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ST 7121: PROBABILITY THEORY
(For current batch students only)

Time: 2 Hours

Max Marks: 50

This paper contains TWO printed pages and ONE part.

PART-A

I. Answer any FIVE questions out of SEVEN questions:

1. A) Define monotonic sequence of sets with an example.
 B) Define Field. Prove that every σ field is a field.
 C) Define probability measure. Prove that if A and B are independent then A and B^c are independent. (2+4+4)

2. A) Check whether a sequence of independent random variables $\{X_k\}$ satisfies WLLN, where probability distribution of X_k is as follows:

X_k	-2^k	0	2^k
$P(X_k = x)$	$\frac{1}{2^{2k+1}}$	$1 - \frac{1}{2^{2k}}$	$\frac{1}{2^{2k+1}}$

- B) Define convergence in distribution.
 C) Prove that distribution function of a random variable is non-decreasing and right continuous. (4+2+4)
3. A) Prove that convergence in distribution need not imply convergence in probability.
 B) Define the quantile function with an example.
 C) Write a note on decomposition of a distribution function. (5+2+3)



4. A) State and prove Chebyshev's Inequality.
B) Define expectation of a simple random variable. Prove that $E(X \pm Y) = E(X) \pm E(Y)$.
(6+4)
5. A) If X and Y are two random variables then prove that $E\{\text{Min}(X, Y)\} \leq \text{Min}\{E(X), E(Y)\}$.
B) State and prove the Inversion theorem of a characteristic function. (2+8)
6. A) Define Moment Generation Function (MGF). State and prove any one property of MGF.
B) Define Characteristic function. Derive the Characteristic function of Uniform distribution over the interval (a, b) .
C) If $\Phi_X(t)$ is a characteristic function of a random variable X , then prove that $|\Phi_X(t)| \leq 1$.
(4+4+2)
7. A) Prove that characteristic function is uniformly continuous on \mathbf{R} .
B) Mention any one application of MGF and characteristic function.
C) For a measure μ and events A_1, A_2, \dots, A_k prove that $\mu\left(\bigcup_{n=1}^k A_n\right) \leq \sum_{n=1}^k \mu(A_n)$
(5+1+4)
