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Candidates should attempt **ALL** questions from Section A and **ANY TWO** questions from Sections B and **ONE** question from section C. Tables of Laplace Transforms, some distribution functions and some formulae for Regression Analysis are given in APPENDIX 1 and APPEDIX 2 at the end of the question paper.

**SECTION A: Answer ALL questions in this section [45].**

- A1. An employment agency classifies clerical candidates in terms of skills and experience. The skills categories are: *Bookkeeping, switchboard and stenography*, the experience categories are: *less than 1 year, 1 to 3 years and more than 3 years*. For the 100 candidates currently in the files their skills and experience are summarised in the table below:

Experience	Skill			Total
	Bookkeeping	Switchboard	Stenography	
<i>less than 1 year</i>	15		30	50
<i>1 to 3 years</i>	5	10		20
<i>more than 3 years</i>			10	
<b>Total</b>		30		100

- (a) Fill in the missing values for the table. [5]  
(b) Are the two events, *bookkeeping skills* and *1 to 3 years experience*, independent? [2]  
(c) Find the probability that a candidate chosen at random has skills in stenography or bookkeeping. [2]  
(d) Find the probability that a candidate chosen at random has stenography skills given that the candidate has more than three years of experience. [3]

- A2. (a) Find the mean and the variance of the random variable  $X$ , having a density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{b-a} & a < x < b \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

[5]

- (b) If the random variable  $X$  has density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0.5x, & 0 \leq x \leq 2 \\ 0 & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$

find the mean and variance of the random variable  $Z = -2X + 5$

[5]

- A3. A box contains four six sided dice. Three of the dice are fair (*all numbers from 1 to 6 are equally likely*) while one of the dice is biased so that 6 comes up two thirds of the time (*that is  $Pr(6) = 2/3$ ,  $Pr(1 \text{ or } 2 \text{ or } 3 \text{ or } 4 \text{ or } 5) = 1/3$* ). The dice can not be distinguished from one another. A die is chosen at random and tossed with the result being a 6. What is the probability that the biased die was tossed. [5]

- A4. On average 2 cars enter a parking lot per minute.

(a) What is the probability that more than 4 cars will enter the parking lot in 2 minutes. [2]

(b) What is the mean and variance of the number of cars that enter the parking lot in 30 seconds. [2]

- A5. A couple plans to continue having children until they have their first girl. If the probability of having a girl is 0.52 and all the births are independent what is the expected family size. [2]

- A6. (a) Find the inverse Laplace transform of

(i)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s}$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 1}$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 2}$

[2+2+2]

- (b) Use Laplace transforms to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + y = 6 \cos(4t), \quad y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 1.$$

[6]

A7. (a) Find the inverse Laplace transform of

(i)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s}$

(ii)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 1}$

(iii)  $\frac{1}{s^2 + 2s + 2}$

[2+2+2]

(b) Use Laplace transforms to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 2\frac{dy}{dt} + y = 17 \cos(4t), \quad y(0) = -1, y'(0) = 1.$$

[6]

**SECTION B: Answer TWO questions in this section [40].**

B8. An environmental chemist wants to find out the variation of pollution levels at various sites down a certain polluted river. After collecting samples from eight sites down the river the following results were obtained:

**Table of Percentage of polluting chemical in water:**

site	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
% of pollutant	24	56	42	74	44	28	34	27

Construct the 99% confidence interval for the population variance of the percentage of the polluting chemical in the water in the river. [20]

B9. A consumer testing service finds that four 5-litre cans of one brand of paint cover on the average 512 square metres with a standard deviation of 31 square metres while four cans from a different brand cover 492 square metres with a standard deviation of 26 square metres. It is desired to find out if the two brands differ in the area they cover.

(a) State the appropriate hypotheses. [5]

(b) Test these hypotheses at 5% significance level. [15]

B10. Suppose the random variable  $X$  has the normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\sigma^2$ . Define  $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$

(a) What is the transformation  $Z = \frac{X - \mu}{\sigma}$  called. [2]

(b) Show that the mean of  $Z$ ,  $E(Z) = 0$ . [2]

(c) Show that the variance of  $Z$ ,  $Var(Z) = 1$ . [3]

(d) Show that  $\bar{x}$  has mean  $\mu$  and variance  $\frac{\sigma^2}{n}$ . [5]

(e) Show how the confidence interval for  $\mu$  is constructed based on sample values  $\bar{x}$ ,  $s^2$ , and sample size  $n$ . [10]

## SECTION C: Answer ONE question in this section [15].

Answer one question from this section.

