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INSTRUCTIONS

1. This paper consists of **six** questions. Answer **at most five** questions.
2. All answers should be presented in good style.
3. Begin each full question on a new page.

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Q1. Municipal wastewater treatment plants are required by law to monitor their discharges into rivers and streams on a regular basis. Concern about the reliability of data from one of these self-monitoring programs led to a study in which samples of effluent were divided and sent to two laboratories for testing. One-half of each sample was sent to the State Laboratory of Hygiene and one-half was sent to a private commercial laboratory routinely used in the monitoring program. Measurements of biochemical oxygen demand (BOD) and suspended solids (SS) were obtained, for $n = 11$ sample splits, from the two laboratories. The data are displayed below:

| EFFLUENT DATA | | | | |
|---------------|-----------------|----------------|----------------------|----------------|
| Sample j | Commercial Lab | | State Lab of hygiene | |
| | X_{1j1} (BOD) | X_{1j2} (SS) | X_{2j1} (BOD) | X_{2j2} (SS) |
| 1 | 6 | 27 | 25 | 15 |
| 2 | 6 | 23 | 28 | 13 |
| 3 | 18 | 64 | 36 | 22 |
| 4 | 8 | 44 | 35 | 29 |
| 5 | 11 | 30 | 15 | 31 |
| 6 | 34 | 75 | 44 | 64 |
| 7 | 28 | 26 | 42 | 30 |
| 8 | 71 | 124 | 54 | 64 |
| 9 | 43 | 54 | 34 | 56 |
| 10 | 33 | 30 | 29 | 20 |
| 11 | 20 | 14 | 39 | 21 |

- (a) Find the
- i) data matrix \mathbf{d} , [3]
 - ii) sample mean $\bar{\mathbf{d}}$ [2]
 - iii) sample covariance matrix $S_{\mathbf{d}}$ and [4]
 - iv) $S_{\mathbf{d}}^{-1}$. [5]
- b) Test at 95% whether the two laboratories' chemical analyses agree. [5]

© If differences exist what is their nature? i.e the 95% simultaneous confidence intervals for the mean vector μ . [6]

Q2. a) Let $A = \begin{pmatrix} 13 & -4 & 2 \\ -4 & 13 & -2 \\ 2 & -2 & 10 \end{pmatrix}$

- i) Find the eigenvalues of A . [5]
- ii) Find the corresponding eigenvector for each eigenvalue. [6]
- iii) Represent A by its spectral decomposition. [3]

b) State and prove the Cauchy-Schwartz inequality. [6]

Q3. There are two methods of manufacturing washing soap. Two characteristics

$$X_1 = \text{lather}$$

$$X_2 = \text{mildness}$$

are measured. The summary statistics for bars of washing soap produced by methods 1 and 2 are:

$$n_1 = 6 \quad \bar{X}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 8.3 \\ 4.1 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 6 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$n_2 = 8 \quad \bar{X}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 10.2 \\ 3.9 \end{pmatrix}, \quad S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Assuming equal population variances, test whether the two methods produce soap with same mean characteristics. Use $\alpha = 0.05$. [10]
- (b) Given that the population variances are different, test the hypothesis that the mean characteristics are the same for two methods. [10]

Q4. a) The rate at which margarine melts is measured after treatment with three different colouring agents. The agents are extracts from X_1 , a tropical grass, X_2 , a fruit juice and X_3 , a sulphur compound. The summary statistics for a sample of 30 are:

$$\bar{X}' = (4.64 \quad 45.40 \quad 9.97),$$

$$S^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0.586 & -0.022 & 0.258 \\ -0.022 & 0.005 & -0.002 \\ 0.258 & -0.002 & 0.402 \end{pmatrix}.$$

Test the claim that the mean vector $\mu' = (4 \quad 50 \quad 10)$ at 5% level of significance. [8]

b) A chemist investigating levels of citric acid in oranges from two different plantations, measured the acidity levels of 35 lemons from plantation A and 22 lemons from plantation B, and obtained the following results;

[Negative values reflecting low acidity and conductivity levels, while positive values reflect increasing (high) values]

$$\bar{X}_A = \begin{pmatrix} -0.056 \\ -0.043 \end{pmatrix}, \bar{X}_B = \begin{pmatrix} -0.448 \\ 0.042 \end{pmatrix}, S_{pooled}^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 125.158 & -79.423 \\ -79.423 & 118.417 \end{pmatrix}$$

- i) Obtain the Fisher's linear discrimination function. [6]
- ii) Construct a decision rule for allocating the new observation $X_0 = \begin{pmatrix} X_{01} \\ X_{02} \end{pmatrix}$. [3]
- iii) Classify the orange with the following acidity and conductivity $X_0 = \begin{pmatrix} -0.321 \\ -0.144 \end{pmatrix}$, with respect to plantation *A* or plantation *B*. Justify your answer. [3]
- Q5.** a) State the assumptions of MANOVA. [3]
- b) Consider the data below, which was recorded on treatments *A*, *B* and *C*.

| Observation | 1 | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 | 7 |
|----------------|---|---|---|---|---|---|---|
| Treatment | A | A | A | B | B | C | C |
| Response X_1 | 9 | 6 | 9 | 0 | 2 | 3 | 8 |
| Response X_2 | 3 | 2 | 7 | 4 | 0 | 8 | 5 |

- i) Breakdown the observations into $X_{ij} = \bar{X} + (\bar{X}_i - \bar{X}) + (X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)$ for both variables X_1 and X_2 , and the cross products for the variables where X_{ij} are the observations (*i* variable 1 and *j* representing the observation). \bar{X} the overall sample mean, $(\bar{X}_i - \bar{X})$ is the estimated treatment effect and $(X_{ij} - \bar{X}_i)$ the residual. [8]

Assuming normality do the following

- ii) Construct the one-way bivariate analysis of variance table. [5]
- iii) Evaluate the Wilks's Lambda and test for treatment (depth) differences at the $\alpha = 0.05$ level of significance. Comment on your results. [4]

[Hint: $(\frac{1-\sqrt{\lambda}}{\sqrt{\lambda}}) \frac{(\sum n_i - g - 1)}{(g-1)} \sim F_{2(g-1), 2(\sum n_i - g - 1)}$]

Q6. a) The table below shows results of 8 observations recorded on two variables X and Y .

| | | | | | | | | |
|-----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| X | 80 | 50 | 70 | 75 | 50 | 75 | 62 | 73 |
| Y | 75 | 52 | 65 | 80 | 49 | 73 | 58 | 74 |

- i) Test the hypotheses $H_0 : \mu = \begin{pmatrix} 65 \\ 50 \end{pmatrix}$ against $H_1 : \mu \neq \begin{pmatrix} 65 \\ 50 \end{pmatrix}$ (use 0.05 significance level). State any assumptions you make. [9]
- ii) Calculate the 90% Boniferroni confidence intervals for μ_1 and μ_2 . [4]
- iii) Find the simultaneous 95% confidence intervals for μ_1 and μ_2 . [4]
- iv) Compare the results in sections (ii) and (iii) and comment. [3]

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