



UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

FIRST SEMESTER 2025/2026 ACADEMIC YEAR

**SECOND YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREES OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (STATISTICS), BACHELOR OF
SCIENCE (ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS) AND
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (GENERAL)**

STAT 211: MATHEMATICAL STATISTICS I

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

DAY: MONDAY [11.30 – 1.30 P.M]

DATE: 02/02/2026

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INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer question **ONE** and any other **TWO** questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Suppose X and Y are jointly distributed as follows

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} 4xy, & 0 < x < 1, 0 < y < 1 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find $E(3X + 2Y)$

(4 Marks)

- b) If the joint probability distribution function of X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{36}xy & x = 1, 2, 3 \quad y = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find $P[Y \leq 2 / X = 2]$

(4 Marks)

- c) The joint probability distribution function of X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{27}(x + y), & x = 0, 1, 2, 3 \quad y = 0, 1, 2 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find;

i) $P(X \leq 2, Y = 1)$

(3 Marks)

ii) $P(X > 2, Y \leq 1)$

(3 Marks)

iii) $P(X > Y)$

(3 Marks)

iv) $P(X + Y = 4)$

(3 Marks)

- d) Let X and Y have a bivariate normal distribution with parameters

$$\mu_X = 5, \mu_Y = 1, \sigma_X^2 = 9, \sigma_Y^2 = 36, \text{ and } \rho = \frac{1}{2}.$$

Find

i) $P[4 < X < 10.6]$

(2 Marks)

ii) $P[3.5 < Y < 9.62 | X = 6]$

(4 Marks)

iii) $P[8 < 3X + 5Y < 41]$

(4 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

a) The joint probability density function of X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} cx^2y, & 0 < x < 3 \text{ and } 0 < y < 2 \\ 0 & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find the

- i) Value of the constant c **(3 Marks)**
 ii) $P(X > 1, 1 < Y < 1.5)$ **(3 Marks)**
 iii) Conditional probability distribution $f(y/x=1)$ **(4 Marks)**
- b) The joint moment generating function of X and Y is given by
 $M(t_1, t_2) = \exp(2t_1 + 3t_2 + 2t_1^2 - 2t_1t_2 + 8t_2^2)$

Determine;

- i) The m.g.f. of X **(1 Mark)**
 ii) $E(X)$ **(2 Marks)**
 iii) $Cov(X, Y)$ **(7 Marks)**

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

a) Suppose that X and Y are random variables such that $Var(X) = 9, Var(Y) = 4$ and $\rho_{XY} = -\frac{1}{6}$,

Find $Var(2X + 4Y)$. **(4 Marks)**

a) Suppose X and Y have the following joint pmf

Y \ X	1	2	3
1	0.40	0.12	0.08
2	0.15	0.08	0.03
3	0.10	0.03	0.01

Find

- i) $E(Y|X = 2)$ **(4 Marks)**
 ii) $Var(Y|X = 1)$ **(4 Marks)**
 iii) $E(X|Y = 3)$ **(4 Marks)**

iv) $Var(X|Y=1)$ (4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

a) Let X and Y have a bivariate normal distribution with parameters $\mu_x = 7$, $\mu_y = 3$,

$\sigma_x^2 = 9$, $\sigma_y^2 = 16$, and $\rho = 0.7$ Find

i) $P[2 < Y < 6]$ (3 Marks)

ii) $P[2 < Y < 6|X = 1]$ (5 Marks)

b) The joint probability distribution of two discrete random variables X and Y is given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} k(2x + 3y) & x = 0, 1, 2 \quad y = 1, 2, 3 \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

Find;

i) The value of the constant k (2 Marks)

ii) Marginal p.d.f. of X and Y (4 Marks)

iii) Conditional probability of X given $Y = 2$ (2 Marks)

iv) Conditional variance of Y given $X = 1$ (4 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

Let X and Y be two random variables with joint p.d.f. given as

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} e^{-y} & 0 < x < y < \infty \\ 0, & \text{elsewhere} \end{cases}$$

a) Determine the joint mgf of X and Y (7 Marks)

b) Find the mgf of X (2 Marks)

c) Calculate the correlation between X and Y (9 Marks)

d) Are X and Y independent? (2 Marks)