cov}(y_{100}, y_{101})}{\text{Var}(y_{100})} (y_{100} - \mu_y)$$

3. a) Moment generating function

$$m_N(t) = \sum_{j=0} \exp(tj)(1-h)^j h = h \sum_{j=0} (\exp(t)(1-h))^j = \frac{h}{1-\exp(t)(1-h)}$$

6) As
$$S = N_1 + N_2 + \ldots + N_k$$
:

$$m_S(t) = \left(\frac{h}{1 - \exp(t)(1 - h)}\right)^k$$

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- в) Due to my mistake the limit is easy, 0. In my dream it was $k\to\infty,\,k\cdot(1-h)\to0.5$ and that would be fun!
- 4. a) Let's use Ito's lemma

$$dX_t = f'(t)\cos(2021W_t)dt - 2021f(t)\sin(2021W_t)dW_t + \frac{1}{2}2021^2f(t)\cos(2021W_t)dt$$

- б) То make X_t a martingale we should kill dt term.
- в) As X_t is martingale $\mathbb{E}(X_t) = \mathbb{E}(X_0) = f(0)$. So $\mathbb{E}(\cos(2021W_t)) = f(0)/f(t)$.