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### EXAMINATION FOR THE AWARD OF DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN NURSING

**NURS 393: BIOSTATISTICS**

**STREAMS: B.Sc (NURSING) Y3T1**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**DAY/DATE:** .....

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#### INSTRUCTIONS:

- Answer **ALL** questions
- Do not write anything on the question paper
- This is a **closed book exam**, no reference materials are allowed in the examination room
- **No** use of mobile phones or any other unauthorized materials
- Write your answers legibly and use your time wisely

#### **SECTION A: MULTIPLE CHOICE QUESTIONS [ONE MARK EACH] [20 MARKS]**

1. Which of the following is not a measure of central tendency?
  - A. Mean
  - B. Mode
  - C. Range
  - D. Median
2. Which branch of statistics deals with the techniques that are used to organize, summarize, and present the data:
  - A. Probability Statistics
  - B. Inferential Statistics
  - C. Descriptive Statistics
  - D. Bayesian Statistics
2. The correlation coefficient can range from?

- A. 0 to +1
  - B. 0 to -1
  - C. -1 to +1
  - D. 0 to 100
3. Ranking patients' blood pressure from the lowest to the highest is an example of?
- A. Nominal scale
  - B. Ordinal scale
  - C. Interval scale
  - D. Ratio scale
4. A parameter is a measure that is computed from?
- A. Population data
  - B. Sample data
  - C. Test statistics
  - D. None of the above
5. Statistic is a numerical quantity, which is calculated from:
- A. Population
  - B. Sample
  - C. Data
  - D. Observations
6. If a distribution has two modes then this distribution is called
- A. Uni-Modal
  - B. Bi-Modal
  - C. Tri-Modal
  - D. Multi-Modal
7. If the mean is less than the mode, the distribution will be?
- A. Positively skewed
  - B. Negatively skewed
  - C. Symmetrical
  - D. None of these
8. Individual respondents, focus groups, and panels of respondents are categorised as
- A. Primary data sources
  - B. Secondary data sources
  - C. Itemised data sources
  - D. Pointed data sources
9. The ANOVA procedure is a statistical approach for determining whether or not

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- A. The means of two samples are equal
  - B. The means of two or more samples are equal
  - C. The means of more than two samples are equal
  - D. The means of two or more populations are equal
10. The measure of location which is the most likely to be influenced by extreme values in the data set is the;
- A. Range
  - B. Median
  - C. Mode
  - D. Mean
11. The mean of a sample is
- A. Always equal to the mean of the population
  - B. Always smaller than the mean of the population
  - C. Computed by summing the data values and dividing the sum by  $(n - 1)$
  - D. Computed by summing all the data values and dividing the sum by the number of items
12. The number of children attending a clinic in a given hospital is an example of \_\_\_\_\_ variable
- A. Discrete
  - B. Continuous
  - C. Constant
  - D. Qualitative
13. The cumulative frequency curve is also called
- A. Ogive
  - B. Frequency Curve
  - C. Histogram
  - D. Frequency Polygon
14. A frequency polygon is constructed by plotting the frequency of the class interval and the
- A. The upper limit of the class
  - B. The lower limit of the class
  - C. Mid value of the class
  - D. Any values of the class
15. Events having an equal chance of occurrence are called
- A. Independent Events
  - B. Mutually Exclusive Events
  - C. Exhaustive Events

- D. Equally Likely Events
16. The listed observation; 11, 91, 88, 97, 92, 100 suggests that the distribution is:
- A. Positively skewed
  - B. Negatively skewed
  - C. Has zero skewness
  - D. Left skewed
17. Chi-square test is used to test;
- A. Population mean
  - B. Population median
  - C. Association between variables
  - D. None of the above
18. Pulse rate or blood pressure of patients are known as
- A. Nominal data
  - B. Discrete data
  - C. Continuous data
  - D. Random variable
19. A sample of 5 body weights (in Kgs) is as follows: 116, 168, 124, 132, 110. The sample median is:
- A. 124
  - B. 116
  - C. 132
  - D. 130
20. A variable that has some chance or probability of its occurrence is known as;
- A. Simple variable
  - B. Random variable
  - C. Qualitative variable
  - D. Quantitative variable

**SECTION B:**

**[20 MARKS]**

1. Explain the following concepts as used in biostatistics [3 marks]
  - i. Variable
  - ii. Sample
  - iii. Inferential statistics

