

Semester	5
Course	Major
Paper Code	C3MT230511T
Paper Title	Probability Theory
No. of Credits	4
Theory / Practical / Composite	Theory
Minimum No. of preparatory hours per week a student has to devote	4
Number of Modules	Nil
Syllabus	Interpretation of randomness in non-deterministic experiments. Illustration of countable and uncountable sample spaces connected to different random experiments. [1] Event and Event space: need of the ideas of field & sigma field in probability theory. Idea of minimal sigma-field. Construction of minimal sigma field. Borel field & Borel sets in $\mathbb{R}$ [3] Definitions of sure event, impossible event, mutually exclusive and exhaustive events along with examples. Monotone sequence of events: contracting and expanding sequence. Limit of monotone sequence of events. Limit superior and limit inferior of an arbitrary sequence of events.[2] Introduction to the idea of probability: different types of definition: Classical Laplace definition: some simple combinatorial problems based on it [3]- Shortcomings of this classical approach and Axiomatic approach as an alternative. [Kolmogorov's probability axioms].[1] Probability defined as a set function on countable and uncountable sample spaces. Properties of probability function, Addition Theorem on Probability (proof based on Mathematical Induction included)[3]. Concept of Probability space. Boole's and Bonferroni's inequalities. Axiom of Continuity [Proofs included] [3] Conditional Probability- definition, examples, verification that conditional probability is a probability in its own right.[1] Multiplication rule of probability, Theorem of total probability, Bayes' theorem and related problems. [3] Independence of two events-extension to a finite/ countably infinite collection of events, Pairwise and mutual independence, problems.[2] Introduction to one dimensional random variables: Random variable as Borel measurable function. Induced probability space [its justification as probability space according to Kolmogorov's axioms] [2]. Distribution function and derivation of its properties from those of probability measure [3] Classification of random variables: discrete, continuous and absolutely continuous types based

	on the nature of the distribution function . Probability mass function (pmf) and probability density function (pdf)[1] . Transformation of one dimensional random variable (discrete and continuous) –theory and problems.[2] Examples of Discrete and Continuous random variables: Binomial distribution –Poisson approximation. Poisson distribution ,Uniform distribution, Normal distribution and its symmetry features.[3] Raw and central moments for univariate distributions [1]. Mean, median, variance, skewness and kurtosis and their interpretations [2]. Two dimensional random variable: definition and examples, probability space for the two dimensional random variables: Joint distribution function. Marginal distribution function [3] Joint probability mass function and joint probability density function definition and simple problems related to them [2]. Bivariate Normal and Uniform distributions.[3] Transformation of two-dimensional continuous random variables and related problems[3] Statistical dependence and independence of two random variables-discussions at the pmf/pdf level [1] Moments for jointly distributed random variables. Covariance and correlation coefficient: properties & Interpretations.[2] Determination of linear regression equation using principles of least squares [2]	
Learning Outcomes	On successful completion of the course a student will be able to do the following: • Learning the axiomatic approach to probability theory given by Kolmogorov and understanding the basic results of probability and its applications to various problems. • Understanding random variables and their distribution functions. • Learning different discrete and continuous distributions in univariate as well as bivariate cases and applications to different problems. • Understanding moments, moment generating functions that characterize distributions. • Learning the idea of linear regression using principles of least squares and its interpretations.	
Reading/Reference Lists	1. Basic Probability Theory: Robert B-Ash 2. Introduction to Probability Theory: Sheldon Ross 3. Modern Probability Theory: B.R.Bhatt 4. Introduction to Probability Theory: Hoel, Port & Stone 5. Mathematical Probability: Banerjee, De & Sen	
Evaluation	End Sem;70 CIA:30 (20 (MidSem)+5(Assignment)+5(Attendance)	
Paper Structure for	7 questions each carrying 10 marks out of 13/14 questions.	

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