

BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION

FACULTY OF AGRICULTURE AND ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE

DEPARTMENT OF NATURAL RESOURCES

PROGRAMMES: FAES PART 1

COURSE CODE NR 122 : INTRODUCTION TO STATISTICS

DURATION: 3 Hours

TOTAL MARKS: 100

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer FOUR questions

You must answer all questions from SECTION A and any Three questions from SECTION B. All answers should be rounded to 3 decimal places unless stated.

Statistical tables are provided at the end of the examination paper

Additional material: Graph sheets

Answer all questions in Section A and any 3 from Section B

Section A

Answer all questions in this section

Question 1

a Define the following terms:

i. Variable [2 marks]

ii. Variance [2 marks]

iii. Parameter [2 marks]

b The times in minutes taken to solve a mathematical problem by visiting students level 1.1 are shown below

25 27 30 33 30 32 30 34 30 27

26 25 29 31 31 32 34 32 33 30

i. Draw a stem and leaf diagram to display the times [3 marks]

ii. Find the mean [2 marks]

iii. Find the range [1 mark]

iv. Calculate the variance for these times [4 marks]

c) The data below shows the weights of 2-day old chicks in the Agric practice section.

72 43 36 57 47 68 75 79 82 31
52 47 74 52 29 72 57 72 87 73
32 52 62 55 42 47 37 57 22 81
27 53 37 64 62 32 47 37 52 88
55 25 30 67 70 52 67 36 38 76.

- i. Beginning with the 20 - 29 class, construct a frequency table for the data. [5 marks]

Using the frequency table, find

- i. mode. [3 mark]
- ii. median. [3 marks]
- iii. mean. [2 marks]
- iv. standard deviation. [7 marks]

- ii. A bag contains 10 blue and 6 red marbles. Three marbles are drawn at random without replacement. Find the probability distribution for the number of red marbles drawn. [7 marks]
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Section B

Answer any 3 questions in this section

Question 2

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- a. A seed company supplies seeds to farmers. The company wishes to estimate the proportion of seeds that fail to germinate. A random sample of 300 seeds is tested and 30 failed to germinate.
- i. Construct a 90% confidence interval of the proportion of seeds that fail to germinate [6 marks]
 - ii If the seeds can be returned if more than 5% of them fail to germinate, based on the sample results, can the farmers return the seeds? [2 marks]
- b. A researcher wishes to conduct a survey in order to get public opinion on a certain administrative issue. She will ask the people in her sample to rate the issue. How many people should she ask in order to estimate the mean to be within 5 units at 90% confidence level if the standard deviation is known to be 25? [6 marks]
- c. It is known that the average test mark for NR 122 is 40%. Twenty students wrote the test and the class average was found to be 50% with a standard deviation of 10%. Do these data show that the mean mark has increased at 5% significance level? [6]
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Question 3

- a. In the past, out of 30 insects exposed to a certain insecticides under laboratory conditions, only 3 survived. If a sample of 5 insects are exposed to this insecticide, what is the probability that:

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- i. not more than two insects will survive [5 marks]
 - ii. at least three insects will survive [5 marks]
- d. At a certain intersection there is an average of three accidents per week, what is the probability that in a given week there are:
- i. at least three accidents. [5 marks]
 - ii. in two weeks, there are at least two accidents [5 marks]
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Question 4

Suppose there are two treatments to lower cholesterol levels in subjects with elevated cholesterol a standard drug and a new drug. You wish to determine whether the new drug is better than the standard. You randomly select from a population of subjects with elevated cholesterol and then randomly assign subjects to either a standard drug or new drug. After six months on randomized therapy, the following data are collected:

Table 1: Percentage of sand, in the soil at different depths.

	Standard	New
Mean	205	195
Variance	225	196
n	25	25

- a. Using appropriate statistical notation, state the null and alternative hypotheses. [1 mark]

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- b. Calculate the value of the appropriate test statistic. Show formula and calculations. [5 marks]
- c. State the rejection region at the 5% level of significance.[3 marks]
- d. Do you reject or do not reject the null hypothesis? Why or why not? [3 marks]
- e. Find the p-value. [5 marks]
- f. State your practical conclusion in light of the study. [3 marks]
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Question 5

The price of a combine harvester in Bindura is believed to be normally distributed with a mean of \$3140 and a standard deviation of \$240.

- i.) What proportion of combine harvesters have a price
- a) Less than \$3300 [2 marks]
 - b) Between \$2660 and \$3300 [5 marks]
 - c) More than \$3600 [3]
- ii.) Below what value will 2% of the combine harvesters fall? [10 marks]
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Question 6

The table below shows the relationship between the amount of oil (in gallons) used to cure tobacco and the temperature achieved.

