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SCHOOL OF PURE AND APPLIED SCIENCES

DEPARTMENT OF MATHEMATICS AND STATISTICS

SECOND YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATION FOR
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE)

BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (STATISTICS & PROGRAMMING)

BACHELOR OF ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS

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BACHELOR OF EDUCATION

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SMA 261: PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS II

DATE: 17/4/2023

TIME: 2:00 – 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer Question One and Any Other Two Questions

QUESTION ONE. COMPULSORY (30 MARKS)

- a) Determine the $E(x_1 + x_2)$ from the Bivariate table below. (4 marks)

		X ₂	
		0	1
X ₁	0	$\frac{1}{6}$	0
	1	$\frac{1}{3}$	$\frac{1}{3}$
	2	0	$\frac{1}{6}$

- b) If the joint probability function for y_1 and y_2 is given by $f(y_1, y_2) = \frac{1}{30}(y_1 + y_2)$
 $y_1 = 0, 1, 2, 3.$
 $y_2 = 0, 1, 2$
- Determine marginal distribution of y_1 and y_2 (7 marks)
 - Determine an expression $\phi(y_1/y_2)$ the conditional distribution of y_1 given y_2 takes on all values of y_2 . (3 marks)
- c) The joint pdf of x and y is given by $f(x, y) = bxy$, for $0 < x, y < 1$.
Determine the value of b (5 marks)
- d) Show that $E(X+Y) = E(X) + E(Y)$ if X and Y are independent continuous random variables (5 marks)
- e) Given that $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 2x, & 0 < x, y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$
Determine $p(0 < x < \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{2} < y < 1)$ (6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Let y be a continuous random variable with a pdf defined by that

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} 2y, & 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$
Using the change of variable technique determine the density of $x = 8y^3$. (8 marks)
- b) If x and y have joint probability density function $f(x, y) = \frac{8x^2}{7y^3}$ for $1 \leq x, y \leq 2$
- Determine the marginal distribution of x . (4 marks)
 - Determine the conditional density function of x given $Y = y$ (6 marks)
 - Determine whether x and y are independent. (2 marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Given that the joint density $f_{X,Y}$ is given by

$$f_{X,Y}(x, y) = \begin{cases} Cye^{-xy}, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0, & \text{Otherwise} \end{cases}$$
- Determine the value of C so that $f_{X,Y}$ is a joint density function. (4 marks)
 - Compute the marginal density of y (4 marks)

- b) The joint pdf of x and y is given by that $f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 6x^2y, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$

Determine: (i) μ_x and μ_y (6 marks)
(ii) d_x^2 and d_y^2 (6 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) Let $y_1 \sim B(n_1, p)$ and $y_2 \sim B(n_2, p)$. Determine the moment generating function of $y_1 + y_2$ given that y_1 and y_2 are independent binomial random variables. (8 marks)
- b) Suppose that x and y are discrete random variables with a p.d.f as shown in the bivariate table below:

x	y		
	0	1	2
0	0.1	0.1	0.2
1	0	0.15	0.05
3	0.1	0.2	0.1

Determine the covariance of x and y i.e cov (x,y). (12 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) If the continuous random variable X with a pdf defined by that

$$f_x(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{2}{9}(x+1), & -1 < x < 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Determine the p.d.f of $Y = X^2$. (10 marks)

- (b) Given x and y have the joint probability density function (pdf) given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} K(x^2 + y^2), & 0 \leq x \leq 1; 0 \leq y \leq 1 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

- Determine (i) the value of the constant K. (3 marks)
(ii) the conditional p.d.f of x given for any value of y (5 marks)
(iii) $pr(x < \frac{1}{2} / y = \frac{1}{2})$ (2 marks)