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**III Semester B.Sc. Degree (CBCSS – OBE – Regular/Supplementary/  
Improvement) Examination, November 2023  
(2019 to 2022 Admissions)  
COMPLEMENTARY ELECTIVE COURSE IN STATISTICS FOR  
MATHEMATICS/COMPUTER SCIENCE  
3C03STA : Probability Distributions**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 40

**PART – A  
(Short Answers)**

Answer **all** questions.**(6×1=6)**

1. Define mathematical expectation.
2. What is the value of characteristic function when  $t = 0$  ?
3. What is the mean of  $X$  following Poisson distribution with standard deviation 2 ?
4. For a geometric distribution, comparing mean and variance which is larger ?
5. Give the mean of rectangular distribution on  $(a, b)$ .
6. Write the probability density function of an exponential random variable with mean 0.2.

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**PART – B  
(Short Essay)**

Answer **any 6** questions.**(6×2=12)**

7. For two random variables, prove that  $\text{Cov}(X + Y, X - Y) = V(X) - V(Y)$ .
8. Define conditional variance.
9. Obtain moment generating function of geometric distribution.
10. Given moment generating function of  $X$  as  $(0.4 + 0.6e^t)^8$ . Find  $P(X > 0)$ .
11. Define beta distribution of first kind.
12. Write down four properties of normal distribution.
13. What do you mean by sampling distribution of statistic ?
14. If  $X$  and  $Y$  are independent standard normal random variables, identify the probability distributions of (i)  $X^2$  and (ii)  $(X^2 + Y^2)$ .

**PART – C  
(Essay)**

Answer **any 4** questions.**(4×3=12)**

15. For two independent random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , prove that  $E(XY) = E(X) E(Y)$ .
16. Prove that  $M_{aX+b}(t) = e^{bt} M_X(at)$ .
17. Show that Poisson distribution  $P(\lambda)$  is bimodal when  $\lambda$  is an integer.
18. Determine the binomial distribution for which the mean is 4 and standard deviation is  $\sqrt{3}$ .
19. State and prove lack of memory property of exponential distribution.
20. Find  $P(Z < 2)$  and  $P(Z > -1)$ , where  $Z$  follow standard normal distribution.



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**PART – D  
(Long Essay)**

Answer **any 2** questions.**(2×5=10)**

21. Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have the following joint probability density function :

$$f(x, y) = f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 - x - y; & 0 \leq x \leq 1, 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

find :

- i)  $V(X)$  and  $V(Y)$ .
  - ii) Covariance between  $X$  and  $Y$ .
22. Derive Poisson distribution as a limiting form of binomial distribution.
  23. If  $X$  is normal variate with mean 30 and S.D. 5, find
    - i)  $P(26 \leq X \leq 40)$
    - ii)  $P(X \geq 45)$
    - iii)  $P(|X - 30| > 5)$
  24. Define gamma distribution, state and establish additive property of Gamma distribution.