

# MIDTERM EXAM

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Notes:

1. This is an open book and open notes exam.
2. You must show your work and/or explain your answer in order to receive credit.
3. The exam has 4 problems and carries 100 points.

Problem	1	2	3	4	Total
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1. (Markov Chain). The first column of a transition matrix  $\mathbb{P} = (p_{i,j})$ ,  $i = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ ;  $j = 0, 1, 2, \dots$  is  $\{1/3, 1/3, 1/3, 1/3, \dots\}$  and  $p_{i,i+1} = 2/3$ .

(a) Draw the graph of the MC defined by  $\mathbb{P}$ .

(b) Find the stationary distribution, if any.

2. Let

$$X_t - \frac{1}{2}X_{t-1} = Z_t, t \in T,$$

be an  $AR(1)$  process.

(a) Find its autocovariance function,  $\gamma(h)$ . [Hint: Use the  $MA(\infty)$  representation of  $X_t$ .]

(b) Find the spectral density of  $X_t$ ,  $f(\omega)$ .

3. Brownian motion  $B_t, t \geq 0$  is observed at two time instances:  $t = 0.3$  and  $t = 0.7$ .

- (a) Find the coefficient of correlation between the observed values,  $B_{0.3}$  and  $B_{0.7}$ .
- (b) Do the same as in (a), for the Brownian Bridge.

4. What is a *long memory process*? What is the *Hurst* exponent?