

King Fahd University of Petroleum and Minerals

Department of Mathematics

Math 601

Final Exam– Term 241

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Allowed Time: 120 minutes

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**Instructions:**

1. Write clearly and legibly. You may lose points for messy work.
2. **Show all your work.** No points for answers without justifications !

Question #	Grade	Maximum Points
1		11
2		11
3		15
4		12
5		14
6		10
7		15
8		12
<b>Total:</b>		<b>100</b>

**Exercise 1:**(11)

**A.** (07)i)- Let  $X : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^n$  be a random variable such that

$$\mathbb{E}[|X|^p] < \infty, \quad 0 < p < \infty. \quad (\text{a})$$

Prove Chebychev's inequality

$$P[|X| \geq \lambda] \leq \frac{1}{\lambda^p} \mathbb{E}[|X|^p] \quad \text{for all } \lambda \geq 0. \quad (\text{b})$$

**Hint:** Use the subset  $A$  of  $\Omega$  given by:  $A = \{\omega : |X| \geq \lambda\}$ .

ii)- Suppose there exists  $k > 0$  such that

$$M = \mathbb{E}[\exp(k|X|)] < \infty. \quad (\text{c})$$

Prove that

$$P[|X| \geq \lambda] \leq M e^{-k\lambda} \quad \text{for all } \lambda \geq 0. \quad (\text{d})$$

**Hint:** Use the result found in i).

**B-**(04) Suppose cars entering a parking lot follow a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda = 5$  per minute. Further, suppose the probability that a driver is female is 0.6. Find the probability that exactly 3 cars driven by females will enter the lot in the next 2 minutes.

**Exercise 2:**(11)

Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables with joint density function

$$f(x, y) = x(y - x) e^{-y}, \quad 0 < x \leq y < \infty. \quad (\text{e})$$

1-(06). Find the conditional probability densities functions  $f_{X|Y}$  and  $f_{Y|X}$ .

2-(05). Deduce from 1)- the conditional expectation of  $X$  given  $Y$ ,  $\mathbb{E}(X | Y)$ .

**Exercise 3:** (15)

**A-**(08) Consider the standard Brownian motion  $\{B_t, t \geq 0\}$ .

a)- Find  $\mathbb{E}(|B_t - B_s|^2)$ , for arbitrary  $s, t \geq 0$ .

b)- Given that  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} e^{-\frac{(x-i\lambda t)^2}{2t}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi t}$ , compute the characteristic function of  $B_t$ .

c)- Deduce from b)  $\mathbb{E}(B_t^4)$ .

**B-**(07). A stochastic process  $X_t(\cdot) : \Omega \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous in mean square if  $\mathbb{E}[X_t^2] < \infty$  for all  $t$  and

$$\lim_{s \rightarrow t} \mathbb{E}[(X_s - X_t)^2] = 0 \quad \text{for all } t \geq 0.$$

1- Prove that the Brownian motion  $B_t$  is continuous in mean square.

2- Let  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be Lipschitz continuous function.  
Prove that the process  $Y_t := f(B_t)$  is continuous in mean square.

**Exercise 4:** (12)

The Black-Scholes-Merton model for growth with uncertain rate of return, is the value of \$1 after time  $t$ , invested in a saving account. It is described by the stochastic differential equation:

$$\forall t \geq 0, X_t = x_0 + \int_0^t bX_s ds + \int_0^t \sigma X_s dB_s, \quad (\text{f})$$

where  $\{B_t, t \geq 0\}$  is a 1-dimensional Brownian motion,  $b, \sigma \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}$ .

1- Give the type of the SDE (f).

2- Assume that  $\mathbb{E}(|x_0|^2) < \infty$ , show that the SDE (f) admits a unique solution.

3- Show that the solution of the SDE (f) is given by:

$$X_t = x_0 \exp \left( \left( b - \frac{\sigma^2}{2} \right) t + \sigma B_t \right). \quad (\text{g})$$

4- Give the type of the stochastic process  $X_t$  given by (g) and state some of its applications.

**Exercise 5:** (14)

Let  $X_t = B_t$  be a 1-dimensional Brownian motion and

$$g(t, x) = e^{ix} = (\cos x, \sin x) \in \mathbb{R}^2 \text{ for } x \in \mathbb{R}. \quad (\text{h})$$

Then  $Y(t) = g(t, X_t)$  is again an Itô process.

1-(04). Prove that the coordinates  $Y_1, Y_2$  of  $Y$  satisfies two SDEs in terms of  $B_t$ .

2-(06). Show that the process  $Y = (Y_1, Y_2)$ , called Brownian motion on the unit circle, satisfy the SDE

$$dY(t) = \alpha Y(t) dt + K Y(t) dB_t, \quad (\text{i})$$

where  $\alpha \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $K$  an appropriate matrix.

3-(04). Solve the SDE (i).

**Exercise 6:**(10)

To model the spot freight rate in shipping, J.Tvedt(1995) used the geometric mean reversion process  $X_t$  which is defined as the solution of the stochastic differential equation

$$dX_t = \kappa (\alpha - \log X_t) X_t dt + \sigma X_t dB_t; \quad X_0 = x > 0, \quad (j)$$

where  $\kappa$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\sigma$  and  $x$  are positive constants.

Find the solution  $X_t$  of the stochastic differential equation (j).

**Hint:** You may use the substitution  $Y_t = \log X_t$  to transform the equation (j) into a linear stochastic differential equation for  $Y_t$ .

**Exercise 7:**(15)

Consider the Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  given by the SDE:

$$dX_t = \kappa(m - X_t) dt + \sigma dB_t, \quad (\text{k})$$

where  $\{B_t, t \geq 0\}$  is a standard Brownian motion and  $\kappa, m$  and  $\sigma$  are positive constants.  
 1-(02). Let  $Y_t = X_t - m$ . Verify that the process  $Y_t$  satisfy a given SDE in  $Y_t$ .

2-(05). The process  $Y_t$  is seen to have a drift at an exponential rate  $\kappa$ . Use the change of variable  $Z_t = e^{\kappa t} Y_t$  to write an SDE in the variable  $Z_t$ . Find the solution of the obtained SDE over  $[s, t]$ ,  $0 \leq s < t$ .

3-i)-(04). Deduce the solution of the SDE in  $Y_t$  obtained in 1) over  $[s, t]$ .

ii)-(04). Deduce the solution of the SDE (k).



**Exercise 8:** (12)

Let  $\{B_t, t \geq 0\}$  be a standard Brownian motion and suppose that  $\{X(t), t \geq 0\}$  is an Ornstein-Uhlenbeck process given by the SDE:

$$dX_t = -a(X_t - g(t)) dt + \sigma(t) dB_t, \quad (1)$$

where  $g$  and  $\sigma$  are deterministic function of time and  $a \in \mathbb{R}$

1-(06). If  $Y_t = e^{X_t+ct}$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}$ , then prove that  $\frac{dY_t}{Y_t}$  can be written as

$$\frac{dY_t}{Y_t} = h(t, X_t) dt + \alpha(t) dB_t, \quad (m)$$

where  $h$  and  $\alpha$  are suitable functions to be determined !

2-(06). Deduce from the previous question that  $\frac{dY_t}{Y_t}$  can be also written as

$$\frac{dY_t}{Y_t} = \psi(t, Y_t) dt + \alpha(t) dB_t, \quad (n)$$

where  $\psi$  is a suitable function to be determined !

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