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- Answer all questions within three (3) pages, sequentially.
- All parts of a question should be answered at one place.

1. Out of $(2n + 1)$ tickets consecutively numbered, three are drawn at random. Find the probability that the numbers on them are in arithmetic progression (A.P). [5]

2. Let X be a continuous random variable with probability density given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{x}{2}, & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 1, \\ \frac{1}{2}, & \text{if } 1 \leq x < 2, \\ -\frac{x}{2} + \frac{3}{2}, & \text{if } 2 \leq x < 3, \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere.} \end{cases}$$

If x_1, x_2 and x_3 are three independent observations from X , what is the probability that exactly one of these three numbers is larger than 1.5? [5]

3. If X is a Poisson random variable that satisfies $P(X = 2) = 9P(X = 4) + 90P(X = 6)$, then find the skewness of X . [5]
4. A two dimensional random variable (X, Y) has the joint probability mass function given by

$$f(x, y) = \frac{\lambda^x e^{-\lambda} p^y (1-p)^{x-y}}{y!(x-y)!}, \quad y = 0, 1, 2, \dots, x; \quad x = 0, 1, 2, \dots,$$

where λ and p are constants with $\lambda > 0, 0 < p < 1$. Find the marginal probability mass functions of X and Y . [5]

5. A two dimensional random variable (X, Y) has the joint density function given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{8}(6 - x - y), & \text{if } 0 \leq x < 2, 2 \leq y < 4, \\ 0, & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Find the probabilities, (i) $P(X < 1)$, and (ii) $P(Y < 3)$. [5]

6. Suppose that X is a discrete random variable with the probability mass function, $P(X = 0) = \frac{2\theta}{3}, P(X = 1) = \frac{\theta}{3}, P(X = 2) = \frac{2(1-\theta)}{3}, P(X = 3) = \frac{(1-\theta)}{3}$, where $0 \leq \theta \leq 1$ is a parameter. Find the maximum likelihood estimator of θ , based on a random sample 3, 0, 2, 1, 3, 2, 1, 0, 2, 1 which is taken from this distribution. [5]

7. Obtain 99% confidence intervals for the mean and variance of a normal distribution using the sample values 30.8, 30.0, 29.9, 30.1, 31.7, 34.0. [5]
8. Suppose you play a game that involves throwing three dice in succession of trials. Your winning are directly proportional to the number of fours recorded. Suppose, the number of trials is 100. Then using a chi-square test of goodness of fit, based on the following observed data conclude whether it is likely that the dice have been fairly weighted. (take $\alpha = 0.05$). [5]

Number of Fours	0	1	2	3
Observed Count	47	35	15	3

9. The following dataset is available to us based on elastic band experiment. [5]

Mass (g) (X)	50	100	150	200	250	300	350	400
Lengths (mm) (Y)	37	48	60	71	80	90	102	109

- (i) Obtain the correlation coefficient between Mass and Length, (ii) Obtain the regression line of Y on X .
10. Suppose we have ranks of 5 students in three subjects: Computer, Physics and Statistics. Using rank correlation coefficient determine which pair of subjects are highly correlated. [5]

Rank in Computer (R_1)	2	4	5	1	3
Rank in Physics (R_2)	5	1	2	3	4
Rank in Statistics (R_3)	2	3	5	4	1

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