Statistical Methods in Python - Answer Key (Modules 1 to 10)

Module 1 - Answer Key

- 1. Descriptive statistics summarize data; inferential statistics make generalizations from samples.
- 2. a. Interval, b. Ordinal, c. Nominal
- 3. Between 40 and 60 (mean ± 1 standard deviation)
- 4. Binomial = fixed number of binary trials; Poisson = rare events over time/space.
- 5. a iii, b i, c ii

Module 2 - Answer Key

- 1. H0: No effect/difference; H1: There is an effect/difference.
- 2. The probability of obtaining the observed result (or more extreme) under the null hypothesis.
- 3. Type I: False positive, Type II: False negative.
- 4. When comparing the means of two independent samples.
- 5. It gives a range in which the true population parameter is likely to fall.

Module 3 - Answer Key

- 1. -1 to 1
- 2. Strong negative linear relationship.
- 3. Expected change in Y for one unit increase in X.
- 4. Proportion of variance explained by the model.
- 5. To assess linearity and homoscedasticity.

Module 4 - Answer Key

- 1. When predictors are highly correlated; detected using VIF.
- 2. The expected value of Y when all predictors are 0.
- 3. Adjusted R² accounts for number of predictors.
- 4. Linearity, independence, homoscedasticity, normality, no multicollinearity.
- 5. To compare impact of predictors on different scales.

Module 5 - Answer Key

- 1. Ridge uses L2 penalty; Lasso uses L1 (can shrink coefficients to 0).
- 2. Binary classification problems.
- 3. True Positive Rate vs False Positive Rate.
- 4. Area under the ROC curve; closer to 1 is better.
- 5. Prevents overfitting by shrinking large coefficients.

Module 6 - Answer Key

- 1. Tree that splits data based on feature conditions.
- 2. Overfitting and instability.
- 3. Ensemble of decision trees for improved accuracy.
- 4. By averaging results across many diverse trees.
- 5. How much each feature contributed to predictions.

Module 7 - Answer Key

- 1. Whether group means are significantly different.
- 2. All group means are equal.
- 3. When there are two categorical independent variables.
- 4. A ratio of between-group to within-group variance.
- 5. To determine which specific group means differ.

Module 8 - Answer Key

- 1. To estimate uncertainty of a statistic from limited data.
- 2. Shuffle group labels and compute test statistics repeatedly.
- 3. Repeated sampling to approximate probabilities.
- 4. Resample, calculate the statistic, and use percentiles.
- 5. When assumptions for parametric tests are violated.

Module 9 - Answer Key

- 1. Problem statement, EDA, modeling, evaluation, conclusions.
- 2. To uncover patterns, trends, and anomalies before modeling.
- 3. Visuals, summaries, and clean narratives.
- 4. Accuracy, R², RMSE, ROC AUC, etc.
- 5. Helps reinforce learning and identify areas for improvement.

Module 10 - Answer Key

- 1. Problem statement, EDA, modeling, interpretation, reflection.
- 2. T-tests, ANOVA, regression, classification, etc.
- 3. What question was asked, challenges faced, insights gained.
- 4. It enhances clarity, reproducibility, and peer understanding.
- 5. Use markdown, comments, and consistent structure.