

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION PAPER 2010

TITLE OF PAPER : **DESCRIPTIVE/INFERENTIAL
STATISTICS**

COURSE CODE : **ST230/IDEST 230(1&2)**

TIME ALLOWED : **3 (THREE) HOURS**

REQUIREMENTS : **STATISTICAL TABLES AND
CALCULATOR**

INSTRUCTIONS : **ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS.**

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ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS:

(You must show all your work in order to obtain full marks.)

QUESTION ONE.

[2 + 4 + 4 + 6 + 4 marks]

1.1 A couple has three children. Find the probability that:

- the couple has 3 boys.
- the couple has all girls or all boys.
- the couple has exactly 2 boys or exactly 2 girls.

1.2 A study is done to see whether there is a relationship between a mother's age and the number of children she has. The data are shown below.

Number of children	2	1	3	1	2	4	3	5
Mother's age	18	22	29	20	27	32	33	36

- Predict the number of children of a mother whose age is 34.
- How important is age in explaining the differences in the number of children the women bear?

QUESTION TWO.

[10 + 10 marks]

2.1 Consider the following table (use 2006 as base year):

Commodity	2006		2007	
	Prices (E per kg)	Quantity Purchased	Prices (E per kg)	Quantity Purchased
Milk	10.90	10	12.75	18
Butter	26.30	8	28.90	10
Cheese	35.40	5	45.80	8

Compute Fisher's price index for 2007 and interpret it.

2.2 The following data represents the number of students were in the classroom before the lecturer arrived in a Statistics Course during 30 classes in a semester:

43	54	67	53	61	71	46	61	55	56
58	60	66	54	68	52	36	64	51	52
57	52	63	59	69	70	42	66	58	53

Find the coefficient of skewness and inter-quartile range.

QUESTION THREE.

[6 + 8 + 6 marks]

3.1 The following table shows the quarterly sales of a company in thousands of tons for a period of three years:

		Quarter			
Sales:		1	2	3	4
Year	1	70	41	52	83
	2	78	44	48	85
	3	83	54	51	96

- Estimate the trend of the above sales data.
- Calculate the seasonal variates.

3.2 Compute the standard deviation of the following grouped frequency distribution (assume equal class intervals):

Class limits	Frequency
Less than 5	7
Less than 8	22
Less than 11	44
Less than 14	58
Less than 17	60

QUESTION FOUR.

[10 + 10 marks]

4.1 A Media Company publishes 4 magazines (Beat, Youth, Grow, and Live) for the teenager market. A sample of 200 teenagers was selected by the executive editor of the company, and the following data were obtained:

Gender	Magazine Preference			
	Beat	Youth	Grow	Live
Girls	18	12	20	28
Boys	38	26	34	24

At 5% level of significance, can the executive editor conclude that the readership preferences for the four magazines are independent of gender?

4.2 The mean mass of 500 kudu at a private game park is 151 kg and the standard deviation is 15 kg. Assume that there is a normal distribution of the masses, calculate how many kudu have a mass:

- between 120 and 155 kg.
- more than 185 kg.

QUESTION FIVE.

[10 + 4 + 6 marks]

- 5.1 The machine repair department of a workshop receives an average of 2 calls for service per hour.
- What is the probability that receiving no service calls in next two hours?
 - What is the probability of receiving at least one service call in next one hour?
 - What is the probability that receiving exactly two calls in next two hours?
- 5.2 A committee of 4 people is to be chosen at random from a group of 10 people. The group contains 6 males and 4 females, find the probability that:
- the committee members will consist of 2 males and 2 females.
 - the committee members will consist of at most 2 females.

QUESTION SIX.

[10 + 10 marks]

A motor car manufacturer purchases gear assemblies from a sub-contractor who undertakes to ensure that not more than 5% of his supplies will be defective. In order to provide a check on the quality of incoming supplies a random sample of 200 assemblies is selected of which 17 are found to be defective.

- Construct an interval estimate the proportion of all the sub-contractor's supplies that are defective. Use a confidence level of 95% .
- Does the sample evidence indicate that the sub-contractor is not maintaining the quality of his supplies at the agreed level? Use the significance level of 0.01.

