

9. (a) The probability density function of a random variable  $X$  is  $f(x) = k(x - 1)(2 - x)$  for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ . Determine
- The value of  $k$ ;
  - $P(\frac{5}{4} \leq X \leq \frac{3}{2})$ .
- (b)  $A$  and  $B$  play a game in which their chances of winning are in the ratio 3:2. Find  $A$ 's chances of winning at least three games out of the five games played.

**(3 + 3) + 6 = 12**

**NUMERICAL AND STATISTICAL METHODS  
(MATH 2002)**

**Time Allotted : 3 hrs****Full Marks : 70***Figures out of the right margin indicate full marks.*

*Candidates are required to answer Group A and  
any 5 (five) from Group B to E, taking at least one from each group.*

*Candidates are required to give answer in their own words as far as practicable.*

**Group – A  
(Multiple Choice Type Questions)**

1. Choose the correct alternative for the following: **10 × 1 = 10**
- An unbiased coin is tossed five times. The outcome of each toss is either a head or a tail. The probability of getting at least one head is  
(a)  $\frac{1}{32}$                       (b)  $\frac{13}{32}$                       (c)  $\frac{16}{32}$                       (d)  $\frac{31}{32}$
  - What is the probability that a leap year selected at random, will contain 53 Saturdays?  
(a)  $\frac{1}{7}$                       (b)  $\frac{3}{7}$                       (c) 1                      (d)  $\frac{2}{7}$
  - A continuous random variable  $X$  has a probability density function  $f(x) = e^{-x}, 0 < x < \infty$ . Then  $P(X > 1)$  is  
(a) 0.368                      (b) 0.5                      (c) 0.632                      (d) 1.0
  - Let  $X$  be a random variable. Then which of the combinations of  $E(X)$  and  $E(X^2)$  respectively is *not* possible for the random variable  $X$ ?  
(a) 0 and 1                      (b) 2 and 3                      (c)  $\frac{1}{2}$  and  $\frac{1}{3}$                       (d) 2 and 5.
  - If  $u = 2x + 5$  and  $v = 3y - 5$ , and the correlation coefficient between  $x$  and  $y$  is 0.75, then the correlation coefficient between  $u$  and  $v$  is  
(a) 0.86                      (b) 0.75                      (c) -0.75                      (d) 1.
  - One of the roots of  $x^3 - 17x + 5 = 0$  lies between  
(a) 1 and 2                      (b) 0 and 1                      (c) -1 and 0                      (d) 6 and 7.
  - $\Delta^2(e^x)$  (taking  $h = 1$ ) is equal to  
(a)  $(e - 1)e^x$                       (b)  $(e - 1)^2 e^{2x}$                       (c)  $(e - 1)^2 e^x$                       (d)  $e^x$

- (viii) In the trapezoidal rule for finding  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ ,  $f(x)$  is approximated by  
 (a) a line segment (b) a parabola  
 (c) a circular sector (d) a part of an ellipse.
- (ix) Let  $f(x)$  be an interpolation polynomial. If  $f(0) = 12$ ,  $f(3) = 6$  and  $f(4) = 8$ , then  $f(x)$  is  
 (a)  $x^2 - 3x + 12$  (b)  $x^2 - 5x$   
 (c)  $x^3 - x^2 - 5x$  (d)  $x^2 - 5x + 12$ .
- (x) In the  $LU$ -factorization method, a matrix  $A$  is factorized as  $A = LU$  where,  $U$  is  
 (a) an upper triangular matrix (b) a lower triangular matrix  
 (c) the identity matrix (d) a diagonal matrix.

**Group – B**

2. (a) Find the smallest positive root of the equation  $3x^3 - 9x^2 + 8 = 0$  correct to four places of decimal, using Newton-Raphson method.  
 (b) Find the root of the equation  $x \tan x = 1.28$  that lies in the interval  $(0, 1)$ , correct to two places of decimal, using bisection method.  
**6 + 6 = 12**
3. (a) Solve the following system of linear equations by Gauss elimination method.  

$$\begin{aligned} x - 2y + 9z &= 8, \\ 3x + y - z &= 3, \\ 2x - 8y + z &= -5. \end{aligned}$$
  
 (b) Using Gauss-Seidel method find the solution of the following system of linear equations correct to two places of decimal.  

$$\begin{aligned} 3x + y + 5z &= 13, \\ 5x - 2y + z &= 4, \\ x + 6y - 2z &= -1. \end{aligned}$$
  
**6 + 6 = 12**

**Group – C**

4. (a) Using Lagrange's interpolation formula, find the polynomial of degree  $\leq 3$  passing through the points  $(-1, 1)$ ,  $(0, 1)$ ,  $(1, 1)$  and  $(2, -3)$ .  
 (b) Evaluate  $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$  using the trapezoidal rule. Hence compute an approximate value of  $\pi$ .  
**6 + 6 = 12**

5. (a) Given  $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{y-x}{y+x}$  with initial condition  $y = 1$  at  $x = 0$ , find  $y$  for  $x = 0.1$  by Euler's method, correct to four places of decimal, taking step length,  $h = 0.02$ .  
 (b) Find  $y(1.1)$  using Runge-Kutta method of fourth order, given that  $\frac{dy}{dx} = y^2 + xy$ ,  $y(1) = 1$ .  
**6 + 6 = 12**

**Group – D**

6. (a) There are two identical urns containing respectively 4 white, 3 red balls and 3 white, 7 red balls. An urn is chosen at random and a ball is drawn from it. Find the probability that the ball is white. If the ball drawn is white, what is the probability that it is from the first urn?  
 (b) A card is drawn at random from an ordinary deck of 52 playing cards. Find the probability that it is (i) an ace (ii) a heart (iii) neither a spade nor a ten.  
**6 + (2 + 2 + 2) = 12**
7. (a) Two urns contain respectively 5 white, 7 black balls and 4 white, 2 black balls. One of the urns is selected by the toss of a fair coin and then 2 balls are drawn without replacement from the selected urn. If both balls are white, what is the probability that the first urn was selected.  
 (b) If  $A$  and  $B$  are independent events, show that the following pairs are independent.  
 (i)  $A$  and  $B^C$   
 (ii)  $A^C$  and  $B$   
 (iii)  $A^C$  and  $B^C$   
**6 + (2 + 2 + 2) = 12**

**Group – E**

8. (a) Calculate the median and mode of the following frequency distribution:  

Marks:	10 – 19	20 – 29	30 – 39	40 – 49	50 – 59	60 – 69
Frequency:	8	11	15	18	16	7

  
 (b) From the following data, obtain the line of regression of  $X$  on  $Y$ .  

$X$ :	91	97	108	121	67	73
$Y$ :	71	75	69	97	70	61.

  
**6 + 6 = 12**