

Write your answers on separate papers (single sided). Attach this test on the top of your papers.

1. Consider the following correlation matrix for a three-variate data of size 20.

$$\rho = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & & \\ .58 & 1 & \\ .35 & .61 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

The eigenvalues of the matrix is given as 2.03, 0.65, and 0.31 with the corresponding eigenvectors of (.54, .63, .56), (-.73, .03, .68), and (.41, -.78, .48), respectively.

- (a) Write the estimated loading matrix for a factor analysis model with two common factors using the principal factor method
- (b) For the loading matrix in (b) provide the matrix of reproduced correlation matrix. Is the reproduced matrix close to the original correlation matrix above?
- (c) Calculate the communalities and specific variances of each of the variables.
2. Fifty bars of soap are manufactured in each of two ways. Two characteristics,  $X_1$ =lather and  $X_2$ =mildness, are measured. The summary statistics for bars produced by method 1 and 2 are

$$\bar{x}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 \\ 1 \end{pmatrix}, S_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 1 & 5 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and } \bar{x}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 6 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}, S_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 \\ 1 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Assuming equal covariance matrices, give the discriminant function rule and classify a new observation  $x_0 = (2, 3)$  using the rule.
- (b) Now, assume that it is twice as costly to classify method1 to method2 than method2 to method1. Repeat (a). Note that we assume the equal priors.
- (c) Repeat (a) assuming unequal covariance matrices.