



**GCE AS/A level**

**0983/01**

**MATHEMATICS – S1**

**Statistics**

**A.M. TUESDAY, 9 June 2015**

**1 hour 30 minutes plus your additional time allowance**

## **ADDITIONAL MATERIALS**

In addition to this examination paper, you will need:

a 12 page answer book;

a Formula Booklet;

a calculator;

statistical tables (Murdoch and Barnes or RND/WJEC Publications).

## **INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

Use black ink, black ball-point pen or your usual method.

Answer ALL questions.

Sufficient working must be shown to demonstrate the MATHEMATICAL method employed.

## **INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

The number of marks is given in brackets at the end of each question or part-question.

You are reminded of the necessity for good English and orderly presentation in your answers.

1. The random variable  $X$  has the binomial distribution  $B(10, 0.3)$  and  $Y = 2X + 1$ . Calculate

(a) the mean and the variance of  $Y$  [5 marks]

(b)  $P(Y = 7)$ . [3 marks]

2. The events  $A$  and  $B$  are such that

$$P(A) = 0.4, \quad P(B) = 0.5$$

$$\text{and } P(A \cup B) = 2 \times P(A \cap B)$$

(a) Show that  $P(A \cap B) = 0.3$  [2 marks]

(b) Evaluate  $P(A|B)$  [2 marks]

(c) Evaluate  $P(B|A')$  [3 marks]

3. A bag contains **10** sweets of which **5** are red, **3** are green and **2** are yellow. Ann chooses a sweet at random from the bag and immediately puts it in her pocket so that nobody can see what colour it is. Bethan then chooses a sweet at random from the remaining **9** sweets.  
Calculate the probability that

- (a) Ann chooses a green sweet, [1 mark]
- (b) Bethan chooses a yellow sweet, [3 marks]
- (c) Ann and Bethan choose sweets of different colours. [3 marks]

4. The number of members,  $X$ , of a club attending a monthly meeting is modelled by a Poisson distribution with mean **10**.

(a) Determine the probability that, at a randomly chosen meeting, the number of members attending is

(i) exactly **9**,

(ii) less than **12**.

[4 marks]

(b) Determine the smallest value of  $n$  such that

$P(X \geq n)$  is less than **0.01**.

[2 marks]

5. At a certain university, **60%** of the students are male and **40%** are female. It is known that **75%** of the male students own a bicycle and **30%** of the female students own a bicycle. One of the students is selected at random.
- (a) Calculate the probability that the selected student
- (i) is a male student who owns a bicycle,
  - (ii) owns a bicycle. [5 marks]
- (b) Given that the selected student owns a bicycle, calculate the probability that this student is female. [3 marks]

6(a) A factory manufactures cups. The manager knows from past experience that **5%** of the cups produced are defective. Given a random sample of **50** of these cups, determine the probability that the number of defective cups in this sample is

(i) exactly **2**,

(ii) between **3** and **8** (both inclusive).

[6 marks]

(b) The factory also manufactures plates. The manager knows that **1.5%** of the plates produced are defective. Use an appropriate Poisson distribution to find, approximately, the probability that a random sample of **250** of these plates contains exactly **4** defective plates.

[3 marks]



7. The discrete random variable  $X$  has the following probability distribution.

$$P(X = x) = \frac{k}{x} \quad \text{for } x = 2, 3, 4, 6,$$

$$P(X = x) = 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

- (a) Show that  $k = \frac{4}{5}$ . [2 marks]

- (b) Determine  $E(X)$ . [2 marks]

- (c) Given that  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  are independent observations from the distribution of  $X$ , determine the probability that the product  $X_1 X_2$  is equal to 12. [4 marks]

8. Fred is a cricket player. When he throws a ball at the wicket from a point  $P$ , he hits it with probability  $0.3$ . You may assume that successive throws are independent.
- (a) One morning, he goes out to practise his throwing from the point  $P$ . Calculate the probability that he hits the wicket for the first time with his third throw. [2 marks]

George is also a cricket player. When he throws a ball at the wicket from the point  $P$ , he hits it with probability  $0.2$ . You may again assume that successive throws are independent.

- (b) On another morning, Fred and George decide to play a game in which they throw balls, alternately, at the wicket from the point  $P$ . The winner is the player who is first to hit the wicket. Given that George throws first, calculate the probability that Fred
- (i) wins the game with his first throw,
  - (ii) wins the game with his second throw,
  - (iii) wins the game. [7 marks]

9. The continuous random variable  $X$  has probability density function  $f$  given by

$$f(x) = \frac{4}{9} (4x - x^3) \quad \text{for } 1 \leq x \leq 2,$$

$$f(x) = 0 \quad \text{otherwise.}$$

- (a) Determine  $E\left(\frac{1}{X}\right)$  [4 marks]

- (b) (i) Find an expression for  $F(x)$ , valid for  $1 \leq x \leq 2$ , where  $F$  denotes the cumulative distribution function of  $X$ .

- (ii) Hence calculate

$$P(1.25 \leq X \leq 1.75).$$

- (iii) Calculate the median of  $X$ . [9 marks]