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(Department of Mathematics)

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ASSIGNMENT No. I

(Units 1-4)

Attempt all the questions.

Q.1 Probability Theory

- a) Find the sample space for choosing an odd number from 1 to 15 at random.
- b) What is the difference between mutually exclusive events and collectively exhaustive events?
- c) The probability that an applicant for pilot school will be admitted is 0.5. If three applicants are selected at random, what is the probability that:
 - I. All three will be admitted
 - II. None will be admitted
 - III. Only one will be admitted

Q.2 Random Variables

- a) Define random variable. What is the difference between discrete random variable and continuous random variable?
- b) The fire chief for a small volunteer fire department has compiled data on the number of false alarms called in each day for the past 360 days. Construct the probability distribution for this study.

The data of false alarms frequency is given below

No. of Alarms	Frequency
0	75
1	80
2	77
3	40
4	28
5	24
6	20
7	16

Total 360

- c) Construct the discrete probability distribution which corresponds to the experiment of tossing a fair coin three times. Suppose the random variable X equals the number of heads occurring in three tosses. What is the probability of two or more heads?

Q.3 Equations

Solve the following first-degree equations:

a. $8x - 6 = 5x + 3$

b. $-15 + 35x = 8x - 9$

c. $(x + 9) - (-6 + 4x) + 4 = 0$

Q.4 Equations

a) *Solve the following quadratic equations using the quadratic formula:*

i. $4x^2 + 3x - 1 = 0$

ii. $4t^2 - 64 = 0$

b) *A railing is to enclose a rectangular area of 1800 square feet. The length of the plot is twice the width. How much railing must be used?*

Q.5 Linear Equations

a) *Solve the linear equation $y = 2x + 1$.*

b) *A company has fixed costs of \$7,000 for plant and equipment and variable costs of \$600 for each unit of output. What is the total cost at varying levels of output?*

c) *Find the equation of the straight line that has slope $m = 4$ and passes through the point $(-1, -6)$.*

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ASSIGNMENT No. 2

(Units 5-9)

Q.1 Matrices

a) Find the transpose of each of the following matrices:

i. $A = \begin{bmatrix} -1 & 0 & 0 \\ 6 & 9 & -2 \\ -4 & 5 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$

ii. $B = \begin{bmatrix} 6 & -6 \\ 4 & 9 \\ -2 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$

b) If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ -1 & -2 & 3 \\ 3 & 4 & 5 \end{bmatrix}$ find $4A - 3B$.

c) The quarterly sales of wheat, cotton, and corn for the year 2010 and 2011 are represented below in the form of matrix A and B . Find the total quarterly sales of wheat, cotton, and corn for these two years.

Q.2 Determinants and Inverses of Matrices

a) Evaluate the following determinants:

i. $\begin{vmatrix} 2 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ 2 & -3 & 5 \end{vmatrix}$

ii. $\begin{vmatrix} 2a & a & a \\ b & 2b & b \\ c & c & 2c \end{vmatrix}$

b) Find the inverse of the given matrix $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 3 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$ using Gaussian reduction method.

c) If $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -2 & -3 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ -4 & 6 & 8 \end{bmatrix}$, find $|A|$.

Q.3 Differentiation

a) Find the derivative of the function $f(x) = 15x^{100} - 3x^{12} + 5x - 46$.

- b) The position of a particle moving along a straight line at time t is given by $s = f(t) = 2t^2 + 7$. Find the instantaneous rate of change at $t = 12$ seconds.
- c) The production costs per week for producing x widgets in a factory is given by $C(x) = 500 + 350x - 0.09x^2$. Calculate the cost to produce the 301st widget at $x = 300$.
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Q.4 Partial Derivatives

- a) Find the values of $\partial f / \partial x$ and $\partial f / \partial y$ at the point $(4, -5)$ if $f(x, y) = x^2 + 3xy^2 + y - 1$.
- b) Find the second partial derivatives of the function $f(x, y) = 3x^{2y} + 2y^3$.
- c) If $f(x, y) = x^2 + y^2 + 2xy$, find the critical points and determine if they are maxima or minima.
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Q.5 Optimization

- a) Find the interval on which f is increasing, decreasing, concave up, and concave down for $f(x) = x^3 - 12x - 5$.
- b) A company manufactures two types of a certain product. The joint cost function for producing x units of product A and y units of product B is given by $c = x^2 + 3xy + 400$. Find the quantity of each that results in the lowest cost.
- c) The total cost and total revenue functions for a product are

$$C(q) = 500 + 100q + 0.5q^2 \text{ and } R(q) = 500q.$$

Find the profit-maximizing level of output.
