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SECOND SEMESTER 2023/2024 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR EXAMINATION FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF EDUCATION (SCIENCE/ARTS)

STAT 111: INTRODUCTION TO PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS I

STREAM: R

TIME: 2 HRS

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INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER TWO

QUESTION ONE [30 MARKS]

- a) Explain the following terms
 - i. Convenience sampling
 - ii. Multistage sampling
 - iii. Sampling frame
 - iv. Mutually exclusive events
 - v. Random experiment
- b) The table below gives the number of thunderstorms reported in a particular summer month by 100 meteorological stations.

Number of thunderstorms	0	1	2	3	4	5
Number of stations:	22	37	20	13	6	2

- i) Calculate the sample mean number of thunderstorms. [2 Marks]
- ii) Calculate the sample median number of thunderstorms. [2 Marks]

iii) Comment briefly on the comparison of the mean and the median. [2 Marks]

c) A random variable X has the following probability distribution

Х	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7
P(x)	0	K	2k	2k	3k	K ²	2k ²	7k ² +k

d) Determine;

a) The value of constant k	[2 Marks]
b) The expectation of X	[3 Marks]

- c) Standard deviation of X [3 Marks]
- e) Explain the disadvantage of using dispersion as a measure of variation

f) Data were collected on the time (in days) until each of 200 claims is settled by the insurer in a certain insurance portfolio. A boxplot of the data is shown below.

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[10 Marks]

[2 Marks]



Time to settlement (days)

Calculate the median and the interquartile range of the data using the plot. [2 Marks]

d) An average weight of 10 students was calculated to be 65. Later it was discovered that one weight was misread as 40kg instead of 80kg.
 Calculate the correct average weight. [2 Marks]

QUESTION TWO [20 MARKS]

- a) A sample of 20 claim amounts (£) on a group of household policies gave the following data summaries:
 ∑ⁿ_{i=1} x_i = 3256 and ∑ⁿ_{i=i} x_i²=866600
- i) Calculate the sample mean and standard deviation for these claim amounts. [2 Marks]
- ii) Comment on the skewness of the distribution of these claim amounts, giving reasons for your answer. [2 Marks]
 - b) Aster and Almaz were asked to rank 7 different types of lipsticks, check if there is a correlation between the tests of the two ladies. [6 Marks]

Lipstick	А	В	C	D	Е	F	G
Aster	2	1	4	3	5	7	6
Almaz	1	3	2	4	5	6	7

c) Construct a stem and leaf plot for the 20 test scores given below

[3 Marks]

78, 91, 74, 74, 82, 82, 66, 75, 94, 96, 71, 78, 64, 84, 88, 79, 55, 71, 80, 83

- d) In a tank containing 10 fishes, there are three yellow and seven black fishes. We select three fishes at random.
 - i). What is the probability that exactly one yellow fish gets selected? [2 Marks]

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ii). What is the probability that at most one yellow fish gets selected? [3 Marks]

iii). What is the probability that at least one yellow fish gets selected? [2 Marks]

QUESTION THREE [20 MARKS]

- a) A survey, carried out at a major flower and gardening show, was concerned with the association between the intention to return to the show next year and the purchase of goods at this year's show. There were 220 people interviewed and of these 101 had made a purchase; 69 of these people said they intended to return next year. Of the 119 who had not made a purchase, 68 said they intended to return next year. Suppose one of the 220 people surveyed is selected at random. Calculate the probabilities that the selected person:
 - i) Intends to return next year, given that he/she has made a purchase [2 Marks]
 - ii) Intends to return next year, given that he/she has not made a purchase [2 Marks]
 - iii) Has made a purchase, given that he/she intends to return next year [2 Marks]
 - b) State four disadvantages of interviewing as a method of data collection [4 Marks]
 - c) Find the harmonic and geometric mean for the data in the frequency table below; [6 Marks]

X	10	12	13	15	16
f	2	4	10	6	4

d) Given n=10, $\sigma_x = 5.4$, $\sigma_y = 6.2$ and the sum of the deviation from the mean of X and Y is 66. Find the correlation coefficient [4 Marks]

QUESTION FOUR [20 MARKS]

- a) Explain the following terms as used in statistics
 - i). Regression analysis
 - ii). Correlation analysis
 - iii). Sampling
 - iv). Variable
- b) A development engineer examined the relationship between the speed a vehicle is travelling (in miles per hour, mph), and the stopping distance (in metres, m) for a new braking system fitted to the vehicle. The following data were obtained in a series of independent tests conducted on a particular type of vehicle under identical road conditions.

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[8 Marks]

Speed of vehicle (x):	10	20	30	40	50	60	70
Stopping distance (y):	5	10	23	34	40	54	75

- i). Construct a scatterplot of the data, and comment on whether a linear regression is appropriate to model the relationship between the stopping distance and speed. [4 Marks]
- ii). Calculate the equation of the least-squares fitted regression line and interpret. [8 Marks]

QUESTION FIVE [20 MARKS]

a) Find the moment coefficient of skewness and kurtosis for the data in the frequency table below; [6 Marks]

Х	10	12	14	18	20
F	3	5	10	5	6

- b) Consider three events *A*, *B*, and *C* for which *A* and *C* are independent, and *B* and *C* are mutually exclusive. You are given the probabilities P(A) = 0.3, P(B) = 0.5, P(C) = 0.2 and $P(A \cap B) = 0.1$. Find the probability that none of *A*, *B*, or *C* occurs. [3 Marks]
- c) The random variable *X* has probability density function

$$f(x) = k(1 - x)(1 + x), \ 0 < x < 1$$

Where, *k* is a positive constant,

- i) Show that k = 1.5.
- ii) Calculate the probability P(X > 0.25).

d) An analysis of the monthly wages paid to workers in two firms A and B belonging to the

same industry gives the following results;

Value	Firm A	Firm B
Mean wage	52.5	47.5
Mean wage	52.5	17.5
variance	100	121

In which firm A or B is there a greater variability in individual wages?	[5 Marks]
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- e) Explain the difference between multiple and component bar charts [2 Marks]
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[2 Marks] [2 Marks]