



# **MAASAI MARA UNIVERSITY**

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FIRST YEAR FIRST SEMESTER**

**SCHOOL OF BUSINESS AND ECONOMICS  
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN  
ECONOMICS/FINANCIAL  
ECONOMICS/ECONOMICS AND STATISTICS**

**COURSE CODE: ECO 1105**

**COURSE TITLE: ECONOMIC STATISTICS**

**DATE: 31<sup>ST</sup> MAY, 2021**

**TIME: 1100 – 1300 HRS**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:**

Attempt Question one and any other Two Questions.

### Question 1

- a. For each of the following situations, state the appropriate sampling technique that should be used giving appropriate reasons?
- Selecting a sample of product to use in assessing the number of defectives in a production line. **(2 marks)**
  - Identifying individuals who have come into contact with COVID-19 infected persons during contact tracing. **(2 marks)**
- b. The table below shows the distribution of number of defective items in the production line of a manufacturing company.

|                      |     |   |     |     |    |
|----------------------|-----|---|-----|-----|----|
| Number of Defectives | 2   | 4 | 6   | 7   | 10 |
| Probability          | 0.1 | X | 0.2 | 0.3 | Y  |

If the average number of defective items is 6, calculate the standard deviation for the number of defective items. **(5 marks)**

- c. The data below shows the distribution of sales of a company product in a week by sales agents.

| Number of products | Number of sales Agents |
|--------------------|------------------------|
| 15 – 19            | 4                      |
| 20 – 24            | 10                     |
| 25 – 29            | 15                     |
| 30 – 34            | 22                     |
| 35 – 39            | 10                     |
| 40 – 44            | 8                      |
| 45 – 49            | 3                      |

Draw an ogive curve to represent the sales information above. **(4 marks)**

- d. The table below shows the daily demand of a certain product from a given shop for a period of 100 days. Use the data to construct a continuous frequency distribution with the lowest observation as the lower class boundary of the first class. Using the frequency distribution, verify that harmonic mean < geometric mean < arithmetic mean. **(7 marks)**

|    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| 61 | 55 | 24 | 50 | 64 | 71 | 44 | 83 | 53 | 81 |
| 45 | 46 | 60 | 71 | 57 | 87 | 67 | 66 | 99 | 54 |
| 34 | 64 | 82 | 74 | 46 | 92 | 95 | 75 | 99 | 41 |
| 69 | 56 | 55 | 32 | 53 | 48 | 23 | 61 | 90 | 63 |
| 37 | 79 | 99 | 34 | 39 | 30 | 24 | 52 | 42 | 57 |
| 94 | 50 | 50 | 62 | 93 | 72 | 25 | 76 | 62 | 89 |
| 61 | 44 | 51 | 85 | 26 | 50 | 95 | 48 | 46 | 64 |
| 29 | 69 | 50 | 27 | 65 | 90 | 46 | 85 | 59 | 25 |
| 87 | 86 | 94 | 37 | 39 | 97 | 64 | 79 | 98 | 63 |
| 86 | 32 | 66 | 78 | 37 | 84 | 96 | 63 | 33 | 49 |

### Question Two

The table below shows the results for the prediction of an increase in return of portfolios by a certain prediction model.

| Predicted increase in return | Actual Increase in Return |     |
|------------------------------|---------------------------|-----|
|                              | Yes                       | No  |
| Yes                          | 346                       | 7   |
| No                           | 17                        | 400 |

Determine the probability of

- The model predicting an increase in return or there being an actual increase in return. **(3 marks)**
- False positive prediction by the model. **(2 marks)**
- False negative prediction by the model. **(2 marks)**
- Correct Prediction by the model. **(2 marks)**
- An increase in return despite model predicting otherwise. **(3 marks)**
- A non-increase in return given that the model predicted so. **(3 marks)**

### Question Three

- Give **Four** reasons why complete enumeration is sometimes impossible to carry out. **(4 marks)**
- The data below illustrate the price and quantities of items purchased at the particular prices in the year 2018 and 2020 respectively;

| Year 2018 |       | Year 2020 |       |
|-----------|-------|-----------|-------|
| Quantity  | Price | Quantity  | Price |
| 6         | 300   | 4         | 400   |
| 8         | 320   | 4         | 360   |
| 4         | 220   | 2         | 300   |
| 20        | 200   | 10        | 360   |
| 14        | 220   | 6         | 340   |
| 16        | 260   | 6         | 420   |

Required;

- Laspeyre's Price index number. **(3 marks)**
- Paasche's Price index number. **(3 marks)**
- Fisher's Price index number. **(2 marks)**
- Marshall's Price Index number. **(3 marks)**

### Question Four

- The table below shows the distribution of 1400 job adverts made by the 47 counties in Kenya in a particular year.

| Number of job Adverts | Number of Counties |
|-----------------------|--------------------|
| 10                    | P                  |
| 25                    | 12                 |
| 40                    | 8                  |
| 50                    | Q                  |
| 65                    | 2                  |

Required;

- The value of P and Q. **(4 marks)**
- The Kelly's coefficient of skewness. **(6 marks)**
- Interquartile deviation. **(5 marks)**

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