

Due : Thursday, March 15th, 2002

1. (Problem 9.22 in Karatzas and Shreve) Show that for every  $x > 0$ , we have

$$\frac{x}{1+x^2} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \leq \int_x^\infty e^{-\frac{u^2}{2}} du \leq \frac{1}{x} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}}$$

2. Let  $n \in \mathbb{N}$ ,  $0 < \theta < 1$  and  $\epsilon > \frac{(1+\theta)}{(1-\theta)} - 1$ . Let  $Z$  be a  $N(0,1)$  random variable. Show that

$$2^n \sum_{k=1}^{[2n\theta]} P \left( |Z| \geq (1+\epsilon) \sqrt{\log \frac{4^n}{k^2}} \right) \leq \frac{c}{\sqrt{n}} 2^{-\rho n},$$

where  $c$  is a constant and  $\rho = (1-\theta)(1+\epsilon)^2 - (1+\theta)$ .

3. (Problem 9.26 in Karatzas and Shreve) Let  $\theta, \epsilon$  be as above. Consider the set  $D = \cup_{n=1}^\infty D_n$  of dyadic rationals in  $[0, 1]$ , with  $D_n = \{k2^{-n} : k = 0, 1, \dots, 2^n\}$ . For every  $\omega \in \Omega_\theta$  and every  $n \geq N_\theta(\omega)$ , the inequality

$$|B_t - B_s| \leq (1+\epsilon) \left[ 2 \sum_{j=n+1}^\infty g(2^{-j}) + g(t-s) \right]$$

is valid for every pair  $(s, t)$  of dyadic rationals satisfying  $0 < t - s < 2^{-n(1-\theta)}$

4. A function  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is said to be Hölder-continuous with exponent  $\gamma$  if for all  $t, s$

$$|f(t) - f(s)| \leq c |t - s|^\gamma,$$

for some constant  $c$ . Show that for almost every  $\omega \in \Omega$ , the Brownian path  $B_\cdot(\omega)$  is nowhere Hölder-continuous with exponent  $\gamma > \frac{1}{2}$