Stat153 Assignment 1 (due September 9, 2005)

1. (White noise)

We have seen that i.i.d. noise is white noise. This example shows that white noise is not necessarily i.i.d.

Suppose that $\{W_t\}$ and $\{Z_t\}$ are independent i.i.d. sequences, with $P(W_t = 0) = P(W_t = 1) = 1/2$ and $P(Z_t = -1) = P(Z_t = 1) = 1/2$. Define the time series model

$$X_{2t} = W_t Z_t$$
$$X_{2t+1} = (1 - W_t) Z_t$$

Show that $\{X_t\} \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$, but $\{X_t\}$ is not i.i.d.

2. (Stationarity)

For each of the following, state if it is a stationary process. If so, give the mean and autocovariance functions. Here, $\{W_t\}$ is i.i.d. N(0,1).

- (a) $X_t = W_t 3W_{t-12}$.
- (b) $X_t = W_1$.
- (c) $X_t = W_1 t$.
- (d) $X_t = W_t t$.
- (e) $X_t = W_1 W_{t-1}$.
- (f) $X_t = W_t W_{t-1}$.
- 3. (Stationarity and differences) Shumway and Stoffer problem 1.10.
- 4. (Computer exercise: MA processes, sample ACFs and scatter diagrams) Shumway and Stoffer problem 1.22.