

Ph. D. IN STATISTICS (PHDSTAT)

Term-End Examination

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**RST-005 : STATISTICAL INFERENCE IN LIFE
TESTING**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 100

Note : (i) *Question No. 1 is compulsory.*

(ii) *Attempt any **four** questions from Q. Nos. 2 to 7.*

(iii) *Use of scientific non-programmable calculator is allowed.*

(iv) *Symbols have their usual meanings.*

1. (a) State whether the following statements are True or False. Give reasons in support of your answers : $2 \times 6 = 12$

- (i) The Rao-Blackwell theorem enables us to obtain minimum variance unbiased estimator through complete statistic.

- (ii) The Cramer-Rao bound on the variance of an estimator T of parameter θ is :

$$\text{Var}(T) \geq \frac{(\theta')^2}{nE\left[\frac{\partial^2}{\partial\theta^2}\log f(x)\right]}$$

- (iii) The form of Entropy Loss Function is :

$$L(\Delta) \propto \Delta^{p+1} - \log \Delta^p - 1$$

$$\text{where } \Delta = \frac{\hat{\theta}}{\theta}.$$

- (iv) If we do not get the information about the failure of all units of an experiment, then obtained data is called complete data.
- (v) The numbers generated from a deterministic process is called random numbers.
- (vi) The reliability function of an exponential failure distribution with parameter θ is $1 - e^{-\theta t}$.
- (b) A researcher observed that the inter-arrival time of trucks arrive in a

warehouse follows $\exp(\theta)$ with $\theta = 0.2$.
Generate inter-arrival times of six trucks
using the following $U(0,1)$ random
numbers :

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$$u_1 = 0.16, \quad u_2 = 0.30, \quad u_3 = 0.75, \quad u_4 = 0.51, \\ u_5 = 0.42, \quad u_6 = 0.10.$$

2. A faculty member of a university receives a number of e-mails. If X represents the number of spam e-mails in m e-mails and follows binomial distribution with parameter (m, θ) , where θ is the probability of getting spam e-mails, then find the posterior distribution of θ considering the following beta distribution as prior :

$$f(\theta) = \frac{1}{\beta(a, b)} \theta^{a-1} (1-\theta)^{b-1}, \quad 0 \leq \theta \leq 1, a, b > 0.$$

Also find the Bayes estimate of θ under SELF.

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3. Explain various techniques for generating random numbers. Also write their drawbacks.

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4. (a) Describe Gibbs sampling. 10
- (b) Solve the following definite integration using Monte-Carlo integration : 10

$$\int_0^2 e^{\frac{-x^2}{2}} dx$$

using random numbers given in 1 (b).

5. (a) For the following failure density function : 15

$$f(x) = \alpha \lambda^\alpha x^{\alpha-1} e^{-(\lambda x)^\alpha} \exp\left(1 - e^{(\lambda x)^\alpha}\right), \quad x > 0, \alpha, \lambda > 0$$

Find :

- (i) Reliability function,
 - (ii) Cumulative failure distribution function
 - (iii) Hazard function
- (b) If a system has n components which are connected in series, then derive the reliability expression : 5

$$R(t) = \prod_{i=1}^n R_i$$

of the system.

6. Find the Cramer-Rao lower bound for variance of estimator $\bar{X}$ of the parameter θ of the following distribution : 20

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\theta} e^{-x/\theta}; \quad x > 0, \theta > 0$$

Also show that $\bar{X}$ is UMVUE for θ .

7. Write short notes on any *two* of the following :

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- (i) Time and failure censoring schemes
- (ii) Metropolis algorithm
- (iii) Various loss functions

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