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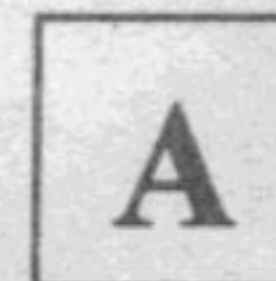
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Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks: 300

INSTRUCTIONS

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- Write the answers to the objective questions against each Question No. in the Answer Table for Objective Questions, provided on Page No. 5. Do not write anything else on this page.
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  - For each correct answer, you will be awarded 6 (Six) marks.
  - For each wrong answer, you will be awarded -2 (Negative two) mark.
  - Multiple answers to a question will be treated as a wrong answer.
  - For each un-attempted question, you will be awarded 0 (Zero) mark.
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**Special Instructions/ Useful Data**

1.  $[x]$ : Greatest integer in  $x$ .
2. For an event  $A$ ,  $P(A)$  denotes the probability of the event  $A$ .
3. For a random variable  $X$ ,  $E(X)$  denotes the expectation of  $X$ .
4. Poisson( $\lambda$ ): Poisson distribution with parameter  $\lambda$ .
5. Binomial( $n, p$ ): Binomial distribution with parameters  $n$  and  $p$ .
6.  $\chi_m^2$ : Chi-square distribution with  $m$  degrees of freedom.
7. Exp( $\theta$ ): Exponential distribution with mean  $\theta$ .
8.  $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ : Normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ .
9.  $U(a, b)$ : Uniform distribution on the interval  $[a, b]$ .
10.  $\bar{X} = \frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n}{n}$ .
11.  $X_{(1)} = \min\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ .
12.  $X_{(n)} = \max\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$ .
13. Corr( $X, Y$ ): Correlation coefficient between  $X$  and  $Y$ .
14.  $\Phi(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} \int_{-\infty}^x e^{-t^2/2} dt$ .
15.  $n! = n(n-1)\dots 1$ .
16.  $\binom{n}{x} = \frac{n!}{x!(n-x)!}$ .
17.  $\mathbb{R}$ : The set of all real numbers.
18.  $f'(x)$ ,  $f''(x)$ ,  $f'''(x)$  and  $f^{iv}(x)$  denote the first, second, third and the fourth derivatives, respectively, of the function  $f(x)$  with respect to  $x$ .
19.  $y'(0) = \left. \frac{dy(x)}{dx} \right|_{x=0}$





**IMPORTANT NOTE FOR CANDIDATES**

- Questions 1-15 (objective questions) carry six marks each and questions 16-25 (subjective questions) carry twenty one marks each.
- Write the answers to the objective questions in the Answer Table for Objective Questions provided on page 5 only.

Q.1 Consider the following two series

$$S_1 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(k+1)(k+3)}, \quad S_2 = \sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{k+1}\sqrt{k+3}}$$

Then

- (A)  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  converge  
 (B)  $S_1$  diverges and  $S_2$  converges  
 (C)  $S_1$  converges and  $S_2$  diverges  
 (D)  $S_1$  and  $S_2$  diverge

Q.2 Let  $f(x) = [x]$  and

$$g(x) = \begin{cases} x, & 0 \leq x < 1, \\ x-1, & 1 \leq x < 2, \\ x-2, & 2 \leq x < 3, \\ 0, & x = 3, \end{cases}$$

for  $x \in [0, 3]$ . Then  $f(x) + g(x)$  is

- (A) discontinuous at points 1 and 2  
 (B) continuous on  $[0, 3]$  but not differentiable on  $(0, 3)$   
 (C) differentiable once but not twice on  $(0, 3)$   
 (D) twice differentiable on  $(0, 3)$

Q.3 The area of the region enclosed by the curve  $y = x^2$  and the straight line  $x + y = 2$  is

- (A) 3  
 (B)  $\frac{27}{2}$   
 (C)  $\frac{9}{2}$   
 (D) 9

Q.4 If

$$\int_0^x f(t) dt = x^2 \sin x + x^3,$$

then  $f\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)$  is

- (A)  $\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right)^3$   
 (B)  $\pi + \frac{3\pi^2}{4}$   
 (C)  $\pi - \frac{3\pi^2}{4}$   
 (D) 0





