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**III Semester M.Sc. Degree (CBSS – Reg./Supple./Imp.)
Examination, October 2023
(2020 Admission Onwards)
MATHEMATICS
MAT3E02 : Probability Theory**

Time : 3 Hours

Max. Marks : 80

PART – A

- I. Answer **any four** questions. **Each** question carries **four** marks.
- Prove that the intersection of arbitrary number of fields is a field.
 - Prove that continuous real valued functions on \mathbb{R} are Borel functions.
 - If X and Y are simple random variables then prove that $E(X \pm Y) = EX \pm EY$.
 - If a sequence of random variables $\{X_n\}$ converge to X in the r^{th} mean, i.e., $X_n \xrightarrow{r} X$, then prove that $E|X_n|^r \rightarrow E|X|^r$.
 - Suppose ϕ is the characteristic function of a general distribution function, F . Then show that ϕ is continuous.
 - Define weak convergence of a sequence of random variables. Prove that limit of a weak convergence sequence is unique.

PART – B

Answer **any four** questions without omitting **any** Unit. **Each** question carries **16** marks.

Unit – I

- II. a) Given a class $\{A_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ of n sets then prove that there exists a class $\{B_i : i = 1, 2, \dots, n\}$ of disjoint sets such that, $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = \sum_{i=1}^n B_i$. Also prove that $\bigcup_{i=1}^n A_i = A_1 + A_1^c A_2 + A_1^c A_2^c A_3 + \dots$
- b) Prove that inverse mapping preserves all set relations.

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- III. a) Let Ω be a sample space and $\{A_1, A_2, \dots, A_n\}$ be a partition of Ω . Show that any simple function X can be written in the form $X = \sum_{k=1}^n x_k I_{A_k}$, where x_k 's are distinct numerical constants.
- b) Prove that any Borel function of a vector random variable (X, Y) is a random variable.
- IV. a) Explain classical occupancy problem.
- b) Prove that probability function defined on all intervals of the form (a, b) , $(a, b) \in \mathbb{R}$, $a < b$ defines uniquely an extension to the minimal field containing all the intervals.

Unit – II

- V. a) Show that the distribution function F_X of a random variable X is non-decreasing, continuous on the right with $F_X(-\infty) = 0$ and $F_X(\infty) = 1$. Also show that, every function F with above properties is the distribution function of a random variable on some probability space.
- b) State and prove Jordan decomposition theorem.
- VI. a) If two non-decreasing sequences of non-negative simple functions $\{X_n\}$ and $\{Y_n\}$ have the same limit X , then prove that $\lim EX_n = \lim EY_n = EX$.
- b) Given that EX, EY and $EX + EY$ exist, then show that $E(X + Y) = EX + EY$.
- VII. a) Let $\{X_n\}$ be a sequence of random variable. Show that X_n converges to 0 in probability ($X_n \xrightarrow{P} 0$), if and only if $E\left(\frac{|X_n|}{1+|X_n|}\right) \rightarrow 0$, as $n \rightarrow \infty$.
- b) State and prove monotone convergence theorem.



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Unit – III

- VIII. a) Explain bivariate characteristic function with an example.
- b) Suppose ϕ is the characteristic function of a general distribution function F . Then prove the following.
- ϕ is continuous
 - $|\phi(u)| \leq \phi(0) = F(+\infty) - F(-\infty)$
 $\phi(-u) = \bar{\phi}(u)$, where $\bar{\phi}(u)$ is the complex conjugate of $\phi(u)$.
- IX. a) State and prove Bochner's theorem.
- b) Show that a sequence $\{F_n\}$ of distribution functions converges weakly if and only if it converges on a set D dense in \mathbb{R} .
- X. a) State and prove Helly-Bray theorem.
- b) Let $f_n(x)$ be non-negative measurable functions converging to $f(x)$, for almost all x . If $\int_{\mathbb{R}} f_n(x) dx = c = \int_{\mathbb{R}} f(x) dx$, then $F_n(x) \xrightarrow{c} F(x)$, for all x , and also prove that $\sup_{B \in \mathcal{L}} \left| \int_B f_n(t) dt - \int_B f(t) dt \right| = \frac{1}{2} \int |f_n - f| dt \rightarrow 0$.