

M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2018
I Year I Semester
Core Elective
PROBABILITY AND DISTRIBUTIONS

Time : 3 Hours

Max.marks :75

Section A ($10 \times 2 = 20$) Marks

Answer any **TEN** questions

1. State the principle of Inclusion-Exclusion.
2. If A and B are independent then prove that A and B^c are independent.
3. Define indicator function.
4. Let X be a random variable with probability density function $f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{x^3}, & x \geq 1 \\ 0, & x < 1 \end{cases}$
find $E(x)$ and $E(X^2)$ if exists.
5. Define median of a random variable X.
6. Define joint probability mass function of a random variable (X,Y).
7. Define continuous two dimensional random variable (X, Y).
8. Define marginal probability distribution function of random variables X and Y.
9. Define negative binomial distribution.
10. Define hypergeometric random variable.
11. Define convergence in probability.
12. State Lindeberg-Levy central limit theorem.

Section B ($5 \times 5 = 25$) Marks

Answer any **FIVE** questions

13. **State and prove Bonferroni's inequality.**
14. Let X have the triangular probability distribution function $f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 2-x, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$
find $P(0.3 < X \leq 1.5)$.
15. Let X be a random variable on a probability space (Ω, \mathcal{S}, P) . Let $E|X|^k < \infty$.
Prove that $n^k P\{|X| > n\} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
16. Let $\beta_n = E|X|^n < \infty$. Prove that for arbitrary k , $2 \leq k \leq n$, $\beta_{n-1}^{1/(k-1)} \leq \beta_k^{1/k}$.

17. Obtain the mean and variance of a standard Cauchy distribution truncated at both ends, with relevant space of variation as $(-c, c)$.
18. Let X and Y be independent random variable's with probability mass functions $P(\lambda_1)$ and $P(\lambda_2)$ respectively. Prove that the conditional distribution of X given $X + Y$ is binomial.
19. Let X be a random variable and $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variables defined on some probability space (Ω, \mathcal{S}, P) then prove that $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{L} X$.

Section C ($3 \times 10 = 30$) Marks

Answer any **THREE** questions

20. Let $\{A_n\}$ be a non-decreasing sequence of events in S , that is $A_n \in S$, $n=1, 2, \dots$ and $A_n \supseteq A_{n+1}$, $n=2, 3, \dots$. Prove that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P A_n = P \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \right) = P \left(\bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right)$, also prove that if $\{A_n\}$ be a non-increasing sequence of events in S , $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P A_n = P \left(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} A_n \right) = P \left(\bigcap_{n=1}^{\infty} A_n \right)$.
21. Let X be a non-negative random variable with distribution function F . Prove that $E(X) = \int_0^{\infty} [1 - F(x)] dx$.
22. Let X and Y be independent and identically distributed random variables. Prove that $X - Y$ is a symmetric random variable.
23. Let X be an random variable defined on $[0,1]$, if $P(x \leq X \leq y)$ depends only on the length $y-x$ for all $0 \leq x \leq y \leq 1$. Prove that X is $U(0, 1)$, ($P\{X=0\}=0$).
24. Let $\{X_n\}$ be any sequence of random variable's with $Y_n = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n X_k$. Prove that a necessary and sufficient condition for the sequence $\{X_n\}$ to satisfy the weak law of large numbers is that $E \left\{ \frac{y_n^2}{1+y_n^2} \right\} \rightarrow 0$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

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