QUESTION SEVEN.

[10 + 10 marks]

In order to determine whether there is a difference in the performance of 2 training methods, samples of individuals from each of the methods were checked. For the 60 individuals from Method A, the mean efficiency score was 35, with a standard deviation of 12. For the 80 individuals from Method B, the mean efficiency score was 27, with a standard deviation of 14.

- Construct a 95% confidence interval of the difference of efficiency scores of these two methods.
- Does the sample evidence indicate any significant difference in efficiency scores of these two methods? Use $\alpha = 0.05$.

Table 1. Binomial Probabilities

Tabulated values are $P(Y \leq d) = \sum_{y=0}^d p^y (1-p)^{n-y}$. (Computations are rounded at third decimal place.)

(a) n = 5. Table with columns d (0-5) and p (0.01 to 0.99). Values range from 0.000 to 1.000.

(b) n = 10. Table with columns d (0-10) and p (0.01 to 0.99). Values range from 0.000 to 1.000.

(c) n = 15. Table with columns d (0-15) and p (0.01 to 0.99). Values range from 0.000 to 1.000.

(d) n = 20. Table with columns d (0-20) and p (0.01 to 0.99). Values range from 0.000 to 1.000.

(e) n = 25. Table with columns d (0-25) and p (0.01 to 0.99). Values range from 0.000 to 1.000.

Table 2. Table of e^{-x}

x	e^{-x}	x	e^{-x}	x	e^{-x}	x	e^{-x}
0.0	1.000000	2.60	.074274	5.10	.006097	7.60	.000501
0.10	.904837	2.70	.067206	5.20	.005517	7.70	.000453
0.20	.818731	2.80	.060810	5.30	.004992	7.80	.000410
0.30	.740818	2.90	.055023	5.40	.004517	7.90	.000371
0.40	.670320	3.00	.049787	5.50	.004087	8.00	.000336
0.50	.606531	3.10	.045049	5.60	.003698	8.10	.000304
0.60	.548812	3.20	.040762	5.70	.003346	8.20	.000275
0.70	.496585	3.30	.036883	5.80	.003028	8.30	.000249
0.80	.449329	3.40	.033373	5.90	.002739	8.40	.000225
0.90	.406570	3.50	.030197	6.00	.002479	8.50	.000204
1.00	.367879	3.60	.027324	6.10	.002243	8.60	.000184
1.10	.332871	3.70	.024724	6.20	.002029	8.70	.000167
1.20	.301194	3.80	.022371	6.30	.001836	8.80	.000151
1.30	.272532	3.90	.020242	6.40	.001661	8.90	.000136
1.40	.246597	4.00	.018316	6.50	.001503	9.00	.000123
1.50	.223130	4.10	.016573	6.60	.001360	9.10	.000112
1.60	.201897	4.20	.014996	6.70	.001231	9.20	.000101
1.70	.182684	4.30	.013569	6.80	.001114	9.30	.000091
1.80	.165299	4.40	.012277	6.90	.001008	9.40	.000083
1.90	.149569	4.50	.011109	7.00	.000912	9.50	.000075
2.00	.135335	4.60	.010052	7.10	.000825	9.60	.000068
2.10	.122456	4.70	.009095	7.20	.000747	9.70	.000061
2.20	.110803	4.80	.008230	7.30	.000676	9.80	.000056
2.30	.100259	4.90	.007447	7.40	.000611	9.90	.000050
2.40	.090718	5.00	.006738	7.50	.000553	10.00	.000045
2.50	.082085						

