

KNT/KW/16/6051-B

**Bachelor of Arts (B.A.) Part—I (Semester—I) Examination****STATISTICS****Optional Paper—1****(Probability Theory)**

Time : Three Hours]

[Maximum Marks : 50

**N.B. :— ALL** questions are compulsory and carry equal marks.

1. (A) Define the following giving one example of each :

- (i) Complementary event
- (ii) Elementary event
- (iii) Impossible event
- (iv) Mutually exclusive events
- (v) Exhaustive events.

State the axiomatic definition of probability. Using this definition prove the following results :

- (i) Probability of an impossible event is zero.
- (ii)  $P(S) = 1$ , where  $S$  is the sample space.
- (iii)  $P(\bar{A}) = 1 - P(A)$ .

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**OR**

- (E) There are 8 bulbs in the stock of a shop, of which 3 are defective. The shopkeeper on customer's demand, picks up 2 bulbs randomly. What is the probability that both the bulbs are defective ?
- (F) Let  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  be three events in the sample space. Find expressions as union and/or intersection of these events in the following cases :
  - (i) At least one of three events occur
  - (ii)  $A$  occurs with either  $B$  or  $C$
  - (iii)  $A$  and  $B$  occur but  $C$  does not occur.
- (G) Give classical definition of probability. State its limitations.
- (H)  $A$ ,  $B$  and  $C$  are three mutually exclusive and exhaustive events.

Find  $P(B)$ , if  $\frac{1}{3} P(C) = \frac{1}{2} P(A) = P(B)$ . Also find  $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B} \cap \bar{C})$ .

2.5×4=10

2. (A) Define :

(i) Independent events

(ii) Conditional probability of event A given the event B.

Show that conditional probability satisfies, all the axioms of probability. State and prove the multiplicative law of probability for n events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ . 10

**OR**

(E) Define pair-wise and mutual independence of n events  $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$ . An unbiased coin is tossed 3 times. A denotes the event that a head occurs on each of the first two tosses, B is the event that a tail occurs on the third toss and C is the event that exactly two tails occur in the 3 tosses. Check whether A, B and C are pair-wise independent or not.

(F) If the events  $B_1, B_2, \dots, B_n$  form a partition of the sample space with  $P(B_i) \neq 0$  for  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , then for any event A in the sample space show that :

$$P(A) = \sum_{i=1}^n P(B_i) \cdot P(A | B_i).$$

The probability that it will be sunny tomorrow is  $1/3$ . If it is sunny, the probability that Sania plays tennis is  $4/5$ . The corresponding probability of playing tennis if it is not sunny is  $2/5$ . What is the probability that Sania plays tennis ? 5+5

3. (A) Define the cumulative distribution function of a random variable. State and prove its properties.

If X is a r.v. with pdf  $f(x) = \frac{1}{18}(6-x)$  ,  $0 \leq x \leq 6$   
 $= 0$  , otherwise

then find its cdf. Also find :

(i)  $P[X > 2]$

(ii)  $P[2 \leq X \leq 4]$ . 10

**OR**

(E) Let a r.v. X has the pmf,

$$p(x) = P[X = x] = \frac{x}{15}, x = 1, 2, 3, 4, 5.$$

Find :

(i) cdf of X

(ii)  $P[X > 3]$

(iii)  $P[1 < X < 4]$ .

(F) Let  $X$  be a r.v. with pdf

$$f(x) = 6x(1-x), \quad 0 < x < 1$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{otherwise}$$

Find :

- (i)  $P[X < 1/4]$
- (ii)  $P[X > 1/2]$ .

(G) Define expected value of a r.v.

Let  $X$  be a r.v. with cdf  $F(x)$  given by,

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

Find its pdf. Also find  $E(X)$ .

(H) Let  $X$  be a r.v. with pdf  $f(x)$  given by

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{5}, \quad \text{for } 2 < x < 7$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{elsewhere}$$

- (i) Draw the graph of pdf.
- (ii) Find  $P(3 < X < 5)$ .

$$2.5 \times 4 = 10$$

4. (A) Define probability generating function of a discrete r.v. Explain how the mean and the variance of the r.v. are obtained from its pgf. Obtain the pgf of  $\frac{X-a}{b}$ .

(B) Define median and mode of a r.v. Explain how these measures are calculated for a discrete and a continuous r.v.

Let  $X$  be a r.v. with pdf  $f(x)$  given by

$$f(x) = 3x^2, \quad 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

$$= 0, \quad \text{otherwise}$$

Find :

- (i) Mean
- (ii) Median
- (iii)  $V(X)$ .

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OR

(E) Define the following for a r.v. :

- (i) The  $r^{\text{th}}$  raw moment about A
- (ii) The  $r^{\text{th}}$  raw moment about origin
- (iii) The  $r^{\text{th}}$  central moment.

Derive the relationship for  $r^{\text{th}}$  central moment in terms of raw moments about origin. Hence obtain expressions for  $\mu_2$ ,  $\mu_3$  and  $\mu_4$ . Let X be a r.v. with  $\mu'_1 = 2/3$ ,  $\mu'_2 = 1/2$  and  $\mu'_3 = 2/5$ .

Find  $\mu_2$  and  $\mu_3$ .

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5. Solve any **ten** out of the following questions :

(A) If A and B are exhaustive and mutually exclusive events then  $P(A \cup B) = \dots\dots\dots$  and  $P(A \cap B) = \dots\dots\dots$

(B) If  $P(A \cup B) = 4/5$  then find  $P(\overline{A} \cap \overline{B})$ .

(C) State the extension of addition law for n events  $A_1, A_2, \dots\dots\dots A_n$ .

(D) Events A and B are such that,

$$P(A) = 1/4, P(A | B) = 1/2 \text{ and } P(B | A) = 2/3.$$

Are A and B independent ?

(E) A fair die is thrown twice. What is the probability that the sum of two numbers at the upper faces is 6 given that no die shows a number '4' ?

(F) If A, B and C are 3 events then write the conditions for their mutual independence.

(G) Show that  $E(cX) = cE(X)$  where c is a constant.

(H) A r.v. assumes values 1, 2 and 3 with  $P[X \leq 2] = 2/3$ . Find the pmf of X.

(I) Let X be a r.v. with pdf f(x), where

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= kx(2-x) \quad , \quad 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ &= 0 \quad , \quad \text{otherwise} \end{aligned}$$

Find the value of k.

(J) Let X be a r.v. and c be a constant, then show that  $V(cX) = c^2V(X)$ . Hence state  $V(4X + 5)$ .

(K) If Karl Pearson's coefficient of skewness for a probability distribution is  $\frac{1}{2}$  and the mean and mode are 5 and 2 respectively. Find the standard deviation.

(L) State the formula for the following measures :

- (i) Measure of dispersion based on partition values.
- (ii) Measure of skewness based on partition values.

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