

科目	統計學	適用系所	經濟學系、國際貿易學系、財稅學系丙組、科技管理研究所、合作經濟學系	時間	100 分鐘
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**I. Multiple Choice: Select the best answer**

- (6%) Consider you observe the income distribution of family from a random sample in Taiwan. You calculate mean, mode and median. What will you expect?
  - median > mode > median
  - mean > median > mode
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- (6%) We use the t-distribution to calculate a confidence interval for the population mean  $\mu$ . If we double the sample size from 10 to 20, the interval would become smaller because of
  - the change in degrees of freedom.
  - the change in standard error.
  - both a and b.
  - none of the above.
  
- (6%) Suppose you were to toss a fair coin 100,000 times. What is the probability that you'll get heads between 49.5% and 50.5% of the time?
  - 100%
  - 95%
  - 50%
  - none of the above
  
- (6%) Which statement(s) below is (are) correct?
  - If two variables are independent, their correlation is zero.
  - A correlation is always between 0 and 1.
  - The p-value is the probability that the null hypothesis is correct.
  - Both a. and b. are correct.
  
- (6%) Two events, A and B, are such that  $P(A)=0.5$ ,  $P(B)=0.3$ , and  $P(A \cap B) = 0.1$ . Which statement(s) below is (are) correct?
  - $P(A|B) = \frac{1}{2}$
  - $P(B|A) = \frac{1}{4}$
  - $P(A \cup B) = \frac{2}{3}$
  - none of above is correct.

## II. Problems

1. (20%) Consider the following simple regression without constant:

$$y_t = \beta x_t + u_t, t=1, 2$$

where  $\beta = 2$  and  $x_t$  takes on fixed values  $x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2$ .  $u_t$  has the following discrete joint probability distribution for each value:

$(u_t)$	Probability
1	1/2
-1	1/2

- (a) What is the probability of  $y=3$ ?  
 (b) Find  $Var(u_t)$  and  $cov(u_1, u_2)$ .  
 (c) Find the sampling distributions of the following two estimators of  $\beta$

$$b_1 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^2 y_t}{\sum_{t=1}^2 x_t} \quad \text{and} \quad b_2 = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^2 y_t x_t}{\sum_{t=1}^2 x_t^2}$$

- (d) Show that  $var(b_1) > var(b_2)$ .

2. (10%) Let  $X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n$  be a random sample from the geometric distribution with p.m.f.  $f(x; \theta) = (1 - \theta)^{x-1} \theta$ , where  $x = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ , and  $0 < \theta < 1$ . Derive the maximum likelihood estimator of  $\theta$ .
3. (10%) If  $E(X) = 17$  and  $E(X^2) = 298$ , please determine  
 (a) the lower bound for  $P(10 < X < 24)$ .  
 (b) the upper bound for  $P(|X - 17| > 16)$ .
4. (10%) In developing countries in Africa and the Americas, let  $p_1$  and  $p_2$  be the respective proportions of women with nutritional anemia. Find an approximate 90% confidence interval for  $p_1 - p_2$  given that a random sample of  $n_1 = 2100$  African women yielded  $y_1 = 840$  with nutritional anemia and a random sample of  $n_2 = 1900$  women from the Americas yielded  $y_2 = 323$  women with nutritional anemia.
5. (10%) Let  $Y_1 < Y_2 < Y_3 < Y_4 < Y_5$  be the order statistics of five independent observations from an exponential distribution that has a mean of  $\theta = 3$ . (You may leave the answers be functions of "exp".)  
 (a) Compute the probability that  $Y_4$  is less than  $Y_5$ .  
 (b) Determine  $P(1 < Y_1)$ .
6. (10%) Customers arrive at a travel agency at a mean rate of 11 per hour. Assuming that the number of arrivals per hour has a Poisson distribution, give the probability that more than 10 customers arrive in a given hour.