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(CBCS)

(5th Semester)

MATHEMATICS

EIGHTH (B) PAPER : MATH-354 (B)

(Probability Theory)

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

(PART : A—OBJECTIVE)

(Marks : 25)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

SECTION—A

(Marks : 10)

Tick the correct answer in the box provided :

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1. If $p_1 = P(A)$, $p_2 = P(B)$, $p_3 = P(A \cap B)$, then $P(A \cap \bar{B})$ in terms of p_1, p_2, p_3 is

(a) $1 - p_1 - p_2$

(b) $p_1 - p_3$

(c) $p_1 - p_2$

(d) $1 - p_2 - p_3$

2. If $P(A) = 0.25$, $P(B) = 0.15$, $P(A \cap B) = 0.10$, then $P(A \cup B)$ is

- (a) $\frac{2}{3}$
- (b) 0.10
- (c) 0.30
- (d) None of the above

3. Let X be a random variable having discrete uniform distribution over the range $[1, n]$. Then the variance $V(X)$ is given by

- (a) $\frac{(n-1)(2n-1)}{6}$
- (b) $\frac{(n-1)(2n-1)}{12}$
- (c) $\frac{(n-1)}{2}$
- (d) $\frac{(n-1)(n-1)}{12}$

4. For the binomial distribution

- (a) mean < variance
- (b) variance < mean
- (c) mean = variance
- (d) None of the above

5. The marginal probability function of Y for the discrete random variable is defined as

- (a) $f_Y(y) = \sum_x p_{XY}(x, y)$
- (b) $f_Y(y) = \sum_y p_{XY}(x, y)$
- (c) $f_Y(y) = \int f_{XY}(x, y) dx$
- (d) $f_Y(y) = \int f_{XY}(x, y) dy$

6. Let X and Y be two independent random variables. Then $\text{var}(X + Y)$ is equal to

(a) $\text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y)$

(b) $\text{var}(X) - \text{var}(Y)$

(c) $\text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y) + 2\text{cov}(X, Y)$

(d) $\text{var}(X) + \text{var}(Y) - 2\text{cov}(X, Y)$

7. If n dice are tossed and X denotes the sum of the numbers on them, then $E(X)$ is

(a) $\frac{7n}{2}$

(b) $\frac{3n}{2}$

(c) $\frac{5n}{4}$

(d) $\frac{7n}{3}$

8. Two unbiased dice are thrown. If X is the sum of the numbers showing up, then $P[|X - 7| \leq 3]$ is

(a) $\frac{7}{3}$

(b) $\frac{1}{3}$

(c) $\frac{5}{3}$

(d) None of the above

9. The relationship between mean and variance of exponential distribution is

(a) $\frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

(b) $\frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{2\lambda}$

(c) $\frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$

(d) None of the above

10. Let X and Y be independent random variables with $Z = X + Y$. Let $M_X(t)$, $M_Y(t)$ and $M_Z(t)$ be the moment generating functions of X , Y and Z respectively. Then

(a) $M_Z(t) = M_X(t) + M_Y(t)$

(b) $M_Z(t) = M_X(t) \cdot M_Y(t)$

(c) $M_Z(t) = M_X(t)M_Y(t)$

(d) $M_Z(t) = \frac{M_X(t)}{M_Y(t)}$

SECTION—B

(Marks : 15)

Each question carries 3 marks

1. (a) If A and B are independent events, then \bar{A} and \bar{B} are also independent events. Prove it.

OR

(b) A speaks the truth in 60% and B in 75% of the cases. In what percentage of the cases are they likely to contradict each other in stating the same fact?

2. (a) If X is uniformly distributed over the interval $[a, b]$, then prove that $E(X) = \frac{a + b}{2}$.

OR

(b) Determine the binomial distribution for which the mean is 4 and the variance is 3.

3. (a) If

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{5}(2x + 3y), & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Then prove that $f(x, y)$ is a joint probability density function.

OR

(b) The joint density function of X, Y is given as

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Prove that X and Y are not independent random variables.

4. (a) If we have the probability density function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{20000}{x^3}, & x > 100 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Then find the value of $E(X)$.

OR

(b) Two unbiased dice are thrown. If X is the sum of the numbers showing up, then find the value of $E(X)$.

5. (a) Prove that the moment generating function of gamma distribution is $M_X(t) = (1 - t)^{-n}$, $|t| < 1$.