2. Explain three (3) factors to consider when determining the sources of statistical data [3 marks]
3. Discuss the meaning of the following results derived from data analysis to establish the relationship between the amount of kilocalories consumed and the weight gain among pregnant mothers.
- a)  $r = 0.72$ ;  $p$  value=0.026 [3 marks]  
 b)  $r^2 = 0.59$  [2 marks]
4. The population mean for hb levels is 13.5 g/dl. An experiment was conducted for 9 subjects and the results are as shown below  
 Mean = 12.2 g/dl  
 Standard deviation = 0.06  
 Determine if there is a significant difference between the population means and the experimental mean at a 95% confidence level [4 marks]
5. Explain five (5) methods of data collection that can be used to collect health data [5 marks]

### **SECTION C: [30 MARKS]**

1. The age of people that attended a health education seminar was recorded as follows  
 34,58,25,59,37,67,49,42,36,71,39,53,46,59,62,21,68,74,45,42,64,20,35,65,36,63,58,  
 29,43,58,42,64,20
- Using 6 classes draw a frequency distribution table [4 marks]
  - Calculate the mean [4 marks]
  - Calculate the quartile deviation [8 marks]
2. Two different methods were used to determine the amount of random blood sugar levels among some adults. The results are as shown;
- |           |           |
|-----------|-----------|
| Method 1  | Method 2  |
| Mean =7.2 | Mean =3.1 |
| SD =0.24  | SD=0.26   |
| n =7      | n =5      |
- Determine whether the results obtained from the two methods were significantly different at a 95% confidence level. [8 marks]

3. In a survey, parents indicated their hospital preference for their children. Sixty six (66) preferred hospital A, 40 hospital B and 61 hospital C. Test if there is any significant difference in the preference of these hospitals at a 95% confidence level. [8 marks]
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**TABLE 1**  
**t Distribution: Critical Values of t**

| <i>Degrees of freedom</i> | <i>Two-tailed test:<br/>One-tailed test:</i> | <i>Significance level</i> |        |        |        |         |         |
|---------------------------|--|---------------------------|--------|--------|--------|---------|---------|
|                           |  | 10%                       | 5%     | 2%     | 1%     | 0.2%    | 0.1%    |
| 5%                        | 2.5%   | 1%                        | 0.5%   | 0.1%   | 0.05%  |         |         |
| 1                         |  | 6.314                     | 12.706 | 31.821 | 63.657 | 318.309 | 636.619 |
| 2                         |  | 2.920                     | 4.303  | 6.965  | 9.925  | 22.327  | 31.599  |
| 3                         |  | 2.353                     | 3.182  | 4.541  | 5.841  | 10.215  | 12.924  |
| 4                         |  | 2.132                     | 2.776  | 3.747  | 4.604  | 7.173   | 8.610   |
| 5                         |  | 2.015                     | 2.571  | 3.365  | 4.032  | 5.893   | 6.869   |
| 6                         |  | 1.943                     | 2.447  | 3.143  | 3.707  | 5.208   | 5.959   |
| 7                         |  | 1.894                     | 2.365  | 2.998  | 3.499  | 4.785   | 5.408   |
| 8                         |  | 1.860                     | 2.306  | 2.896  | 3.355  | 4.501   | 5.041   |
| 9                         |  | 1.833                     | 2.262  | 2.821  | 3.250  | 4.297   | 4.781   |
| 10                        |  | 1.812                     | 2.228  | 2.764  | 3.169  | 4.144   | 4.587   |
