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## STATISTICS

## Paper – 2.1 : Probability Theory – II

Time: 3 Hours

Max. Marks: 70

*Instructions : 1) Answer any five questions without omitting any Unit.*

*2) All questions carry equal marks.*

## UNIT – I

1. a) State and prove the basic inequality and hence deduce the Markov inequality.
- b) When do you say
  - i) Events of a class are mutually independent
  - ii) Classes are independent
  - iii) Random variables are independent.
- c) If  $X$  and  $Y$  are two independent random variables prove that  $f(x)$  and  $g(y)$  are also independent random variables where  $f$  and  $g$  are continuous functions of  $X$  and  $Y$  respectively. (7+3+4)
2. a) Define a Martingale. Let  $X$  be any r. v whose expectation exists and  $\{Y_n\}$  be an arbitrary sequence. Prove that  $Z_n = E[X | Y_1 Y_2 \dots Y_n]$  is a martingale.
- b) State and prove Liapunov's inequality. (7+7)

## UNIT – II

3. a) Define characteristic function of a random variable. If  $\phi$  is the characteristic function of a random variable prove that
  - i)  $\phi$  is continuous
  - ii)  $|\phi(v)| \leq \phi(0) = F(+\infty) - F(-\infty)$
  - iii)  $\bar{\phi}$  is the characteristic function of  $-X$ . Further  $\phi$  is real iff  $X$  is symmetric about the origin.
- b) State and prove the uniqueness theorem of characteristic functions. (7+7)

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4. If  $v_r$ , the  $r^{\text{th}}$  absolute moment of  $F(x)$  is finite prove that characteristic function is differentiable  $r$  times and  $\phi^{(r)}(v) = \int (ix)^r e^{ivx} dF(x)$ . Also prove the converse namely if  $\phi^{(r)}(0)$  exists and is finite.

$v_r < \infty$  for  $r' < r$  if  $r$  is odd and for  $r' < r$  if  $r$  is even.

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## UNIT - III

5. a) Define : i) Convergence in  $r^{\text{th}}$  mean  
ii) Convergence in probability.
- b) Show that  $X_n \xrightarrow{r} X \Rightarrow X_n \xrightarrow{P} X$ . When does the converse hold if ever it holds ?
- c) Prove that  $X_n \xrightarrow{r} X \Rightarrow E|X_n|^r \rightarrow E|X|^r$ . (3+7+4)
6. a) Define convergence in distribution for a sequence of random variables.  
If  $X_n \xrightarrow{L} X$  and  $Y_n \xrightarrow{L} C$  prove that
- i)  $X_n + Y_n \xrightarrow{L} X + C$
- ii)  $X_n Y_n \xrightarrow{L} C X$
- b) State and prove the Helly-Bray Theorem. (7+7)

## UNIT - IV

7. a) Let  $\{X_n\}$  be a sequence of iid random variables and be  $Y_n = X_n$  if  $|X_n| \leq n$ .  
 $= 0$  otherwise
- Show that  $\{X_n\}$  and  $\{Y_n\}$  are tail equivalent whenever  $E|X_1| < \infty$ .
- b) If  $\{X_n\}$  is a sequence of independent r.v's when do you say the SLLN holds.  
Also if  $P[X_n = n^\lambda] = P[X_n = -n^\lambda] = \frac{1}{2}$ , for what  $\lambda$  does the SLLN hold. (7+7)



8. a) Prove the following result :

Let  $\{X_i\}$  be a sequence of iid r.v's with common distribution function F. A necessary and sufficient condition for the existence of  $\{\mu_n\}$  such that

$$\frac{S_n}{n} - \mu_n \xrightarrow{P} 0 \text{ is that}$$

$$\lim_n n P[|X| > n] = \lim_n n [1 - F(n) + F(-n)] = 0$$

If this condition is satisfied  $\mu_n = \int_{-n}^{+n} x dF$

b) Write explanatory notes on :

1) Law of iterated logarithm.

2) Any two application of convergence of random variables in statistics. (7+7)

*Handwritten note:*  $P \rightarrow x$   
 $\frac{P}{n} \rightarrow \frac{x}{n} \rightarrow 0$

UNIT - V

9. State and prove the Lindeberg-Feller CLT and hence deduce the Lypounov and Lindeberg-Levy forms of CLT. 14

*Handwritten note:*  $n \mu = \mu_n$

10. a) Define an infinite divisible distribution. If  $\phi$  is an infinite divisible characteristic function prove that  $\phi$  has no real zeros.

b) If  $\phi(t), t \in \mathbb{R}$  is a characteristic function and  $\alpha > 0$  show that  $g(t) = e^{\alpha(\phi(t)-1)}$  is a characteristic function and is also infinite divisible. (7+7)

