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M.Sc. DEGREE EXAMINATION – STATISTICS

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PST3MC02 – ADVANCED STOCHASTIC PROCESSES

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Max. : 100 Marks

Time: 01:00 PM - 04:00 PM

SECTION A – K1 (CO1)**Answer ALL the questions****(5 x 1 = 5)**

- 1 Define the following
- a) Markov process
- b) Periodicity of Markov chain
- c) Renewal process
- d) Super- martingale
- e) Reflected Brownian motion

SECTION A – K2 (CO1)**Answer ALL the questions****(5 x 1 = 5)**

- 2 Fill in the blanks
- a) A matrix is called Markov if each row sum is -----.
- b) Recurrence is a ----- property.
- c) For Poisson process the inter-occurrence times is ----- distribution.
- d) In counter models the readjustment period is called ----- time.
- e) If $\varphi(s) = p_0 + p_1 s$, $0 < p_0 < 1$, the associated branching process is called a pure ----- process.

SECTION B – K3 (CO2)**Answer any THREE of the following****(3 x 10 = 30)**

- 3 Explain spatially homogeneous Markov chains.
- 4 Show that one-dimensional random walk is recurrent.
- 5 State the postulates for a pure birth process and derive the differential equations for it.
- 6 Narrate the branching process with two examples.
- 7 Discuss age and block replacement policies.

SECTION C – K4 (CO3)**Answer any TWO of the following****(2 x 12.5 = 25)**

- 8 Analyze Type I and Type II counter models in renewal process.
- 9 Obtain mean and variance of Yule process when $X(0) = N = 1$.
- 10 Establish the following: (i)The variance of sum as a martingale and (ii)Wald's martingale. (6.5+6)
- 11 Elaborate the stationary process considering certain trigonometric polynomials

SECTION D – K5 (CO4)**Answer any ONE of the following****(1 x 15 = 15)**

- 12 If π denotes the probability of eventual extinction show that it is the smallest positive root of the equation $\varphi(s) = s$ and also prove that $\pi = 1$ if $m \leq 1$ and $0 < \pi < 1$ if $m > 1$.
- 13 Let a Markov chain on the states $\{0,1,2,3,4,5\}$ has the following one-step transition probabilities:
 $P_{00} = 1$, $P_{11} = 3/4$, $P_{12} = 1/4$, $P_{21} = 1/8$, $P_{22} = 7/8$, $P_{30} = P_{31} = 1/4$, $P_{33} = 1/8$, $P_{34} = 3/8$, $P_{40} = 1/3$,
 $P_{42} = P_{43} = 1/6$, $P_{44} = 1/3$, $P_{55} = 1$. (a)Find the equivalence classes. (b)Find period for different classes.
 (c) Find out the recurrent and transient states. (3+3+9)

SECTION E – K6 (CO5)

Answer any ONE of the following

(1 x 20 = 20)

14 (a) Show that Poisson process can be viewed as a renewal process and (b) State and prove the elementary renewal theorem. (10+10)

15 Establish the probability generating function relations for branching process and obtain mean and variance for it.

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