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UNIVERSITY EXAMINATIONS 2021/2022

FOURTH YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER SPECIAL SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION
FOR DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN STATISTICS AND BACHELOR OF
ACTUARIAL SCIENCE

SMS 3451: DEMOGRAPHIC TECHNIQUES

DATE: JANUARY 2023

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer Question ONE and any other TWO questions.

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Explain three advantages of demographic surveys over population houses. (3 Marks)
- b) Briefly explain three major factors of data used in demographic study. (3 Marks)
- c) Describe two uses of population projections. (2 Marks)
- d) In 1960, the population of a counting was recorded as 6.73×10^6 and in 1970 it was recorded as 8.54×10^6 . Determine
 - i. Rate of growth of the population (3 Marks)
 - ii. How long it will take for the population to double. (Use geometric model) (4 Marks)
- e) The annual rate of growth for a counting was estimated between 1960 and 1970 to be at 2.4% pa. what will be the country's population size in 1980 assuming that the rate at 2.4% p.a will continue to that year. Take the population of 1970 as 8.54×10^6 . (5 Marks)
- f) State three assumptions made in the analysis of a stable population. (3 Marks)
- g) Use the data in the table below to
 - i. Calculate the out – migration rates for each region. (3 Marks)
 - ii. Calculate the in – migration rates for each region. (4 Marks)

Region of recording/Enumeration				
Region of birth	A	B	C	Total
A	74609	526	21	75156
B	4899	32688	825	38412
C	191	1180	22612	23983
Total	79699	34354	23458	

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Given the table below of a number of births in different female age, determine
- The mean age of child beany (3 Marks)
 - Standard, deviation age of child bearing. (5 Marks)
 - Modern and median age of child bearing. (5 Marks)
- b) A population P, t years after find observation is given by its function
 $P = 1000 (2^{1.01t})$
 Determine the:
- Initial population (2 Marks)
 - The population 100 years later (2 Marks)
 - Rate of growth of the population at each of these times. (3 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) A population is given by the expression $u_t = a + bc^t$. Use three points corresponding to u_1, u_2 and u_3 to fit an exponential current to this population. (10 Marks)
- b) A population model is given as $P = 50,000(4 - e^{-0.002t})$ when P is the population after one year. Determine
- The initial population size (3 Marks)
 - Ultimate population size (3 Marks)
 - The rate of population growth 200 years after initial observation. (4 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) A population of 100 is restricted to dead end university by end of year 1,40 have left. By end of year 2 another 35 have left. By end of year 3 another 15 have left. The rest will leave at same time in fourth year.
- i. Determine the life table quantities $l_0, d_x, p_x, q_x, T_x, L_x$ for this population. (8 Marks)
 - ii. Sketch a graph for this population. (2 Marks)
 - iii. Determine the life table quantity l_0 . (2 Marks)
- b) Briefly explain two major uses of life tables. (8 Marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- a) The table below describe women of different age groups and their number of child they gave birth to.

Age group	All women	Children born	Female	n^s_a
15 – 19	39419	18670	9015	0.9742
20 – 24	335924	75651	36956	0.9713
25 – 29	313611	69048	33785	0.9683
30 – 34	351825	46193	22383	0.9644
35 – 39	372637	23509	11377	0.9587
40 – 44	334594	6409	3131	0.9500
45 – 49	321900	456	226	0.9364

- i. Estimate and interpretation the General facility rate. (3 Marks)
 - ii. Estimate and interpret the total facility rate. (3 Marks)
 - iii. Estimate and interpret net reproductive rate. (3 Marks)
 - iv. Sketch a graph of the ASFR's. (3 Marks)
 - v. What is the different between net reproductive rate and gross reproductive rate. (3 Marks)
- b) Describe how fertility, mortality and migration process affect the age-sea comprising of a population. (5 Marks)