# Birla Institute of Technology \& Science, Pilani <br> Second Semester 2017-2018, MATH F113 (Probability \& Statistics) <br> Comprehensive Examination 

Time: 90 Min.
Date: May 8, 2018 (Tuesday)
Max. Marks: 70

1. The question paper has two parts, Part A (Closed Book) and Part B (Open Book). Write Part A and Part B on top right corner of the cover page of the respective answer sheets as well as respective supplements.
2. Write solution of each question on a fresh page. Moreover, answer each subpart of a question in continuation.
3. Answer each question legibly, clearly and concisely. Illegible answers will not be graded.
4. For each question, box your final answer(s)/conclusion(s). Write END in the answer sheet just after the final solution.

## Part A (Closed Book)

1. (a) A diagnostic test has a probability 0.95 of giving a positive result when applied to a person suffering from a certain disease, and a probability 0.10 of giving a positive when applied to a non-sufferer. It is estimated that $0.5 \%$ of the population are sufferers. Suppose that the test is applied to a person about whom we have no relevant information relating to the disease (apart from the fact that he/she comes from this population). Determine:
(i) probability that the test result will be positive,
(ii) probability that given a negative result, the person is a non-sufferer,
(iii) probability that the person will be diagnosed wrongly.
(b) For a die, the probability of the face with $j$ dots is proportional to $j$ for $j=1,2, \ldots, 6$. Find the probability that a face with odd number of dots will turn up in one roll of the die. $[8+6]$
2. A pair of unbiased six-sided dice is rolled independently.
(a) Let $X$ denote the smaller value of the outcomes if they are different and the common value if they are equal. Find the probability density function of $X$ and hence the expected value of $X$.
(b) Let $Y$ denote the absolute value of the difference of the outcomes. Determine the probability density function of $Y$. Also find the expected value of $Y^{2}$.
$[7+7]$
3. (a) Suppose that an average of 30 customers per hour arrive at a shop in accordance with a Poisson process. Find the probability that
(i) at most two customers arrive during a 6 minute period,
(ii) the shopkeeper will wait between 3 to 5 minutes for the arrival of the first customer.
(b) Buses arrive at a specified stop at 15 minute intervals starting at 7:00 AM. If a passenger arrives at the stop at a time that is uniformly distributed between 7:00 AM and 7:30 AM, find the probability that he waits
(i) less than 5 minutes for a bus, (ii) at least 12 minutes for a bus.
4. For the random variables $X$ and $Y$, consider the function

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f(x, y)= \begin{cases}K x y, & x>0, y>0, x+y<1 \\ 0, & \text { elsewhere }\end{cases}
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(i) Find the value of the constant $K$ which makes $f$ the joint density of $X$ and $Y$. Hence find
(ii) the conditional density function of $X$ given $Y=y$, (iii) $\mu_{X \mid y}$ and (iv) $P[Y \geq X]$.
5. (a) The experiments in the Chemistry lab yield the following data concerning the temperature $X$ in degree Celsius and the solubility $Y$ of Sodium Nitrate in 10 parts of water.

| $x$ | 0 | 4 | 10 | 15 | 20 |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| $y$ | 6 | 7 | 7 | 8 | 8 |

Using normal equations, estimate the linear regression equation of $Y$ on $x$. Hence estimate the average solubility of Sodium Nitrate in 10 parts of water when the temperature is $30^{\circ}$ Celsius.
(b) If a sample of size 12 on $(X, Y)$ gives $\sum x=84, \sum y=56, \sum x^{2}=672, \sum y^{2}=308$ and $\sum x y=452$, find the sample correlation coefficient $r$ of this sample. Based on this sample, will you support the guess that small values of $Y$ tend to be associated with small values of $X$ ? Justify.