OR

(b) For a certain normal distribution, the first moment about 10 is 40 and the fourth moment about 50 is 48. What are the arithmetic mean and variance of the normal distribution?

(PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE)

(Marks : 50)

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **five** questions, taking **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. (a) If A and B be events with $P(A) = \frac{3}{8}$, $P(B) = \frac{1}{2}$ and $P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{4}$, find
(i) $P(A \cup B)$, (ii) $P(\bar{A})$ and $P(\bar{B})$, (iii) $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B})$, (iv) $P(\bar{A} \cup \bar{B})$ and (v) $P(A \cap \bar{B})$. 5

(b) A box contains 6 red, 4 white and 5 black balls. A person draws 4 balls from the box at random. Find the probability that among the balls drawn there is at least one ball of each colour. 5

2. (a) Prove that if an event A is independent of the events B , $B \cap C$ and $B \cap C$ then it is also independent of C . 5

(b) A problem in statistics is given to 3 students A , B and C whose chances of solving it are $\frac{1}{2}$, $\frac{3}{4}$ and $\frac{1}{4}$ respectively. Find the probability that exactly one of them will solve the problem. 5

UNIT—II

3. For the binomial distribution $(q + p)^n$, prove that

$$\mu_{r+1} = pq \mu_r + nr \mu_{r-1} \frac{d}{dp}$$

where μ_r is the r th central moment. Hence obtain μ_2 , μ_3 and μ_4 . Also find out μ_1 and μ_2 . 10

4. (a) The probability distribution function of a random variable X is

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x, & \text{for } 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 2 - x, & \text{for } 1 \leq x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{for } x \geq 2 \end{cases}$$

Compute the cumulative distribution function of X . 5

(b) A random variable X has the probability density function as follows :

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & 2 \leq x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Obtain the values of (i) $P(X < 1)$, (ii) $P(|X| < 1)$ and (iii) $P[(2X - 3) < 5]$. 5

UNIT—III

5. (a) For the following bivariate probability distribution of X and Y , find the following :

(i) $P(X = 1)$

(ii) $P(Y = 3)$

- (iii) $P(X = 1, Y = 3)$
- (iv) $P(X = 1 / Y = 3)$
- (v) $P(Y = 3 / X = 1)$

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Y X	1	2	3	4	5	6	$p(x)$
0	0	0	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{2}{32}$	$\frac{2}{32}$	$\frac{3}{32}$	$\frac{16}{64}$
1	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{16}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{40}{64}$
2	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{32}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	$\frac{1}{64}$	0	$\frac{2}{64}$	$\frac{8}{64}$
$p(y)$	$\frac{6}{64}$	$\frac{6}{64}$	$\frac{11}{64}$	$\frac{13}{64}$	$\frac{12}{64}$	$\frac{16}{64}$	1

(b) If $f(x, y) = 4(1-x)(1-y)$; $0 \leq x, y \leq 1$, then prove that $f(x, y)$ to be a joint probability density function. 4

6. (a) The joint distribution of X and Y are given by $f(x, y) = 4xye^{-(x^2 + y^2)}$; $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$. Prove that X and Y are independent. Also find the conditional density of X given $Y = y$. 6

(b) The joint density function of X and Y is given by $f(x, y) = e^{-(x+y)}$; $x \geq 0, y \geq 0$. Find the marginal distribution of X and Y . 4

UNIT—IV

7. State and prove Chebyshev's inequality. 10

8. (a) If X is a random variable, then prove that $\text{var}(X) = E(X^2) - [E(X)]^2$. 3

(b) The probability functions of random variables X and Y are given as follows :

x_i	1	2	3	4
$f(x_i)$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{8}$

y_i	2	4	6	8
$f(y_i)$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{8}$

Find (i) $\text{cov}(X, Y)$ and (ii) r_{xy} (correlation coefficient between X and Y). 7

UNIT—V

- 9.** (a) If X is a Poisson variate such that $P(X = 2) = 9P(X = 4) = 90P(X = 6)$, find the value of the parameter λ . 5
- (b) Define exponential distribution. Also find the moment generating function of exponential distribution. 5
- 10.** (a) Define geometric distribution for a random variable X . Find its mean and variance. 5
- (b) Find the mean and variance of normal distribution. 5
