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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER
SUPPLEMENTAY/SPECIAL MAIN EXAMINATION
FOR THE DEGREES OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: STA 422

COURSE TITLE: SEQUENTIAL ANALYSIS

DATE: 25/11/22

TIME: 2:00 PM - 4:00 PM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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Question One (30 Marks)

- a) Define the term *Sequential Analysis*. (2 Marks)
- b) Briefly elaborate 2 applications of sequential analysis (4 Marks)
- c) List the 3 key decision rules that are in sequential testing (3 Marks)
- d) Let B_n denote the subset of n -dimensional space in which $A < t_k(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_k) < B$ for $k = 1, 2, \dots, n-1$ and $t_k(\epsilon_1, \dots, \epsilon_n) \geq B$ so that $\{N=n, t_n \geq B\} = \{(x_1, \dots, x_n) \in B_n\}$. Show that $\alpha \approx \frac{1-A}{B-A}$ and $\beta \approx \frac{A(B-1)}{B-A}$ (6 Marks)
- e) Let x_1, \dots, x_n be independent and identically distributed random variables with finite mean μ . Let M be any integer-valued random variable such that $\{M=n\}$ is an event determined only by x_1, \dots, x_n for all $n=1, 2, \dots$, and assume that $E(M) < \infty$ through monotone convergence theorem prove the Wald's equation (6 Marks)
- f) Let θ be the probability of an item being defective. At the n^{th} stage, take one more observation if $B < \frac{\theta_1^r (1-\theta_1)^{n-r}}{\theta_0^r (1-\theta_0)^{n-r}} < A$. If $\theta_0 = 0.5$ and $\theta_1 = 0.8$, solve for A and B and hence determine the continue-sampling region. (5 Marks)
- g) If the probability that an individual will suffer a bad reaction from injection of a given serum is 0.001, determine the probability that out of 2000 individuals, (2 Marks)
- (i) exactly 3,
- (ii) more than 2, individuals will suffer a bad reaction. Assume X is Poisson distributed (2 Marks)

Question Two (20 Marks)

- a) Consider the Problem of testing $\theta = \theta_0$ versus $\theta = \theta_1 > \theta_0$ in a Bernoulli population. (5 Marks)
- i. Derive the equation for θ
- ii. If $\theta_1 = 0.8$, $\theta_0 = 0.5$ and $\alpha = \beta = 0.01$ compute the values of θ and Operating Characteristic function in the table below. (5 Marks)

h	$-\infty$	-1	0	1	∞
θ					
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- b) By Wald's likelihood ratio theorem derive the stopping time inequality of any sequential hypothesis. (10 Marks)

Question Three (20 Marks)

- a) The sample size needed to reach a decision in a sequential or a multiple sampling plan is a random variable N . Assuming $P(Z = 0) < 1$ show that the moment-generating function of N is finite and hence derive the expectation equation of this distribution. (10 Marks)
- b) Using Wolfowitz method show that $E(1/\Lambda_N) = E(N)E(Z)$ (10 Marks)

Question Four (20 Marks)

- a) The number of miles an automobile tire lasts before it reaches a critical point in tread wear can be represented by a pdf

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{30} e^{-\frac{x}{30}}, & \text{for } x > 0 \\ 0, & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Find the expected number of miles (in thousands) a tyre would last until it reaches the critical tread wear point. (10 Marks)

- b) Prove the (weak) law of large numbers for Bernoulli trials by Chebyshev's inequality (10 Marks)

Question Five (20 Marks)

- a) A function $h(q)$ is estimable unbiasedly if and only if it can be expanded in Taylor's series in the interval $|q| < 1$. Prove that if $h(q)$ is estimable, then its unique unbiased estimator is given by

$$g(\gamma_k) = \frac{(c-1)!}{(k+c-1)!} \frac{d^k}{dq^k} \left[\frac{h(q)}{(1-q)^c} \right]_{q=0}, k = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(10 Marks)

- b) Let $\theta = (\sigma^*/\sigma)^2$. Then as n gets large, in probability

$$\frac{M\theta}{n_1} \rightarrow \begin{cases} 1 & \text{when } H_0 \text{ is true} \\ 1 + \frac{\delta^{*2}}{4\sigma^2} & \text{when } \mu_2 - \mu_1 = \delta^* \end{cases}$$

Show that $\sigma^* = T_1 + T_2 = \alpha$ for all values of θ

(10 Marks)