| 11                        |  | 1.796                     | 2.201  | 2.718  | 3.106  | 4.025   | 4.437   |
| 12                        |  | 1.782                     | 2.179  | 2.681  | 3.055  | 3.930   | 4.318   |
| 13                        |  | 1.771                     | 2.160  | 2.650  | 3.012  | 3.852   | 4.221   |
| 14                        |  | 1.761                     | 2.145  | 2.624  | 2.977  | 3.787   | 4.140   |
| 15                        |  | 1.753                     | 2.131  | 2.602  | 2.947  | 3.733   | 4.073   |
| 16                        |  | 1.746                     | 2.120  | 2.583  | 2.921  | 3.686   | 4.015   |
| 17                        |  | 1.740                     | 2.110  | 2.567  | 2.898  | 3.646   | 3.965   |
| 18                        |  | 1.734                     | 2.101  | 2.552  | 2.878  | 3.610   | 3.922   |
| 19                        |  | 1.729                     | 2.093  | 2.539  | 2.861  | 3.579   | 3.883   |
| 20                        |  | 1.725                     | 2.086  | 2.528  | 2.845  | 3.552   | 3.850   |
| 21                        |  | 1.721                     | 2.080  | 2.518  | 2.831  | 3.527   | 3.819   |
| 22                        |  | 1.717                     | 2.074  | 2.508  | 2.819  | 3.505   | 3.792   |
| 23                        |  | 1.714                     | 2.069  | 2.500  | 2.807  | 3.485   | 3.768   |
| 24                        |  | 1.711                     | 2.064  | 2.492  | 2.797  | 3.467   | 3.745   |
| 25                        |  | 1.708                     | 2.060  | 2.485  | 2.787  | 3.450   | 3.725   |
| 26                        |  | 1.706                     | 2.056  | 2.479  | 2.779  | 3.435   | 3.707   |
| 27                        |  | 1.703                     | 2.052  | 2.473  | 2.771  | 3.421   | 3.690   |
| 28                        |  | 1.701                     | 2.048  | 2.467  | 2.763  | 3.408   | 3.674   |
| 29                        |  | 1.699                     | 2.045  | 2.462  | 2.756  | 3.396   | 3.659   |
| 30                        |  | 1.697                     | 2.042  | 2.457  | 2.750  | 3.385   | 3.646   |
| 32                        |  | 1.694                     | 2.037  | 2.449  | 2.738  | 3.365   | 3.622   |
| 34                        |  | 1.691                     | 2.032  | 2.441  | 2.728  | 3.348   | 3.601   |
| 36                        |  | 1.688                     | 2.028  | 2.434  | 2.719  | 3.333   | 3.582   |
| 38                        |  | 1.686                     | 2.024  | 2.429  | 2.712  | 3.319   | 3.566   |
| 40                        |  | 1.684                     | 2.021  | 2.423  | 2.704  | 3.307   | 3.551   |
| 42                        |  | 1.682                     | 2.018  | 2.418  | 2.698  | 3.296   | 3.538   |
| 44                        |  | 1.680                     | 2.015  | 2.414  | 2.692  | 3.286   | 3.526   |
| 46                        |  | 1.679                     | 2.013  | 2.410  | 2.687  | 3.277   | 3.515   |
| 48                        |  | 1.677                     | 2.011  | 2.407  | 2.682  | 3.269   | 3.505   |
| 50                        |  | 1.676                     | 2.009  | 2.403  | 2.678  | 3.261   | 3.496   |
| 60                        |  | 1.671                     | 2.000  | 2.390  | 2.660  | 3.232   | 3.460   |
| 70                        |  | 1.667                     | 1.994  | 2.381  | 2.648  | 3.211   | 3.435   |

