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- \***Samuel Kotz and Norman L. Johnson** on limit distributions of uncorrelated but dependent distributions on the unit square;
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- \***Jef Teugels** on the life span of a renewal;
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- \*\***Vladimir M. Zolotarev** on convergence rate estimates in functional limit theorems.

The volume also includes the following contributions by faculty members of the Department of Statistics, Athens University of Economics and Business:

- \***J. Panaretos, E. Xekalaki, and S. Psarakis** on a predictive model evaluation and selection approach--the correlated gamma ratio distribution;
- \***J. Panaretos and Z. Tsourti** on extreme value index estimators and smoothing alternatives;
- \***E. Xekalaki and D. Karlis** on mixtures everywhere; and
- \* **Ir. Moustaki** on latent variable models with covariates.

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