

Indian Institute of Technology Patna
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End Semester Examination

Maximum Marks: 50

Total Time: 3 Hours

Note: This question paper has ONE page and contains Ten questions. Answer all questions.

1. Suppose that the probability that in a pair of twins both are boys is 0.3 and that both are girls is 0.26. It is given that the probability of the first child being a boy is 0.52. What is the probability that in a randomly selected twins the second baby is a girl child given that the first one is a girl? Also determine the probability the first twin is boy and the second one is a girl. [1.5 + 1.5]
2. Let X follows a binomial $B(n, p)$ distribution. Assume that as $n \rightarrow \infty$, $p \rightarrow 0$ then $np \rightarrow \lambda$. Under this assumption show that the given binomial distribution approaches to a Poisson distribution with parameter λ . [2]
3. Let X be a random variable with pdf $f_X(x) = ax^2$, $-1 \leq x \leq 0$, $f_X(x) = b(1-x^2)$, $0 \leq x \leq 1$, $f_X(x) = 0$, elsewhere. Given that mean of this distribution is zero, evaluate the constants a and b . Determine the median of this distribution. [1+1+1]
4. Incoming telephone calls to an operator are assumed to be a Poisson process with rate 30 calls per hour. Find the density function of the length of the time for 10 calls to be received. Find the mean of this distribution. [3 + 1]
5. If X and Y are RVs with the joint pdf $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \frac{x^2+y^2}{4\pi} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}}$, $-\infty < x < \infty$, $-\infty < y < \infty$. Verify whether X and Y are independent. Find covariance between X and Y . Define correlation coefficient between two random variables. [2+2+1]
6. Let X have the exponential distribution with mean 1. Consider the transformation $Y = \theta X^{\frac{1}{m}}$, $\theta > 0$, $m > 0$. Find pdf of Y . Express mean and variance of Y in terms of θ and m . Find the 0.9th quantile of Y with $m = 3$, $\theta = 5$. [3+2+2+1]
7. Suppose that X and Y have gamma $G(\alpha, 1)$ and $G(\beta, 1)$ distributions respectively and that they are independent. Let $U = X + Y$, $V = \frac{X}{X+Y}$. Show that U and V are independent (evaluate joint pdf). Find the corresponding marginal probability density functions. Further let $\alpha = 1$ and then find the cdf of $Z = \frac{X}{Y}$ and use it to determine the probability $P(Z \leq 10)$ for $\beta = 10$. [3+2+2+1]
8. Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_k are independent random variables distributed as gamma $G(r_i, \lambda)$, $i = 1, 2, \dots, k$ distribution. Use mgf technique to find the distribution of the sum of these random variables. Determine the mean and the variance of this distribution using the definition. [3+1+2]
9. Let (X, Y) be the heights in centimeters of randomly selected husband-wife pairs. Suppose (X, Y) has the bivariate $BVN(178, 165, 7, 6, 0.4)$ normal distribution. Find the probability that the wife is taller than 170 cm given that her husband has height 171 cm. Further determine the probability that total height of a randomly selected husband-wife pair is less than 320 cm. [3 + 3]
10. Given the joint pdf of X and Y as $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 0.5xe^{-y}$, $0 < x < 2$, $y > 0$; $f_{X,Y}(x, y) = 0$, elsewhere, determine the joint pdf of (U, V) where $U = X + Y$, $V = Y$. Also evaluate the marginal distribution of U . [3 + 2]