Q.5 If  $A$  is a  $3 \times 3$  non-zero matrix such that  $A^2 = 0$ , then the number of non-zero eigenvalues of  $A$  is

- (A) 0                                      (B) 1                                      (C) 2                                      (D) 3

Q.6 The solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{x(x^2 + y^2 - 10)}{y(x^2 + y^2 + 5)}, \quad y(0) = 1$$

is

- (A)  $x^4 - 2x^2y^2 - y^4 - 20x^2 - 10y^2 + 11 = 0$   
 (B)  $x^4 + 2x^2y^2 + y^4 + 20x^2 + 10y^2 - 11 = 0$   
 (C)  $x^4 + 2x^2y^2 - y^4 + 20x^2 - 10y^2 + 11 = 0$   
 (D)  $x^4 + 2x^2y^2 + y^4 - 20x^2 + 10y^2 - 11 = 0$

Q.7 Let  $X$  be Poisson(2) and  $Y$  be Binomial(10, 3/4) random variables. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent, then  $P(XY = 0)$  is

- (A)  $e^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{10} (1 - e^{-2})$                                       (B)  $e^{-2} + \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{10} (1 - 2e^{-2})$   
 (C)  $e^{-2} \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{10}$                                       (D)  $e^{-2} + 1 - \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{10}$

Q.8 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  ( $n > 1$ ) be a random sample from  $\text{Exp}(1)$ . Then the distribution of  $(2n\bar{X})$  is

- (A)  $\text{Exp}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$                                       (B)  $\text{Exp}(2n)$                                       (C)  $\chi_n^2$                                       (D)  $\chi_{2n}^2$

Q.9 Suppose  $X$  is a random variable with finite variance. For  $0 < \theta < 1$  and  $n > 3$ , let  $X_1 = X$ ,  $X_2 = \theta X_1$ ,  $X_3 = \theta X_2$ , ...,  $X_n = \theta X_{n-1}$ . Then  $\text{Corr}(X_1, X_n)$  is

- (A) 1                                      (B) -1                                      (C)  $\theta^{n-2}$                                       (D)  $\theta^{n-3}$



- Q.10 Let  $X_1, X_2, X_3$  be independent random variables with  $X_k$  ( $k = 1, 2, 3$ ) having the probability density function

$$f_k(x) = \begin{cases} k\theta e^{-k\theta x}, & 0 < x < \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where  $\theta > 0$ . Then a sufficient statistic for  $\theta$  is

- (A)  $X_1 + X_2 + X_3$  (B)  $3X_1 + 2X_2 + X_3$   
 (C)  $X_1 + X_2 + 3X_3$  (D)  $X_1 + 2X_2 + 3X_3$

- Q.11 Let  $X$  be a random variable such that  $E|X| < \infty$  and

$$P\left(X \geq \frac{1}{2} + x\right) = P\left(X \leq \frac{1}{2} - x\right)$$

for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$ . Then

- (A)  $E(X) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\text{Median}(X) = \frac{1}{2}$  (B)  $E(X) = \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\text{Median}(X) > \frac{1}{2}$   
 (C)  $E(X) < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\text{Median}(X) = \frac{1}{2}$  (D)  $E(X) < \frac{1}{2}$  and  $\text{Median}(X) > \frac{1}{2}$

- Q.12 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots$  be a sequence of independent random variables. Suppose, for  $k = 1, 2, \dots$ ,

$$P(X_{2k-1} = 1) = P(X_{2k-1} = -1) = \frac{1}{2}$$

and the probability density function of  $X_{2k}$  is

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} e^{-\sqrt{2}|x|}, \quad -\infty < x < \infty.$$

Then  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left[\frac{X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_{2n}}{\sqrt{2n}} \geq 1\right]$  is

- (A)  $\Phi(1)$  (B)  $\frac{1}{2}$  (C)  $\Phi(-1)$  (D) 1

- Q.13 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_9$  be a random sample from  $N(\theta, 1)$ , where  $-\infty < \theta < \infty$ . Consider the following two tests for testing  $H_0 : \theta = 2.5$  against  $H_1 : \theta = 4$

Test 1: Reject  $H_0$  if  $X_1 > 4$ ,

Test 2: Reject  $H_0$  if  $\bar{X} > 3$ .

