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SECTION A - MULTIPLE CHOICE

- 10% 1. If a change in variable  $x$  explains a change in a variable  $y$ . Then, the variable  $y$  is called:
- A. dependent variable
  - B. predictor variable
  - C. explanatory variable
  - D. independent variable
- 10% 2. Nonexperimental data is also know as:
- A. cross-sectional data
  - B. observational data
  - C. time series data
  - D. panel data

SECTION B - TRUE OR FALSE

- 10% 1. Depending if we either use the Method of Moments or the Least Squares Method to derive  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  of a simple regression model, we may get different estimators for both parameters.
- True  False
- 10% 2. Regarding the association between the  $x$  and the error term in a simple linear regression model such as  $y = \beta_0 + \beta_1 x + u$ , if  $x$  and  $u$  are uncorrelated, then we have enough information to derive the estimators.
- True  False
- 10% 3. In a simple linear regression model, the error term is related to the sample, while the residual is related to the population.
- True  False

SECTION C - SHORT ANSWER

1. Suppose you want to study the effects of the number of students per classroom in algebra courses and students' performance in algebra courses for high schools in Kansas. You collected a random sample and now you have data for the above two variables. You called them as *number\_students* (which refers to the number of students per classroom in algebra courses), and *students\_performance* (which refers to the students' performance in algebra courses - measured as their final grade in a scale from 0 to 4). Therefore, you want to know how *number\_students* explains *students\_performance*.

5% (a) What is the independent variable? [1 line answer maximum - don't exceed it]

5% (b) What is the dependent variable? [1 line answer - don't exceed it]

10% (c) Using the variables names, write the simple linear regression model. [1 line answer - don't exceed it]

10% (d) Knowing that the OLS estimate for the intercept is 3.4, and for the slope is  $-0.02$ , write the estimated OLS regression line (or SRF) using the variables names. [1 line answer - don't exceed it]

10% (e) What is the predicted value for whichever is your dependent variable for a classroom with 20 students? [1 line answer - don't exceed it]

10% (f) What is the predicted effect on your dependent variable for each additional increment (i.e, when you increase one unit) of your independent variable? [up to 2 lines answer - do not exceed it]