

# UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND



## RE SIT EXAMINATION PAPER 2016/2017

TITLE OF PAPER: DESCRIPTIVE STATISTICS

COURSE CODE: STA 131/ ST 132

TIME ALLOCATED: 2 (TWO) HOURS

REQUIREMENTS: STATISTICAL TABLES AND CALCULATOR

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ALL PARTS OF SECTION A AND ANY 2 (TWO) QUESTIONS OF YOUR CHOICE FROM SECTION B. SECTION A IS **COMPULSORY**. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY THE MARKS AS INDICATED WITHIN THE PARENTHESIS.

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**SECTION A : COMPULSORY QUESTION****QUESTION ONE****[3+2+3+1+3+3+3+2]**

The following scores represent the final examination grade for an elementary statistics course:

23	60	79	32	57	74	52	70	82	36
55	98	88	48	69	80	76	81	62	84
74	77	52	67	74	90	81	10	41	43
15	80	95	41	65	92	85	64	75	78
25	80	71	83	54	64	72	60	78	89
76	84	79	34	67	17	82	85	61	

- a. Using the following stems : 1, 2, 3, ..., 9. , construct a **stem and leaf plot** for the examination grades.
- b. Furthermore
  - i. Construct a **Relative Frequency Distribution Table (RFDT)** using the intervals 10-20, 20-30, etc.
  - ii. Using the above (RFDT), draw an estimate **Relative Frequency Histogram** of the distribution.
  - iii. Comment on the **Skewness** of the distribution.
- c. Compute the following from the Relative Frequency Distribution Table :
  - i. the grouped sample mean
  - ii. the grouped sample median
  - iii. the grouped sample variance
  - iv. and the grouped sample standard deviation .

**SECTION B : Choose Any Two Questions****QUESTION TWO****[4+8+4+3+1]**

The insurance ratings below are based on collision claim experience and the theft frequency for 12 makes of small, two door cars. Higher numbers reflect higher claims and more frequent thefts, respectively.

<b>Collision</b>	103	79	105	151	127	140	106	193	101	96	84	150
<b>Theft</b>	103	131	81	68	98	97	97	452	82	81	59	176

- a. State which is the x and y variables respectively and why.
- b. Determine the least squares regression line for predicting the rate of collision claims on the basis of theft frequency rating.
- c. Calculate the Correlation Coefficient ( $r$ ) and comment on it.
- d. Interpret the Coefficient of Determination ( $R^2$ )

- e. If a new model were to have a theft rating of 101, what would be the predicted rating for collision claims?

**QUESTION THREE****[4+4+4+4+4]**

- a. A dealer invest E5,000.00 in a certain stock at a price of E10.00 per share, E5,000.00 at E2.50 per share, and E5,000.00 at E8.00 per share. Determine the average price per share of the stock.
- b. A classroom section of 32 students of statistics received grades averaging 70 percent in a standardized test, and another section of 48 students of statistics received grades averaging 84 percent on the same test. What is the overall average of these grades?
- c. In a market experiment a supermarket chain of three stores sold lettuce, on a certain day, at a different price in each of its stores. One of the store sold 75 heads at E0.98; the second sold 125 heads at E0.88; and the third store which had an advertised special, sold 300 heads at E0.69.
- How much was the average price per head of lettuce sold by the supermarket chain?
  - How many additional lettuce heads must be sold at E0.98 a head to raise the mean price of lettuce sold that day by the supermarket chain to E0.80 per head?
- d. If an office manager spends E30.00 on pencils which cost E10.00 per gross (11 items per gross) and another E30.00 on pencils which cost E15.00 per gross, what is the average cost per gross?

**QUESTION FOUR****[3+1+7+7+2]**

Consider the following time series data.

<b>Week</b>	<i>1</i>	<i>2</i>	<i>3</i>	<i>4</i>	<i>5</i>	<i>6</i>	<i>7</i>
<b>Value</b>	<i>24</i>	<i>13</i>	<i>20</i>	<i>12</i>	<i>19</i>	<i>23</i>	<i>15</i>

- a. Construct a time series plot. What type of pattern exists in the data?
- b. Develop the three-week moving average forecasts for this time series.
- Compute MSE and a forecast for week 8.
- c. Use  $\alpha = 0.2$  to compute the exponential smoothing forecasts for the time series.
- Compute MSE and a forecast for week 8.
- d. Compare the three-week moving average approach with the exponential smoothing approach using  $\alpha = 0.2$ . Which appears to provide more accurate forecasts based on MSE?