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| <b>80</b>  | 1.664 | 1.990 | 2.374 | 2.639 | 3.195 | 3.416 |
| <b>90</b>  | 1.662 | 1.987 | 2.368 | 2.632 | 3.183 | 3.402 |
| <b>100</b> | 1.660 | 1.984 | 2.364 | 2.626 | 3.174 | 3.390 |

| $v_1$ | 1      | 2      | 3      | 4      | 5      | 6      | 7      | 8      | 9      | 10     | 12     | 14     | 16     | 18     | 20     |
|-------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|--------|
| $v_2$ | 161.45 | 199.50 | 215.71 | 224.58 | 230.16 | 233.99 | 236.77 | 238.88 | 240.54 | 241.88 | 243.91 | 245.36 | 246.46 | 247.32 | 248.01 |

**F Distribution: Critical Values of F (5% significance level)**

|            |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |       |
|------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| <b>2</b>   | 18.51 | 19.00 | 19.16 | 19.25 | 19.30 | 19.33 | 19.35 | 19.37 | 19.38 | 19.40 | 19.41 | 19.42 | 19.43 | 19.44 | 19.45 |
| <b>3</b>   | 10.13 | 9.55  | 9.28  | 9.12  | 9.01  | 8.94  | 8.89  | 8.85  | 8.81  | 8.79  | 8.74  | 8.71  | 8.69  | 8.67  | 8.66  |
| <b>4</b>   | 7.71  | 6.94  | 6.59  | 6.39  | 6.26  | 6.16  | 6.09  | 6.04  | 6.00  | 5.96  | 5.91  | 5.87  | 5.84  | 5.82  | 5.80  |
| <b>5</b>   | 6.61  | 5.79  | 5.41  | 5.19  | 5.05  | 4.95  | 4.88  | 4.82  | 4.77  | 4.74  | 4.68  | 4.64  | 4.60  | 4.58  | 4.56  |
| <b>6</b>   | 5.99  | 5.14  | 4.76  | 4.53  | 4.39  | 4.28  | 4.21  | 4.15  | 4.10  | 4.06  | 4.00  | 3.96  | 3.92  | 3.90  | 3.87  |
| <b>7</b>   | 5.59  | 4.74  | 4.35  | 4.12  | 3.97  | 3.87  | 3.79  | 3.73  | 3.68  | 3.64  | 3.57  | 3.53  | 3.49  | 3.47  | 3.44  |
| <b>8</b>   | 5.32  | 4.46  | 4.07  | 3.84  | 3.69  | 3.58  | 3.50  | 3.44  | 3.39  | 3.35  | 3.28  | 3.24  | 3.20  | 3.17  | 3.15  |
| <b>9</b>   | 5.12  | 4.26  | 3.86  | 3.63  | 3.48  | 3.37  | 3.29  | 3.23  | 3.18  | 3.14  | 3.07  | 3.03  | 2.99  | 2.96  | 2.94  |
| <b>10</b>  | 4.96  | 4.10  | 3.71  | 3.48  | 3.33  | 3.22  | 3.14  | 3.07  | 3.02  | 2.98  | 2.91  | 2.86  | 2.83  | 2.80  | 2.77  |
| <b>11</b>  | 4.84  | 3.98  | 3.59  | 3.36  | 3.20  | 3.09  | 3.01  | 2.95  | 2.90  | 2.85  | 2.79  | 2.74  | 2.70  | 2.67  | 2.65  |
| <b>12</b>  | 4.75  | 3.89  | 3.49  | 3.26  | 3.11  | 3.00  | 2.91  | 2.85  | 2.80  | 2.75  | 2.69  | 2.64  | 2.60  | 2.57  | 2.54  |
| <b>13</b>  | 4.67  | 3.81  | 3.41  | 3.18  | 3.03  | 2.92  | 2.83  | 2.77  | 2.71  | 2.67  | 2.60  | 2.55  | 2.51  | 2.48  | 2.46  |
| <b>14</b>  | 4.60  | 3.74  | 3.34  | 3.11  | 2.96  | 2.85  | 2.76  | 2.70  | 2.65  | 2.60  | 2.53  | 2.48  | 2.44  | 2.41  | 2.39  |
| <b>15</b>  | 4.54  | 3.68  | 3.29  | 3.06  | 2.90  | 2.79  | 2.71  | 2.64  | 2.59  | 2.54  | 2.48  | 2.42  | 2.38  | 2.35  | 2.33  |
| <b>16</b>  | 4.49  | 3.63  | 3.24  | 3.01  | 2.85  | 2.74  | 2.66  | 2.59  | 2.54  | 2.49  | 2.42  | 2.37  | 2.33  | 2.30  | 2.28  |
| <b>17</b>  | 4.45  | 3.59  | 3.20  | 2.96  | 2.81  | 2.70  | 2.61  | 2.55  | 2.49  | 2.45  | 2.38  | 2.33  | 2.29  | 2.26  | 2.23  |
| <b>18</b>  | 4.41  | 3.55  | 3.16  | 2.93  | 2.77  | 2.66  | 2.58  | 2.51  | 2.46  | 2.41  | 2.34  | 2.29  | 2.25  | 2.22  | 2.19  |
| <b>19</b>  | 4.38  | 3.52  | 3.13  | 2.90  | 2.74  | 2.63  | 2.54  | 2.48  | 2.42  | 2.38  | 2.31  | 2.26  | 2.21  | 2.18  | 2.16  |
| <b>20</b>  | 4.35  | 3.49  | 3.10  | 2.87  | 2.71  | 2.60  | 2.51  | 2.45  | 2.39  | 2.35  | 2.28  | 2.22  | 2.18  | 2.15  | 2.12  |
