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Section -A

Attempt all questions

Q.1. Two competing brands A & B were being tested by a data scientist. To do so a sample data on preferences was collected on a seven point likert scale. Having collected the data, t test was conducted to see whether actual differences exist in terms of preferences. The results of the test are presented below:-

t-Test						
	Brand A	Brand-B				
Mean	1.98	4.11				
Variance	.453	.96				
Observations	9.00	9.00				
Pooled Variance	.64					
Hypothesized Mean Difference	0.00					
df	16.00					
t Stat	4.79					
P(T<=t) one-tail	0.00					
t Critical one-tail	1.75					
P(T<=t) two-tail	0.00					
t Critical two-tail	2.12					

- a. Explicitly write the underlying null and alternate hypotheses of the test. Write them both mathematically and in statement form.
- b. Critically examine and interpret the results. What inference must be drawn from the results obtained?

Q.2. Elucidate the research process in detail.

[10 Markes]

Section-B

Attempt all

Q.3. Describe the steps involved in problem definition?

[10 marks]

Q.4. Explain and exemplify various types of research in detail?

[10 marks]

Section-C

Q.5. Independent random samples of marks were selected from three classes namely LSCM, OC and General management. The subjects were then subjected to a presentation on aptitude building . The objective of the experiment was to see whether three classes have the similar levels of intelligence or not. After the presentation, all three classes were subjected to a written test and the marks obtained were recorded. The obtained data were then subjected to analysis of variance and the results found were below:-

Groups	Count	Sum	Average	Variance
LSCM	10	407	40.7	9.788889
OC	10	360	36	9.333333
General management	10	300	30	2.666667

ANOVA							
Source of Variation	SS	df	MS	F	P-value	F crit	
Between Groups	575.2667	2	287.6333	39.60275	9.34E-09	3.354131	
Within Groups	196.1	27	7.262963				
Total	771.3667	29					

As a part of your answer:

- a) Categorically write the concerning null and alternate hypotheses.
- b) Critically interpret the results.

[7.5 * 2 =15 marks]

Q.6. Exemplify the various sampling techniques in detail?

[15 marks]

Section-D

Q.7. A retailer is investigating his past sales, advertising expenditure and number of salespeople employed data. He sets up a linear regression model to see the relationship of advertising and sales people employed onto sales and finds following results.

Regression Statistics				
Multiple R	0.882460482			
R Square	0.778736503			
Adjusted R	0.704982004			
Square				
Standard Error	1.506651779			
Observations	9			

ANOVA							
	df	SS	MS	$oldsymbol{F}$	p value		
Regression	2	47.93555806	23.96777903	10.55849491	0.010833		
Residual	6	13.6199975	2.269999583				
Total	8	61.5555556					

		Standard		
	Coefficients	Error	t Stat	P-value
Intercept	9.957632733	3.123798548	3.18766802	0.018891894
Ad Expenses	5.231612429	1.42500293	3.67129942	0.010438097
Salespersons	0.128091192	0.24482654	0.523191613	0.619592061

[10*3 = 30 marks]

As a part of your answer

- a. Give a detail note on the model used by the analysis. Explicitly write the model obtained mathematically.
- b. Interpret the results obtained.
- c. Explicitly mention any two implications to the retailer based on obtained results.