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# PREFACE

The first S.E.R.C.(Science and Engineering Research Council) School on Special Functions was sponsored by DST (Department of Science and Technology), Delhi, and conducted by CMS for six weeks in 1995. The second S.E.R.C. School on Special Functions and Functions of Matrix Argument was sponsored by DST, Delhi, and conducted by CMS for five weeks during the period 29th May to 30th June 2000. In the second School, the main lectures were given by Dr. H.L. Manocha of Delhi, Dr. S. Bhargava of Mysore, Dr. K. Srinivasa Rao and Dr. R. Jagannathan of Chennai and Dr. A.M.Mathai of Montreal, Canada. Supplementary lectures were given and problem sessions were supervised by Dr. K.S.S. Nambooripad and Dr. S.R. Chettiyar of CMS, Dr. R.N. Pillai (retired), Dr. T.S.K. Moothathu and Dr. Yageen Thomas of the University of Kerala and Dr. E. Krishnan of the University College Trivandrum. Lecture Notes were brought out as Publication No.31 of CMS soon after the School was completed. The first two Schools were conducted in Trivandrum (Thiruvananthapuram) area. Dr. A.M. Mathai was the Director and Dr. K.S.S. Nambooripad the Co-Director of these two Schools.

The third S.E.R.C. School on Special Functions and Functions of Matrix Argument: Recent Developments and Recent Applications in Statistics and Astrophysics, sponsored by DST, Delhi, was conducted for five weeks from 14th March to 15th April 2005 by CMS at its Pala Campus, Kerala, India. This time DST, Delhi, wanted the lecture notes to be collected from the main lecturers in advance, compiled and distributed prior to the start of the School. The main lectures for the 3rd School were given by Dr. Hans Haubold of the Outer Space Affairs of the United Nations, Dr. Serge Provost, Professor of Actuarial Sciences and Statistics of the University of Western Ontario, Canada, Dr. R.K. Saxena of Jodhpur, India, Dr. S. Bhargava of Mysore, India and Dr. A.M. Mathai of Montreal, Canada. Supplementary lectures were given by Dr. A. Sukumaran Nair (Chairman, CMS), Dr. K.K. Jose (Director-in-Charge, Pala Campus), Dr. R.N. Pillai, Dr. Yageen Thomas, Dr. V. Seethalakhmi, Dr. Alice Thomas, Dr. E.

Sandhya, Dr. S. Satheesh and Dr. K. Jayakumar. Problem sessions were supervised by Dr. Sebastian George and other lecturers. Extra training in the use of statistical packages, TEX and Mathematica/Maple were given by Joy Jacob, Seemon Thomas and K.M. Kurian of the Department of Statistics of St. Thomas College, Pala. A special lecture sequence on Matlab was conducted by Alexander Haubold of Columbia University, U.S.A. Dr. A.M. Mathai was the Director and Dr.K.K. Jose the Co-Director of this School.

The 4th S.E.R.C. School on Special Functions and Functions of Matrix Argument: Recent Advances and Applications to Stochastic Processes, Statistics and Astrophysics, sponsored by DST, Delhi, will be conducted by CMS for five weeks from 6th March to 7th April 2006 at its Pala Campus. The main lecturers will be Dr. Hans Haubold of the Outer Space Affairs of the United Nations, Dr. P.N. Rathie of the University of Brasilia, Brazil, Dr. S. Bhargava of Mysore, India, Dr. R.K. Saxena of Jodhpur, India and Dr. A.M. Mathai of Montreal, Canada. Supplementary lectures will be given by Dr. A. Sukumaran Nair (Chairman, CMS), Dr. K.S.S. Nambooripad (Director-in-Charge, CMS Trivandrum Campus), Dr. Y Denis of Gorakhpur, India, Dr. N. Unnikrishnan Nair (former Vice-Chancellor of Cochin University of Science and Technology), Dr. Yageen Thomas and Dr. K. Jayakumar. One week will be devoted to Stochastic Processes and recent advances in this area in the 4th School. Problem sessions will be supervised by Dr. Joy Jacob, Dr. Sebastian George and other lecturers. Dr. A.M. Mathai will the Director and Dr.K.K. Jose the Co-Director of this School.

Chapter 1 introduces elementary classical special functions. Gamma, beta, psi, zeta functions, hypergeometric functions and the associated special functions, generalizations to Meijer's G and Fox's H-functions are also examined here. Discussion is confined to basic properties and some applications. Introduction to statistical distribution theory is given here. Some recent extensions of Dirichlet integrals and Dirichlet densities are also given. A glimpse into multivariable special functions such as Appell's functions and Lauricella functions is also given. A special feature of the 4th School will be a discussion of special functions as solutions of differential equations.

Chapter 2 is devoted to stochastic processes, time series models, recent advances in these areas and a discussion on order statistics. Mittag-Leffler processes, alpha-Laplace distribution, infinite divisibility of random vari-

ables, geometric infinite divisibility etc will be examined here. Chapter 3 gives a detailed coverage of recent results on Mittag-Leffler functions and fractional calculus. Chapter 4 looks into some applications of special functions in various problems in astrophysics. Current hot topic of Tsallis' statistics will also be examined here. Chapter 5 deals with q-series or basic hypergeometric series. It also gives an insight into Ramanujan's work on theta functions, mock theta function, various types of summation formulae and so on.

