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MATHEMATICS

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Paper 5 Probability & Statistics 1

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1 hour 15 minutes

You must answer on the question paper.

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
- Use a black or dark blue pen. You may use an HB pencil for any diagrams or graphs.
- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the boxes at the top of the page.
- Write your answer to each question in the space provided.
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- You should use a calculator where appropriate.
- You must show all necessary working clearly; no marks will be given for unsupported answers from a calculator.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures, or 1 decimal place for angles in degrees, unless a different level of accuracy is specified in the question.

INFORMATION

- The total mark for this paper is 50.
- The number of marks for each question or part question is shown in brackets [].

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- 1 A summary of 20 values of x gives

$$\Sigma(x-30) = 439, \quad \Sigma(x-30)^2 = 12\,405.$$

A summary of another 25 values of x gives

$$\Sigma(x-30) = 470, \quad \Sigma(x-30)^2 = 11\,346.$$

- (a) Find the mean of all 45 values of x . [2]

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- (b) Find the standard deviation of all 45 values of x . [2]

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- 2 The lengths of the tails of adult raccoons of a certain species are normally distributed with mean 28 cm and standard deviation 3.3 cm.

- (a) Find the probability that a randomly chosen adult raccoon of this species has a tail length between 23 cm and 35 cm. [4]

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The masses of adult raccoons of this species are normally distributed with mean 8.5 kg and standard deviation σ kg. 75% of adult raccoons of this species have mass greater than 7.6 kg.

- (b) Find the value of σ . [3]

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3 The heights, in cm, of 200 adults in Barimba are summarised in the following table.

Height (h cm)	$130 \leq h < 150$	$150 \leq h < 160$	$160 \leq h < 170$	$170 \leq h < 175$	$175 \leq h < 195$
Frequency	16	32	76	64	12

(a) Draw a histogram to represent this information.

[4]



- (b) The interquartile range is R cm. Show that R is **not** greater than 15.

[2]

[illegible]

- 4 A game for two players is played using a fair 4-sided dice with sides numbered 1, 2, 3 and 4. One turn consists of throwing the dice repeatedly up to a maximum of three times. When a 4 is obtained, no further throws are made during that turn. A player who obtains a 4 in their turn scores 1 point.

(a) Show that the probability that a player obtains a 4 in one turn is $\frac{37}{64}$. [2]

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Xeno and Yao play this game.

(b) Find the probability that neither Xeno nor Yao score any points in their first two turns. [1]

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- (c) Xeno and Yao each have three turns.

Find the probability that Xeno scores 2 more points than Yao.

[3]

[illegible]

- 5 In a certain area in the Arctic the probability that it snows on any given day is 0.7, independent of all other days.

- (a) Find the probability that in a week (7 days) it snows on at least five days. [3]

[illegible]

A week in which it snows on at least five days out of seven is called a ‘white’ week.

- (b) Find the probability that in three randomly chosen weeks at least one is a white week. [2]

[illegible]

In a different area in the Arctic, the probability that a week is a white week is 0.8 .

- (c) Use a suitable approximation to find the probability that in 60 randomly chosen weeks fewer than 47 are white weeks. [5]

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6 Harry has three coins:

- One coin is biased so that the probability of obtaining a head when it is thrown is $\frac{1}{3}$.
- The second coin is biased so that the probability of obtaining a head when it is thrown is $\frac{1}{4}$.
- The third coin is biased so that the probability of obtaining a head when it is thrown is $\frac{1}{5}$.

Harry throws the three coins. The random variable X is the number of heads that he obtains.

(a) Draw up the probability distribution table for X . [4]

[illegible]

- [illegible]

7 The eight digits 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5 are arranged in a line.

(a) How many different arrangements are there of these 8 digits?

[1]

[illegible]

(b) Find the number of different arrangements of the 8 digits in which there is a 2 at the beginning, a 2 at the end and the three 4s are not all together. [4]

[illegible]

Three digits are selected at random from the eight digits 1, 2, 2, 3, 4, 4, 4, 5.

(c) Find the probability that the three digits are all different. [5]

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