

2018

STATISTICS

[Honours]

PAPER — II

Full Marks : 90

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

GROUP—A

1. Answer any *five* questions : 5 × 5
- (a) Define the cumulative distribution function (c.d.f.) of a random variable X . Show that it is monotone non-decreasing. 2 + 3

(Turn Over)

(2)

(b) Show that for n events A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n ,

$$P\left(\bigcap_{i=1}^n A_i\right) \geq \sum_{i=1}^n P(A_i) - (n-1). \quad 5$$

(c) The joint density function of x and y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2e^{-x-2y} & 0 < x, y < \infty \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

compute $P(x < y)$.

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(d) Show that moment generating function for a Cauchy distribution does not exist.

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(e) A and B throw alternately with a pair of ordinary dice. A wins if he throws 6 before B throws 7, and B wins if he throws 7 before A throws 6. If A begins, show that his chance

of wining is $\frac{30}{61}$.

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(f) Show that the odd order central moments of a symmetric distribution are zeros. 5

(g) If the probability density function (pdf) of a random variable X is given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & \text{if } a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

then find $P(c \leq X < b)$ when $a \leq c < b$ and $P(a \leq X < c | X \leq c)$. 5

(h) Show that mean deviation about mean of normal distribution is $\sqrt{\frac{2}{\pi}}a$ where a be the s.d. of the distribution. 5

(i) Let X and Y be independent, each following a geometric distribution with parameter p . Show that the conditional distribution of X given $X+Y=n$ is uniform over $\{0, 1, 2, 3, \dots, n\}$. 5

2. Answer any *two* questions :

10 × 2

(a) (i) Let (X, Y) be a bivariate discrete random variables with joint probability mass function

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{if } y = 1, 2, \dots, x \\ \binom{m+1}{2} & \text{and } x = 1, 2, \dots, m \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

for a given positive integer $m > 1$. Find

(I) $E(x)$ from the marginal distribution of x .

(II) Find the correlation coefficient between x and y .

2 + 4

(ii) Show that for two random variables X and Y

$$\text{Var}(X) = E(\text{Var}(X|Y)) + \text{Var}(E(X|Y)). \quad 4$$

(b) Establish an appropriate inequality concerning the mean, the median and the mode of a log-normal distribution with parameters μ and σ . 10

(c) (i) Prove that the probability P that at least one of the r events A_1, A_2, \dots, A_r will occur obeys the inequality

$$P \geq \sum_{i=1}^r P(A_i) - \sum_{i=1}^r \sum_{\substack{j=1 \\ i < j}}^r P(A_i \cap A_j) \quad 7$$

(ii) Show that conditional probability satisfies Kolmogorov's axioms on the definition of probability. 3

(d) (i) Show that two events cannot be simultaneously mutually exclusive and mutually independent. 2

(ii) Let X be a random variable denoting the number of tosses of a coin till the first head appears. Obtain the moment generating function of X and hence its mean and variance. 4 + 2 + 2

GROUP-B

3. Answer any *two* questions : 5 × 2

(a) A polynomial $g(\cdot)$ is such that $g(0) = 1$,
 $g(1) + g(2) = 10$, $g(3) + g(4) = 65 = g(5)$.
Find the form of $g(x)$. 5

(b) Obtain the convergence criterion of iteration method to obtain numerical solution of a equation in one unknown. 5

(c) Derive Newton's formula for backward interpolation. 5

(d) Show that n th order finite difference of a polynomial of degree n is constant. 5

4. Answer any *one* question : 10 × 1

(a) Derive Lagrange's interpolation formula. Hence show that the Lagrange's interpolation formula is an weighted average of entries. Discuss the important uses of this formula. 5 + 3 + 2

(b) (i) Obtain the Trapezoidal rule of numerical integration.

(ii) When and how will you use the method of false position ? 5 + 5

GROUP—C

5. Answer any three questions : 5 × 3

(a) Discuss the ratio to trend method in estimating seasonal component of time series. 5

(b) What are the different tests for consistency that a formula for price index number should satisfy ? 5

(c) Distinguish between fixed-base index numbers and chain-base index numbers. 5

(d) Mention the important publications of the Reserve Bank of India. 5

(e) Write a short note on simple exponential smoothing. 5

(f) Show that Gini's coefficient of mean difference can be expressed in terms of standard deviation. 5

6. Answer any *one* question : 10 × 1

(a) State the different components of a time series with appropriate examples of each. How will you fit a linear trend equation to time series data ? 5 + 5

(b) (i) Why is Fisher's index number known as an ideal index number ?

(ii) Show that Marshall Edgeworth index number lies between Laspeyre's and Paasche's index numbers. 6 + 4