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EXTERNAL DEGREE THIRD EXAMINATION IN SCIENCE -2009/2010

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EXTMT 306- PROBABILITY THEORY

Answer all questions.

Time: **Two** hours.

Statistical tables will be provided.

- (a) State and prove the **Total Probability** theorem and **Bayes'** theorem.
- (b) Four factories (A, B, C, D) of the same company manufacture tires. Productions of the each factory are 40%, 30%, 20% and 10% of total number of tires, respectively. The percentages of defective output of these factories are respectively 2%, 3%, 5% and 4%. A tire was selected at random and found to be defective. What is the probability that the selected tire was produced by factory C?
- (a) In a shooting game, shooter can get a gift if shooter can shoot at a target at least 3 times out of 5 trials. The probability that a shooter being successful at a given trial is 0.7. Find the probability that the shooter will get a gift.
- (b) Students in a primary school are being tested to see how good their motor skills are. They need an idea of the dexterity of the students before ordering some new equipments. For this, a standard dexterity test which is normally distributed with population mean 10 and standard deviation 2.5 marks, respectively, is to be used. Find out
- the probability that an individual randomly selected, will take more than 15 marks;
 - how many students will score less than 15 marks, when 200 students take the same dexterity test;
 - 95% of the students will score more than what number of marks.

(P. T. O.)

03. Continuous random variables X and Y have the following joint probability density function

$$f_{X,Y}(x,y) = \begin{cases} e^{k(x+y)} & ; x \geq 0, y \geq 0 \\ 0 & ; \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the following:

- (i) Value of k ;
- (ii) The cumulative joint probability distribution function $F_{X,Y}(x,y)$;
- (iii) $E(XY)$;
- (iv) Marginal density function of X and Y , $f_X(x)$ and $f_Y(y)$ respectively ;
- (v) $E(X)$ and $E(Y)$.

04. (a) Assume $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$ be a random sample from a Poisson distribution with parameter λ .

- (i) Find an estimator for λ using method of moment.
- (ii) Estimate λ using given sample data (Sample data: 5, 9, 7, 8, 5, 5, 7, 6, 3, 8).
- (iii) Check the unbiasedness of derived estimator in part (i).

(b) Let, $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$ be a random sample from an Exponential distribution with

parameter λ . Show that $\frac{1}{\bar{X}}$ is the maximum likelihood estimator of parameter λ , where

\bar{X} is the sample mean.

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