Suppose  $\alpha_k$  and  $\beta_k$  are the probabilities of Type I and Type II errors, respectively, for Test  $k$  ( $k = 1, 2$ ). Then

- (A)  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$  (B)  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 > \beta_2$   
 (C)  $\alpha_1 > \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 = \beta_2$  (D)  $\alpha_1 = \alpha_2$  and  $\beta_1 < \beta_2$



- Q.14 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  ( $n > 1$ ) be a random sample from  $U(\theta, \theta + 1)$ . Consider the following three estimators for  $\theta$ ,  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$

$$T_1 = X_{(n)},$$

$$T_2 = \frac{X_{(1)} + X_{(n)}}{2},$$

$$T_3 = \frac{X_{(1)} + X_{(n)}}{2} - \frac{1}{2}.$$

Then

- (A)  $T_1$  and  $T_3$  both are maximum likelihood estimators of  $\theta$  while  $T_2$  is not  
 (B)  $T_3$  is the unique maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta$   
 (C)  $T_3$  is a maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta$  while  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  are not  
 (D)  $T_1$  and  $T_2$  both are maximum likelihood estimators of  $\theta$  while  $T_3$  is not
- Q.15 A nonempty subset  $P$  is formed by selecting elements at random and without replacement from a set  $B$  consisting of  $n$  ( $> 1$ ) distinct elements. Another nonempty subset  $Q$  is formed in a similar fashion from the original set  $B$  consisting of the same  $n$  elements. Then the probability that  $P$  and  $Q$  do not have any common element is

(A) 
$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n}{j}}$$

(B) 
$$\frac{\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j}}{\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n}{j}}$$

(C) 
$$\frac{\sum_{i=1}^{n-1} \sum_{j=1}^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j}}{\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n}{j}}$$

(D) 
$$\frac{\sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \sum_{j=0}^{n-i} \binom{n}{i} \binom{n-i}{j}}{\sum_{i=0}^n \sum_{j=0}^n \binom{n}{i} \binom{n}{j}}$$

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**Answer Table for Objective Questions**

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Q.16 (a) One coin is selected at random from two coins. The probability of obtaining head for one of them is  $\frac{1}{3}$  and for the other it is  $\frac{1}{2}$ . If the selected coin is tossed and the head shows up, what is the probability that it is the fair coin? (9)

(b) Let  $p$  denote the probability that the weather (either wet or dry) tomorrow will be the same as that of today. If the weather is dry today, show that  $P_n$ , the probability that it will be dry  $n$  days later, satisfies

$$P_n = (2p - 1) P_{n-1} + (1 - p), \quad n \geq 1.$$

Hence, or otherwise, determine the value of  $P_{50}$  for  $p = \frac{3}{4}$ . (12)



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Q.17 (a) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  have the joint probability mass function

$$P(X = x, Y = y) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-2}}{x! (y-x)!}, & x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, y; \quad y = 0, 1, 2, \dots \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Determine  $M(t_1, t_2)$ , the joint moment generating function of  $(X, Y)$ . (9)

(b) The conditional probability density function of  $X$  given  $Y = y (> 0)$  is

$$f(x|y) = \begin{cases} ye^{-yx}, & x > 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

and the marginal probability density function of  $Y$  is

$$g(y; \alpha) = \begin{cases} \alpha e^{-\alpha y}, & y > 0, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Derive the conditional probability density function of  $Y$  given  $X = x$ . (12)



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Q.18 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a distribution having the probability density function

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \frac{2x}{\theta^2}, & 0 < x \leq \theta, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Find the maximum likelihood estimator  $\hat{\theta}$  of  $\theta$  and determine the constant  $c$  such that  $E(c\hat{\theta}) = \theta$ . (12)
- (b) Find the method of moments estimator of  $\theta$ . (9)



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Q.19 Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from a distribution having the probability density function

$$f(x; \theta) = \begin{cases} \theta 2^\theta x^{-(\theta+1)}, & x > 2, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where,  $\theta > 2$ .

