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**MA 8354 & Probability and Queuing theory**

(Regulation 2012)

(Statistical Tables are permitted into the Examination Hall)

Time : 3 Hours

Answer ALL Questions

Max. Marks 100

**PART-A (10 x 2 = 20 Marks)**

1. Suppose that  $X$  is a discrete random variable with  $E(X)=1$  and  $E(X(X-2))=3$ . Find  $Var(-3X+5)$ .
2. Let  $X$  be a random variable that has a density function  $f_X(x)=k(2x-3x^2)$ ,  $-1 < x < 0$ . Calculate the value of  $k$ .
3. Let the conditional probability density function of  $X$ , given that  $Y = y$  be

$$f_{X|Y}(x|y) = \frac{x+y}{1+y} e^{-x}, 0 < x < \infty, 0 < y < \infty. \text{ Find } P\{X < 1 | Y = 2\}.$$

4. Find  $Cov(X, XY)$ .
5. Suppose that on a summer evening, shooting stars are observed at a Poisson rate of one every 12 minutes. What is the probability that 3 shooting stars are observed in 30 minutes?
6. 3 children (denoted by 1,2,3) arranged in a circle play a game of throwing a ball to one another. At each stage the child having the ball is equally likely to throw it into any one of the other two children. Suppose that  $X_0$  denotes the child who had the ball initially and  $X_n, n \geq 1$  denotes the child who had the ball after  $n$  throws. Find the Transition probability matrix  $P$ .
7. Explain Kendall's notation for a single server queuing model.
8. State the steady-state probabilities for  $M/M/c:GD/N/\infty$  queuing model.
9. For  $M/G/1$  queuing model, obtain the Pollaczek – Khinchine formula when the service times are deterministic.
10. Distinguish between open and closed queuing networks.

**Part – B ( 5 x 16 = 80 marks)**

11. (i) Determine the moment generating function of a Gamma random variable  $X$  with parameters  $(n, \lambda)$ . Hence obtain the mean and variance of  $X$ . (6)  
 (ii) Of police academy applicants, only 25% will pass all the examinations. Suppose that 12 successful candidates are needed. What is the probability that, by examining 20 candidates, the academy finds all of the 12 persons needed? (5)  
 (iii) Let  $X$  be a continuous random variable with the probability density function

$$f_X(x) = \frac{2}{x^2}, 1 < x < 2.$$

Find the cumulative distribution and density functions of  $Y = X^2$ .

(5)

12. a) (i) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be independent (strictly positive) exponential random variables each with parameter  $\lambda$ . Are the random variables  $X+Y$  and  $\frac{X}{Y}$  independent? (8)  
(ii) What is the probability that the average of 150 random points from (0,1) is within 0.02 of the midpoint of the interval? State the result used. (8)

OR

- b) Let  $X$  and  $Y$  be random variables having joint density function

$$f_{XY}(x, y) = \frac{6-x-y}{8}, 0 \leq x \leq 2, 2 \leq y \leq 4.$$

Find the correlation coefficient  $r(X, Y)$ . (16)

13. a) For a 3- state Markov chain with state space  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$  given by the Transition probability matrix:

$$P = \begin{pmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix}$$

Classify the states of the Markov chain and find the steady-state distribution of the Markov chain if it exists. (16)

OR

- b) (i) State the postulates for a Poisson process. Hence show that the counting process  $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$  follows a Poisson distribution with intensity parameter  $\lambda$  (10)  
(ii) Given  $\{N(t), t \geq 0\}$  to be a Poisson process with intensity parameter  $\lambda$ , for  $s < t$ , find  $P\{N(s) = k | N(t) = n\}$ . (6)

14. a) (i) Derive the steady-state probabilities for  $M/M/c:FCFS/\infty/\infty$  model and hence obtain  $L_S$ . (10)  
(ii) In a 3 server infinite capacity Poisson queueing model with the arrival rate 1/6 per minute and service rate  $\frac{1}{4}$  per minutes, find the average number of customers in the system. (6)

OR

- b) (i) Derive the steady-state probabilities for  $M/M/1:FCFS/N/\infty$  model and hence obtain  $L_S$ . (10)  
(ii) A one- person barber shop has 6 chairs to accommodate people waiting for a hair-cut. Assume that customers who arrive when all the 6 chairs are full, leave without entering the barber shop. Customers arrive at the average rate of 3 per hour and spend an average of 15 minutes in the barber's chair. What is the expected number of customers waiting for a hair cut? (6)

15. a) (i) Derive the Pollaczek-Khintchine(P-K) formula for the  $M/G/1:GD/\infty/\infty$  model (10)  
(ii) Suppose a one-person tailor shop is in business of making mens suits. Each suit requires 4 distinct tasks to be performed before it is completed. Assume all 4 tasks must be completed on each suit before another is started. The time to perform each task has an exponential distribution with a mean of 2 hours. If orders for a suit come at an average rate of 5.5 per week, how long can a customers expect to wait to have a suit made? (assume an 8 hour day and 6 day week) (6)

OR

- b) Consider a Jackson network with three service facilities having the parameter values as shown below:

Facility $j$	$C_j$	$\mu_j$	$r_j$	$p_{ij}$		
				$i=1$	$i=2$	$i=3$
$j=1$	1	40	10	0	0.3	0.4
$j=2$	1	50	15	0.5	0	0.5
$j=3$	1	30	3	0.3	0.2	0

- (i) Find the total arrival rate at each of the facilities.  
(ii) Find the expected total number of customers in the system.  
(iii) Find the expected total waiting time for a customer. (16)

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