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## SECOND SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, APRIL 2022 (Regular/Improvement/Supplementary) STATISTICS FMST2C08: PROBABILITY THEORY

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Weightage: 30

Part A: Answer any four questions. Each carries two weightage

- 1. Define random variable. Illustrate it through a suitable example.
- 2. If X and Y are independent random variables and g(.), a continuous real valued function, prove that g(X) and g(Y) are independent.
- 3. Define  $r^{th}$  mean convergence. Does  $r^{th}$  mean convergence imply convergence in probability. Justify.
- 4. State Kolmogorov's strong law of large numbers. Check whether a sequence of i.i.d Bernoulli's random variables obeys strong law of large numbers.
- 5. Define characteristic function. Is  $\phi(t) = 1$ ,  $t \in R$  a characteristic function? If so identify the random variable for which  $\phi(t)$  is the characteristic function.
- 6. State Lindeberg-Levy form of central limit theorem.
- 7. Define martingale. If  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence of i.i.d random variables, check whether  $Y_n = \prod_{i=1}^n X_i$  is a martingale.

 $(4 \times 2 = 8 \text{ weightage})$ 

Part B: Answer any four questions. Each carries three weightage

- 8. Let  $(\Omega, F, P)$  be a probability space and  $\{A_n\}$  be a monotone sequence of events on  $(\Omega, F, P)$ , prove that  $\lim_{n\to\infty} P(A_n) = P(\lim_{n\to\infty} A_n)$ .
- 9. What is a truncated random variable? What advantage you get if you truncate a random variable?
- 10. What are tail events? State and prove Kolmogorov's 0-1 law.
- 11. Show that characteristic function is uniformly continuous over the real line.
- 12. State and prove Liapunov's central limit theorem.
- 13. Define conditional expectation. Derive conditional probability from conditional expectation.
- 14. State and prove Borel-Cantelli lemma.

 $(4 \times 3 = 12 \text{ weightage})$ 

Part C: Answer any two questions. Each carries five weightage

- 15. a) What do you mean by probability space induced by a random variable?If X is a Bernoulli random variable, what is its induced probability space?
  - b) If X and Y are two random variables with joint distribution function  $F_{X,Y}(x,y)$ , prove that X and Y are independent if and only if

$$F_{X,Y}(x,y) = F_X(x)F_Y(y), \quad x,y \in \mathbb{R}.$$

16. a) If  $X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ ,  $Y_n \xrightarrow{P} Y$ ,  $\alpha$ ,  $\beta$  are real constants prove that  $\alpha X_n + \beta Y_n \xrightarrow{P} \alpha X + \beta Y$ .

b) State and prove Kolmogorov's inequality.

- 17. a) State and prove inversion theorem on characteristic function.
  - b) Find the probability density function corresponding to the characteristic function

$$\phi(t) = \begin{cases} 1 - |t| & \text{if } |t| \le 1\\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

- 18. a) State and prove important properties of conditional expectation.
  - b) Write short notes on the following
    - (i) Doob decomposition theorem (ii) Stopping time.

 $(2 \times 5 = 10 \text{ weightage})$