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**MAIN CAMPUS**

**MASTERS FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS**

**COURSE CODE: STA 831**

**COURSE TITLE: NON-PARAMETRIC METHODS**

**DATE: 19/5/2021**

**TIME: 9:00 A.M – 12:00 NOON**

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

Answer Question one and any other two question

**QUESTION ONE (30MARKS)**

(a). Explain the meaning of the following as applied in non-parametric statistical inference.

- i). Non-parametric hypothesis
- ii). Distribution-free statistics
- iii). m-sample tests
- iv). the Kruskal-Wallis statistic. **(8 marks)**

(b). Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  denote a random sample from a continuous population with cumulative distribution function,  $F_X(x)$ . Show that if

$X_{(1)} < \dots < X_{(n)}$  denote the n order statistics from the

Population then the joint probability density function of the n order statistics

$$f(y_1, y_2, \dots, y_n) = n! \pi_{j=1}^n f_x(y_j) , \quad 0 < y_1 < \dots < y_n$$

.where

$$f_x(x) = \frac{d}{dx} F_x(x) \quad (13 \text{ marks})$$

c). Consider the following data on an empirical distribution function  $S_n(x)$  and a hypothesized distribution  $F_0(x)$  on 25 subjects and selected values of a random variable X.

X=x	1	4	10	25	60	80	100
$nS_n(x)$	4	10	13	17	21	24	25
$nF_0(x)$	2	5	9	16	17	19	25

Use the Kolmogorov-Smirnov two sided test procedure to test at 5% level of significance the hypothesis.

$H_0: F(x) = F_0(x)$  against  $H_a: F(x) \neq F_0(x)$  **(8 marks)**

**QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)**

- a). State and prove the probability integral transform theorem
- b). Show that if  $U(r)$  is the  $r^{\text{th}}$  order statistic from the uniform distribution on the interval  $(0, 1)$ , for  $r = 1, 2, \dots, n$  then

$$E(U_{(r)}^k) = \frac{\alpha(\alpha+1)\dots(\alpha+k-1)}{(\alpha+\beta)(\alpha+\beta+1)\dots(\alpha+\beta+k-1)}$$

where  $\alpha = r-1$  and  $\beta = n-r+1$

(6 marks)

c). Using the results in part (b), or otherwise determine

i).  $E(U_{(r)})$

ii).  $\text{Var}(U_{(r)})$

(6 marks)

d). Show that if  $X_{(r)}$  is the  $r$ -th order statistic from a continuous population with cumulative distribution function,  $F(x)$ , then  $E(U_{(r)}^k) \cong$

$$F^{-1}\left(\frac{r}{n+1}\right)$$

(6 marks)

### QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

(a). Describe the Karl-Pearson goodness-of-fit test statistics and show that under appropriate conditions (specify) it has a chi-square distribution. (6 marks)

(b). Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from some continuous distribution,

$F(x)$ .

(i). Define the corresponding empirical distribution function  $S_n(x)$

(ii). Show that  $S_n(x)$  is an unbiased consistent estimator of  $F(x)$ . (8 marks)

(c). Let  $D_n^+ = \sup_x \{S_n(X) - F(X)\}$

Given for  $y \geq 0$

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} P\left(D_n^+ < y/\sqrt{n}\right) = 1 - e^{-2y^2}$$

Deduce the limiting distribution of the statistics  $V = 4n(D_n^+)^2$  (6 marks)

### QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

(a). Let  $M_x$  denote the median of the distribution for the random variable  $X$ .

Suppose  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  is a random sample from the distribution.

To test

$H_0: M_x = M_0$ ,  $M_0$  known versus  $H_a: M_x \neq M_0$ , the Wilcoxon's signed rank test st

Statistic,  $T^+$ , may be used.

(i). Define  $T^+$

Show that when  $H_0$  is true, for a random sample of size  $n$ ,

(ii).  $E(T^+) = \frac{n(n+1)}{4}$

(iii).  $Var(T^+) = \frac{n}{24} (n - 1)(2n+1)$  (12 marks)

(b). Suppose  $(X_1, Y_1), (X_2, Y_2), \dots, (X_n, Y_n)$  is a random sample from a

Continuous bivariate distribution with the distribution function  $F(x,y)$ .

Let  $D_i = Y_i - X_i ; i = 1, 2, \dots, n$

Assuming that  $D_1, D_2, \dots, D_n$  is a random sample of difference

from  $F(x,y)$ , construct a  $100(1 - \alpha)\%$  confidence interval for the unknown median of differences  $M_D$  based on the statistic  $T^+$ . (8 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)**

a) Explain the advantages of Non-parametric statistical inferences over the Traditional parametric inferences. (10 marks)

(b) A researcher planted maize at the same rate in 8 small plots of ground, then weeded the maize rows by hand to allow no weeds in 4 randomly selected plots and exactly 3 lamb's-quarter weed plants per meter of row in the other 4 plots. The table below gives data on the yield of maize per acre in each of the plots.

Weeds per meter	Yield			
	0	166.7	172.2	165.0
3	158.6	176.4	153.1	156.0

Test

$H_0$ : No difference in distribution of yields

Versus

$H_a$ : Yields are systematically higher in weed-free plots

Using:

i)  $W_N$

ii)  $H$

(10 marks)