Table 3. Poisson Probabilities

$$P(Y \leq a) = \sum_{y=0}^a \frac{e^{-\lambda} \lambda^y}{y!}$$

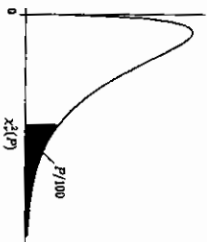
λ	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9
0.02	0.980	1.000	1.000							
0.04	0.961	0.999	1.000							
0.06	0.942	0.998	1.000							
0.08	0.923	0.997	1.000							
0.10	0.905	0.995	1.000							
0.15	0.861	0.990	0.999	1.000						
0.20	0.819	0.982	0.999	1.000						
0.25	0.779	0.974	0.998	1.000						
0.30	0.741	0.963	0.996	1.000						
0.35	0.705	0.951	0.994	1.000						
0.40	0.670	0.938	0.992	0.999	1.000					
0.45	0.638	0.925	0.989	0.999	1.000					
0.50	0.607	0.910	0.986	0.998	1.000					
0.55	0.577	0.894	0.982	0.988	1.000					
0.60	0.549	0.878	0.977	0.997	1.000					
0.65	0.522	0.861	0.972	0.996	0.999	1.000				
0.70	0.497	0.844	0.966	0.994	0.999	1.000				
0.75	0.472	0.827	0.959	0.993	0.999	1.000				
0.80	0.449	0.809	0.953	0.991	0.999	1.000				
0.85	0.427	0.791	0.945	0.989	0.998	1.000				
0.90	0.407	0.772	0.937	0.987	0.998	1.000				
0.95	0.387	0.754	0.929	0.981	0.997	1.000				
1.00	0.368	0.736	0.920	0.981	0.996	0.999	1.000			
1.1	0.333	0.699	0.900	0.974	0.995	0.999	1.000			
1.2	0.301	0.663	0.879	0.966	0.992	0.998	1.000			
1.3	0.273	0.627	0.857	0.957	0.989	0.998	1.000			
1.4	0.247	0.592	0.833	0.946	0.986	0.997	0.999	1.000		
1.5	0.223	0.558	0.809	0.934	0.981	0.996	0.999	1.000		
1.6	0.202	0.525	0.783	0.921	0.976	0.994	0.999	1.000		
1.7	0.183	0.493	0.757	0.907	0.970	0.992	0.998	1.000		
1.8	0.165	0.463	0.731	0.891	0.964	0.990	0.997	0.999	1.000	
1.9	0.150	0.434	0.704	0.875	0.956	0.987	0.997	0.999	1.000	
2.0	0.135	0.406	0.677	0.857	0.947	0.983	0.995	0.999	1.000	

Percentage Points of the χ^2 -Distribution

This table gives the percentage points $\chi^2(P)$ for various values of P and degrees of freedom ν , as indicated by the figure to the right.

If X is a variable distributed as χ^2 with ν degrees of freedom, $P/100$ is the probability that $X \geq \chi^2(P)$.

For $\nu > 100$, $\sqrt{2X}$ is approximately normally distributed with mean $\sqrt{2\nu} - 1$ and unit variance.



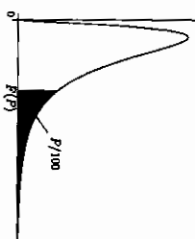
ν	Percentage points P									
	10	5	2.5	1	0.5	0.1	0.05	0.01	0.005	0.001
1	2.706	3.841	5.024	6.635	7.879	10.828	12.116			
2	4.605	5.991	7.378	9.210	10.597	13.816	15.202			
3	6.251	7.815	9.348	11.345	12.838	16.266	17.730			
4	7.779	9.488	11.143	13.277	14.860	18.467	19.997			
5	9.236	11.070	12.833	15.086	16.750	20.515	22.105			
6	10.645	12.592	14.449	16.812	18.548	22.458	24.103			
7	12.017	14.067	16.013	18.475	20.278	24.332	26.018			
8	13.362	15.507	17.535	20.090	21.955	26.124	27.868			
9	14.684	16.919	19.023	21.666	23.589	27.877	29.666			
10	15.987	18.307	20.483	23.209	25.188	29.588	31.420			
11	17.275	19.675	21.920	24.725	26.757	31.264	33.137			
12	18.549	21.026	23.337	26.217	28.300	32.909	34.821			
13	19.812	22.362	24.736	27.688	29.819	34.528	36.478			
14	21.064	23.685	26.119	29.141	31.319	36.123	38.109			
15	22.307	24.996	27.488	30.578	32.801	37.697	39.719			
16	23.542	26.296	28.845	32.000	34.267	39.252	41.308			
17	24.769	27.587	30.191	33.409	35.718	40.790	42.879			
18	25.989	28.869	31.526	34.805	37.156	42.312	44.434			
19	27.204	30.144	32.852	36.191	38.582	43.820	45.973			
20	28.412	31.410	34.170	37.566	39.997	45.315	47.498			
25	34.382	37.652	40.646	44.314	46.928	52.620	54.947			
30	40.256	43.773	46.979	50.892	53.672	59.703	62.162			
40	51.805	55.758	59.342	63.691	66.766	73.402	76.095			
50	63.167	67.505	71.420	76.154	79.490	86.661	89.561			
80	96.578	101.879	106.629	112.329	116.321	124.839	128.261			

