

2015

STATISTICS

[Honours]

PAPER — I

Full Marks : 100

Time : 4 hours

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

Illustrate the answers wherever necessary

[NEW SYLLABUS]

GROUP — A

(Descriptive Statistics)

[Marks : 45]

1. Answer any *five* questions : 5 × 5

(a) What do you mean by primary data ? Discuss

mail questionnaire method and interview method for collecting primary data. Also discuss their relative merits and demerits.

- (b) Distinguish (i) between an attribute and a variable, and (ii) between time series data and cross-sectional data.
- (c) What is tabulation? Describe the different parts of a standard statistical table.
- (d) What is a histogram? Describe the construction of a histogram.
- (e) Let X be a variable assuming positive values only. Show that the arithmetic mean of the reciprocal of X cannot be smaller than the reciprocal of its arithmetic mean.
- (f) Show that the quartile deviation is independent of change of origin but dependent on scale.
- (g) Given the observations 32, 67, 43, 12, 91

on a variable X , find out the values of 'a' and 'b' such that

$$(i) \sum_{i=1}^n |x_i - a| \quad \text{and} \quad (ii) \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - b)^2$$

are minimum, specify the results clearly, if you use any.

(h) Write a short note on stem and leaf display.

2. Answer any *two* questions : 10 × 2

(a) (i) Suppose the variable X takes positive values x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n only and their deviations from arithmetic mean (\bar{x}) are small compared to \bar{x} itself. Show that

$$\bar{x}_g = \bar{x} \left(1 - \frac{s^2}{2\bar{x}^2} \right) \text{ approximately,}$$

where \bar{x}_g is the geometric mean and s is the standard deviation of X .

(ii) Show that

$$\frac{R^2}{2n} \leq s^2 \leq \frac{R^2}{4},$$

where R and s are the range and standard deviation of n values of a variable. 5 + 5

(b) (i) Define skewness of a frequency distribution. Mention three measures of skewness and deduce their limits.

(ii) In case of a study of bivariate data define the two regression coefficients. Show that the correlation coefficient cannot exceed the average of the two regression coefficients in magnitude. 5 + 5

(c) (i) Define correlation ratio (e_{yx}) of y on x . If r is the product-moment correlation coefficient between x and y then prove that $0 \leq r^2 \leq e^2_{yx} \leq 1$.

(ii) Define correlation index. Show that,

$$r_p^2 \geq r_{p-1}^2$$

where r_p is correlation index of order p . 5 + 5

(d) (i) Define the notion of independence and

association for a 2×2 contingency table. Define odds ratio. How do you assess the nature of association between two categorical variables on the basis of odds ratio ?

- (ii) What do you mean by intra-class correlation ? Derive intra-class correlation coefficient when a characteristic X is observed for ' p ' families each having ' k ' members. 5 + 5

GROUP – B

(*Matrix Algebra*)

[*Marks : 20*]

3. Answer any *two* questions : 5 × 2
- (a) Define a vector space. Show that the number of vectors in the basis of a vector space is constant.
- (b) If A' denotes the transpose of a matrix A , then show that $\text{rank } A = \text{rank } AA'$.

- (c) Show that a non-singular matrix A is positive-definite iff $A = PP'$ for some non-singular matrix P .
- (d) If any two rows of the determinant $|A|$ are interchanged, prove that the new determinant equals $-|A|$.

4. Answer any *one* question : 10 × 1

- (a) (i) What do you mean by dimension of a vector space? Suppose v is a vector space and v_1 and v_2 are the two vector subspaces of v . Show that,

$$\dim(v_1 + v_2) = \dim(v_1) + \dim(v_2) - \dim(v_1 \cap v_2)$$

- (ii) Suppose v_1 and v_2 are the two vector subspaces of R^3 as

$$v_1 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3)' : x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 0\}$$

$$v_2 = \{(x_1, x_2, x_3)' : x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 = 0\}$$

Find $\dim(v_1)$, $\dim(v_2)$, $\dim(v_1 \cap v_2)$,
 $\dim(v_1 + v_2)$

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- (b) Investigate for what values of α and β the system of simultaneous equations given by

$$x + y + z = 6$$

$$x + 2y + 3z = 10$$

$$x + 2y + \alpha z = \beta$$

- has (i) no solution, (ii) a unique solution, (iii) an infinite number of solutions. 10

GROUP – C

(*Mathematical Analysis*)

[*Marks : 25*]

5. Answer any *three* questions : 5 × 3

- (a) Show that the sequence $\{u_n\}$ where

$$u_n = 1 + \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \dots + \frac{1}{n}$$

is convergent and that $2 < \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} u_n < 3$

- (b) Show that $\sqrt[n]{n} \rightarrow 1$ as $n \rightarrow \infty$.

(c) Test the convergence of the series

$$\frac{1}{1 \cdot 2 \cdot 3} + \frac{1}{2 \cdot 3 \cdot 4} + \frac{1}{3 \cdot 4 \cdot 5} + \dots$$

(d) Prove that an absolutely convergent series is convergent while the converse of this result is not necessarily true.

(e) Show that

$$\Gamma(x) > \frac{1}{e} \int_0^1 t^{x-1} dx, \quad x > 0$$

and hence show that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \Gamma(x) = \infty$.

6. Answer any *one* question : 10 × 1

(a) (i) What is a sequence of real numbers ?
When do you call a sequence to be convergent ?

(ii) Prove that every convergent sequence is bounded.

(iii) If $\{a_n\}$ and $\{b_n\}$ be two convergent sequences such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} a_n = A \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} b_n = B,$$

prove that the sequence $\{a_n b_n\}$ is also convergent and converges to AB . 4 + 3 + 3

(b) (i) If $f''(x) \geq 0$ on $[a, b]$, prove that,

$$f\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}\right) \leq \frac{1}{2}[f(x_1) + f(x_2)]$$

for any two points $x_1, x_2 \in [a, b]$.

(ii) Examine the convergence of the integral. 10

$$\int_0^1 x^{m-1} (1-x)^{n-1} dx, \quad m > 0, \quad n > 0.$$

[*Internal Assessment* : 10 Marks]
