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**UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION
SCIENCE WITH IT, BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS WITH IT AND
BACHELOR OF EDUCATION ARTS (SPECIAL NEEDS) WITH IT**

2ND YEAR 2ND SEMESTER 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

MAIN CAMPUS

COURSE CODE: WAB 9210

COURSE TITLE: PROBABILITY AND DISTRIBUTION THEORY II

EXAM VENUE: AUD/LAB 2

STREAM:BED

DATE:14/4/25

EXAM SESSION: 9-11.00 AM

TIME: 2.00 HOURS

Instructions:

- 1. Answer question one (compulsory) and any other two questions.**
- 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.**

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Show that for a random sample of size n from an infinite population that is $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$. The mean of the sample is given by $\mu_{\bar{x}} = \mu$, which is the population mean and the standard error of the sample mean is given by $\sigma_{\bar{x}} = \sigma/\sqrt{n}$. (4 Marks)
- b) The heights of female students at a particular college are normally distributed with mean of 160 cm and standard deviation of 9 cm.
- i) Given that 80% of these female students have a height less than h cm, find the value of h . (2 Marks)
- ii) Given that 60% of these female students have a height greater than s cm, find the value of s . (3 Marks)
- c) Obtain the generating function of the following sequence $\{0,0,0,0,1,1,1,1,\dots\}$ (5 Marks)
- d) Given that X is a random variable with probability distribution function given as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \lambda e^{-\lambda x} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- i) Obtain the moment generating function of the above distribution. (4 Marks)
- ii) Obtain the mean and variance of the random variable X . (5 Marks)
- e) Given that U is a chi-square with m degrees of freedom, V is a Chi-Square with n degrees of freedom and U and V are Independent Random Variables. Then,

$$F = \frac{U/m}{V/n} \text{ is a Fisher's } F \text{ variable with } m \text{ and } n \text{ degrees of freedom.}$$

Obtain the probability distribution function of F . (7 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) The masses of boxes of oranges are normally distributed such that 30% of them are greater than 4.00 kg and 20% greater than 5 kg. Find the mean and standard deviation of the masses. (12 Marks)
- b) A random variable X is defined do have a Poisson distribution of the density of X given by;

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^x}{x!} & x = 0,1,2,3,\dots \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- i) Obtain the moment generating function of the above probability distribution function. (3 Marks)
- ii) Obtain the mean and variance of X . (5 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

Given that X is a continuous random variable the X is said to have a Chi – square distribution with probability density function given by;

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{\Gamma(\frac{n}{2})2^{\frac{n}{2}}} x^{\frac{n}{2}-1} e^{-x/2} & x > 0 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- i) Find the moment generating function of the Chi – square distribution. (10 Marks)
- ii) Obtain the mean and variance of the Chi – square distribution. (10 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

Given that X is a standard normal variable that is $X \sim N(0,1)$ and also U is a Chi – square variables with n degrees of freedom. Assuming that X and U are stochastically independent.

Then a random variable defined by $T = \frac{X}{\sqrt{U/n}}$ is a student's "t" variable.

- i) Obtain the probability density function of T . (12 Marks)
- ii) Obtain the mean and variance of T . (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) A continuous random variable X is said to follow Pareto (Type I) distribution if its probability density function is defined as;

$$f(x) = \frac{\alpha k^\alpha}{x^{\alpha+1}}, \quad x > k$$

Obtain the mean and variance of the above distribution. (12 Marks)

- b) The random variable X is an insurer's annual hurricane – related no – indent. Suppose that the density function of X is;

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2.2(250)^{2.2}}{x^{3.2}} & x > 250 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Calculate the mean, mode and median of the annual hurricane – related loss. (8 Marks)