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B.Sc. /B.Ed. Degree Programme, Continuing Education Programme

APPLIED MATHEMATICS - LEVEL 05

PCU3142/PSU2182/ PCU2142/PCE5142/PCE4142- DESIGN AND ANALYSIS OF EXPERIMENTS

NO BOOK TEST 2015/2016



Duration: One Hour

Date: 12.11.2016

Time: 01.00 p.m- 02.00 p.m

Answer all questions

Instructions:

- **Statistical Tables are provided.**
- **Non-programmable calculators are permitted.**
- **Consider the level of significance as 0.05 for all the tests.**

(1) A firm is interested in evaluating 3 file management systems. The firm designed a test involving 5 different word processing operators. Since operator variability was believed to be a significant factor, each of the 5 operators was trained on each of the 3 systems in random order. The mean time (in weeks) to learn a system is given below.

System	Operator					Total
	1	2	3	4	5	
1	16	19	14	13	18	80
2	16	17	13	12	17	75
3	24	22	19	18	22	105
Total	56	58	46	43	57	260

Total Sum of Squares = 175.33

- (a) Name the suitable design for the above experiment. Justify your answer.
- (b) State the hypotheses that need to be tested to achieve the objectives of the firm.
- (c) Construct the analysis of variance (ANOVA) table, suitable to test the stated hypotheses.
- (d) Test your hypotheses in part (b), at 5% level of significance and clearly state the findings.

(2) An experiment was conducted to study the lifetime of four brands of tires (T_1, T_2, T_3 and T_4). There are 16 tires such that four tires from each brand are available for the study. The experimenter suspects that the lifetime of the tire can vary according to the type of the car used (I, II, III and IV) and the position of the tire on the car (FL, FR, BL and BR). To optimize the available resources, each brand of tire has been studied once for each type of car and once for each position of the tire on the car. The following are the data obtained from the experiment.

Car type	Tire position				Total
	<i>FL</i>	<i>FR</i>	<i>BL</i>	<i>BR</i>	
<i>I</i>	$T_1=31$	$T_4=76$	$T_2=40$	$T_3=54$	201
<i>II</i>	$T_2=36$	$T_3=53$	$T_4=81$	$T_1=42$	212
<i>III</i>	$T_4=76$	$T_1=43$	$T_3=62$	$T_2=38$	219
<i>IV</i>	$T_3=60$	$T_2=41$	$T_1=45$	$T_4=84$	230
Total	203	213	228	218	862

(a) Name the suitable design for the above experiment. Justify why the design you name is suitable.

A part of the analysis is given below. Some values were missing in the ANOVA table and marked with “*”.

Source	Degrees of freedom	Sum of Squares	Mean Square	F ratio
Car type	*	111.25	*	*
Tire position	*	*	*	*
Brand	*	4278.75	*	*
Error	*	*	*	
Total	*	4517.75		

(b) Complete the ANOVA table by computing missing values.

(c) Write down the conclusions that can be drawn from the analysis of variance table.
