

FM 5011 Fall 2011, Final Exam  
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Remember to read to the bottom and to SIGN YOUR NAME BELOW!

Closed book, closed notes, no calculators/PDAs; no reference materials of any kind.  
Show work; a correct answer, by itself, may be insufficient for credit.

I understand the above, and I understand that cheating has **severe consequences**, from a failing grade to expulsion.

**REMEMBER TO SIGN YOUR NAME:**

I. Definitions: Complete the following sentences.

a. (Topic 1500(28), 3 pts.) Let  $M$  be a set. A subset  $\mathcal{S}$  of  $2^M$  is called a  **$\sigma$ -algebra** on  $M$  if ...

b. (Topic 3000(37), 3 pts.) Let  $U$  be a random variable on the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$  and let  $\mathcal{S}$  be a  $\sigma$ -subalgebra of  $\mathcal{B}$ . A random variable  $X$  **represents**  $E[U|\mathcal{S}]$  if ...

c. (Topic 2900(20), 3 pts.) Let  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a random variable on  $(\Omega, \mathcal{B}, \mu)$ . The  **$\sigma$ -algebra** of  $X$  is  $\mathcal{S}_X = \dots$

d. (Topic 2330(23), 3 pts.) Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be probability measures on a Borel space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{B})$ . We say that  $\mu$  is **absolutely continuous** with respect to  $\nu$ , and write  $\mu \ll \nu$ , if ...

e. (Topic 2700(28), 3 pts.) Let  $\mu$  be a probability measure on  $\mathbb{R}$  and let  $\lambda$  denote Lebesgue measure on  $\mathbb{R}$ . A function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is said to be a **probability density function** for  $\mu$  if ...

f. (Topic 2900(8), 3 pts.) Let  $X_{\bullet}^{(1)}, X_{\bullet}^{(2)}, \dots$  be a sequence of processes. Let  $X_{\bullet}$  be a process. We say  $X_{\bullet}^{(n)}$  **converges to  $X_{\bullet}$  in finite dimensional marginals**, as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , if ...

g. (Topic 2900(23), 3 pts.) Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  are said to be **independent** if ...

h. (Topic 2900(35), 3 pts.) Let  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  be two probability measures on  $\mathbb{R}$ . Define  $A : \mathbb{R} \times \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $A(x, y) = x + y$ . Then the **convolution** of  $\mu$  and  $\nu$  is given by  $\mu * \nu = \dots$

II. True or False. (No partial credit.)

a. (Topic 2700(47), 2 pts.) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables. If their distributions have the same Fourier transforms, then  $X = Y$  a.s.

b. (Topic 2900(9), 2 pts.) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are identically distributed random variables, then  $X^2$  and  $Y^2$  are also identically distributed.

c. (Topic 3600(21), 2 pts.) If  $V_\bullet$  and  $W_\bullet$  are Brownian motions, then  $V = W$  in finite dimensional marginals.

d. (Topic 3000(37), 2 pts.) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables. Assume that  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent. Then  $E[X|Y] = X$ .

e. (Topic 2900(22), 2 pts.) If  $X$  is a random variable and  $\mathcal{S} = \mathcal{S}_X$  is its  $\sigma$ -algebra, then  $X$  is  $\mathcal{S}$ -measurable.

f. (Topic 2900(24), 2 pts.) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are random variables, then  $\delta_{X,Y} = \delta_X \times \delta_Y$ .

g. (Topic 2900(44), 2 pts.) Let  $G$  be the grade of a standard normal random variable and let  $0 \leq a < b \leq 1$ . Then  $\Pr[a < G < b] = b - a$ .

h. (Topic 2400(7-8), 2 pts.) For any random variable  $X$ , there exists  $a \in \mathbb{R}$ , such that  $\Pr[X < a] = 0$ .

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III. Computations. Some of your answers may involve  $\Phi$ , the cumulative distribution function of the standard normal distribution. (Unless otherwise specified, answers must be exactly correct, but can be left in any form easily calculated on a standard calculator.)

1. (Topic 3200(14-23), 20 pts.) Let  $X$  be a random variable whose distribution is  $\chi^2$  with two degrees of freedom. Compute  $E[X^2]$ .

2. (Topic 2900(47), 20 pts.) Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be iid standard random variables. For all integers  $n \geq 1$ , let  $Z_n := (X_1 + \dots + X_n)/\sqrt{n}$ . Compute  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \mathbb{E}[(e^{Z_n} - e)_+]$

3. (Topic 2900(13), 20 pts.) Let  $Z$  be a standard normal random variable. Let  $\mu := \delta[Z^2]$  be the distribution of  $Z^2$ . Compute  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^5 d\mu(x)$ .

4. (Topic 2800(13), 20 pts.) Let  $g(x) = x^5$ . Let  $v(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 + 2, & \text{if } x < 1; \\ x^4, & \text{if } x \geq 1. \end{cases}$

Compute  $\int_0^2 g(x) dv(x)$ .



5. (Topic 3200(2), 15 pts.) Assume that the distribution  $\delta[X]$  of the random variable  $X$  has probability density function given by  $p(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$ . Let  $Y := e^X$ . Compute a probability density function  $f$  for  $\delta[Y]$ . Express  $f(x)$  explicitly.

6. (Topic 3000(52), 15 pts.) Let  $C_1, C_2, C_3, \dots$  be iid binary random variables such that, for all integers  $j \geq 0$ , we have  $\Pr[C_j = 1] = 0.5 = \Pr[C_j = -1]$ . Let

$$X := E[ (C_1 + \dots + C_{100}) \mid (C_1 + \dots + C_{50}) ] .$$

Compute  $E[X^2]$ .

7. (Topic 3400(20), 15 pts.) Let  $X_1, \dots, X_{100}$  be iid normal variables with unknown mean  $\mu$  and known variance 0.49. Let  $x_1, \dots, x_{100}$  be a sample modeled on  $X_1, \dots, X_{100}$ . Assume that the sample mean  $(x_1 + \dots + x_{100})/(100) = 5$ . Find a 99% confidence interval for  $\mu$ . (Note: For a standard normal random variable  $Z$ , we have  $\Pr[|Z| < 2.58] = 0.99$ .)

8. (Topic 3600(21), 15 pts.) Let  $W_\bullet$  be a Brownian motion. Compute  $E[(W_4)^2(W_{13})^2]$ .

9. (Topic 3800(47), 10 pts.) Let  $W_t$  be a Brownian motion. Let  $X_t$  satisfy

$$dX_t/X_t = 2 dW_t - 3 dt, \quad X_0 = 1.$$

Compute  $E[(X_4)^3]$ .

10. (Topic 0026, 10 pts.) Let  $X_\bullet$  satisfy  $dX_t = 4t dW_t + \frac{dt}{t^4 + 1}$ .

Let  $Y_\bullet$  be defined by  $Y_t = t^3 e^{X_t}$ . Compute  $\mathbb{E} \left[ \int_0^4 \frac{dY_t}{e^{X_t}} \right]$ .