PSYC 4301: Psychological Tests and Measurements

Tarleton State University

Homework 2

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1. Normalize the following scores to have mean 50 and standard deviation 10 (these are often called T scores by some test publishers).

Score	Frequency	
37	6	
36	124	
35	58	
34	10	
33	2	

- 2. Composite SAT scores consist of two subtests: Reading and Writing, which has mean $\mu_1=531$ and standard deviation $\sigma_1=104$, and Math, which has mean $\mu_2=528$ and standard deviation $\sigma_2=117$. In addition, the correlation between the two subtests is $\rho=0.81$.
 - (a) Compute the mean composite SAT score.
 - (b) Compute the standard deviation for the composite SAT. Be sure to show the variance-covariance matrix for the two subtests.
 - (c) Suppose you score a 1250 on the composite SAT. What is your percentile rank?
- 3. Five students were given the following scores on three essay questions:

	Q1	Q2	Q3
Ann	9	8	7
Bill	5	3	4
Carol	8	8	7
David	7	6	8
Erin	6	5	7

- (a) Calculate the mean and standard deviation for each item.
- (b) Compute the pairwise correlations between each item.
- (c) Compute the variance-covariance matrix for the three questions.
- (d) Compute the mean and standard deviation of the composite score that is found by summing the scores from the three essay questions.