

Exam 3

1. Question

Given the following information:

$$\text{orange} + \text{orange} + \text{pineapple} = 314$$

$$\text{pineapple} + \text{banana} + \text{banana} = 358$$

$$\text{orange} + \text{banana} + \text{banana} = 146$$

Compute:

$$\text{banana} + \text{orange} + \text{pineapple} = ?$$

- a. 314
- b. 246
- c. 336
- d. 262
- e. 316

Solution

The information provided can be interpreted as the price for three fruit baskets with different combinations of the three fruits. This corresponds to a system of linear equations where the price of the three fruits is the vector of unknowns x :

$$x_1 = \text{banana} \quad x_2 = \text{orange} \quad x_3 = \text{pineapple}$$

The system of linear equations is then:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 0 & 2 & 1 \\ 2 & 0 & 1 \\ 2 & 1 & 0 \end{pmatrix} \cdot \begin{pmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 314 \\ 358 \\ 146 \end{pmatrix}$$

This can be solved using any solution algorithm, e.g., elimination:

$$x_1 = 56, x_2 = 34, x_3 = 246.$$

Based on the three prices for the different fruits it is straightforward to compute the total price of the fourth fruit basket via:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc} \text{banana} & + & \text{orange} & + & \text{pineapple} & = & \\ x_1 & + & x_2 & + & x_3 & = & \end{array}$$

$$56 + 34 + 246 = 336$$

- a. False
- b. False
- c. True
- d. False
- e. False

2. Question

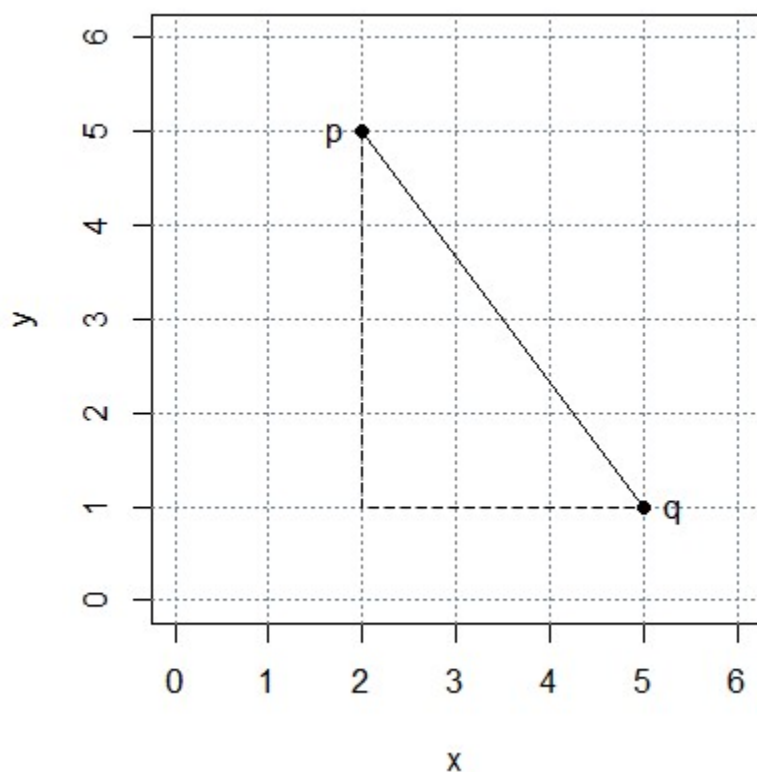
What is the distance between the two points $p = (2, 5)$ and $q = (5, 1)$ in a Cartesian coordinate system?

- a. 6.322
- b. 8.865
- c. 7.822
- d. 2.646
- e. 5.000

Solution

The distance d of p and q is given by $d^2 = (p_1 - q_1)^2 + (p_2 - q_2)^2$ (Pythagorean formula).

Hence $d = \sqrt{(p_1 - q_1)^2 + (p_2 - q_2)^2} = \sqrt{(2 - 5)^2 + (5 - 1)^2} = 5$.



- a. False
- b. False
- c. False
- d. False
- e. True

3. Question

What is the derivative of $f(x) = x^3 e^{3.3x}$, evaluated at $x = 0.57$?

Solution

Using the product rule for $f(x) = g(x) \cdot h(x)$, where $g(x) := x^3$ and $h(x) := e^{3.3x}$, we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= [g(x) \cdot h(x)]' = g'(x) \cdot h(x) + g(x) \cdot h'(x) \\ &= 3x^{3-1} \cdot e^{3.3x} + x^3 \cdot e^{3.3x} \cdot 3.3 \\ &= e^{3.3x} \cdot (3x^2 + 3.3x^3) \\ &= e^{3.3x} \cdot x^2 \cdot (3 + 3.3x). \end{aligned}$$

Evaluated at $x = 0.57$, the answer is

$$e^{3.3 \cdot 0.57} \cdot 0.57^2 \cdot (3 + 3.3 \cdot 0.57) = 10.403188.$$

Thus, rounded to two digits we have $f'(0.57) = 10.40$.

4. Question

The daily expenses of summer tourists in Vienna are analyzed. A survey with 133 tourists is conducted. This shows that the tourists spend on average 196.7 EUR. The sample variance s_{n-1}^2 is equal to 136.7.

Determine a 95% confidence interval for the average daily expenses (in EUR) of a tourist.

- What is the lower confidence bound?
- What is the upper confidence bound?

Solution

The 95% confidence interval for the average expenses μ is given by:

$$\begin{aligned} &\left[\bar{y} - 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{s_{n-1}^2}{n}}, \bar{y} + 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{s_{n-1}^2}{n}} \right] \\ &= \left[196.7 - 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{136.7}{133}}, 196.7 + 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{136.7}{133}} \right] \\ &= [194.713, 198.687]. \end{aligned}$$

- The lower confidence bound is 194.713.
- The upper confidence bound is 198.687.

5. Question

For 53 firms the number of employees X and the amount of expenses for continuing education Y (in EUR) were recorded. The statistical summary of the data set is given by:

	Variable X	Variable Y
Mean	45	266
Variance	120	2231

The correlation between X and Y is equal to 0.73.

Estimate the expected amount of money spent for continuing education by a firm with 45 employees using least squares regression.

Solution

First, the regression line $y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x_i + \varepsilon_i$ is determined. The regression coefficients are given by:

$$\hat{\beta}_1 = r \cdot \frac{s_y}{s_x} = 0.73 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2231}{120}} = 3.14762,$$

$$\hat{\beta}_0 = \bar{y} - \hat{\beta}_1 \cdot \bar{x} = 266 - 3.14762 \cdot 45 = 124.35719.$$

The estimated amount of money spent by a firm with 45 employees is then given by:

$$\hat{y} = 124.35719 + 3.14762 \cdot 45 = 266.$$