**END OF EXAMINATION**

# STATISTICAL TABLES

Cumulative normal distribution

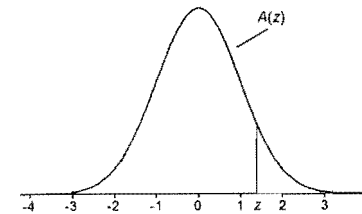
Critical values of the *t* distribution

Critical values of the *F* distribution

Critical values of the chi-squared distribution

TABLE A.1

Cumulative Standardized Normal Distribution



$A(z)$  is the integral of the standardized normal distribution from  $-\infty$  to  $z$  (in other words, the area under the curve to the left of  $z$ ). It gives the probability of a normal random variable not being more than  $z$  standard deviations above its mean. Values of  $z$  of particular importance:

$z$	$A(z)$	
1.645	0.9500	Lower limit of right 5% tail
1.960	0.9750	Lower limit of right 2.5% tail
2.326	0.9900	Lower limit of right 1% tail
2.576	0.9950	Lower limit of right 0.5% tail
3.090	0.9990	Lower limit of right 0.1% tail
3.291	0.9995	Lower limit of right 0.05% tail

$z$	0.00	0.01	0.02	0.03	0.04	0.05	0.06	0.07	0.08	0.09
0.0	0.5000	0.5040	0.5080	0.5120	0.5160	0.5199	0.5239	0.5279	0.5319	0.5359
0.1	0.5398	0.5438	0.5478	0.5517	0.5557	0.5596	0.5636	0.5675	0.5714	0.5753
0.2	0.5793	0.5832	0.5871	0.5910	0.5948	0.5987	0.6026	0.6064	0.6103	0.6141
0.3	0.6179	0.6217	0.6255	0.6293	0.6331	0.6368	0.6406	0.6443	0.6480	0.6517
0.4	0.6554	0.6591	0.6628	0.6664	0.6700	0.6736	0.6772	0.6808	0.6844	0.6879
0.5	0.6915	0.6950	0.6985	0.7019	0.7054	0.7088	0.7123	0.7157	0.7190	0.7224
0.6	0.7257	0.7291	0.7324	0.7357	0.7389	0.7422	0.7454	0.7486	0.7517	0.7549
0.7	0.7580	0.7611	0.7642	0.7673	0.7704	0.7734	0.7764	0.7794	0.7823	0.7852
0.8	0.7881	0.7910	0.7939	0.7967	0.7995	0.8023	0.8051	0.8078	0.8106	0.8133
0.9	0.8159	0.8186	0.8212	0.8238	0.8264	0.8289	0.8315	0.8340	0.8365	0.8389
1.0	0.8413	0.8438	0.8461	0.8485	0.8508	0.8531	0.8554	0.8577	0.8599	0.8621
1.1	0.8643	0.8665	0.8686	0.8708	0.8729	0.8749	0.8770	0.8790	0.8810	0.8830
1.2	0.8849	0.8869	0.8888	0.8907	0.8925	0.8944	0.8962	0.8980	0.8997	0.9015
1.3	0.9032	0.9049	0.9066	0.9082	0.9099	0.9115	0.9131	0.9147	0.9162	0.9177
1.4	0.9192	0.9207	0.9222	0.9236	0.9251	0.9265	0.9279	0.9292	0.9306	0.9319
1.5	0.9332	0.9345	0.9357	0.9370	0.9382	0.9394	0.9406	0.9418	0.9429	0.9441
1.6	0.9452	0.9463	0.9474	0.9484	0.9495	0.9505	0.9515	0.9525	0.9535	0.9545
1.7	0.9554	0.9564	0.9573	0.9582	0.9591	0.9599	0.9608	0.9616	0.9625	0.9633
1.8	0.9641	0.9649	0.9656	0.9664	0.9671	0.9678	0.9686	0.9693	0.9699	0.9706
1.9	0.9713	0.9719	0.9726	0.9732	0.9738	0.9744	0.9750	0.9756	0.9761	0.9767
2.0	0.9772	0.9778	0.9783	0.9788	0.9793	0.9798	0.9803	0.9808	0.9812	0.9817
2.1	0.9821	0.9826	0.9830	0.9834	0.9838	0.9842	0.9846	0.9850	0.9854	0.9857
2.2	0.9861	0.9864	0.9868	0.9871	0.9875	0.9878	0.9881	0.9884	0.9887	0.9890
2.3	0.9893	0.9896	0.9898	0.9901	0.9904	0.9906	0.9909	0.9911	0.9913	0.9916
2.4	0.9918	0.9920	0.9922	0.9925	0.9927	0.9929	0.9931	0.9932	0.9934	0.9936
2.5	0.9938	0.9940	0.9941	0.9943	0.9945	0.9946	0.9948	0.9949	0.9951	0.9952
2.6	0.9953	0.9955	0.9956	0.9957	0.9959	0.9960	0.9961	0.9962	0.9963	0.9964
2.7	0.9965	0.9966	0.9967	0.9968	0.9969	0.9970	0.9971	0.9972	0.9973	0.9974
2.8	0.9974	0.9975	0.9976	0.9977	0.9977	0.9978	0.9979	0.9979	0.9980	0.9981
2.9	0.9981	0.9982	0.9982	0.9983	0.9984	0.9984	0.9985	0.9985	0.9986	0.9986
3.0	0.9987	0.9987	0.9987	0.9988	0.9988	0.9989	0.9989	0.9989	0.9990	0.9990
3.1	0.9990	0.9991	0.9991	0.9991	0.9992	0.9992	0.9992	0.9992	0.9993	0.9993
3.2	0.9993	0.9993	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9994	0.9995	0.9995	0.9995
3.3	0.9995	0.9995	0.9995	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9996	0.9997
3.4	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9997	0.9998
3.5	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998	0.9998
3.6	0.9998	0.9998	0.9999							