Table 2: Percentage of sand in the soil at different depths.

Model	Unstandardized Coefficients		t	Sig	95% Confidence Interval for B	
	B	Std. Error			Lower Bound	Upper Bound
Constant	436.438	38.640	11.295	0.000	352.962	519.914
Temperature	-5.462	0.860	-6.354	0.000	-7.319	-3.605

Dependent Variable: Oil used in gallons

- i. Write down the regression line for Oil on Temperature [5]
- ii. Calculate the amount of Oil used if the temperature is $34^{\circ}C$. [5]
- iii. Test the significance of the Temperature coefficient at 5% significance level. [10]

—————End of examination—————

List of formulas

Mean

$$\bar{X} = \frac{\sum_{i=1}^n X_i}{n}$$

$$\text{Standard Deviations} = \sqrt{\frac{\sum (x - \bar{x})^2}{n-1}}$$

$$CV = \frac{s}{\bar{x}} \times 100$$

Hypothesis Testing and confidence intervals

$$Z_{cal} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{\bar{X} - \mu}{\frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}} \bar{x} \pm k \frac{s}{\sqrt{n}}$$

$$z = \frac{\hat{p} - p}{\sqrt{\frac{pq}{n}}} \quad \hat{p} \pm z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}\hat{q}}{n}}$$

$$t = \frac{\bar{d} - \mu_d}{S_d / \sqrt{n}}$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2}{\sqrt{S_p^2(\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2})}} S_p \quad \frac{(n_1 - 1)S_1^2 + (n_2 - 1)S_2^2}{n_1 + n_2 - 2}$$

$$(\bar{X}_1 - \bar{X}_2) \pm t_{\alpha/2, n_1+n_2-2} \cdot S_p \sqrt{\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2}}$$

$$z = \frac{(\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2) - (p_1 - p_2)}{\sqrt{\hat{p}(\hat{q}) \left[\frac{1}{n_1} + \frac{1}{n_2} \right]}}$$

$$\hat{p}_1 - \hat{p}_2 \pm z \sqrt{\frac{\hat{p}_1(\hat{q}_1)}{n_1} + \frac{\hat{p}_2(\hat{q}_2)}{n_2}}$$

Simple linear regression

$$\beta_1 = \frac{n \sum XY - \sum X \sum Y}{n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2} \quad \bar{y} - \beta_1 \bar{x} = \beta_0$$

Correlation Coefficient

$$r = \frac{n \sum XY - \sum X \sum Y}{\sqrt{(n \sum X^2 - (\sum X)^2)(n \sum Y^2 - (\sum Y)^2)}}$$

$$t_{cal} = \frac{r \sqrt{(n-2)}}{1 - r^2}$$

Table 1: Table of the Standard Normal Cumulative Distribution Function $\Phi(z)$

TABLE of CRITICAL VALUES for STUDENT'S *t* DISTRIBUTIONS

Column headings denote probabilities (α) **above** tabulated values.

