



**VI Semester B.E. (CSE/ISE) Degree Examination, December 2016  
(2K11 Scheme)**

**CI62 : PROBABILITY AND STOCHASTIC PROCESSES**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 100

**Instruction :** Answer **any five** questions selecting atleast **two** from **each** Part.

PART – A

1. a) A box contains 10 red and 12 blue balls. Two balls are drawn at random and are discarded without their colors being seen. What is the probability that a third ball drawn is blue ? 8
- b) A random variable X has the following probability distribution function (Table 1) :

Table 1 : Probability distribution of X

x	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
P(X = x)	0	k	2k	2k	3k	k <sup>2</sup>	2k <sup>2</sup>	7k <sup>2</sup> + k

Find :

- i) The value of k
- ii) Evaluate  $P\{X < 6\}$
- iii) Evaluate  $P\{X \geq 6\}$
- iv) If  $P[X \leq c] > \frac{1}{2}$ , then find the minimum value of c. 12

2. a) A random variable X has the following probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} cx(1-x) & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- i) Find the value of c.
- ii) Compute  $P\left[\frac{1}{2} \leq X \leq \frac{3}{4}\right]$ .



iii) Find the cumulative distribution function  $F(x)$ .

iv) Sketch the plot of  $F(x)$  against  $x$ .

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b) The random variable  $X$  has probability density function  $f(x)$  where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4}{x^5} & x \geq 1 \\ 0 & x < 1 \end{cases}$$

Find the median, mean, variance and standard deviation of the random variable  $X$ .

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3. a) Bits are sent over a communications channel in packets of 12.

i) If the probability of a bit being corrupted over this channel is 0.1 and such errors are independent, what is the probability that no more than 2 bits in a packet are corrupted ?

ii) If 6 packets are sent over the channel, what is the probability that at least one packet will contain 3 or more corrupted bits ?

iii) Let  $X$  denote the number of packets containing 3 or more corrupted bits. What is the probability that  $X$  will exceed its mean by more than 2 standard deviations ?

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b) Electric trains on a certain line run every half an hour between mid-night and six in the morning. What is the probability that a man entering the station at a random time during this period will have to wait at least twenty minutes ?

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4. a) 1,000 RAM IC chips are purchased from two different semiconductor houses. Let  $X$  and  $Y$  denote the time to failure of the chips purchased from two suppliers. The joint probability density of  $X$  and  $Y$  is estimated by :

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} \lambda\mu e^{-(\lambda x + \mu y)} & x \geq 0, y > 0 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Assume  $\lambda = 10^{-5}$  and  $\mu = 10^{-6}$ .

Determine the probability that the time to failure is greater for chips characterized by  $X$  than it is for chips characterized by  $Y$ .

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b) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be two random variables. Then the expectation of their sum is the sum of their expectations; that is, if  $Z = X + Y$ , then  $E[Z] = E[X + Y] = E[X] + E[Y]$ .

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PART – B

5. a) Define the following types of stochastic processes with an example for each.
- i) Strict-sense stationary
  - ii) Independent
  - iii) Renewal
  - iv) Markov processes. 12
- b) Suppose that people arrive at a service counter in accordance with a Poisson process with rate  $\lambda = 10$  per hour. If customers are male with probability  $p = 1/2$ , given that 20 males arrived between 10 am and 11 am, how many females would we expect to have arrived in that time ? 8
6. a) Discuss the superimposition and decomposition of the Poisson process. 10
- b) Explain the  $M|M|1$  queuing system in detail. 10
7. a) Derive the expressions for the average number of jobs in the system and the average response time for a typical open queuing network. 10
- b) A group of telephone subscribers is observed continuously during a 80-minute busy-hour period. During this time they make 30 calls, with the total conversation time being 4,200 seconds. Compute the call arrival rate and the traffic intensity. 10
8. Write short notes on the following :
- a) Pure birth and death process
  - b) Markov chains with absorbing states
  - c) Closed queuing networks
  - d) Random walks. (5×4=20)
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