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COMPLEMENTARY ELECTIVE COURSE IN STATISTICS FOR
MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE
3C03STA : Probability Distributions

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

PART – A

Short Answer (Answer all questions. 1 mark each.)

1. State multiplication theorem on expectation.
2. The first three raw moments of random variable X are -1.5 , 17 and -30 . Calculate the third central moment of X .
3. Write down the probability mass function of a random variable having uniform distribution over 4 points.
4. Define Bernoulli distribution.
5. Give the pdf of standard normal distribution.
6. What do you mean by lack of memory property ?

(1×6=6)

PART – B

Short Essay (Answer any 6 questions. 2 marks each.)

7. Discuss the properties of mathematical expectation.
8. Give an example of a random variable for which expectation does not exist.
9. For a random variable X having binomial distribution, the mean and variance are 24 and 16 respectively. Obtain its moment generating function.

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10. Find the variance of a random variable having pmf $f(x) = \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^x$, $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$
11. Obtain the moment generating function of exponential distribution.
12. Define beta distribution of second kind and obtain its mean.
13. Distinguish between parameter and statistic with suitable examples.
14. A random sample of size 25 is taken from a normal distribution with mean 50, standard deviation 4. Find the probability that sample mean lie between 48 and 52. (2×6=12)

PART - C

Essay (Answer any 4 questions. 3 marks each.)

15. The joint pmf of a bivariate random variable (X, Y) is

y	-1	0	1
x	-1	0	1
	0	0.1	0.1
	0.2	0.2	0.2
	0	0.1	0.1

Find $V(X|Y = 0)$.

16. State and prove the additive property of binomial distribution.
17. If X and Y are independent random variables having same geometric distribution, find the conditional distribution of X, given $X + Y = 3$.
18. Find the harmonic mean of a random variable having beta distribution of first kind.
19. Obtain the mgf of a random variable having pdf

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\Gamma(\alpha)\beta^\alpha} x^{\alpha-1} \exp\left(-\frac{x}{\beta}\right), x > 0, \alpha, \beta > 0.$$
20. Obtain the mean and standard deviation of a chi-square random variable with n degrees of freedom. (3×4=12)



PART – D

Long Essay (Answer **any 2** questions. **5** marks **each**.)

21. A bivariate random variable (X, Y) has joint pdf $f(x, y) = x + y, 0 < x, y < 1$. Find the correlation between X and Y .
22. For the Poisson distribution with parameter λ , derive the recurrence relation $\mu_{r+1} = \lambda \left[\frac{d\mu_r}{d\lambda} + r\mu_{r-1} \right]$ and hence deduce the first four central moments.
23. Obtain the characteristic function of normal distribution.
24. Define chi-square statistic, Student's t statistic and F statistic. Derive the inter relations between them. (5×2=10)

