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COURSE CODE: WAB 2201

COURSE TITLE: Risk Theory

EXAM VENUE

STREAM: B.Sc. Actuarial Science

DATE:.....

EXAM SESSION: ONE

TIME: 1¹/₂ HOURS

Instructions to the Candidate:

- 1. Answer ALL in section A and any other two questions only in Section B.**
- 2. Candidates are advised not to write on the question paper.**
- 3. Candidates must hand in their answer booklets to the invigilator while in the examination room.**

SECTION A: [30 Marks]

a. State four properties of Moment Generating Functions (MGF). [4 Marks]

b. Let a and b be constants and let the moment generating function of X be $M_X(t)$. Find the moment generating function of the random variable $Z = a - bx$. [4 Marks]

c. The moment generating function of a random variable Y is given by;

$$M_Y(t) = (1 - 4t)^{-2} \text{ for } t < 0.25.$$

Calculate $E(Y)$ and $Var(Y)$ [6 Marks]

d. If $X \sim \text{Poisson}(\theta)$ and $Y \sim \text{Poisson}(\mu)$ are independent, find the probability function of $Z = X + Y$ using convolution. [4 Marks]

e. An insurance policy produces N claims where N is the random variable defined as;

$$N = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{with probability } 0.5 \\ 1 & \text{with probability } 0.4 \\ 3 & \text{with probability } 0.1 \end{cases}$$

The individual claim X follows the probability distribution given by;

$$X = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{with probability } 0.9 \\ 10 & \text{with probability } 0.1 \end{cases}$$

It is assumed that the individual claim amount X and N are independent random variables. If Z is the aggregate claim amount.

Calculate:

i. The mean of $Z, E(Z)$ [4 Marks]

ii. The variance of $Z, Var(Z)$ [4 Marks]

f. An insurance company believes that an individual claim for motor insurance in 2025 will have a mean size of 7500. Estimate the proportion of the claim that will exceed 2500 assuming that individual claim sizes follow lognormal distribution. [4 Marks]

SECTION B: [40 MARKS]

1. (a)
- i. Define the Moment generating function and state its three uses. [5 Marks]
 - ii. If the moment generating function of a function X is $M_X(t)$, then derive the expression for the moment generating function of $2x + 3$ in terms of $M_X(t)$. [4 Marks]
 - iii. Hence if X is normally distributed with mean μ and variance σ^2 , derive the distribution of $2x + 3$ [5 Marks]

(b) A loss amount random variable has the moment generating function;

$$M(t) = 0.4(1 - 20t)^{-2} + 0.6(1 - 30t)^{-3}$$

Calculate the expected loss amount. [6 Marks]

2. Let N be the number of claims on a risk in a year. Suppose the claims X_1, X_2, \dots are independent and identically distributed random variables independent of N . Let S be the total amount claimed in one year.
- i. Derive $E(S)$ and $\text{Var}(S)$ [8 Marks]
 - ii. Derive an expression for moment generating function of S in terms of $M_X(t)$ and $M_N(t)$ of X_1 and N respectively. [6 Marks]
 - iii. If N has a Poisson distribution, find the moment generating function of S in terms of θ . [6 Marks]

3. (a) Let N be a geometric random variable with probability mass function as;

$$P(x) = pq^x \quad n = 0,1,2, \dots \text{ where } 0 < q < 1.$$

Obtain the moment generating function of $S = X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_N$ in terms of MGF of

$X, M_X(t)$ when N is independent of $X_{i|s}$ [8 Marks]

(b) Let the number of claims N be geometric random variable with

$$P(x) = pq^x \quad n = 0,1,2, \dots \text{ and the common distribution function of } X$$

X is;

$$F(x) = 1 - e^{-x}$$

That is individual claim amount is exponential random variable with mean 1. Show

That;

[6 Marks]

$$M_S(t) = p + q \frac{p}{p-t}$$

(c) If Y is a random variable with $P(x = i) = \frac{1}{4}, i = 1, 2, 3, 4$. Find the MGF of Y [6 Marks]

4. (a). A claim amount on a certain type of insurance policy depends on a parameter α which varies from policy to policy. The mean and variance of the claim X given α are specified by;

$$E(X|\alpha) = 200 + \alpha$$

$$Var((X|\alpha) = 10 + 2\alpha$$

The parameter α follows a normal distribution with mean 20 and variance 4. Find the unconditional mean and variance [10Marks]

(b). Let N be the number of claims in a year. Suppose that claims X_1, X_2, \dots are independent and identically distributed random variables independent of N . Let S be the total amount claimed in one year.

Derive the Expectation of $S, (E(S),$ and the variance of $S, Var(S)$ [10 Marks]