| <b>21</b>  | 4.32  | 3.47  | 3.07  | 2.84  | 2.68  | 2.57  | 2.49  | 2.42  | 2.37  | 2.32  | 2.25  | 2.20  | 2.16  | 2.12  | 2.10  |
| <b>22</b>  | 4.30  | 3.44  | 3.05  | 2.82  | 2.66  | 2.55  | 2.46  | 2.40  | 2.34  | 2.30  | 2.23  | 2.17  | 2.13  | 2.10  | 2.07  |
| <b>23</b>  | 4.28  | 3.42  | 3.03  | 2.80  | 2.64  | 2.53  | 2.44  | 2.37  | 2.32  | 2.27  | 2.20  | 2.15  | 2.11  | 2.08  | 2.05  |
| <b>24</b>  | 4.26  | 3.40  | 3.01  | 2.78  | 2.62  | 2.51  | 2.42  | 2.36  | 2.30  | 2.25  | 2.18  | 2.13  | 2.09  | 2.05  | 2.03  |
| <b>25</b>  | 4.24  | 3.39  | 2.99  | 2.76  | 2.60  | 2.49  | 2.40  | 2.34  | 2.28  | 2.24  | 2.16  | 2.11  | 2.07  | 2.04  | 2.01  |
| <b>26</b>  | 4.22  | 3.37  | 2.98  | 2.74  | 2.59  | 2.47  | 2.39  | 2.32  | 2.27  | 2.22  | 2.15  | 2.09  | 2.05  | 2.02  | 1.99  |
| <b>27</b>  | 4.21  | 3.35  | 2.96  | 2.73  | 2.57  | 2.46  | 2.37  | 2.31  | 2.25  | 2.20  | 2.13  | 2.08  | 2.04  | 2.00  | 1.97  |
| <b>28</b>  | 4.20  | 3.34  | 2.95  | 2.71  | 2.56  | 2.45  | 2.36  | 2.29  | 2.24  | 2.19  | 2.12  | 2.06  | 2.02  | 1.99  | 1.96  |
| <b>29</b>  | 4.18  | 3.33  | 2.93  | 2.70  | 2.55  | 2.43  | 2.35  | 2.28  | 2.22  | 2.18  | 2.10  | 2.05  | 2.01  | 1.97  | 1.94  |
| <b>30</b>  | 4.17  | 3.32  | 2.92  | 2.69  | 2.53  | 2.42  | 2.33  | 2.27  | 2.21  | 2.16  | 2.09  | 2.04  | 1.99  | 1.96  | 1.93  |
| <b>35</b>  | 4.12  | 3.27  | 2.87  | 2.64  | 2.49  | 2.37  | 2.29  | 2.22  | 2.16  | 2.11  | 2.04  | 1.99  | 1.94  | 1.91  | 1.88  |
| <b>40</b>  | 4.08  | 3.23  | 2.84  | 2.61  | 2.45  | 2.34  | 2.25  | 2.18  | 2.12  | 2.08  | 2.00  | 1.95  | 1.90  | 1.87  | 1.84  |
| <b>50</b>  | 4.03  | 3.18  | 2.79  | 2.56  | 2.40  | 2.29  | 2.20  | 2.13  | 2.07  | 2.03  | 1.95  | 1.89  | 1.85  | 1.81  | 1.78  |
| <b>60</b>  | 4.00  | 3.15  | 2.76  | 2.53  | 2.37  | 2.25  | 2.17  | 2.10  | 2.04  | 1.99  | 1.92  | 1.86  | 1.82  | 1.78  | 1.75  |
| <b>70</b>  | 3.98  | 3.13  | 2.74  | 2.50  | 2.35  | 2.23  | 2.14  | 2.07  | 2.02  | 1.97  | 1.89  | 1.84  | 1.79  | 1.75  | 1.72  |
| <b>80</b>  | 3.96  | 3.11  | 2.72  | 2.49  | 2.33  | 2.21  | 2.13  | 2.06  | 2.00  | 1.95  | 1.88  | 1.82  | 1.77  | 1.73  | 1.70  |
| <b>90</b>  | 3.95  | 3.10  | 2.71  | 2.47  | 2.32  | 2.20  | 2.11  | 2.04  | 1.99  | 1.94  | 1.86  | 1.80  | 1.76  | 1.72  | 1.69  |
| <b>100</b> | 3.94  | 3.09  | 2.70  | 2.46  | 2.31  | 2.19  | 2.10  | 2.03  | 1.97  | 1.93  | 1.85  | 1.79  | 1.75  | 1.71  | 1.68  |

**TABLE 3** **$\chi^2$  (Chi-Squared) Distribution: Critical Values of  $\chi^2$** 

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

| Critical Values for the <b>Q</b> -Test of a Single Outlier ( $\mathbf{Q}_{10}$ ) |       |       |       |       |       |
|--|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $\alpha \Rightarrow$   | 0.1   | 0.05  | 0.04  | 0.02  | 0.01  |
| $n \Downarrow$   |       |       |       |       |       |
| 3  | 0.941 | 0.970 | 0.976 | 0.988 | 0.994 |
| 4  | 0.765 | 0.829 | 0.846 | 0.889 | 0.926 |
| 5  | 0.642 | 0.710 | 0.729 | 0.780 | 0.821 |
| 6  | 0.560 | 0.625 | 0.644 | 0.698 | 0.740 |
| 7  | 0.507 | 0.568 | 0.586 | 0.637 | 0.680 |
| 8  | 0.468 | 0.526 | 0.543 | 0.590 | 0.634 |
| 9  | 0.437 | 0.493 | 0.510 | 0.555 | 0.598 |
| 10   | 0.412 | 0.466 | 0.483 | 0.527 | 0.568 |