

**FIRST SEMESTER M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION, NOVEMBER 2025**

(CBCSS - PG)

(Regular/Supplementary/Improvement)

**CC22PMST1C04 - PROBABILITY THEORY**

(Statistics)

(2019 Admission onwards)

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum : 30 Weightage

**Part-A**Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries 2 weightage.

1. Show that every monotone sequence of sets is convergent.
2. What is meant by independence of two random variables? Let  $\{\Omega, \mathcal{A}, P\}$  be a probability space and A, B be two subsets of  $\Omega$ . Define two random variables such that  $X(\omega) = I_A(\omega)$  and  $Y(\omega) = I_B(\omega)$  Show that X and Y are independent
3. Define distribution function of a random variable. Examine whether the following is distribution function of a random variable or not .  

$$F(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x \leq 1 \\ 1 - \frac{1}{x}, & \text{if } x > 1 \end{cases}$$
4. Define expectation of a measurable function of X. If X is a random variable taking values 1,2,3,...  $P(X = i) = p_i, i=1,2,3,\dots$  show that  $E(X) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} P(X \geq n)$  .
5. Define convergence in rth mean. Show that the sequence  $\{X_n, n \geq 1\}$  if converges in  $r^{\text{th}}$  mean, implies that  $\{X_n\}$  converges in probability.
6. Define complete convergence of a sequence of distribution function  $\{F_n, n \geq 1\}$ . If  $F_n(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } x < 0 \\ 1 - e^{-nx}, & \text{if } x \geq 0 \end{cases}$  examine whether it is completely convergent or not.
7. Examine whether WLLN holds in the following sequence of independent random variables  $P(X_k = \pm 2^k) = \frac{1}{2^{k+1}}$  and  $P(X_k = \pm 1) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \frac{1}{2^k})$

**(4 × 2 = 8 Weightage)****Part-B**Answer any **four** questions. Each question carries 3 weightage.

8. (a) Define conditional probability measure.  
(b) Define induced probability space.

9. Prove that  $E|X + Y|^r \leq C_r E|X|^r + C_r E|Y|^r$ , where  $C_r = \begin{cases} 1, & \text{if } r \leq 1 \\ 2^{r-1}, & \text{if } r \geq 1 \end{cases}$
10. a) Let  $X$  be an integer valued random variable. Then show that its probability mass function is given by  $p(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi} \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} e^{-itx} \phi(t) dt$ ,  $x = 0, \pm 1, \pm 2, \pm 3 \dots$   
 b) If the characteristic function of a random variable  $X$  is  $\phi_x(t) = q + pe^{it}$  derive its probability mass function
11. State and prove Kolmogorov 0-1 law.
12. State and prove a necessary and sufficient condition for the convergence of a sequence random variables in probability to zero
13. Show that If  $g(\cdot)$  is uniformly continuous and bounded on  $\mathbb{R}$  and  $F_n(x) \xrightarrow{C} F(x)$  implies  $\int_{\mathbb{R}} g dF_n \rightarrow \int_{\mathbb{R}} g dF$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$
14. State and prove Kolmogorov inequality.

**(4 × 3 = 12 Weightage)**

### Part-C

Answer any **two** questions. Each question carries 5 weightage.

15. Derive the characteristic function of a random variable  $X$  having probability density function as follows  
 (i)  $f(x) = \frac{1}{\pi(1+x^2)}$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$   
 (ii)  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1+x, & \text{if } -1 \leq x < 0 \\ 1-x, & \text{if } 0 < x \leq 1 \end{cases}$
16. If  $\nu_r$  the  $r$ th absolute moment of  $F(x)$  is finite, show that the characteristic function is differentiable  $r$  times. Conversely if  $\phi^r(0)$  exists and is finite, then show that  $\nu_s < \infty$  for  $s < r$  when  $r$  is odd and  $s \leq r$  when  $r$  is even
17. State and prove Jordan decomposition theorem of distribution functions
18. State and prove Liapounov's form of central limit theorem.

**(2 × 5 = 10 Weightage)**

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