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Computer Science and Engineering  
MA8402 –PROBABILITY AND QUEUEING THEORY  
(Regulations 2017)  
Answer ALL Questions

Time: 3 Hours

Maximum Marks:100

PART-A

(10×2=20 Marks)

1. Let  $A$  and  $B$  be two events such that  $P(A) = \frac{1}{2}$ ,  $P(B) = \frac{1}{3}$  and  $P(A \cap B) = \frac{1}{6}$ . Compute  $P(B/A)$  and  $P(\bar{A} \cap B)$ .
2. The p.d.f. of a random variable  $X$  is  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}e^{-|x|}$ ,  $-\infty < x < \infty$ . Find  $E(X)$ .
3. The joint p.d.f. of the random variable  $(X, Y)$  is given as

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{2}xe^{-y}, & y > 0, 0 < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Calculate the marginal p.d.f. of  $X$ .

4. Show that the correlation coefficient,  $\rho_{XY}$ , of the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  lies between  $-1$  and  $1$ .
5. Define (i) Markov Chain and (ii) Wide-sense stationary process.
6. Let  $\{X_n; n \geq 0\}$  be a Markov chain having state space  $S = \{1, 2\}$  and one-step TPM  $P = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1/2 & 1/2 \end{bmatrix}$ . Find the stationary probabilities of the Markov chain.
7. In an  $M/M/1/\infty/FCFS$  queueing system, the arrival rate  $\lambda = 3$  customers/minute and utilization ratio  $\rho = 0.5$ . Obtain  $L_s$  and  $W_s$ .
8. In an  $M/M/c/N/FCFS$  queueing system, write the expressions for  $P_0$  and  $P_N$ .
9. An  $M/D/1$  queue has an arrival rate of 10 customers per second and a service rate of 15 customers per second. Calculate the mean number of customers in the system.
10. Consider a two-system random Markovian queueing network with customer arrival rate  $\lambda = 2/\text{minute}$  and service rate  $\mu_1 = 4/\text{minute}$  at station 1 and service rate  $\mu_2 = 5/\text{minute}$  at station 2. Compute the probability that both the servers are idle.

11. (a) (i) Of three types of spark plugs, 6% of Type A spark plugs are defective, 4% of Type B spark plugs are defective, and 2% of Type C spark plugs are defective. A spark plug is selected at random from a batch of spark plugs containing 50 Type A plugs, 30 Type B plugs, and 20 Type C plugs. The selected plug is found to be defective. What is the probability that the selected plug was of Type A? (8)
- (ii) Let  $P(X = x) = \left(\frac{3}{4}\right) \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^{x-1}$ ,  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , be the probability mass function of a random variable  $X$ . Obtain (A)  $P(X > 5)$ , (B) the moment generating function,  $M_X(t)$ , of the random variable  $X$  and (C)  $E(X)$  and  $Var(X)$ . (8)

**(OR)**

- (b) (i) The p.d.f. of a continuous random variable  $X$  is given as

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{6}, & -3 \leq x \leq 3 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Find (A)  $P(-2 < X < 0)$ , (B) Cumulative distribution function,  $F(x)$  and (C)  $E(X)$  and  $Var(X)$ . (8)

- (ii) Let  $X$  be an exponential random variable with  $E(X^2) = 1/2$ . Obtain (A)  $E(X)$  and  $Var(X)$ , (B) Moment generating function,  $M_X(t)$  and (C)  $P(X > 3/X > 1)$ . (8)

12. (a) (i) The joint p.d.f. of the random variable  $(X, Y)$  is given as

$$f(x, y) \begin{cases} ke^{-(x+y)}, & 0 \leq y \leq x \leq \infty \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Find (A) the value of  $k$ , (B) the marginal p.d.f.s of the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , (C) the conditional p.d.f.  $f(x/y)$  of  $X$  given  $Y = y$ . (8)

- (ii) The joint p.m.f. of discrete random variable  $(X, Y)$  is given as  $P(X = -1, Y = 0) = 1/8$ ,  $P(X = -1, Y = 1) = 2/8$ ,  $P(X = 1, Y = 0) = 3/8$  and  $P(X = 1, Y = 1) = 2/8$ . Compute the correlation coefficient,  $\rho_{XY}$  of  $X$  and  $Y$ . (8)

