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COMPUTER SCIENCE — HONOURS

Paper : DSCC-15

(Linear Algebra and Statistical Method)

Full Marks : 75

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks.**Candidates are required to give their answers in their own words as far as practicable.*

1. Answer **any five** questions : 2×5
- When are two vectors said to be orthogonal?
 - What is the identity transformation?
 - Define basis of a vector space.
 - Define Eigenvalue, Eigenvector of a Matrix.
 - What is a nominal variable? Explain with example.
 - State the difference between a vector and a scalar in an n -dimensional space.
 - When are two vectors said to be equal vectors?
 - Define dot product and cross product of two vectors.

Section - A

Answer **any three** questions.

- Define identity matrix and zero matrix.
 - Define symmetric and skew-symmetric matrices. 2+3
- Define kernel and image of a linear transformation.
 - For $T(x, y) = (x + y, y)$, find $T(1, 2)$ and $T(2, -1)$. 2+3
- Define correlation and distinguish between positive and negative correlation.
 - Calculate Karl Pearson's coefficient of correlation for :

X	10	20	30	40	50
Y	15	25	35	45	55

2+3
- Define a probability distribution. Mention any two common probability distributions.
 - A coin is tossed 3 times. Find the probability distribution of the number of heads. 2+3

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6. (a) What is a stem-and-leaf plot?
 (b) Construct a stem-and-leaf plot for : 12, 15, 18, 21, 22, 25, 31, 33, 35, 39. 2+3

Section - B

Answer *any five* questions. 2×5

7. (a) What is ANOVA?
 (b) Explain why is ANOVA preferred over multiple t-tests when comparing more than two means.
 (c) Three teaching methods are applied to three groups of students. Their scores are :

Method A	70	72	74
Method B	65	67	69
Method C	75	77	79

Set up the null and alternative hypotheses and prepare the ANOVA table structure. 2+3+5

8. (a) Define Principal Component Analysis.
 (b) Explain the role of eigenvalues and eigenvectors in PCA.
 (c) Find the characteristic equation and eigenvalues of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$$

2+3+5

9. (a) What is Gauss-Jordan method?
 (b) Distinguish between Gaussian elimination and Gauss-Jordan method.
 (c) Solve by Gauss-Jordan method :

$$x + y + z = 3$$

$$2x + 3y + z = 7$$

$$x - y + 2z = 4$$

2+2+6

10. (a) Define inverse of a matrix.
 (b) State the condition for a matrix to have an inverse.
 (c) Find the inverse of

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 & 2 \\ 0 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

2+3+5

11. (a) State any two important properties of the normal distribution.
 (b) A random variable X is uniformly distributed over the interval $[10, 30]$. Find :
 (i) $P(12 < X < 20)$
 (ii) $P(X > 25)$
 (iii) the mean of the distribution.
 (c) Distinguish between discrete and continuous probability distributions with one example of each. 2+6+2
12. (a) Define skewness. Explain the difference between positive skewness and negative skewness.
 (b) Define range and standard deviation. Why is standard deviation considered a better measure of dispersion than range?
 (c) The following data shows the marks obtained by 10 students in a statistical test :
 42, 48, 50, 55, 60, 62, 65, 70, 75, 83. Find the mean and standard deviation of the data. 3+3+4
13. (a) Define linear dependence and linear independence.
 (b) Check whether the vectors $(1, 2, 3)$, $(2, 4, 6)$, $(1, 0, 1)$ are linearly independent.
 (c) Determine whether the vectors $(1, 0, 1)$, $(0, 1, 1)$, $(1, 1, 2)$ span R^3 . 2+4+4
14. The following frequency distribution shows the marks obtained by 50 students in a test :

Marks (Class Interval)	Frequency
0 – 10	4
10 – 20	6
20 – 30	10
30 – 40	12
40 – 50	9
50 – 60	6
60 – 70	3

- (a) Compute the mean, median and mode of the data.
 (b) Identify whether any outlier class exists and justify your answer. (2+3+3)+2