

# Question Paper

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## MANIPAL ACADEMY OF HIGHER EDUCATION

THIRD SEMESTER MSc. (BIOINFORMATICS) DEGREE EXAMINATION - DEC 2023 / JAN 2024  
SUBJECT: MBI601 - BIostatISTICS AND INFORMATICS  
(OBE-2021 REVISED REGULATION - REGULARS)

Marks: 70

Duration: 180 mins.

### SECTION A BIostatISTICS (35 MARKS)

Answer all the questions.

- 1A) Identify the type of variable (Nominal/Ordinal/Discrete/Continuous) (3)  
i) Gender  
ii) Lifespan of fruitflies (in completed days)  
iii) Residual sugar content (g/l) in wine
- 1B) Define the following terms used in statistical inference: (2)  
i) Type II error  
ii) Sampling distribution
- 1C) Gene mutations have been found in patients with muscular dystrophy. In a study, it was found that there were defects in the gene coding of sarcoglycan proteins in 23 of 184 patients with limb-girdle muscular dystrophy. Use these data to construct a 90% confidence interval for the corresponding population proportion. (4)
- 1D) Distinguish between case-control study and a cohort study. (5)
- 2A) A certain form of cancer is known to be found in women over 60 years of age with probability 0.08. A blood test exists for the detection of the disease but the test is not infallible. In fact, it is known that 2% of the time the test gives a false negative (i.e., the test incorrectly gives a negative result) and 10% of the time the test, gives a false positive (i.e., incorrectly gives a positive result). If a woman over 60 years is known to have taken the test and found negative for cancer, what is the probability that she has the disease? (3)
- 2B) A certain drug treatment cures 80% of cases of hookworm in children. Suppose that 12 children suffering from hookworm are to be treated, and that the children can be regarded as a random sample from the population. Find the probability that:  
i) All but one will be cured  
ii) At least one will be cured (4)
- 3) In a study of the lizard *Sceloporus occidentalis*, biologists measured the distance (m) run in two minutes for each of 14 animals. The results (listed in increasing order) were as follows:  
18.4 22.2 24.5 26.4 27.5 28.7 30.6 32.9 32.9 34.0 34.8 37.5 42.1 45.5  
Compute quartile deviation. (7)
- 4) Distinguish between linear and logistic regression. (3.5)
- 5) A study was planned to find whether there is any difference in the average RBC Cholinesterase values (measured in micro mol/min/ml) between alcoholic and non-alcoholic adult males. What should be the minimum sample size required in each group to detect a clinically significant difference of 3 micro mol/min/ml at 90% power and 5% level of significance? Assume the pooled standard deviation of RBC Cholinesterase values is 5 micro mol/min/ml. ( $Z_{1-\alpha/2} = 1.96$ ,  $Z_{1-\beta} = 1.28$ ) (3.5)

### PART B INFORMATICS (35 MARKS)

**Answer all the questions.**

**6. Write brief note on the following:**

- 6A) What is medical informatics? List the application areas. (3.5)  
6B) What is data science? (3.5)

**7. Write short note on the following:**

- 7A) What is medical coding and what are the types of medical codes? (7)  
7B) What are the basic concepts in genomic medicine? (7)

**Essay:**

- 8) Write down the tasks of digital image processing and levels of processes with examples. (14)

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THIRD SEMESTER M.Sc. (BIOINFORMATICS) DEGREE EXAMINATION - DEC 2023 / JAN 2024  
SUBJECT: MBI603 HIGH THROUGHPUT DATA ANALYSIS  
(OBE-2021 REVISED REGULATION - REGULARS)

Marks: 70

Duration: 180 mins.

**Answer all the questions.**

**Illustrate where necessary.**

- 1) What is Flow Cytometry? Explain in detail the three main components of flow cytometry and their significance. (14)
- 2) Illustrate the components of Mass Spectrometer and elaborate on the ionization methods. (14)

**Explain the following briefly:**

- 3A) Discuss the benefits of real time PCR over conventional PCR. (7)
- 3B) With neat illustrations, explain the QC plots employed for microarray data analysis. (7)
- 4A) Elaborate on the data analysis strategy employed for the analysis of NGS data. (7)
- 4B) Explain the various clustering techniques employed for the analysis of gene expression data. (7)

**5. Write short notes on the following:**

- 5A) Write a note on Peltier-effect thermoelectric heating and cooling. (3.5)
- 5B) Describe quantile normalization. (3.5)
- 5C) Define Ct value in a real time PCR experiment. (3.5)
- 5D) Explain Sanger sequencing. (3.5)

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