

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)
BA DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2026
(Fourth Semester)
Branch – SOCIOLOGY

SOCIAL STATISTICS – II WITH COMPUTER APPLICATIONS

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

SECTION-A (10 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (10 × 1 = 10)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO
1	1	Yule's coefficient of association is used to measure: a) Correlation between variables b) Independence between attributes c) Consistency of time series d) Normal distribution fit	K1	CO1
	2	If attributes are inconsistent, it implies: a) Perfect independence b) Data errors or contradictions c) High correlation d) Random variation	K2	CO1
2	3	The mean of a Poisson distribution is: a) σ b) npq c) μ^2 d) μ	K1	CO2
	4	Which distribution is used to approximate the binomial when n is large and p is small? a) Normal b) Exponential c) Poisson d) Chi-square	K2	CO2
3	5	The main source of vital statistics in India is: a) NSSO b) Civil Registration System c) SEBI d) RBI	K1	CO3
	6	A life table is primarily used to: a) Summarize mortality patterns b) Predict future stock prices c) Calculate standard deviation d) Measure seasonal trends	K2	CO3
4	7	Seasonal variation repeats itself: a) Randomly b) occupationally c) Every decade d) Every year	K1	CO4
	8	If seasonal variation is high, the time series data shows: a) No periodicity b) Clear periodic fluctuations c) Only upward trend d) Complete randomness	K2	CO4
5	9	Which MS Excel function is most suitable for checking the consistency of attributes by computing a contingency table? a) Pivot Table b) = AVERAGE () c) Data Validation d) Conditional Formatting	K1	CO5
	10	Moving average analysis in Excel is part of: a) Solver b) What-If Analysis c) Data Analysis ToolPak d) Page Layout	K2	CO5

SECTION - B (35 Marks)

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (5 × 7 = 35)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO															
1	11.a.	Explain with an example what is meant by association of attributes.	K2	CO1															
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1	11.b.	Given the following contingency table showing two attributes A and B in 100 individuals: <table><tr><td></td><td></td><td colspan="2">B</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">A</td><td>Yes</td><td>30</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>No</td><td>20</td><td>40</td></tr></table> Check whether attributes A and B are independent using the concept of consistency.			B				Yes	No	A	Yes	30	10	No	20	40	K2	CO1
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2	12.a.	Define the Poisson distribution and state one example of its application. If the average number of calls arriving at a call center is 3 per hour, find the probability of receiving exactly 2 calls in an hour.	K3	CO2									
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	12.b.	Explain the multiplication theorem for independent events. In two successive tosses of a fair coin, find the probability that both tosses result in heads.											
3	13.a.	Explain the sources of vital statistics and discuss their importance in public health planning.	K3	CO3									
	(OR)												
	13.b.	a. Define Crude Birth Rate (CBR) and General Fertility Rate (GFR). b. Given a population of 200,000 and 4000 live births in one year with 50,000 women aged 15-49, compute CBR and GFR.											
4	14.a.	Explain seasonal variation in time series. What is the simple average method for measuring seasonal indices? Illustrate with a brief example.	K4	CO4									
	(OR)												
	14.b.	What is the method of moving averages? Calculate 3-year moving averages for the following production data: <table><tr><td>Year</td><td>2018</td><td>2019</td><td>2020</td><td>2021</td><td>2022</td></tr><tr><td>Production</td><td>100</td><td>120</td><td>130</td><td>110</td><td>150</td></tr></table>			Year	2018	2019	2020	2021	2022	Production	100	120
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5	15.a.	Explain how MS Excel can be used to calculate and interpret Yule's coefficient of association between two attributes. What are the benefits of using Excel for this calculation in research?	K4	CO5									
	(OR)												
	15.b.	Explain the process of fitting a linear trend to time series data using Excel. What Excel tools or functions assist in performing regression or trend line analysis?											

SECTION -C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks (3 × 10 = 30)

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1	16	(a) Define Yule's Coefficient of Association. Explain its significance and interpret the possible range of values. (b) Given the following data of two attributes A and B: <table><tr><td></td><td></td><td colspan="2">B</td></tr><tr><td></td><td></td><td>Yes</td><td>No</td></tr><tr><td rowspan="2">A</td><td>Yes</td><td>30</td><td>10</td></tr><tr><td>No</td><td>20</td><td>40</td></tr></table> Calculate Yule's Coefficient of Association and interpret the strength and direction of association between A and B.			B				Yes	No	A	Yes	30	10	No	20	40	K2	CO1
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2	17	Demonstrate your understanding of Normal Distribution by explaining its important properties and using it to solve: Given a normal variable X with mean 50 and standard deviation 10, find the probability that X is between 40 and 70.	K3	CO2															
3	18	Explain the construction and uses of a life table. Briefly describe the meaning of l_x and q_x in a life table.	K3	CO3															
4	19	Explain the components of a time series and discuss their significance in data analysis.	K4	CO4															
5	20	Explain the role of MS Excel in performing statistical analysis with an emphasis on how it supports: • Probability distribution functions (binomial, normal, Poisson), • Regression and trend analysis for time series. Discuss the advantages and limitations of using Excel for statistical inference in research.	K4	CO5															