(a) Show that  $\sum_{k=1}^n \ln X_k$  is sufficient and complete for  $\theta$ . (12)

(b) Find the Cramér-Rao lower bound of the variance of an unbiased estimator of  $(\ln \theta)$ . (9)



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Q.20 Let  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  be a random sample from a distribution having the probability density function  $f(x)$ . Consider the testing of  $H_0 : f(x) = f_0(x)$  against  $H_1 : f(x) = f_1(x)$  based on  $X_1$  and  $X_2$ , where

$$f_0(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & 0 < x < 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases} \quad \text{and} \quad f_1(x) = \begin{cases} 4x^3, & 0 < x < 1, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- (a) For a given level, show that the critical region of the most powerful test for testing  $H_0$  against  $H_1$  is of the form

$$\{(x_1, x_2) : \ln x_1 + \ln x_2 > c\},$$

for some constant  $c$ .

(9)

- (b) Determine  $c$  in terms of a suitable cutoff point of a Chi-square distribution when the level is  $\alpha$ .

(12)





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Q.21 (a) The random variable  $X$  has the distribution function

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x < 0, \\ \frac{2x^2 + 1}{10}, & 0 \leq x < 1, \\ \frac{4}{5}, & 1 \leq x < 2, \\ \frac{(x-2)^4 + 16}{20}, & 2 \leq x < 3, \\ 1, & x \geq 3. \end{cases}$$

Find the values of  $P(1 \leq X \leq 2.5)$  and  $P(0.5 < X < 3)$ . (12)

(b) Let  $X$  be a normal random variable with mean 0 and variance 1. Show that

$$P(X \geq c) \leq e^{-ct + \frac{t^2}{2}}$$

for  $c > 0$  and  $t \in \mathbb{R}$ . (9)



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Q.22 (a) Let  $a_1 = 0$  and

$$a_{n+1} = \frac{a_n^2 + 3}{2(a_n + 1)} \text{ for } n \geq 1.$$

Show that the sequence  $\{a_n\}$  converges and find its limit.

(12)

(b) Let

$$a_{2n-1} = \frac{9^{n-1}}{16^{n-1}} \text{ and } a_{2n} = \frac{9^{n-1}}{16^n} \text{ for } n \geq 1.$$

Test whether  $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} a_n$  is convergent.

(9)





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- Q.23 (a) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be a four times differentiable function such that  $f^{iv}(x) > 0$  for  $x \in (a, b)$ . If  $c \in (a, b)$  is such that  $f'(c) = f''(c) = f'''(c) = 0$ , then show that  $f$  has a minimum at  $c$ .

(9)

- (b) Let

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{x(x^2 - y^2)}{x^2 + y^2}, & (x, y) \neq (0, 0), \\ 0, & (x, y) = (0, 0). \end{cases}$$

- (i) Find the first order partial derivatives of  $f$  at the point  $(0, 0)$ , if they exist.  
(ii) Check for the continuity and the differentiability of  $f$  at the point  $(0, 0)$ .

(12)





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Q.24 (a) Find the volume of the region bounded by the planes  $x = 0$ ,  $y = 0$ ,  $z = 0$  and  $6x + 4y + 3z = 12$ .

(12)

(b) Let

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 & 6 \\ 2 & 6 & 9 & 18 \\ 1 & 2 & 6 & 12 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find a basis for the null space of  $A$ .

(9)





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Q.25 Solve the following differential equation

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} + 4 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = e^{-x} \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{3} - x\right), \quad y(0) = y'(0) = 0.$$

(21)





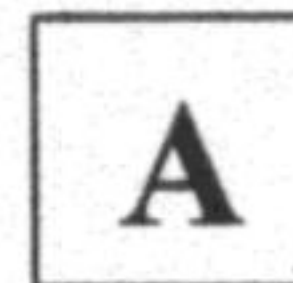
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