**(OR)**

- (b) (i) Two random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  have joint p.d.f.

$$f(x, y) \begin{cases} \frac{5}{16}x^2y, & 0 < y < x < 2 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

(A) Find the marginal p.d.f.s of the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$ , (B) Obtain the conditional p.d.f.  $f(x/y)$ , of  $X$  given  $Y = y$ , (C) Are the random variables  $X$  and  $Y$  independent? Justify. (8)

(ii) The joint p.d.f. of the random variable  $(X, Y)$  is given as

$$f(x, y) \begin{cases} e^{-(x+y)}, & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}.$$

Find the p.d.f. of random variables  $U = X + Y$  and  $V = \frac{U}{V}$ . (8)

13. (a) (i) Consider a random process  $\{X(t); -\infty < t < \infty\}$  defined by  $X(t) = U \cos t + V \sin t$ , where  $U$  and  $V$  are independent random variables, each of which assumes the values  $-2$  and  $1$  with probabilities  $1/3$  and  $2/3$ , respectively. Show that  $\{X(t); -\infty < t < \infty\}$  is wide-sense stationary. (8)

(ii) Let  $\{X_n : n \geq 0\}$  be a Markov chain having state space  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$  and one-step TPM

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & \frac{3}{4} & \frac{1}{4} \end{bmatrix}.$$

(A) Draw a transition diagram between for this chain, (B) Is the chain irreducible. Justify your answer, and (C) Is the state-3 ergodic? Explain. (8)

(OR)

(b) (i) State the postulates of the Poisson process and obtain the probability distribution for that. Is the Poisson process stationary? Justify your answer. (8)

(ii) Let  $\{X_n; n = 0, 1, 2, 3 \dots\}$  be a Markov chain having state space  $S = \{1, 2, 3\}$  with one-step transition probability matrix

$$P = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ \frac{1}{4} & \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{4} \\ 0 & 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

and initial distribution  $P(X_0 = i) = \frac{1}{3}, i = 1, 2, 3$ . Compute

(A)  $P(X_3 = 1, X_2 = 1, X_1 = 1, X_0 = 2)$  and

(B)  $P(X_2 = 1, X_1 = 1/X_0 = 1)$ .

(8)

14. (a) (i) In an  $M/M/1/\infty/FCFS$  queueing system, if  $\lambda = 10$  and  $\mu = 15$ , compute (A)  $L_q$ , (B)  $W_s$ , (C)  $P_3$  and (D) probability that an arriving customer has to wait in the queue. (8)

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- (ii) For an  $M/M/1/\infty$  balking queue derive the steady-state probabilities of the system size by assuming that the service rate as  $\mu_n = \mu, n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , and the arrival rate of the customers as  $\lambda_n = \frac{\lambda}{n+1}, n = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , where  $n \geq 0$  is the number of customers in the system. (8)

(OR)

- (b) (i) A car servicing station has 2 bays where service can be offered simultaneously. Because of space limitation, only 4 cars can wait in the queue. The arrival pattern is Poisson with 12 cars per day. The service time in both the bays is exponentially distributed with  $\mu = 8$  cars per day per bay. Find the average number of cars in the service station, the average number of cars waiting for service and the average time a car spends in the system. (8)
- (ii) For an  $M/M/2/\infty$  FCFS queueing system, derive the system of differential-difference equations for the system size probabilities. Under steady-state condition, obtain the steady-state probabilities of the system size and the mean number of customers in the system. (8)
15. (a) Discuss an  $M/G/1/\infty$  FCFS queueing system and derive the P-K mean value formula for the system size. Deduce also the mean number of customers in the system for an  $M/M/1/\infty$  FCFS queueing model from the P-K mean value formula. (16)

(OR)

- (b) Derive the system of differential-difference equations for the joint probabilities of the system size of two-stations tandem queueing system. Under the steady-state conditions, determine the steady-state probabilities of the system size and hence obtain the expected number of customers in the system and the mean waiting time of a customer in the system. (16)

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