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MTMADSE03T-MATHEMATICS (DSE1/2)

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS

Time Allotted: 2 Hours

Full Marks: 50

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates should answer in their own words and adhere to the word limit as practicable.
All symbols are of usual significance.*

Answer Question No. 1 and any five questions from the rest

1. Answer any five questions from the following: 2×5 = 10

(a) Define a random experiment and event space.

(b) Consider events A and B such that $P(A) = \frac{1}{4}$, $P(B|A) = \frac{1}{2}$, $P(A|B) = \frac{1}{4}$.
Find $P(\bar{A}|\bar{B})$

(c) Consider an experiment of rolling two dice. Let A be the event 'total is odd' and B be the event '6 on the first die'. Are A and B independent? Justify your answer.

(d) If $F(x)$ be the distribution function of a random variable X , then prove that
 $F(a) - \lim_{x \rightarrow a-0} F(x) = P(X = a)$

(e) The probability density function of a random variable X is $2x \cdot e^{-x^2}$ for $x > 0$ and zero otherwise. Find the probability density of X^2 .

(f) The joint probability density function of random variables X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2(x + y - 3xy^2), & 0 < x < 1, \quad 0 < y < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find the marginal density functions of X and Y .

(g) Prove that $-1 \leq \rho(X, Y) \leq 1$, the symbols having usual meaning.

(h) Find the characteristic function of a binomial (n, p) variate.

(i) Find the mean of a Poisson μ -variate.

2. (a) If A and B are two events such that $P(A) = P(B) = 1$, then show that 3
 $P(A+B) = 1$, $P(AB) = 1$.

(b) A secretary writes four letters and the corresponding addresses on envelopes. If 5
he inserts the letters in the envelopes at random irrespective of address, then calculate the probability that all the letters are wrongly placed.

3. Prove that the function $f(x)$ of a random variable X defined by $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x|}$, $-\infty < x < \infty$, is a possible probability density function and find the corresponding distribution function and the moment generating function and hence evaluate mean and variance. 8
4. (a) Define Poisson distribution. Prove that the sum of two independent Poisson variates having parameters μ_1 and μ_2 is a Poisson variate having parameter $\mu_1 + \mu_2$. 4
- (b) If θ be the acute angle between two regression lines, then prove that 4
- $$\tan \theta = \frac{1 - \rho^2}{\rho} \frac{\sigma_x \sigma_y}{\sigma_x^2 + \sigma_y^2}$$
- where σ_x and σ_y are standard deviations of the random variables X and Y respectively. What happens when $\rho = 1$?
5. (a) For the binomial (n, p) distribution, prove that $\mu_{r+1} = p(1-p) \left[nr\mu_{r-1} + \frac{d\mu_r}{dp} \right]$ 5
- where μ_r is the r th central moment of the distribution.
- (b) If $ax + by + c = 0$ be the relation between x and y , find r_{xy} . 3
6. (a) The joint probability density function of two random variables X and Y is 5
- $$f(x, y) = 8xy, 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1$$
- $= 0$, elsewhere.
- Examine whether X and Y are independent. Also find the conditional probability density functions.
- (b) Use Tchebycheff's inequality to show that for $n \geq 36$, the probability that in n 3
- throws of a fair die the number of sixes lies between $\frac{n}{6} - \sqrt{n}$ and $\frac{n}{6} + \sqrt{n}$ is at least $31/36$.
7. (a) Obtain the maximum likelihood estimate of θ on the basis of a random sample of size n drawn from a population whose probability density function is 5
- $$f(x) = ce^{-x/\theta}, 0 \leq x < \infty,$$
- where c is constant and $\theta > 0$.
- (b) Two random variables X, Y have the least square regression lines with 3
- equations $3x + 2y - 26 = 0$ and $6x + y - 31 = 0$. Find $E(X)$, $E(Y)$ and $\rho(X, Y)$.
8. (a) A random variable X has probability density function $12x^2(1-x)$, $0 < x < 1$. 5
- Compute $P(|X - m| \geq 2\sigma)$ and compare it with the limit given by Tchebycheff's inequality, where m is the mean and σ is the standard deviation of the distribution.
- (b) State and prove the law of large numbers. 3

9. (a) Find the sampling distribution of the statistic $Y = \frac{nS^2}{\sigma^2}$, where σ^2 is the population variance and $S^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$. 5

(b) Prove that the sample variance is a consistent estimate of the population variance but it is not an unbiased estimate of population variance. 3

10.(a) If $\{X_n\}_n$ is a sequence of independent variables such that each X_i has the same distribution with mean m and standard deviation σ , then show that $\frac{\bar{X} - m}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}}$ is asymptotically normal $(0, 1)$, where $\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$. 4

(b) A point P is chosen at random on a circle of radius a and A be a fixed point on the circle. Find the expectation of the distance AP . 4

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