Eastern University Sri Lanka

Final Year First Semester Examination in Agriculture 2008 / 2009

CC 4101 Experimental Techniques in Agriculture

Allowed time: Two hours

Answer all questions.



1. a. What is a factorial experiment?

b. In an experiment seed rates with four levels (S1, S2, S3 and S4) in two varieties (V1 and V2) of chillies were studied. This experiment was designed in a Randomized Complete Block Design with three replicates. The yield (kg / plot) of chillies obtained in this experiment are given below.

Seed Rate		Blocks				
00.1111303	Variety V1					
	I Dis	II	III			
S1	4.20	4.94	4.45			
S2	4.36	3.50	4.17			
S3	5.40	4.50	5.75			
S4	5.15	4.40	3.90			
		Variety V2				
S1	2.82	3.14	3.80			
S2	3.74	4.43	2.92			
S3	4.82	3.90	4.50			
S4	4.57	5.32	4.35			

- Perform the analysis of variance. (i)
- Interpret your results at 5% significant level. (ii)
- 2. Write short notes on the following:
 - a. Replication and randomization in an experiment.
 - b. Least Significant Difference (LSD) test in mean comparison.
 - c. Advantages and disadvantages of Completely Randomized Design (CRD).

- 3. a. Define the term "Regression Coefficient".
 - b. The following table gives measurement of 10 onion bulbs with diameters between 50-70 mmwith their corresponding weights in grams.

Diameter (X)	Weight (Y)		
51.0	63.4		
66.2	115.3		
69.2	146.6		
69.5	132.6		
56.9	80.7		
67.1	125.6		
58.1	80.0		
53.9	78.7		
63.0	112.8		
60.0	96.2		

$$\sum x = 614.9$$
 $\sum x^2 = 38192.17$ $\sum y = 1031.9$ $\sum y^2 = 113247.79$ $\sum xy = 65014.60$

Using the above data,

- Draw the scatter diagram. (i)
- Find the regression equation. (ii)
- Test the significance of regression coefficient. (iii)
- Compute the correlation coefficient and comment on the relationship. (iv)
- 4. a. What are the demerits of Latin Square Design (LSD) in agricultural experiments? b. The following table shows the field layout and yields (kg / plot) of wheat for a 4 x 4 Latin Square

Design. A, B, C and D are four varieties.

			Col	Column			
		I	2	3	4	Row Total	
Row	1 2 3 4	10.5 (C) 11.1 (B) 5.8 (D) 11.6 (A)	7.7 (D) 12.0 (A) 12.2 (C) 12.3 (B)	12.0 (B) 10.3 (C) 11.2 (A) 5.9 (D)	13.2 (A) 7.5 (D) 13.7 (B) 10.2 (C)	43.4 40.9 42.9	$\sum x^2 = 18$
Column	Total	39.0	44.2	39.4	44.6	40.0	

- Perform the ANOVA for the above date set. (i)
- (ii) Interpret your results statistically and non - statistically.