TABLE A.3 (continued)

F Distribution: Critical Values of F (1% significance level)

Table with columns for degrees of freedom (v1, v2) and critical values for F(1% significance level). Rows range from v1=1 to v1=1000, and v2 values are 25, 30, 35, 40, 50, 60, 75, 100, 150, 200.

TABLE A.3 (continued)

F Distribution: Critical Values of F (0.1% significance level)

Table with columns for degrees of freedom (v1, v2) and critical values for F(0.1% significance level). Rows range from v1=1 to v1=1000, and v2 values are 1, 2, 3, 4, 5, 6, 7, 8, 9, 10, 12, 14, 16, 18, 20.

TABLE A.3 (continued)

F Distribution: Critical Values of F (0.1% significance level)

$v_1$	25	30	35	40	50	60	75	100	150	200
1	6.24605	6.26605	6.28605	6.29605	6.30605	6.31605	6.32605	6.33605	6.35605	6.35605
2	999.46	999.47	999.47	999.47	999.48	999.48	999.49	999.49	999.49	999.49
3	125.84	125.45	125.17	124.96	124.66	124.47	124.27	124.07	123.87	123.77
4	45.70	45.43	45.23	45.09	44.88	44.75	44.61	44.47	44.33	44.26
5	25.08	24.87	24.72	24.60	24.44	24.33	24.22	24.12	24.01	23.95
6	16.85	16.67	16.54	16.44	16.31	16.21	16.12	16.03	15.93	15.89
7	12.69	12.53	12.41	12.33	12.20	12.12	12.04	11.95	11.87	11.82
8	10.26	10.11	10.00	9.92	9.80	9.73	9.65	9.57	9.49	9.45
9	8.69	8.55	8.46	8.37	8.26	8.19	8.11	8.04	7.96	7.93
10	7.60	7.47	7.37	7.30	7.19	7.12	7.05	6.98	6.91	6.87
11	6.81	6.68	6.59	6.52	6.42	6.35	6.28	6.21	6.14	6.10
12	6.22	6.09	6.00	5.93	5.83	5.76	5.70	5.63	5.56	5.52
13	5.75	5.63	5.54	5.47	5.37	5.30	5.24	5.17	5.10	5.07
14	5.38	5.25	5.17	5.10	5.00	4.94	4.87	4.81	4.74	4.71
15	5.07	4.95	4.86	4.80	4.70	4.64	4.57	4.51	4.44	4.41
16	4.82	4.70	4.61	4.54	4.45	4.39	4.32	4.26	4.19	4.16
17	4.60	4.48	4.40	4.33	4.24	4.18	4.11	4.05	3.98	3.95
18	4.42	4.30	4.22	4.15	4.06	4.00	3.93	3.87	3.80	3.77
19	4.26	4.14	4.06	3.99	3.90	3.84	3.78	3.71	3.65	3.61
20	4.12	4.00	3.92	3.86	3.77	3.70	3.64	3.58	3.51	3.48
