

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE
(AUTONOMOUS)

BSc DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2026
(Second Semester)

Branch – STATISTICS

PROBABILITY DISTRIBUTIONS

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	The mean of a Binomial distribution with parameters n and p is (i) np (ii) np(1-p) (iii) p(1-p) (iv) nq(1-p)	K1	CO1
	2	The Poisson distribution is a limiting case of the (i) Negative Binomial distribution (ii) Binomial distribution (iii) Normal distribution (iv) Hypergeometric distribution	K2	CO1
2	3	The Negative Binomial distribution can be derived as a sum of (i) Poisson-distributed variables (ii) independent geometric distributions (iii) normal distributions (iv) hypergeometric distribution	K1	CO2
	4	The Geometric distribution is a special case of the (i) Negative Binomial distribution (ii) Hypergeometric distribution (iii) Normal distribution (iv) Exponential distribution	K2	CO2
3	5	The skewness of a normal distribution is (i) 0 (ii) 1 (iii) -1 (iv) 2	K1	CO3
	6	A normal distribution is completely determined by its (i) Mean and variance (ii) Mean and mode (iii) Mean and median (iv) Mean and skewness	K2	CO3
4	7	The shape parameter in the Gamma distribution controls the (i) Skewness (ii) Variance (iii) Location (iv) Scale	K1	CO4
	8	The Beta distribution is defined over the interval (i) (0,1) (ii) $(-\infty, \infty)$ (iii) (-1,1) (iv) (0, ∞)	K2	CO4
5	9	The degrees of freedom of a Chi-square distribution are (i) Always positive (ii) Always negative (iii) Zero (iv) Any real number	K1	CO5
	10	The F-distribution is used to test (i) Equality of variances (ii) Equality of means (iii) Equality of medians (iv) Homogeneity of samples	K2	CO5

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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.	Define Bernoulli distribution. Obtain the mean and variance of Bernoulli distribution.	K3	CO1
		(OR)		
	11.b.	Explain the recurrence relation for the Poisson distribution.		
2	12.a.	Describe lack of memory property of the Geometric distribution.	K4	CO2
		(OR)		
	12.b.	Obtain Binomial distribution as a limiting case of Hypergeometric distribution.		
3	13.a.	Define Rectangular (Uniform) distribution. Obtain its mean and variance.	K4	CO3
		(OR)		
	13.b.	Derive the moment-generating function (MGF) and the mean deviation about the mean of a Normal distribution.		
4	14.a.	Describe the first and second kind of Beta distributions.	K5	CO4
		(OR)		
	14.b.	Obtain the mean, variance and moment generating function of exponential distribution.		
5	15.a.	If X is chi-square variate with n d.f., then prove that for large n, $\sqrt{2X} \sim N(\sqrt{2n}, 1)$.	K3	CO5
		(OR)		
	15.b.	Derive Student's t – distribution with its assumptions & conditions.		

SECTION - C (30 Marks)

Answer ANY THREE questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(3 × 10 = 30)

Module No.	Question No.	Question	K Level	CO																				
1	16	Seven coins are tossed and the number of heads noted. The experiment is repeated 128 times and the following distribution is obtained: Fit a binomial distribution assuming (i) The coin is unbiased (ii) The nature of the coin is not known <table><tr><td>No. of heads</td><td>0</td><td>1</td><td>2</td><td>3</td><td>4</td><td>5</td><td>6</td><td>7</td><td>Total</td></tr><tr><td>Frequencies</td><td>7</td><td>6</td><td>19</td><td>35</td><td>30</td><td>23</td><td>7</td><td>1</td><td>28</td></tr></table>	No. of heads	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	Total	Frequencies	7	6	19	35	30	23	7	1	28	K4	CO1
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2	17	Describe multinomial distribution and also derive the moments of multinomial distribution.	K4	CO2																				
3	18	In a distribution exactly normal, 10.03% of the items are under 25 kilogram weight and 89.97% of the items are under 70 kilogram weight. What are the mean and standard deviation of the distribution.	K5	CO3																				
4	19	If X and Y are independent Gamma variates with parameters μ and ν respectively, show that $U = \frac{X}{X+Y}$ are independent and that U is a variate and Z is a variate.	K4	CO4																				
5	20	Derive Chi-square distribution and state its applications.	K4	CO5																				

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