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B.A./B.Sc.
Second Semester
MAJOR – 2
STATISTICS
Course Code: STM 2.11
(Probability Distributions & Correlation Analysis)

Total Mark: 50

Pass Mark: 20

Time: 2 hours

I. Answer three questions, taking one from each unit.

UNIT-I

1. (a) Two random variables x and y have the following joint probability density function.

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

Find:

- (i) Marginal probability density function of x and y .
(ii) Conditional density functions
(iii) $\text{Var}(x)$ and $\text{Var}(y)$.

2+2+2=6

- (b) Define cumulants and obtain the first four cumulants in terms of central moments. 6

2. (a) Define moments and moment generating function of a random variable X . If $M(t)$ is the MGF of a random variable X about the origin, show that the moment μ'_r is given by

$$\mu'_r = \left[\frac{d^r \mu(t)}{dt^r} \right]_{t=0}. \quad 1+2+3=6$$

- (b) State and prove weak law of large numbers (WLLN). 6

UNIT-II

3. (a) Define uniform distribution with usual notations. Find mean, variance, and moment generating function of uniform distribution. 6

(b) Obtain the moment generating function of binomial distribution and hence find the value of mean and variance of binomial distribution. 3+3=6

4. (a) Define Poisson distribution. Obtain its mean, variance and moment generating function. 1+1+2+2=6

(b) Write four properties of normal distribution. Prove that a linear combination of independent normal variate is also a normal variate. 2+4=6

UNIT-III

5. (a) Explain scatter diagram. 3

(b) The random variables X and Y are jointly normally distributed, and U and V are defined by $U = X \cos \alpha + Y \sin \alpha$ and $V = Y \cos \alpha - X \sin \alpha$. Show that U and V will be uncorrelated if $\tan 2\alpha = \frac{2r\sigma_X\sigma_Y}{\sigma_X^2 - \sigma_Y^2}$. 4

(c) State and prove any two properties of regression. 5

6. (a) Show that the coefficient of correlation is independent of change of origin and scale. 5

(b) Define multiple correlation. Write the properties of multiple correlation coefficient. 1+2=3

(c) Obtain the normal equations for the second-degree polynomial using principle of least square method. 4

II. Answer any two of the following questions.

7. (a) Let X be a random variable with the following probability distribution:

x	-3	6	9
$P(X = x)$	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Find $E(X)$ and $E(X^2)$ using the law of expectation, evaluate $E(2X + 1)^2$. 5

(b) State the Chebyshev's inequality. 2

8. (a) Obtain the recurrence relation for the probabilities of binomial distribution. 3
(b) Find the normal distribution as a limiting form of binomial distribution. 4
9. (a) Define rank correlation. 1
(b) Show that:

$$1 - R_{1.23}^2 = (1 - r_{12}^2)(1 - r_{13.2}^2)$$

using the above result prove that:

$$1 - R_{1.23}^2 = \frac{(1 - \rho)(1 + 2\rho)}{(1 + \rho)}$$

provided all coefficient of zero order are equal to ρ . 3+3=6