

STA 429



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## UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS

### 2024/2025 ACADEMIC YEAR

FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR MAIN  
EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF  
SCIENCE IN APPLIED STATISTICS

COURSE CODE: STA 429

COURSE TITLE: APPLIED MULTIVARIATE  
ANALYSIS

DATE: 22<sup>nd</sup> April 2025

TIME: 08:00 – 11:00

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### INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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**REGULAR – MAIN EXAM****STA 429: APPLIED MULTIVARIATE ANALYSIS****STREAM: BSC (Applied Statistics With Computing)****DURATION: 3 Hours****INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- i. Answer ALL questions from section A and ANY THREE Questions in section B.
- ii. All questions in section B carry Equal Marks.
- iii. Do not write on the question paper.

**SECTION A (31 marks): Answer ALL questions****QUESTION ONE (16MKS)**

- a) Define the following terms as used in multivariate analysis, giving relevant example where possible. (5 Marks)
  - i) Multivariate data
  - ii) Null matrix
  - iii) Diagonal matrix
  - iv) Identity matrix
  - v) Trace of a matrix

- b) Find the eigen values and corresponding eigen vectors of the matrix A (5 Marks)

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 2 & -2 \end{bmatrix}$$

- c) Find the mean vector and covariance matrix for the two random variable  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  when their joint pdf  $f(X_1, X_2)$  is given in the following table (6 marks)

$X_2 \backslash X_1$	0	1	$f_{1(X_1)}$
-1	0.24	0.06	0.30
0	0.16	0.14	0.30
1	0.40	0.00	0.40
$f_2(x_2)$	0.80	0.20	

**QUESTION TWO (15 Marks)**

- a) Given the data matrix, obtain the sample mean, the sample variance covariance matrix and sample correlation matrix of the matrix below (5 marks)

$$X = \begin{bmatrix} 42 & 4 \\ 52 & 5 \\ 48 & 4 \\ 58 & 3 \end{bmatrix}$$

- b) List 5 assumptions of discriminant analysis (5 marks)
- c) If  $S = \begin{bmatrix} 14808 & 14213 \\ 14213 & 15538 \end{bmatrix}$  obtain generalized sample variance (5 Marks)

**SECTION B (39 MARKS, CHOOSE ANY THREE QUESTIONS)****QUESTION THREE (13 MARKS)**

- a) If variance covariance matrix  $\epsilon = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 1 & 2 \\ 1 & 9 & -3 \\ 2 & -3 & 25 \end{bmatrix}$  obtain  $V^{1/2}$  and  $e$  (3 marks)
- b) Discuss 5 objectives of multivariate analysis. (10 marks)

**QUESTION FOUR (13 Marks)**

- a)  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  have a bivariate normal distribution with mean  $\mu = \begin{bmatrix} 2.9 \\ 0.16 \end{bmatrix}$ ,  $\epsilon =$

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0.16 & 0.16 \\ 0.16 & 0.25 \end{bmatrix}$$

Calculate;

- i.  $P(2.1 < X_2 < 3.3)$  (2 marks)
- ii.  $P(2.1 < X_2 < 3.3 | X_1 = 3.2)$  (4 marks)
- b) Find the eigen values and eigen vectors of the matrix  $A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 1 & 2 \end{bmatrix}$  (7 marks)

**QUESTION FIVE (13 Marks)**

- a) Discuss 3 assumptions of factor analysis (3 marks)
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- b) Discuss 6 steps applied in exploratory Factor Analysis. (6 marks)
- c) Clearly elaborate 4 methods for finding number of factors to be extracted in factor analysis (4 marks)

**QUESTION SIX (13 Marks)**

- a) Explain the following terms as used in factor analysis (4 marks)
  - i. Factor loading
  - ii. Factor rotation
- b) List the 9 steps running discriminant analysis in SPSS (9 marks)

**QUESTION SEVEN (13 Marks)**

- a) Discuss 5 advantages and 4 disadvantages of factor analysis (9 marks)
  - b) Outline 4 different types of factor analysis (4 marks)
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