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Example Midterm exam Quantitative Data Analysis 1

Time: 90 minutes

This exam uses a decimal point.

Give your **final answers** on the separate answer form. You can only give your final answers, so no calculations, motivations, explanations, etc.

There are 10 questions. Every question is 1 point.

The questions:

Question 1	In a data set of a continuous quantitative variable a certain observation has z-value -1.52. The mean of this variable is 172 and the standard deviation is 8. Find the value of this observation. (2 decimals)					
Question 2	Given is the sample (n=12): 3 6 12 16 17 17 19 22 25 30 33 37 If you were to make a box plot of this sample, then what would be the upper fence (which is the boundary line for identifying outliers)? (3 decimals)					
Question 3	The relation between the number of courses, UvA students passed in year 1 (Y) and the attendance rate (in a percentage) during lectures (X) is described by the regression line: $\hat{Y} = 2 + 0.08$ X. Pearson's coefficient of correlation has been measured: $r = 0.432$. For each course a student passes, 6 study points are earned. Give the slope of the regression line, when the number of study points (W) is predicted from the attendance rate. (2 decimals)					
Question 4	32% of the employees of a company did an anti-stress training. Of the employees who did an anti-stress training, 11% is having stress, while of the employees who did not do anti-stress training, 24% is having stress. Find the probability that an employee with stress did do anti-stress training. (4 decimals)					
Question 5	In a company the number of products sold on a Y have the following distribution:	2 0.2 0.4 0.6	total 0.5 0.5 1.0			
Question 6	See previous question. Calculate the covariance of X and Y. (2 decimals)					
Question 7	The number of regular bikes (X) and the number of e-bikes (Y) sold by a dealer in a month have $f(X)=9$, $g(X)=2$, $g(X)=3$, $g(X)=3$, $g(X)=3$, $g(X)=3$. The monthly profit is $g(X)=3$. What is standard deviation of monthly profit? (3 decimals)					
Question 8	The production of an employee is considered to be normally distributed. The expected value μ is equal to 17 and the standard deviation σ is unknown. But it is known that 10% of the production is lower than 12. Find the value for the standard deviation σ . (2 decimals)					
Question 9	The income (in €1000) of a random household has a non-normal distribution with mean 42 and standard deviation 9. A random sample of 100 households is taken. Find the probability that the sample mean will be below 40. (<i>4 decimals</i>)					

	Descriptive Statistics					
		N	Minimum	Maximum	Mean	Std. Deviation
	Hourly gross wage in	200	4.57	83.82	15.2700	10.18788
Question	national currency					
<u>10</u>	Valid N (listwise)	200				

Find the lower bound of the 99% confidence interval of the population mean of the Hourly gross wage. (2 decimals)

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Solutions

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Question 1.	159.84	172 - 1.52*8 = 159.84					
Question 2.	52.375	L25 = 3.25, Q1=12+0.25(16-12)=13 L75 = 9.75, Q3=25+0.75(30-25)=28.75 Upper Fence =28.75+1.5(28.75-13)=52.375					
Question 3.	0.48	$\hat{W} = 6\hat{Y} = 12 + 0.48*X$					
			Has stress	Has no stress	Total		
		Did training	0.11*0.32=0.0352	0.32-0.0352=0.2848	0.32		
Question	0.1774	No training	0.24*0.68=0.1632	0.68-0.1632=0.5168	1-0.32=0.68		
4.		Total	0.0352+0.1632=0.1984	1-0.1984=0.8016	1		
		P(did training has stress) = 0.0352 / 0.1984 = 0.1774					
Question 5.	0.50	$V(X) = E(X^2) - (\mu_x)^2 = 1^2 \ 0.5 - 0.5^2 = 0.25$ $\sigma(X)=0.5$					
Question 6.	0.10	$COV(X,Y) = E(XY) - \mu_x \mu_y = 1*1*0.1 + 1*2*0.4 - 0.5*1.6 = 0.1$					
Question 7.	5.118	$V(W) = 0.9^{2} V(X) + 1.5^{2} V(Y) + 2*0.9*1.5*COV(X,Y) =$ $= 0.9^{2} 2^{2} + 1.5^{2} 3^{2} + 2*0.9*1.5*1 = 26.19$ $\sigma(W) = 5.118$					
Question 8.	3.91	The z-value for 10% left-tailed area is -1.28 So μ - 1.28* σ = 12. Substitute μ = 17. Then you get: 17 – 1.28 σ =12. So 1.28 σ =17 – 12 = 5 and σ = 5/1.28 = 3.90625					
Question 9.	0.0132	$P(\overline{X} < 40) = P\left(\frac{\overline{X} - \mu}{\sigma / \sqrt{n}} < \frac{40 - 42}{9 / \sqrt{100}}\right) = P(Z < -2.22) = 1 - 0.9868 = 0.0132$					
Question 10.	13.40	Df=199 \approx 200, t _{.005} =2.601, so lower bound = 15.27 - 2.601*10.18788/ $\sqrt{200}$ = 13.39626					