21	4.00	3.88	3.80	3.74	3.64	3.58	3.52	3.46	3.39	3.36
22	3.89	3.78	3.70	3.63	3.54	3.48	3.41	3.35	3.28	3.25
23	3.79	3.68	3.60	3.53	3.44	3.38	3.32	3.25	3.19	3.16
24	3.71	3.59	3.51	3.45	3.36	3.29	3.23	3.17	3.10	3.07
25	3.63	3.52	3.43	3.37	3.28	3.22	3.15	3.09	3.03	2.99
26	3.56	3.44	3.36	3.30	3.21	3.15	3.08	3.02	2.95	2.92
27	3.49	3.38	3.30	3.23	3.14	3.08	3.02	2.96	2.89	2.86
28	3.43	3.32	3.24	3.18	3.09	3.02	2.96	2.90	2.83	2.80
29	3.38	3.27	3.18	3.12	3.03	2.97	2.91	2.84	2.78	2.74
30	3.33	3.22	3.13	3.07	2.98	2.92	2.86	2.79	2.73	2.69
35	3.13	3.02	2.93	2.87	2.78	2.72	2.66	2.59	2.52	2.49
40	2.98	2.87	2.79	2.73	2.64	2.57	2.51	2.44	2.38	2.34
50	2.79	2.68	2.60	2.53	2.44	2.38	2.31	2.25	2.18	2.14
60	2.67	2.55	2.47	2.41	2.32	2.25	2.19	2.12	2.05	2.01
70	2.58	2.47	2.39	2.32	2.23	2.16	2.10	2.03	1.95	1.92
80	2.52	2.41	2.32	2.26	2.16	2.10	2.03	1.96	1.89	1.85
90	2.47	2.36	2.27	2.21	2.11	2.05	1.98	1.91	1.83	1.79
100	2.43	2.32	2.24	2.17	2.08	2.01	1.94	1.87	1.79	1.75
120	2.37	2.26	2.18	2.11	2.02	1.95	1.88	1.81	1.73	1.68
150	2.32	2.21	2.12	2.06	1.96	1.89	1.82	1.74	1.66	1.62
200	2.26	2.15	2.07	2.00	1.90	1.83	1.76	1.68	1.60	1.55
250	2.23	2.12	2.03	1.97	1.87	1.80	1.72	1.65	1.56	1.51
300	2.21	2.10	2.01	1.94	1.85	1.78	1.70	1.62	1.53	1.48
400	2.18	2.07	1.98	1.92	1.82	1.75	1.67	1.59	1.50	1.45
500	2.17	2.05	1.97	1.90	1.80	1.73	1.65	1.57	1.48	1.43
600	2.16	2.04	1.96	1.89	1.79	1.72	1.64	1.56	1.46	1.41
750	2.15	2.03	1.95	1.88	1.78	1.71	1.63	1.55	1.45	1.40
1000	2.14	2.02	1.94	1.87	1.77	1.69	1.62	1.53	1.44	1.38

TABLE A.4

$\chi^2$  (Chi-Squared) Distribution: Critical Values of  $\chi^2$

Degrees of freedom	Significance level		
	5%	1%	0.1%
1	3.841	6.635	10.828
2	5.991	9.210	13.816
3	7.815	11.345	16.266
4	9.488	13.277	18.467
5	11.070	15.086	20.515
6	12.592	16.812	22.458
7	14.067	18.475	24.322
8	15.507	20.090	26.124
9	16.919	21.666	27.877
10	18.307	23.209	29.588