

**Category VI**
**COMMON POOL OF GENERIC ELECTIVES (GE) COURSES  
OFFERED BY DEPARTMENT OF STATISTICS (Semester-VII)**
**GENERAL ELECTIVE COURSE – 7A: NONPARAMETRIC METHODS**
**CREDIT DISTRIBUTION, ELIGIBILITY AND PRE-REQUISITES OF THE COURSE**

Course title & Code	Credits	Credit distribution of the course			Eligibility criteria	Pre-requisite of the course (if any)
		Lecture	Tutorial	Practical/ Practice		
Nonparametric Methods	4	3	0	1	Class XII pass with Mathematics	Knowledge of hypothesis testing

**Learning Objectives**

The learning objectives include:

- Utility of Nonparametric/distribution free tests and its role for different type of data
- Quantile and Empirical distributions and their utility
- Test for randomness, location and scales under nonparametric setup
- Test association of bivariate samples

**Learning Outcomes:**

After completing this course, students should be able to:

- Distinguish between parametric and nonparametric test and appreciate different measurement scales.
- Understand quantile and empirical distribution function and its utility.
- Use nonparametric test for both one/two samples problem, Test for randomness, Kolmogorov- Smirnov one sample and two sample tests, sign test, Wilcoxon signed rank test, run test. Median test, Mann Whitney U test, Kruskal-Wallis one-way analysis of variance by ranks.
- Test association of bivariate samples using Kendall Tau and Spearman's rank correlation.

**SYLLABUS OF GE-7A**
**Theory**
**UNIT I**
**(15 hours)**
**Nonparametric Tests:**

Introduction and Concept, Non-parametric tests-their advantages and disadvantages, comparison with parametric tests. Measurement scale-nominal, ordinal, interval and ratio. The quantile function, the empirical distribution function, Test for randomness based on total number of runs.

## **UNIT II**

**(15 hours)**

One-Sample, two-sample problem, and Paired-Sample Procedures: the sign test, treatment of ties in rank tests, Wilcoxon signed-rank test, Wald-Wolfowitz runs test, Kolmogorov-Smirnov one and two-sample test, median test, and the Mann-Whitney U test.

## **UNIT III**

**(15 hours)**

### **Linear Rank Tests for the Location and Scale Problem:**

Definition of linear rank statistics, Wilcoxon rank-sum test; Tests of the Equality of k Independent Samples: The Kruskal-Wallis one-way ANOVA test; Measures of Association for Bivariate Samples: definition of measures of association in a bivariate population, Kendall's Tau coefficient, Spearman's coefficient of rank correlation.

## **PRACTICAL/LAB WORK(30 hours):**

### **List of Practical**

1. Obtaining quantile and Empirical Distribution
2. Test for randomness
3. Sign test
4. Wilcoxon Signed rank test
5. Wald-Wolfowitz runs test,
6. Kolmogorov-Smirnov one sample test,
7. median test and the Mann-Whitney U test.
8. Wilcoxon rank-sum test
9. The Kruskal-Wallis one-way ANOVA test
10. Test based on Kendall's Tau coefficient.
11. Spearman's coefficient of rank correlation

**Practical work to be conducted using electronic spreadsheet / EXCEL/ Statistical Software Package/ SPSS/ calculators.**

## **ESSENTIAL READINGS:**

- Gibbons, J. D., and Chakraborti, S. (2021): Nonparametric statistical inference. CRC press.
- Siegel, S. (2014). Nonparametric statistics for the behavioural sciences. McGraw-Hill.

## **SUGGESTIVE READINGS:**

- Kloeke, J., and McKean, J. W. (2024) : Nonparametric statistical methods using R. CRC Press.
- Hollander, M., Wolfe, D.A., and Chicken, E.(2013):Nonparametric statistical methods (Vol. 751). John Wiley & Sons.

**Note: Examination scheme and mode shall be as prescribed by the Examination Branch University of Delhi, from time to time.**