

1. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables and let  $A$  be an event. Prove that the function

$$Z(w) = \begin{cases} X(w), & \text{if } w \in A \\ Y(w), & \text{if } w \in A^c \end{cases}$$

is a random variable. (7%)

2. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be i.i.d. with continuous distribution function  $F$ . Find the probabilities  $P(X = Y)$  and  $P(X < Y)$ . (8%)

3. Let  $X_1, X_2$  be independently distributed as  $N(\mu_i, \sigma_i^2)$ ,  $\sigma_i > 0$ ,  $i = 1, 2$ , and let

$$\begin{cases} Z_1 = X_1 \cos \theta + X_2 \sin \theta \\ Z_2 = X_2 \cos \theta - X_1 \sin \theta. \end{cases}$$

Find the correlation coefficient between  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ , and show that

$$0 \leq \rho^2 \leq \left( \frac{\sigma_1^2 - \sigma_2^2}{\sigma_1^2 + \sigma_2^2} \right)^2,$$

where  $\rho$  denotes the correlation coefficient of  $Z_1$  and  $Z_2$ . (10%)

4. Let  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$  be a probability space and let  $\{A_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of events such that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} A_n = A \in \mathcal{F}$ ,

(a) Show that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} P(A_n) = P(A)$ . (15%)

(b) Prove that if  $\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} P(A_n) < +\infty$ , then  $P\left(\bigcap_{k=1}^{+\infty} \bigcup_{n=k}^{+\infty} A_n\right) = 0$ . (10%)

5. Let  $X_1, \dots, X_n$  be independently distributed as  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\sigma > 0$ .

(a) Prove that  $\bar{X}$  and  $\underline{Y} = (X_1 - \bar{X}, \dots, X_n - \bar{X})'$  are independent. (10%)

(b) Prove that  $\frac{nS^2}{\sigma^2}$  is distributed as  $\chi_{n-1}^2$ , where  $S^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=1}^n (X_j - \bar{X})^2$ . (10%)

6. (a) Let  $X, Y$  be random variables on the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Assume that  $p, q > 1 \ni \frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$  and  $E|X|^p < +\infty$ ,  $E|Y|^q < +\infty$ . Prove that  $E|XY| \leq$

$$(E|X|^p)^{\frac{1}{p}} (E|Y|^q)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \quad (15\%)$$

(b) Let  $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  be a sequence of random variables and let  $X$  be a random variable defined on the probability space  $(\Omega, \mathcal{F}, P)$ . Prove that if  $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{q.m.}} X$ , then (15%)

(i)  $EX_n \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow +\infty} EX$ ,

(ii)  $EX_n^2 \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow +\infty} EX^2$ , and hence  $\text{Var}(X_n) \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow +\infty} \text{Var}(X)$ .

(Note.  $X_n \xrightarrow{\text{q.m.}} X$  means that  $\{X_n\}_{n \in \mathbb{N}}$  converges to  $X$  in quadratic mean as  $n \rightarrow +\infty$ .)