

P-104 (BIOSTATISTICS AND TAXONOMY)

1. Answer the following questions.

[1 mark]

1. The word 'statistik' in German means

- a) calculation
- b) government
- c) maths
- d) classification

2. The application of statistical methods in biology is called

- a) Statistics in biology
- b) statistic in vivo
- c) biostatistics
- d) all of these

3. Biostatistics is also called as

- a) Statistics in biology
- b) bionemerology
- c) biometry
- d) both a and b

4. Who is regarded as the father of biostatistics

- a) Fischer
- b) Karl Pearson
- c) Francis Galton
- d) Francis Bacon

5. The term 'biometry' was coined by

- a) Fischer
- b) Karl Pearson
- c) Francis Galton
- d) Walter Weldon

6. The branch of biostatistics that deals with methods of collection, organization and presentation of data is called as

- a) Inferential biostatistics
- b) Descriptive biostatistics
- c) both a and b
- d) comparative biostatistics

7. The branch of biostatistics that deals with testing of hypothesis, making predictions using data collected is called as

- a) Inferential biostatistics
- b) Descriptive biostatistics

- c) both a and b
- d) comparative biostatistics

8. In biostatistics, group of individuals taken for study is called as

- a) block
- b) population
- c) group
- d) flock

9. The characteristics or quantity that may vary from one individual to another is called

- a) static group
- b) variable
- c) dynamic group
- d) dynamism

10. Variables whose values can be expressed numerically are called

- a) quantitative variables
- b) qualitative variables
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

11. Flower colour is a

- a) quantitative variables
- b) qualitative variables
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

12. Variables whose values cannot be expressed numerically are called

- a) quantitative variables
- b) qualitative variables
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

13. Quantitative variables that has only fixed or finite values are called

- a) quantitative variables
- b) Discrete variable
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

14. Height of students in a class is a

- a) quantitative variables
- b) Discrete variable
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

15. Quantitative variables that can have any numerical values are called

- a) quantitative variables
- b) Discrete variable
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

16. Number of fruits in a tree is a

- a) quantitative variables
- b) Discrete variable
- c) absolute variables
- d) continuous variables

Answers

- 1. b) government
- 2. c) biostatistics
- 3. c) biometry
- 4.c) Francis Galton
- 5. d) Walter Weldon
- 6. b) Descriptive biostatistics
- 7. a) Inferential biostatistics
- 8. b) population
- 9. b) variable
- 10. a) quantitative variables
- 11. b) qualitative variables
- 12. b) qualitative variables
- 13. b) Discrete variable
- 14. d) continuous variables
- 15. d) continuous variables
- 16.b) Discrete variable

2. Answer the following questions within 2-3 sentences.

[1.5 mark]

- 1. What is the difference between sample and population.
- 2. Define sampling method.
- 3. Give some characteristics of binomial distribution.
- 4. What are the properties of poisson distribution.
- 5. Give the graphical representation of normal distribution.
- 6. What is mean and its types ?
- 7. What is importance of mean ?
- 8. What is central tendency and its types ?
- 9. What is mode in biostatistics.
- 10. Differentiate between absolute measure of dispersion and relative measure dispersion.

11. What do you mean by null hypothesis ?
12. What is meant by alternative hypothesis ?
13. What are the types of T-test ?
14. State about the CHI – square test .
15. What do you mean by correlation and regression.
16. What is taxonomic hierarchy ?
17. What is biological nomenclature ?
18. What do you understand by artificial and natural classification ?
19. What is phenetic system of classification ?
20. What is phylogenetic system of classification ?

3. Answer the following questions within 75-100 words.

[2 marks]

1. What is concept of population and sample with illustration in statistics ?
2. Mention some types of sampling methods.
3. What do you mean by binomial distribution ?
4. Briefly describe about poisson distribution.
5. What is a normal curve ?
6. How do you find median in bio-statistics ?
7. Give the advantage and dis-advantages of range.
8. Define dispersion . What are the different measures of dispersion.
9. Differentiate between null hypothesis and alternate hypothesis.
10. What is T-test ? What are application of T-test ?
11. What is CHI-square test used for ? State its formulae.
12. What is ANOVA ? Mention its types.
13. Differentiate between correlation and regression.
14. What is taxonomy ? How it is different from systematics.
15. Give the concept of species.
16. What is continental drift theory ?
17. What is theory of plate tectonics ?
18. What do you mean by zoogeographical realms ?
19. What do you understand by taxon ?
20. Give a brief account on evolutionary relationships among taxa.

4. Answer the following questions within 500 words.

[6marks]

1. Give the concept of sample and population.
2. What are the different sampling methods ?
3. What are the various types of probability distribution ?
4. State about the measures of central tendency .
5. What are the measures of dispersion ?

6. Write short notes on T-test , Chi-square test and ANOVA .
7. Give an account on correlation and regression analysis.
8. Give an brief account on origin and development of taxonomy.
9. What is the concept of species ? Add an note on hierarchical taxa.
10. Elaborate classical and quantitative methods of taxonomy of plants , animals & microorganisms.
11. What are the different types of classification?
12. State about the criterion used for classification in each taxon.
13. What are the evolutionary relationship among taxa ?
14. What are the modern trends in taxonomy ?
15. Give the theories pertaining to distribution of animal.
16. Write short note on distribution of vertebrates in different realms.
17. Define realms. Add a note on major habitat types of the sub-continent.
18. Give a brief account on seasonality and phenology of the subcontinent.