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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION FOR DEGREE IN
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN INFORMATION TECHNOLOGY (BSc. I. T. 9S)
(YR III, SEM I)

AMA 2103 : PROBABILITY & STATISTICS

END OF SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS

SERIES : AUGUST/SEPTEMBER 2011

TIME : 2 HOURS

Instructions to Candidates:

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions in **TWO** sections **A & B**

Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions

Maximum marks for each part of a question is as shown

This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

SECTION A (Compulsory)

Question 1

a) Explain the following terms:

- (i) Trial and event
- (ii) Sample space
- (iii) Mutually exclusive events

marks)

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- b) Two dice are thrown. What is the probability that a double (both dice showing the same score) is obtained? (6 mark)
- c) A shopkeeper buys a particular kind of light bulb from three manufacturers A_1 , A_2 , and A_3 . She buys 30% of her stock from A_1 , 45% from A_2 and 25% from A_3 . In the past she found that 2% of A_3 's bulbs are faulty whereas only 2% of A_1 's and A_2 's are. Suppose she chose a bulb and finds it faulty, what is the probability that was manufactured by:
- (i) A_1
(ii) A_2
(iii) A_3 (11 marks)

SECTION B (Attempt any TWO questions)

Question 2

- a) Define a “random variable” (3 marks)
- b) The number of Persons x , in a Singapore family chosen at random has the following probability distribution.
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|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|------|
| X | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 | 8 |
| P(x) | 0.34 | 0.44 | 0.11 | 0.06 | 0.02 | 0.01 | 0.01 | 0.01 |
- Find: (i) The average family size
(ii) The variance (14 marks)
- c) Explain any **THREE** measures of central tendency (6 marks)

Question 3

- (a) Define correlation (2 marks)
- (b) The following are the scores of students in paper 1 and paper 2 for a certain subject.

Student	x, marks in paper 1	y, marks in paper 2
A	42	31
B	84	83
C	50	42
D	42	60
E	33	28
F	50	63
G	69	59
H	81	92

I	50	73
J	35	40

Determine the correlation coefficient (12 marks)

c) Using the method of least squares, derive the normal equations for the equation: (9 marks)

$$Y_i = \alpha$$

Question 4

a) Explain any **FIVE** measures of dispersion (10 marks)

b) The distribution of goals scored by an amateur football team during two seasons is shown below

No. of goals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No. of times	2	3	8	4	4	3	6	3	2	1

Calculate the mean and standard deviation (10 marks)

Question 5

The data below was obtained from an experiment to measure the extension of a spring when loaded with different weights

X: load (newtons)	Y: length of spring (cm)
0.1	10.7
0.2	11.3
0.3	12.0
0.4	12.4
0.5	13.0
0.6	13.7
0.7	14.5
0.8	15.1
0.9	15.6
1.0	16.0

a) Calculate the regression line of Y on X (20 marks)

b) Predict the load for 0.65N (3 marks)