MA4413 Mid Term 2 Sample Paper

Q1. Theory for Inference Procedures (4 Marks)

Answer the four short questions. Each correct answer will be awarded 1 mark.

- (i) (1 Mark) What is a p-value?
- (ii) (1 Mark) Briefly describe how p-value is used in hypothesis testing
- (iii) (1 Mark) What is meant by a Type I error?
- (iv) (1 Mark) What is meant by a Type II error?

Q2. Normal Distribution (5 Marks)

An analogue signal received at a detector (measured in microvolts), is normally distributed with a mean of 100 microvolts and a standard deviation of 25 microvolts.

- (i) (1 Mark) What is the Z-score for 137.5 microvolts?
- (ii) (1 Mark) What is the Z-score for 80 microvolts?
- (iii) (1 Mark) What is the probability that the signal will exceed 137.5 microvolts?
- (iv) (1 Mark) What is the probability that the signal will be less than 80 microvolts?
- (v) (1 Mark) What is the probability that the signal will be between 80 and 125 microvolts?

Q3. Inference Procedures (6 Marks)

Part A: A sample of 200 voters was taken by a political pollster to estimate the proportion of first preference votes a particular candidate will obtain in a forthcoming election. It was found that 110 out of these 200 voters would give the candidate their first preference.

- (i) (1 Mark) State the point estimate that would be used in an inference procedure.
- (ii) (1 Mark) Compute the standard error that would correspond to the point estimate you have computed.
- (iii) (1 Mark) Determine the 95% confidence interval for your point estimate.

Part B: Using a significance level of 5%, test the hypothesis that the percentage of voters who will give this particular candidate their first preference in the election is 60%.

- (i) (1 Mark) Formally state the null and alternative hypotheses.
- (ii) (1 Mark) Compute the Test Statistic for this hypothesis test.
- (iii) (1 Mark) Given that the critical value is 1.96, state your conclusion for this test.