5 Percent Points of the F -Distribution

This table gives the percentage points $F_{\nu_1, \nu_2}(P)$ for $P = 0.05$ and degrees of freedom ν_1, ν_2 , as indicated by the figure to the right.

The lower percentage points, that is the values $F'_{\nu_1, \nu_2}(P)$ such that the probability that $F \leq F'_{\nu_1, \nu_2}(P)$ is equal to $P/100$, may be found using the formula

$$F'_{\nu_1, \nu_2}(P) = 1/F_{\nu_2, \nu_1}(P)$$



ν_2	ν_1									
	1	2	3	4	5	6	12	24	∞	∞
2	18.513	19.000	19.164	19.247	19.296	19.330	19.413	19.454	19.466	
3	10.128	9.552	9.277	9.117	9.013	8.941	8.745	8.639	8.526	
4	7.709	6.944	6.591	6.398	6.286	6.163	5.912	5.774	5.628	
5	6.608	5.786	5.409	5.192	5.050	4.950	4.678	4.527	4.365	
6	5.987	5.143	4.757	4.534	4.387	4.284	4.000	3.841	3.669	
7	5.591	4.737	4.347	4.120	3.972	3.866	3.575	3.410	3.230	
8	5.318	4.459	4.066	3.838	3.687	3.581	3.284	3.115	2.928	
9	5.117	4.256	3.863	3.633	3.482	3.374	3.073	2.900	2.707	
10	4.965	4.103	3.708	3.478	3.326	3.217	2.913	2.737	2.538	
11	4.844	3.982	3.587	3.357	3.204	3.095	2.788	2.609	2.404	
12	4.747	3.885	3.490	3.259	3.106	2.996	2.687	2.505	2.296	
13	4.667	3.806	3.411	3.179	3.025	2.915	2.604	2.420	2.206	
14	4.600	3.739	3.344	3.112	2.958	2.848	2.534	2.349	2.131	
15	4.543	3.682	3.287	3.056	2.901	2.790	2.475	2.288	2.066	
16	4.494	3.634	3.239	3.007	2.852	2.741	2.425	2.235	2.010	
17	4.451	3.592	3.197	2.965	2.810	2.699	2.381	2.190	1.960	
18	4.414	3.555	3.160	2.928	2.773	2.661	2.342	2.150	1.917	
19	4.381	3.522	3.127	2.895	2.740	2.628	2.308	2.114	1.878	
20	4.351	3.493	3.098	2.866	2.711	2.599	2.278	2.082	1.843	
25	4.242	3.385	2.991	2.759	2.603	2.490	2.165	1.964	1.711	
30	4.171	3.316	2.922	2.690	2.534	2.421	2.092	1.887	1.622	
40	4.085	3.232	2.839	2.606	2.449	2.336	2.003	1.793	1.509	
50	4.034	3.183	2.790	2.557	2.400	2.286	1.952	1.737	1.438	
100	3.936	3.087	2.696	2.463	2.305	2.191	1.850	1.627	1.283	
∞	3.841	2.996	2.605	2.372	2.214	2.099	1.752	1.517	1.092	