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**FOURTH YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**  
**SPECIAL/SUPPLIMENTARY EXAMINATION**  
**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE**

**COURSE CODE: STA 449**

**COURSE TITLE: NON-PARAMETRIC METHODS**

**DATE: 13/01/2022**

**TIME: 11:00 - 1:00 PM**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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**QUESTION 1: (30 marks)**

- (a) Non parametric tests are also called distribution free tests, explain why it is so. ( 1 marks )
- (b) State the non-parametric alternative to:
- (i) One sample t- test ( 2 marks )
  - (ii) Two –sample t-test ( 2 marks )
  - (iii) One-way analysis of variance(ANOVA) ( 2 marks )
  - (iv) Two-way analysis of variance (ANOVA) ( 2 marks )

(c) The bacteria counts per unit volume are shown for two types of cultures A and B. Four observations were made for each culture.

Culture A	Culture B
27	32
31	29
26	35
25	28

Do the data present sufficient evidence to indicate a difference in the population distributions of bacteria count. Test at 0.05 level of significance. (6 marks)

(d) Prove that under the assumptions required by the Signed- rank test,  $T^+$  (which is the sum of the ranks assigned to positive differences) is a value of a random variable with mean,

$$\mu = \frac{n(n+1)}{4} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$$

and the variance,  $\sigma^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{24} \quad (5 \text{ marks})$

(e) School children taking coaching in three private schools secured the following scores out of 100.

No. of children	Schools		
	1	2	3
1	33	32	55
2	38	15	68
3	39	87	27
4	48	32	88
5	58	22	

By applying the Kruskal-Wallis test at 0.01 level of significance, test the hypothesis that the students studying in the three private schools have identical distribution of marks. (5 marks)

**QUESTION 2: (20 marks)**

- (a) The following are the final examination grades of samples from three groups of students who were taught Mathematics by three different methods.

First method: 94 88 91 74 87 97

Second method: 85 82 79 84 61 72 80

Third method: 89 67 72 76 69

Use the H test at the 0.05 level of significance to test the null hypothesis that the three methods are equally effective ( 10 marks )

- (b) The following are speeds (in miles per hour) at which every fifth passenger car was timed at a certain checkpoint : 46 58 60 56 70 66 48 54 62 41 39 52 45 62 53 69 65 65 67 76 52 52 59 59 67 51 46 61 40 43 42 77 67 63 59 63 63 72 57 59 42 56 47 62 67 70 63 66 69 and 73. Test the null hypothesis of randomness at the 0.05 level of significance ( 10 marks )

**QUESTION 3: ( 20 marks )**

- a) The following are the scores of certain randomly selected students at mid-term (MT) and final examinations.

MT scores X	55	57	72	90	57	74	
Final score Y	80	76	63	58	56	37	75

The hypothesis  $H_0$  that the distribution of scores at two occasions is the same against  $H_1$

i.e.

$$H_0: F_Y(x) = F_X(x) \quad \text{Vs} \quad H_1: F_Y(x) \neq F_X(x)$$

Use the Mann-Whitney U-test.

( 10 marks)

- b) . On a lonely country road, the number of vehicles passing a particular spot is noted for 60 consecutive minute as follows.

Number of vehicles	0	1	2	3	4	5
Number of minutes	25	15	10	5	3	2

Test  $H_0: F(x) = F_0(x)$



Where  $F_0(x)$  is a Poisson distribution at 5% level of significance.

**Hint**

$\lambda$  can be estimated using the above:

$\lambda$  = mean number of vehicles per minute.

$$\lambda = \frac{\text{Number of vehicles}}{\text{number of minutes}} = \frac{15}{60} = 0.25 \quad (10 \text{ marks})$$

**QUESTION 4: ( 20 marks )**

In 100 families each containing three children, the number of girls are shown.

No. of girls	0	1	2	3
No. of families	8	27	45	20

What frequencies would you expect if the number of the girls in families with three children has a binomial distribution  $B(n, p) = B(3, 0.5)$ .

Are these data consistent with this distribution? ( 20 marks)

**QUESTION 5: ( 20 marks )**

a) A die is thrown 120 times with the following results

Face	1	2	3	4	5	6
Frequency	18	23	16	21	18	24

Is the die fair?. Test at  $\alpha = 0.05$  level of significance. (10 marks)

b) A genetic theory indicates that for a certain species of flowers, white, red, and blue flowers, should occur in the ration 5:3:1. Suppose that in a random sample of 180 flowers, 90 are white, 65 are red, and 25 are blue. What frequencies would we expect if the theory is correct? At 1% level of significance, test the genetic theory that

$H_0$ : the genetic theory is correct

$H_1$ : the genetic theory is incorrect (10 marks)