

2024

2nd Semester Examination

STATISTICS (General)

Paper : DSC 1B/2B/3B-T

(Elementary Probability Theory)

[CBCS]

Full Marks : 40

Time : Two Hours

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.
Candidates are required to give their answers
in their own words as far as practicable.*

Group - A

Answer any **five** of the following questions : $2 \times 5 = 10$

1. Give the classical definition of probability.
2. Suppose A and B be two events such that $P(A) = \frac{3}{4}$
and $P(B) = \frac{5}{8}$. Show that $\frac{3}{8} \leq P(A \cap B) \leq \frac{5}{8}$.
3. For two independent events A and B show that A and B^c are independent.
4. Define a random variable.
5. Define exponential distribution.

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6. Show that normal distribution is a symmetric distribution about its mean.
7. For a random variable X , show that $(E(X^2))^{1/2} \geq E(X)$.
8. Find the value of p for which the binomial distribution having parameters n and p is symmetric.

Group - B

Answer any **four** of the following questions : $5 \times 4 = 20$

9. State and prove memoryless property of exponential distribution.
10. Each coefficient in the equation $ax^2 + bx + c = 0$ is determined by throwing an ordinary die. Find the probability that the equation will have real roots.
11. Show that for $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ distribution, $\mu_{2n+1} = 0$ and $\mu_{2n} = 1 \cdot 3 \cdot 5 \cdots (2n-1) \sigma^{2n}$.
12. A coin is tossed until a head appears. Find the expected number of tosses required.
13. Determine the most probable number of successes in a binomial distribution having parameters n and p .
14. Show that for n events $A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n$,
$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - (n-1).$$

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Group - C

Answer any **one** of the following questions : $10 \times 1 = 10$

15. (a) Suppose $f(x)$ is the pmf of a discrete random variable X given by the relation $f(x) = \frac{\lambda}{x} f(x-1)$, $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$, where $f(x)$ is positive for non-negative integral values of X . Determine $f(x)$.
- (b) State and prove weak law of large number. $5+5$
16. (a) If $X \sim P(\lambda)$ then show that
 - (i) $P(X \text{ is odd}) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - e^{-2\lambda})$ and $P(X \text{ is even}) = \frac{1}{2}(1 + e^{-2\lambda})$
 - (ii) $E(|X - 1|) = 2e^{-\lambda} + \lambda - 1$. $5+5$