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**Course Code: GCMAT401****Course Name: MATHEMATICS FOR PHYSICAL SCIENCE-4**

Max. Marks: 60

Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes

Normal distribution table and t distribution table are allowed in the examination hall

PART A*(Answer all questions. Each question carries 3 marks)*CO Mark
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CO1 (3)

- 1 A chemical supply company currently has in stock 100 lb of a certain chemical, which it sells to customers in 5 lb batches. Let X be the number of batches ordered by a randomly chosen customer, and suppose that X has probability mass function (PMF) as follows.

x	1	2	3	4
$p(x)$	0.2	0.4	0.3	0.1

Find the variance of X .

- 2 The mean and variance of a binomial random variable X are 6 and 3 respectively. Write the PMF of X . CO1 (3)
- 3 In a city the daily consumption of milk in excess of 20,000 gallons is approximately exponentially distributed with mean 3000 gallons. The city has a daily stock of 35,000 gallons. What is the probability that the stock is insufficient in a randomly selected day. CO2 (3)
- 4 Let X be a normal random variable with mean 5 and variance 9. Find $P(|X - 2| < 4)$. CO2 (3)
- 5 The population standard deviation for the height of student basketball players is 3 inches. If we want to be 95% confident that the sample mean height is within one inch of the true population mean height, how many randomly selected players must be surveyed? CO3 (3)
- 6 A random sample of size 100 is drawn from a population with known standard deviation, $\sigma = 11.3$. The sample mean is 105.2. Construct a 95% confidence interval for the population mean. CO3 (3)
- 7 Using Newton-Raphson method, find the square root of 3. Perform two iterations. CO4 (3)

- 8 Use Euler method to solve the initial value problem, $\frac{dy}{dx} = x + xy + y$ with $y(0) = 1$. Compute the value of y at $x = 0.15$, by taking step size $h = 0.05$. CO4 (3)

PART B

(Answer any one full question from each module, each question carries 9 marks)

Module -1

- 9 a) A machine operates in two possible states represented by the random variable X . The states are defined as: $X = 0$ (Normal condition), $X = 1$ (Faulty condition). CO1 5
The probabilities of these states are: $P(X = 0) = 0.6$, $P(X = 1) = 0.4$.
A sensor monitors the machine and produces an output represented by the random variable Y , where $Y = 0$ (Reports normal) and $Y = 1$ (Reports fault).
Due to sensor inaccuracies, $P(Y = 1 | X = 0) = 0.2$ (false alarm) and $P(Y = 0 | X = 1) = 0.1$ (missed detection).
(i) Find the joint probability distribution of X and Y .
(ii) Are X and Y independent?
- b) The possible values of a random variable X are 0,1,2,3. CO1 4
Given that, $P(X = 1) = 2P(X = 0)$; $P(X = 2) = 3P(X = 1)$; and $P(X = 3) = 2P(X = 2)$. Find
(i) The probability mass function (PMF) of X
(ii) The cumulative distribution function (CDF) of X
- 10 a) The discrete random variables (X, Y) has joint PMF: CO1 5
 $P(X = x, Y = y) = k(x + y)$; $x = 0, 1, 2$; $y = 0, 1$.
(i) Find the value of k
(ii) Write the marginal distributions of X and Y
(iii) Find $E(X)$, $E(Y)$.
- b) A concrete manufacturing company produces blocks, of which 2% are defective. These blocks are packed in batches of 150. CO1 4
(i) Find the probability that a randomly selected batch contains at most 3 defective blocks.
(ii) If 800 such batches are produced, estimate the number of batches that are likely to contain more than 3 defective blocks.

Module -2

- 11 a) The daily production of a machine follows a normal distribution with mean 250 units and standard deviation 25 units. Out of 1000 working days, estimate the number of days on which the machine output will be; CO2 5
(i) less than 200 units
(ii) greater than 225 units
- b) Let X be a random variable uniformly distributed over the interval $[-4, 4]$. CO2 4
Define another random variable Y by $Y = X^2$. Show that

$E(XY) = E(X)E(Y)$ even though X and Y are dependent.

- 12 a) The operating temperature of an engine is normally distributed. It is observed that 10% of the time, the temperature is below 70°C and 5% of the time, the temperature exceeds 110°C . Find the percentage of time the engine temperature lies between 70°C and 90°C . CO2 5
- b) The joint probability density function of two random variables X and Y is given by, $f(x, y) = \frac{1}{36} xy$; $0 < x < 3$, $0 < y < 4$. Find the probability that the sum of X and Y is less than 3. CO2 4

Module -3

- 13 a) A manufacturer claims that the mean lifetime of its electric motors is 1000 hours. To verify this claim, a researcher collects two independent samples:
(i) Factory A
A random sample of size 100 gives a sample mean lifetime of 980 hours and a sample standard deviation of 120 hours.
(ii) Factory B
A random sample of size 12 gives a sample mean lifetime of 950 hours and a sample standard deviation of 150 hours.
Assume that the lifetimes from Factory B are approximately normally distributed. At the 5 % significance level, test in each case whether the true mean lifetime differs from 1000 hours. CO3 5
- b) A mobile application is tested on 250 users, out of which 180 report that they find it useful. Test, at the 5% level of significance, whether the proportion of users who find the application useful is 70%. CO3 4
- 14 a) A random sample of size 16 with sample mean 53, is taken from a normal population. The sum of squares of deviation from the sample mean is given as 135. Obtain a 95 % confidence limits for the mean of the population. Can this sample be regarded as taken from a population having mean 56? CO3 5
- b) A manufacturer claims that 85 % of its electric bulbs are defect-free. A quality inspector tests a sample of 12 bulbs and finds that only 8 are defect-free. At the 5 % significance level, test whether the true proportion of defect-free bulbs is less than 0.85 . CO3 4

Module -4

- 15 a) Solve the system using Gauss-Jordan elimination with partial pivoting:
 $0.005x + y - z = 2$; $x + 4y + 3z = 7$; $1.995x + 7y + 7z = 12$. CO4 5
- b) Using Second order Runge-Kutta method, solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + y - x^2$, with $y(0) = \frac{1}{2}$; for $0 \leq x \leq 0.4$ by taking step size $h = 0.2$. CO4 4

- 16 a) Solve the Laplace equation $\nabla^2 u = 0$ with boundary conditions $u(0, y) = 100$; $u(2, y) = u(x, 0) = u(x, 2) = 0$. Compute the interior nodes with $0 < x < 2$; $0 < y < 2$ with mesh size $h = 0.5$. Perform two iterations only. CO4 5
- b) Use the method of least squares, to fit a straight line of the form $y = ax + b$ to the following data. CO4 4

x	1	2	3	4
y	2	3	5	7
