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Generic Marking Principles

These general marking principles must be applied by all examiners when marking candidate answers. They should be applied alongside the specific content of the mark scheme or generic level descriptors for a question. Each question paper and mark scheme will also comply with these marking principles.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 1:

Marks must be awarded in line with:

- the specific content of the mark scheme or the generic level descriptors for the question
- the specific skills defined in the mark scheme or in the generic level descriptors for the question
- the standard of response required by a candidate as exemplified by the standardisation scripts.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 2:

Marks awarded are always whole marks (not half marks, or other fractions).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 3:

Marks must be awarded **positively**:

- marks are awarded for correct/valid answers, as defined in the mark scheme. However, credit is given for valid answers which go beyond the scope of the syllabus and mark scheme, referring to your Team Leader as appropriate
- marks are awarded when candidates clearly demonstrate what they know and can do
- marks are not deducted for errors
- marks are not deducted for omissions
- answers should only be judged on the quality of spelling, punctuation and grammar when these features are specifically assessed by the question as indicated by the mark scheme. The meaning, however, should be unambiguous.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 4:

Rules must be applied consistently, e.g. in situations where candidates have not followed instructions or in the application of generic level descriptors.

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 5:

Marks should be awarded using the full range of marks defined in the mark scheme for the question (however; the use of the full mark range may be limited according to the quality of the candidate responses seen).

GENERIC MARKING PRINCIPLE 6:

Marks awarded are based solely on the requirements as defined in the mark scheme. Marks should not be awarded with grade thresholds or grade descriptors in mind.

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Ma	Mathematics Specific Marking Principles				
1	Unless a particular method has been specified in the question, full marks may be awarded for any correct method. However, if a calculation is required then no marks will be awarded for a scale drawing.				
2	Unless specified in the question, answers may be given as fractions, decimals or in standard form. Ignore superfluous zeros, provided that the degree of accuracy is not affected.				
3	Allow alternative conventions for notation if used consistently throughout the paper, e.g. commas being used as decimal points.				
4	Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, e.g. wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored (isw).				
5	Where a candidate has misread a number in the question and used that value consistently throughout, provided that number does not alter the difficulty or the method required, award all marks earned and deduct just 1 mark for the misread.				
6	Recovery within working is allowed, e.g. a notation error in the working where the following line of working makes the candidate's intent clear.				

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Mark Scheme Notes

The following notes are intended to aid interpretation of mark schemes in general, but individual mark schemes may include marks awarded for specific reasons outside the scope of these notes.

Types of mark

- Method mark, awarded for a valid method applied to the problem. Method marks are not lost for numerical errors, algebraic slips or errors in units. However, it is not usually sufficient for a candidate just to indicate an intention of using some method or just to quote a formula; the formula or idea must be applied to the specific problem in hand, e.g. by substituting the relevant quantities into the formula. Correct application of a formula without the formula being quoted obviously earns the M mark and in some cases an M mark can be implied from a correct answer.
- A Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. Accuracy marks cannot be given unless the associated method mark is earned (or implied).
- **B** Mark for a correct result or statement independent of method marks.
- **DM** or **DB** When a part of a question has two or more "method" steps, the M marks are generally independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly, when there are several B marks allocated. The notation DM or DB is used to indicate that a particular M or B mark is dependent on an earlier M or B (asterisked) mark in the scheme. When two or more steps are run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit is given.
 - FT Implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A or B marks are given for correct work only.
 - A or B marks are given for correct work only (not for results obtained from incorrect working) unless follow through is allowed (see abbreviation FT above).
 - For a numerical answer, allow the A or B mark if the answer is correct to 3 significant figures or would be correct to 3 significant figures if rounded (1 decimal place for angles in degrees).
 - The total number of marks available for each question is shown at the bottom of the Marks column.
 - Wrong or missing units in an answer should not result in loss of marks unless the guidance indicates otherwise.
 - Square brackets [] around text or numbers show extra information not needed for the mark to be awarded.