**C11.** Let  $F(s)$  denote the Laplace Transform of  $f(t)$ , i.e.

$$F(s) = \int_0^{\infty} f(t)e^{-st} dt.$$

- (a) Stating clearly any assumptions you make, use the definition to find the Laplace transform of  $e^{-t}$ . [2]
- (b) Show that the Laplace transform of  $tf(t)$  is  $-\frac{dF}{ds}$ . Hence find the Laplace transform of  $te^{-t}$ . [3]
- (c) Show that the Laplace transform of  $H(t-k)f(t-k)$  is  $e^{-ks}F(s)$ . Hence find the Laplace transform of  $H(t-2)(t-2)e^{-(t-2)}$ . [4]
- (d) Use Laplace transforms to solve the boundary value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + y = H(t-2)(t-2)e^{-(t-2)}, \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1.$$

[6]

**C12.** Let  $F(s)$  and  $G(s)$  denote the Laplace Transforms of  $f(t)$  and  $g(t)$ . The convolution theorem states that the Laplace Transform of  $\int_0^t f(\beta)g(t-\beta) d\beta$  is  $F(s)G(s)$ .

- (a) Use the convolution theorem to solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 5\frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = g(t), \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1.$$

[6]

- (b) Hence solve the initial value problem

$$\frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + 5\frac{dy}{dt} + 4y = 3e^{-t}, \quad y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 1.$$

[3]

- (c) Solve the following simultaneous differential equations to find  $y(t)$ .

$$\begin{aligned} rcl \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + y - x &= 1, \\ \frac{d^2x}{dt^2} + \frac{d^2y}{dt^2} + x + y &= 0, \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{given that } y(0) = y'(0) = x(0) = x'(0) = 0.$$

[6]

APPENDIX 1: Table of Laplace Transforms

$F(s)$	$f(t)$
$e^{-cs}/s, c > 0$	$u(t-c),$ where $u(t-c) = \begin{cases} 1, & t \geq c \\ 0, & t < c. \end{cases}$
$e^{-cs}F(s)$	$f(t-c)u(t-c)$
$F(s)G(s)$	$\int_0^t f(\beta)g(t-\beta) d\beta$
$F(s+a)$	$e^{-at}f(t)$
$1/s$	1
$1/s^{n+1}$	$t^n/n!$
$1/(s+a)$	$e^{-at}$
$1/(s+a)^{n+1}$	$t^n e^{-at}/n!$
$\frac{k}{s^2+k^2}$	$\sin kt$
$\frac{s}{s^2+k^2}$	$\cos kt$
$\frac{k}{s^2-k^2}$	$\sinh kt$
$\frac{s}{s^2-k^2}$	$\cosh kt$
$\frac{1}{(s^2+k^2)^2}$	$\frac{1}{2k^3}[\sin kt - kt \cos kt]$
$\frac{s}{(s^2+k^2)^2}$	$\frac{1}{2k}t \sin kt$

## APPENDIX 2: Some Discrete and Continuous Probability Distributions

Distribution	Probability function	Mean $E(X)$	Variance $E[X^2] - (E[x])^2$
<b>Discrete r.v. probability functions</b>			
1. Bernoulli	$p_x = p$ , for $x = 1$ $p_x = 1 - p$ , for $x = 0$	$p$	$p(1 - p)$
2. Binomial	$p_x = \binom{n}{x} p^x (1 - p)^{n-x}$ for $x = 0, 1, \dots, n$	$np$	$np(1 - p)$
3. Negative Binomial	$p_x = \binom{x-1}{k-1} p^x (1 - p)^{x-k}$ for $x = k, k + 1, k + 2, \dots, n$	$np$	$np(1 - p)$
4. Geometric	$p_x = p(1 - p)^{x-1}$ for $x = 1, 2, \dots$	$\frac{1-p}{p}$	$\frac{1-p}{p^2}$
5. Poisson	$p_x = \frac{e^{-\theta} \theta^x}{x!}$ for $x = 0, 1, 2, \dots$	$\theta$	$\theta$
<b>Continuous r.v. density functions</b>			
6. Exponential	$f(x) = \lambda e^{-\lambda x}$ for $x > 0$	$\frac{1}{\lambda}$	$\frac{1}{\lambda^2}$
7. Uniform	$f(x) = \frac{1}{b-a}$ for $a \leq x \leq b$	$\frac{a+b}{2}$	$\frac{(b-a)^2}{12}$
8. Normal	$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sigma\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{1}{2}\left(\frac{x-\mu}{\sigma}\right)^2}$ for $-\infty < x < \infty$	$\mu$	$\sigma^2$

## Simple Linear Regression:

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{S_{yy} - \frac{(S_{xy})^2}{S_{xx}}}{n-2}, \quad \text{Var}(\beta_1) = \frac{\sigma^2}{S_{xx}}, \quad \text{Var}(\beta_0) = \sigma^2 \left( \frac{1}{n} + \frac{\bar{x}^2}{S_{xx}} \right)$$

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