d.f.	0.40	0.25	0.10	0.05	0.04	0.025	0.02	0.01	0.005	0.0025	0.001	0.0005
1	0.325	1.000	3.078	6.314	7.916	12.706	15.894	31.821	63.656	127.321	318.289	636.578
2	0.289	0.816	1.886	2.920	3.320	4.303	4.849	6.965	9.925	14.089	22.328	31.600
3	0.277	0.765	1.638	2.353	2.605	3.182	3.482	4.541	5.841	7.453	10.214	12.924
4	0.271	0.741	1.533	2.132	2.333	2.776	2.999	3.747	4.604	5.598	7.173	8.610
5	0.267	0.727	1.476	2.015	2.191	2.571	2.757	3.365	4.032	4.773	5.894	6.869
6	0.265	0.718	1.440	1.943	2.104	2.447	2.612	3.143	3.707	4.317	5.208	5.959
7	0.263	0.711	1.415	1.895	2.046	2.365	2.517	2.998	3.499	4.029	4.785	5.408
8	0.262	0.706	1.397	1.860	2.004	2.306	2.449	2.896	3.355	3.833	4.501	5.041
9	0.261	0.703	1.383	1.833	1.973	2.262	2.398	2.821	3.250	3.690	4.297	4.781
10	0.260	0.700	1.372	1.812	1.948	2.228	2.359	2.764	3.169	3.581	4.144	4.587
11	0.260	0.697	1.363	1.796	1.928	2.201	2.328	2.718	3.106	3.497	4.025	4.437
12	0.259	0.695	1.356	1.782	1.912	2.179	2.303	2.681	3.055	3.428	3.930	4.318
13	0.259	0.694	1.350	1.771	1.899	2.160	2.282	2.650	3.012	3.372	3.852	4.221
14	0.258	0.692	1.345	1.761	1.887	2.145	2.264	2.624	2.977	3.326	3.787	4.140
15	0.258	0.691	1.341	1.753	1.878	2.131	2.249	2.602	2.947	3.286	3.733	4.073
16	0.258	0.690	1.337	1.746	1.869	2.120	2.235	2.583	2.921	3.252	3.686	4.015
17	0.257	0.689	1.333	1.740	1.862	2.110	2.224	2.567	2.898	3.222	3.646	3.965
18	0.257	0.688	1.330	1.734	1.855	2.101	2.214	2.552	2.878	3.197	3.610	3.922
19	0.257	0.688	1.328	1.729	1.850	2.093	2.205	2.539	2.861	3.174	3.579	3.883
20	0.257	0.687	1.325	1.725	1.844	2.086	2.197	2.528	2.845	3.153	3.552	3.850
21	0.257	0.686	1.323	1.721	1.840	2.080	2.189	2.518	2.831	3.135	3.527	3.819
22	0.256	0.686	1.321	1.717	1.835	2.074	2.183	2.508	2.819	3.119	3.505	3.792
23	0.256	0.685	1.319	1.714	1.832	2.069	2.177	2.500	2.807	3.104	3.485	3.768
24	0.256	0.685	1.318	1.711	1.828	2.064	2.172	2.492	2.797	3.091	3.467	3.745
25	0.256	0.684	1.316	1.708	1.825	2.060	2.167	2.485	2.787	3.078	3.450	3.725
26	0.256	0.684	1.315	1.706	1.822	2.056	2.162	2.479	2.779	3.067	3.435	3.707
27	0.256	0.684	1.314	1.703	1.819	2.052	2.158	2.473	2.771	3.057	3.421	3.689
28	0.256	0.683	1.313	1.701	1.817	2.048	2.154	2.467	2.763	3.047	3.408	3.674
29	0.256	0.683	1.311	1.699	1.814	2.045	2.150	2.462	2.756	3.038	3.396	3.660
30	0.256	0.683	1.310	1.697	1.812	2.042	2.147	2.457	2.750	3.030	3.385	3.646
31	0.256	0.682	1.309	1.696	1.810	2.040	2.144	2.453	2.744	3.022	3.375	3.633
32	0.255	0.682	1.309	1.694	1.808	2.037	2.141	2.449	2.738	3.015	3.365	3.622
33	0.255	0.682	1.308	1.692	1.806	2.035	2.138	2.445	2.733	3.008	3.356	3.611
34	0.255	0.682	1.307	1.691	1.805	2.032	2.136	2.441	2.728	3.002	3.348	3.601
35	0.255	0.682	1.306	1.690	1.803	2.030	2.133	2.438	2.724	2.996	3.340	3.591
36	0.255	0.681	1.306	1.688	1.802	2.028	2.131	2.434	2.719	2.990	3.333	3.582
37	0.255	0.681	1.305	1.687	1.800	2.026	2.129	2.431	2.715	2.985	3.326	3.574
38	0.255	0.681	1.304	1.686	1.799	2.024	2.127	2.429	2.712	2.980	3.319	3.566
39	0.255	0.681	1.304	1.685	1.798	2.023	2.125	2.426	2.708	2.976	3.313	3.558
40	0.255	0.681	1.303	1.684	1.796	2.021	2.123	2.423	2.704	2.971	3.307	3.551
60	0.254	0.679	1.296	1.671	1.781	2.000	2.099	2.390	2.660	2.915	3.232	3.460
80	0.254	0.678	1.292	1.664	1.773	1.990	2.088	2.374	2.639	2.887	3.195	3.416
100	0.254	0.677	1.290	1.660	1.769	1.984	2.081	2.364	2.626	2.871	3.174	3.390
120	0.254	0.677	1.289	1.658	1.766	1.980	2.076	2.358	2.617	2.860	3.160	3.373
140	0.254	0.676	1.288	1.656	1.763	1.977	2.073	2.353	2.611	2.852	3.149	3.361
160	0.254	0.676	1.287	1.654	1.762	1.975	2.071	2.350	2.607	2.847	3.142	3.352
180	0.254	0.676	1.286	1.653	1.761	1.973	2.069	2.347	2.603	2.842	3.136	3.345
200	0.254	0.676	1.286	1.653	1.760	1.972	2.067	2.345	2.601	2.838	3.131	3.340
250	0.254	0.675	1.285	1.651	1.758	1.969	2.065	2.341	2.596	2.832	3.123	3.330
inf	0.253	0.674	1.282	1.645	1.751	1.960	2.054	2.326	2.576	2.807	3.090	3.290