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Abbreviations

AEF/OE Any Equivalent Form (of answer is equally acceptable) / Or Equivalent

AG Answer Given on the question paper (so extra checking is needed to ensure that the detailed working leading to the result is valid)

CAO Correct Answer Only (emphasising that no 'follow through' from a previous error is allowed)

CWO Correct Working Only

ISW Ignore Subsequent Working

SOI Seen Or Implied

SC Special Case (detailing the mark to be given for a specific wrong solution, or a case where some standard marking practice is to be varied in the light of

a particular circumstance)

WWW Without Wrong Working

AWRT Answer Which Rounds To

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
1	Poisson, any λ	M1	Used
	$1 - e^{-3} \left(1 + 3 + \frac{3^2}{2} \right)$	M1	Allow one end error
	= 0.577 (3sf)	A1	SC Use of Binomial (or unsupported correct answer) scores B1 only
		3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
2(a)	$\frac{56}{300} \pm z \times \sqrt{\frac{\frac{56}{300} \times \frac{244}{300}}{300}}$	M1	For expression of the correct form. Must be a z value
	z = 2.054 or 2.055	B1	
	0.14(0) to 0.233 (3sf) or 0.141 to 0.233 (3sf)	A1	Must be an interval
		3	
2(b)	$\frac{1}{6}$ (= 0.167) This is within confidence interval, so no reason to believe die is biased.	B1 FT	Note if confidence interval set up with $\frac{1}{6}$, $\frac{56}{300}$ it should be the value used here. FT <i>their</i> confidence interval. Not definite, e.g. not 'Die not biased'.
		1	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(a)	$\frac{1}{2} \times 3 \times c = 1$ $(c = \frac{2}{3} \mathbf{AG})$	B1	Must see this line, oe, and result (Alternative method involving equation of line $\left(y = \left(\frac{-c}{3}\right)x + c\right)$ must have all relevant working shown)
		1	
3(b)	$\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$	M1	Allow M1 for $\frac{1}{3}$ seen as a linear scale factor or Attempt to find equation of line (of form $y = mx + c$ where $c \neq 0$) and interval from 2 to 3 OE or Attempt to find the point $(2, \frac{2}{9})$ using the equation of the line (of form $y = mx + c$ where $c \neq 0$) and then use area of triangle
	$=\frac{1}{9}$ or 0.111(3sf)	A1	
		2	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
3(c)	Equation of line is $y = \frac{2}{3} - \left(\frac{2}{3} \div 3\right)x$	*M1	OE Must be of form $y = mx + c$ ($c \neq 0$).
	$E(X) = \int_{0}^{3} \left(\frac{2}{3}x - \frac{2}{9}x^{2}\right) dx$	DM1	Attempt integration $x \times their$ $f(x)$, ignore limits
	$= \left[\frac{x^2}{3} - \frac{2x^3}{27} \right]_0^3$	A1 FT	Correct integration and limits. FT <i>their</i> equation of line
	= 1	A1	
		4	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
4	$est(\mu) = \frac{1850}{200}$ or 9.25	B1	
	$est(\sigma^2) = \frac{200}{199} \left(\frac{17850}{200} - \left(\frac{1850}{200} \right)^2 \right) \text{ or } \frac{1}{199} \left(17850 - \frac{1850^2}{200} \right)$	M1	
	$= 3.71 \text{ or } 3.7060 \text{ or } \frac{1475}{398}$	A1	
	H_0 : $\mu = 8.9$ H_1 : $\mu \neq 8.9$	B1	Accept Population mean (not just mean)
	$\frac{\frac{1850}{200} - 8.9}{\sqrt{\frac{"3.706"}{200}}}$	M1	Use of biased variance (3.6875) still scores M1
	= 2.57(3sf) (or using areas $0.00507 - 0.0051$)	A1	Accept 2.58 (3sf) or using areas 0.0049–0.005 where biased variance used.
	2.24 < 2.57 or 0.00507 < 0.0125	M1	For valid comparison with 2.240 or 2.241 or valid comparison with 0.0125 Accept 2.24 < 2.58 or 0.00496 < 0.0125 where biased variance used
	(Reject H_0) There is evidence that μ is not 8.9	A1 FT	Not definite, e.g. NOT ' $\mu \neq 8.9$ ' Must be in context. No contradictions. (Accept cv method) (Note: Use of 1 tail test scores Max B1M1A1B0M1A1M1A0, max 6 out of 8)
		8	

