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**STAT 502: Statistical Inference**

Semester 142

Second Major Exam (Subjective)

Wednesday May 20, 2015

7:30 – 9:00 pm

Q.No.1:- (9+6=15 points)

(a) Derive the formula for obtaining confidence interval for the difference between the means of two (independent) normal populations having equal variances.

(b) Two suppliers manufacture a plastic gear used in a laser printer. The impact strength of these gears measured in foot-pounds is an important characteristic. A random sample of 10 gears from supplier 1 results in  $\bar{x}_1 = 290$  and  $s_1 = 18$ , while another random sample of 16 gears from the second supplier results in  $\bar{x}_1 = 321$  and  $s_1 = 21$ . Construct a 98% confidence interval estimate for the difference in mean impact strength (assuming the equality of population variances), and interpret this interval.

Q.N.2:- (4+6=10 points)

(a) Given the nine sample values 4.5, 6.5, 3.8, 4.2, 7.7, 8.5, 9.4, 5.3, 3.9 from a normal distribution with mean  $\mu$  and variance 4. Find the best critical region for testing  $H_0: \mu = 4$  against  $H_1: \mu > 4$  of size 0.005.

(b) Is the test derived in part (a) uniformly most powerful unbiased (UMPU) test? Why?

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*With the Best Wishes*