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**FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER**  
**SPECIAL/ SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE:** STA 444

**COURSE TITLE:** SEQUENTIAL ANALYSIS

**DATE:** 25/09/17

**TIME:** 8 AM -10 AM

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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**Question one (30mks)**

- (a) Distinguish between sequential analysis and sequential tests (4mks)
- (b) State the likelihood ratio for testing  $H_0: \theta = \theta_0$  against  $H_1: \theta = \theta_1$  where  $\theta_0 \leq \theta_1$  (4mks)
- (c) Given that  $\alpha = 0.05$  and  $\beta = 0.01$ , find the conditions under which the alternative hypothesis  $H_1$  will be accepted (6 mks)
- (d) Given  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  is a random sample from  $f(x, \theta)$ ,  $\theta \in \Omega$  with illustrations show how
  - i. The estimate of the parameter can be derived (4mks)
  - ii. The sequential probability ratio test can be carried out (4mks)
- (e) Examine if a test exists for testing  $H_0: \mu = \mu_0$  in  $f(x, \mu) = e^{-(x-\mu)}$  if  $\mu < x < \infty$  (8 mks)

**Question Two (20 marks)**

Given the exponential distribution

$$f_2(x) = \theta^{-1} \exp(-x/\theta) \text{ where } \theta_0 \leq \theta_1$$

State that  $H_0$  will be accepted immediately

$$\bar{x} \leq S_1 \text{ where } S_1 = n \left( \theta_0 + n \log \frac{\theta_1}{\theta_0} \right) \frac{\theta_0 \theta_1}{\theta_1 - \theta_0}$$

**Question Three (20 marks)**

Derive the value of  $K$  in SPRT given

$X \sim N(\mu, \delta^2)$  where  $\delta^2$  is known with a one sided alternative hypothesis

**Question four (20 marks)**

- (a) How can the expected value of the stopping time in sequential analysis be obtained? (4 mks)
- (b) Distinguish between  $\alpha$  and  $\beta$  as used in hypotheses testing (2 mks)
- (c) With an illustration briefly explain the critical region (4 mks)
- (d) State the characteristics that are necessary in sequential analysis in order to accept or reject  $H_0$  (4 mks)
- (e) Highlight the significance of ASN functions (2 mks)
- (f) Show how the expected sample size in a sequential test can be derived (4 mks)

**Question five (20 marks)**

- (a) What is the power function of parameter  $\theta$  (2 mks)
- (b) Let  $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n$  be iid random variables with a common distribution  $p$ . state the stage when SPRT stops sampling in testing  $H_0: p = p_0$  vs  $H_1: p = p_1$  (4 mks)
- (c) Given  $X \sim \beta(n, p)$ . obtain the test for:  $p \leq p_0$  vs  $H_1: p \geq p_0$  (8 mks)
- (d) Given that  $\Phi_0 \leq \bar{x} \leq \Phi_1$ , State the Walds approximation for  $\Phi_0$  and  $\Phi_1$  and find  $E(T|H_0)$  and  $E(T|H_1)$  (6 mks)