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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
5(a)	Customers arrive independently or singly or at random	B1	Any one of these in context
		1	
5(b)	$e^{-2.3} \times \frac{2.3^3}{3!}$	M1	Attempt correct expression seen
	= 0.203 (3sf)	A1	
		2	
5(c)	Po(4.6)	B1	SOI
	$1 - e^{-4.6} \left(1 + 4.6 + \frac{4.6^2}{2!} + \frac{4.6^3}{3!} \right)$	M1	Correct expression, with any λ , allow one end error
	= 0.674 (3sf)	A1	As final answer.
		3	
5(d)	P(none arrive) = $e^{-2.3}$ (= 0.10026)	M1	Must be clearly their P(none arrive)
	$^{5}C_{2}(e^{-2.3})^{2}(1-e^{-2.3})^{3}$	M1	FT their e ^{-2.3}
	= 0.0732 or 0.0733 (3sf)	A1	
		3	

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
6(a)	H ₀ : P(contains offer) = $\frac{1}{3}$ H ₁ : P(contains offer) < $\frac{1}{3}$	B1	Allow <i>p</i> for P(contains offer) but not just proportion
	P(0,1 or 2 offers in 20 H ₀) = $\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{20} + 20\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{19} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + {}^{20}C_2 \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^{18} \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2$	M1	
	= 0.0176 (3sf)	A1	
	'0.0176' < 0.1	M1	For valid comparison. SC comparison of 0.982(4) > 0.9 scores M1 and recovers the previous M1 A1
	(Reject H ₀) No evidence (at 10% level) to support manufacturers claim	A1 FT	In context. Not definite. No contradictions. (Note 2 tail test scores max B0M1A1M1A0, max 3 out of 5) Accept critical region method: M1 A1 for correctly finding critical region of < 4; 2 in critical region M1; A1 conclusion SC Use of Normal approximation $N\left(\frac{20}{3}, \frac{40}{9}\right)$ scores B1 M1 A0 M1 A1 max; the first M1 for $\frac{\left(2.5 - \frac{20}{3}\right)}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{40}{9}\right)}}$ requires use of correct continuity correction and the comparison $0.024 < 0.1$ OE must be a valid comparison
		5	

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Question Marks Guidance Answer M1 for 1 – (one term omitted or extra or incorrect) or omit '1-' 6(b) $1 - P(X \leq 3)$ $=1-\left[\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{20}+20\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{19}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)+{}^{20}C_{2}\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{18}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^{2}+{}^{20}C_{3}\left(\frac{6}{7}\right)^{17}\left(\frac{1}{7}\right)^{3}\right]$ for all correct expression = 0.318 (3sf)As final answer. 3 6(c) Concluding that prop is 1 in 3 when it is actually less(1 in 7) OE, in context. 1

Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7(a)	P(S > L + 200) = P(S - L > 200) E(S - L) = 380-210 (=170) or E(S-L-200) = 380-210-200 (=-30)	B1	These may be implied by next line
	Var(S-L) = 140+80 (=220) or Var(S-L-200) = 140+80 (=220)	B1	
	$\frac{200 - "170"}{\sqrt{"220"}}$ or $\frac{0 - "-30"}{\sqrt{"220"}}$ (= 2.023)	M1	Standardising with <i>their</i> values (must be from a combination attempt) Allow with attempted continuity correction.
	$1 - \phi("2.023")$	M1	Area consistent with their values
	= 0.0216 (3sf)	A1	(0.0234 with continuity correction)
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Question	Answer	Marks	Guidance
7(b)	E(total cost) = $380 \times 20 + 210 \times 50$ (= 18 100)	B1	or \$181
	$Var(total cost) = 140 \times 20^2 + 80 \times 50^2 (= 256 000)$	B1	or 25.6 (dollar ²) These may be implied by next line
	$\frac{19000 - "18100"}{\sqrt{"256000"}} \text{ or } \frac{190 - "181"}{\sqrt{"25.6"}} (= 1.778)$	M1	Standardising with <i>their</i> values (must be from a combination attempt). No mixed methods. Allow with attempted continuity correction.
	ф("1.778")	M1	Area consistent with <i>their</i> values
	= 0.962 or 0.963 (3 sf)	A1	(0.953 or 0.954 with continuity correction)
		5	

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