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### FIFTH SEMESTER (CBCSS—UG) DEGREE EXAMINATION NOVEMBER 2024

Mathematics

MTS 5D 04-MATHEMATICS FOR DECISION MAKING

(2020 Admission onwards)

Time : Two Hours

Maximum : 60 Marks

#### **Section** A

Answer any number of questions. Each question carries 2 marks. Ceiling is 20.

- 1. Define frequency distribution.
- 2. Consider this dataset showing the retirement age of 11 people, in whole years :

54, 54, 54, 55, 56, 57, 57, 58, 58, 60, 60

Find the mode.

- 3. Write any three measures of variation.
- 4. Suppose a sample consisting of following numbers has mean 8.5.

7, x, 11, 8, 12, 7, 6, 6

Find the value of *x*.

- 5. A coin is thrown 3 times. What is the probability that at least one head is obtained ?
- 6. How many different ways can you select one manufacturer, one car size, and one color ?
- 7. Classify each statement as an example of classical probability, empirical probability, or subjective probability :
  - (i) The probability that you will get the flu in this year is 0.1.
  - (ii) The probability that a voter chosen at random will be younger than 35 years old is 0.3.
- 8. Two cards are selected in sequence from a standard deck. Find the probability that the second card is a queen, given that the first card is a king. (Assume that the king is not replaced).

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9. Define probability distribution of a random variable. Decide whether the distribution is a probability distribution. Explain your reasoning :

x	:	1	2	3	4
p(x)	:	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{5}{4}$	- 1

10. Find the mean of the following probability distribution :

x	:	1	2	3	4	5
p(x)	:	0.16	0.22	0.28	0.20	0.14

- 11. Define normal distribution of a random variable. Write its mean and variance.
- 12. Find the *z*-score that corresponds to a cumulative area of 0.3632.

#### Section B

Answer any number of questions. Each questions carries 5 marks. Ceiling is 30.

13. A random sample of the number of children per household in a region is given below. Find the standard deviation :

x	:	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
f	:	10	19	7	7	2	1	4

- 14. The probability that A hits a target is  $\frac{1}{4}$ , and the probability that B hits the target is  $\frac{2}{5}$ . Both shoot at the target. Find the probability that at least one of them hits the target, that is, that A or B (or both) hit the target.
- 15. In a rolling of a six sided die, find the probability of :
  - (i) A rolling of 3;
  - (ii) A rolling of 7; and
  - (iii) A rolling of a number less than 5.
- 16. Define independent events and multiplication rules in probability for any two events A and B.

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- 17. Assume the random variable x is normally distributed with mean  $\mu = 174$  and standard deviation  $\sigma = 20$ . Find the indicated probability :
  - (i) P(X < 170).
  - (ii) P(X > 182).
- 18. A fair of coin tossed 6 times. Find the probability that :
  - (i) Exactly two heads.
  - (ii) At least four heads.
- 19. A building contractor is planning to develop a subdivision. The subdivision is to consist of 6 onestory houses, 4 two-story houses, and 2 split-level houses. In how many distinguishable ways can the houses be arranged ?

#### Section C

### Answer any **one** question. The question carries 10 marks.

- 20. A pair of fair dice is tossed. Let X is the random variable which assigns the sum of toss of a pair of die. Find the distribution function.
- 21. An education finance corporation claims that the average credit card debts carried by undergraduates are normally distributed, with a mean of \$3173 and a standard deviation of \$1120. (Adapted from Sallie Mae). What is the probability that a randomly selected undergraduate, who is a credit card holder, has a credit card balance less than \$2700?

 $(1 \times 10 = 10 \text{ marks})$ 

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