

Code No.: **MDS 553**

Course Title: **Statistical Methods for Data Science**

Nature: **Theory and Practical (Compulsory)**

Full Mark: 75

Credit: 3

Course Description:

The course explains different probability distributions and their applications, some non-parametric statistical tests and their applications, different aspects of the testing of hypothesis along with Neymann-Pearson's lemma, uniformly most powerful tests, likelihood ratio tests for testing means and variance in exponential families.

Course Objectives:

After completion of this course, students will be able to

- Understand the concept of multinomial probability distributions, their major characteristics and applications
- Be familiar with probability functions of extreme value distributions, their major characteristics and their applications
- Understand the concept of generalized power series distribution with special focus to Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial distributions, and examples
- Know meaning and importance of prior and posterior distributions, applications focusing on some particular distributions and examples
- Understand how the distributions are compounding, understand mixed type distributions and their applications
- Know the difference between parametric and non-parametric statistical tests
- Apply non-parametric statistical tests appropriately in real life data analysis
- Understand the different aspects of testing of hypothesis, likelihood ratio tests and their applications.

Course Contents:

Unit 1: Multinomial Distribution

[4 Hrs.]

Probability mass function, moment generating and characteristic function, moments, covariance and correlation, distribution fitting and examples.

Unit 2: Extreme Value Distributions

[4 Hrs.]

Probability density, distribution functions, moments, properties and examples.

Unit 3: Generalized Power Series Distribution

[6 Hrs.]

Unified Probability mass function, its special cases - Binomial, Poisson, Negative Binomial distributions and examples.

Unit 4: Prior and Posterior Distributions

[6 Hrs.]

Meaning and examples including cases where Binomial, Beta, Exponential, Gamma, Poisson, Negative Binomial distributions and examples.

Unit 5: Compound and Mixed Type Distribution

[6 Hrs.]

Compound Negative Exponential Distribution: Compounding of distributions, its moments.

Mixed Type Distribution: Mixed random variable, meaning and examples, computation of moments of mixed random variables, examples.

Unit6: Non-Parametric Tests**[11Hrs.]**

An overview of parametric tests, need of non-parametric statistical tests, Wilcoxon-Mann-Whitney U test, Median test, Fisher exact test for 2×2 tables, median test, Wilcoxon Sign ranks test, McNemar test, Kruskal-Wallis one-Way Analysis of Variance, Kolmogorov-Smirnov one sample and two sample tests, Friedman two way analysis of variance, relevant examples.

Unit 7: Testing of Hypothesis**[11Hrs.]**

General concept of simple and composite hypothesis, two types of errors, level of significance, power and size of a test. Most powerful test – Neymann Pearson's lemma and its application. Uniformly most powerful test- application to standard statistical distribution, unbiased test. Likelihood ratio test - Principle and properties, likelihood ratio test for testing means and variance in exponential families (without derivation), relevant examples.

Laboratory Works:

The applications of different probability distributions, testing of hypothesis using different statistical tests in real life data will be performed using appropriate software.

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