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STATISTICS
Paper – 2.4 : Inference – 1

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 70

Instructions : 1) Answer **any 5** questions without omitting **any** Unit.
2) **All** questions carry **equal** marks.

UNIT – I

- I. a) Explain unbiasedness and consistency of estimators. If t is consistent estimator of θ then show that t^2 is a consistent estimator of θ^2 .
- b) Define sufficiency and completeness. Give example of a statistic which is
- i) Complete, but not sufficient
 - ii) Sufficient but not complete. Justify your claim. (8+6)
- II. a) Illustrate the importance of the property 'efficiency' of an estimator with example.
- b) State and prove factorization theorem. (6+8)

UNIT – II

- III. a) Define MLE and state the regularity condition under which MLE based on a random sample of size n is
- i) consistent and
 - ii) asymptotically normally distributed.
- b) Obtain the MLE of θ based on a random sample of size 'n', from the population with p.d.f.
- i) $f(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{2} e^{-|x-\theta|}, -\infty < x < \infty$
 - ii) $f(x, \theta) = \theta (1-x)^{\theta-1}; 0 \leq x \leq 1, \theta > 1.$ (6+8)

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- IV. a) Estimate the parameters of Gamma distribution by the method of moments.
 b) Explain the method of modified minimum chi-square. (8+6)

UNIT – III

- V. a) State and establish a necessary and sufficient condition for unbiased estimates to be UMVUE.
 b) A random sample of size 'n' is taken from $N(0, \sigma^2)$. Find MVUE of σ^2 . (8+6)

- VI. a) State and prove Lehmann-Scheffe theorem.
 b) Define MVB estimator. Derive the general form of distributions admitting MVB estimators. (8+6)

UNIT – IV

- VII. a) Let $X \sim B(n, P)$. The prior distribution of P is $\pi(P) = 1$ for $0 < P < 1$. Find the Bayes estimator of P under squared error loss and also obtain the Bayes risk.
 b) Define minimax estimator. Illustrate it with an example. (7+7)

- VIII. a) Define Bayes estimator. Show that under squared error loss Bayes estimator is the mean of the posterior distribution.
 b) Let X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n be i.i.d with p.d.f. $f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} \exp(-x/\theta)$, $x > 0$. Find the Pitman estimator of θ^k . (7+7)

UNIT – V

- IX. a) For a sample of size one from the population $f_\theta(x) = \frac{2}{\theta^2}(\theta - x)$, $0 < x < \theta$, find a $(1 - \alpha)$ level confidence interval for θ .
 b) Explain the concept of shortest confidence interval. Obtain the shortest confidence interval for θ from $U(0, \theta)$ in terms of the order statistic $X_{(n)}$. (7+7)
- X. a) Distinguish between UMA and UMAU confidence intervals. If X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$, obtain a UMA confidence interval for σ^2 when μ is unknown.
 b) Explain a large sample method of constructing confidence intervals with a suitable illustration. (8+6)