

Ansal is investigating the wingspans of Monarch butterflies in two different regions,  $X$  and  $Y$ . He takes a random sample of 8 Monarch butterflies from region  $X$  and records their wingspans,  $x$  cm. His results are as follows.

8.2    7.0    7.3    8.8    7.8    8.5    9.2    7.4

Ansal also takes a random sample of 9 Monarch butterflies from region  $Y$  and records their wingspans,  $y$  cm. His results are summarised as follows.

$$\Sigma y = 71.10 \quad \Sigma y^2 = 567.13$$

Ansal suspects that the mean wingspan of Monarch butterflies from region  $X$  is greater than the mean wingspan of Monarch butterflies from region  $Y$ . It is known that the wingspans of Monarch butterflies in regions  $X$  and  $Y$  are normally distributed with equal population variances.

Test, at the 10% significance level, whether Ansal's suspicion is supported by the data. [8]