A-6 Chi-square distribution (Fisher: Statistical Methods for Research

Workers)

A-7 Critical values of F (Wadsworth and Bryan)

A-8 Student's t distribution (Fisher: ibid.)

Many problems are included between sections of each chapter; the ones marked with asterisks are the more difficult and more interesting, such as the one referred to above. A series of problems are included which give some idea of game theory.

Two review sections appear in this volume, one after Chapter 5 and another after Chapter 7. These reviews should be useful to both the teachers and students.

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**22[L, M]**.—C. J. Ancker, Jr. & A. V. Gafarian, The Function  $J(x, y) = \int_0^x \frac{\gamma(y, \xi)}{\xi} d\xi$ —Some Properties and a Table, System Development Corporation Santa

Monica, California, 1962, 36 p., 27.5 cm.

This report contains some analysis and a table of the function

$$J(x,y) = \int_0^x \frac{\gamma(y,\xi)}{\xi} d\xi, \qquad x \ge 0, y > 0,$$

where

$$\gamma(y,\xi) = \int_0^{\xi} e^{-\eta} \, \eta^{y-1} \, d\eta$$

is the Incomplete Gamma-Function. The report is divided into four parts. The first part contains: (1) a recurrence relation in the variable y, (2) a closed expression for positive integer y, (3) definite integrals expressible in terms of the function, (4) some derivatives of the function, (5) a convergent power series expansion about x = 0, (6) an asymptotic expansion about infinity, (7) an approximation in closed form, and (8) the Laplace and Mellin transforms, treating y as a fixed parameter. The second part is a description of the computational technique used to obtain the table and a discussion of the accuracy of the table. The third part contains procedures for computing J(x, y) outside the range of the table. Finally, in part four, there are some graphs and a table of J(x, y) for x and y = 0.1(0.1)10 to six significant figures.

Author's Summary

23[L, M, X].—WILFRED KAPLAN, Operational Methods for Linear Systems, Addison-Wesley Publishing Company, Inc., Reading, Massachusetts, 1962, xi + 577 p., 24 cm. Price \$10.75.

This book treats in a careful, detailed manner the subject usually known as operational calculus. A long introductory chapter is devoted to linear differential equations; this is followed by a chapter treating such matters as the superposition principle, the transfer and frequency response functions, and stability. Then come chapters on functions of a complex variable, Fourier series, the Fourier integral, the Laplace transform, and stability. The last chapter treats in an interesting