Chapter 6 is devoted to an introduction to group theory with emphasis on generalized inverses of matrices and semigroups. Chapter 7 goes into Jacobians of matrix transformations and special functions of matrix argument. Matrix-variate statistical distributions are also dealt with in this chapter. Recent developments on functions of matrix argument and matrix-variate distributions will be given here. Since the lecture notes are compiled in advance, only a summary of what is going to be given in the lectures is given here. More up-to-date materials will be covered in the lectures. In all the S.E.R.C. Schools, conducted under the Directorship of Dr. A.M. Mathai, a serious effort is made so that the participants absorb the materials covered in the School. The classes start at 8.30 am. The first lecture of 08.30 to 10.30 is followed by a problem session from 10.30 to 13.00 hrs on the materials covered in the first lecture. The second lecture of the day will be from 14.00 to 16.00 hrs followed by problem session from 16.00 to 18.00 hrs. At the end of every week a written examination is conducted, followed by a personal interview of each participant by the lecturer of that week in the form of an oral examination. Cumulative grades of such weekly examinations appear in the final certificate.

Several People have contributed enormously for the success of this fourth S.E.R.C. School and in making this publication possible. Dr. B.D. Acharya, Advisor to Government of India and Dr. Ashok K. Singh of the Mathematical Sciences Division of DST, New Delhi, are the driving force behind the re-energized mathematical activities in India now. They were kind enough to pursue the matter and get the funds released for running the School as well as for the preparation of this publication. Since the materials for this publication are supplied by various lecturers, there will be some overlaps. Very obvious inconsistencies are removed but some overlapping materials

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## GLOSSARY OF SYMBOLS

$(b)_r$	Pochhammer Symbol	Notation 1.0.1	1
$n!$	factorial $n$ or $n$ factorial	Notation 1.0.2	2
$\binom{n}{r}$	number of combinations of $n$ taken $r$ at a time	Notation 1.0.3	2
$R(\cdot)$	real part of $(\cdot)$	Notation 1.1.1	3
$\Gamma(z)$	gamma function	Notation 1.1.1	3
$\gamma$	Euler's constant	Notation 1.1.5	4
$\pi$	pi, mathematical constant	Definition 1.1.6	4
$\wedge$	wedge or skew symmetric product	Notation 1.1.3	7
$J$	Jacobian	Definition 1.1.7	8
$\psi(\cdot)$	psi function	Section 1.2	12
$\zeta(\rho)$	Riemann zeta function	Section 1.2.1	13
$\zeta(\rho, a)$	generalized zeta function	Section 1.2.1	13
$M_f(s)$	Mellin transform of $f$	Section 1.3	15
$L_f(t)$	Laplace transform of $f$	Section 1.3	18
$F_f(t)$	Fourier transform of $f$	Section 1.3	19
$E(\cdot)$	expected value	Notation 1.5.1	31
$\text{Var}(\cdot)$	variance of $(\cdot)$	Definition 1.5.2	32
$\text{Cov}(\cdot)$	covariance	Exercises 1.5.7	38
$B(\alpha, \beta)$	beta function	Section 1.6	39
${}_pF_q(\cdot)$	hypergeometric function	Section 1.7	48
$\gamma(\alpha; b)$	incomplete gamma function	Section 1.7	49
$\Gamma(\alpha; b)$	incomplete gamma function	Section 1.7	50
$b(\alpha, \beta; t)$	incomplete beta function	Section 1.7	50
$B(\alpha, \beta; t)$	incomplete beta function	Section 1.7	51
$G_{p,q}^{m,n}[\cdot]$	G-function	Section 1.8	54
$J_\nu(\cdot)$	Bessel function	Section 1.8	60
$I_\nu(\cdot)$	Bessel function	Section 1.8	60
$H_{p,q}^{m,n}(\cdot)$	H-function	Section 1.9	61
$E_{\alpha,\beta}(\cdot)$	Mittag-Leffler function	Section 1.9	64
$f_A(\cdot), f_B(\cdot),$	Lauricella function	Section 1.10	65
$f_C(\cdot), f_D(\cdot)$	Lauricella function	Section 1.10	65



$H_\nu^{(1)}(x), H_\nu^{(2)}(x)$	Bessel function of the third kind	Section 1.11.8	85
$L_n^{(\alpha)}(x)$	Laguerr polynomial	Section 1.11.9	86
$\{X(t, w); t \in T; w \in \Omega\}$	stochastic process	Section 2.1	95
$TEAR(1)$	tractable exponential Autoregressive Process	Section 2.4	129
$TMLAR(1)$	Tractable Mittag-Leffler Autoregressive Process	Section 2.4.1	129
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$NEAR(1)$	New Exponential Autoregressive Process	Section 2.4.2	131
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$NMLAR(1)$	New Mittag-Leffler Autoregressive Process	Section 2.4.3	132
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$MOSP(1)$	Marshall-Olkin Semi-Pareto Process	Section 2.6.2	145
$MOGW(1)$	Marshall-Olkin Generalized Weibull Process	Section 2.6.4	146
$AR(1)$	first order Autoregressive Process	Section 2.6.3	147
$Y_{[r:n]}$	$r^{th}$ order statistic from a sample of $n$ observations	Section 2.7	159
$BLUE$	Best Linear Unbiased Estimator	Section 2.7.1	159

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$L^{-1}\{f(s); t\}$	inverse Laplace transform	Notation 3.1.2	175
${}_0I_x^{-\nu}$	fractional integral	Section 3.1.2	177
${}_0D_x^\alpha$	fractional derivative	Section 3.1.3	177
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$\mathbb{I}[\alpha, \eta : f(x)]$	Kober operator of the first kind	Notation 3.3.1	183
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$M(r)$	solar mass at $r$	Section 4.1	214

$M_{\odot}$	solar mass	Section 4.1	214
$\rho(r)$	solar density at $r$	Section 4.1	214
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