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MATHEMATICS

9709/62

Paper 6 Probability & Statistics 2

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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.
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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 Anita carried out a survey of 140 randomly selected students at her college. She found that 49 of these students watched a TV programme called *Bunch*.

(a) Calculate an approximate 98% confidence interval for the proportion, p , of students at Anita's college who watch *Bunch*. [3]

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Carlos says that the confidence interval found in (a) is not useful because it is too wide.

(b) Without calculation, explain briefly how Carlos can use the results of Anita's survey to find a narrower confidence interval for p . [1]

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2 The number of orders arriving at a shop during an 8-hour working day is modelled by the random variable X with distribution $Po(25.2)$.

(a) State **two** assumptions that are required for the Poisson model to be valid in this context. [2]

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(b) (i) Find the probability that the number of orders that arrive in a randomly chosen 3-hour period is between 3 and 5 inclusive. [3]

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(ii) Find the probability that, in two randomly chosen 1-hour periods, exactly 1 order will arrive in one of the 1-hour periods, and at least 2 orders will arrive in the other 1-hour period. [4]

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4 The number of accidents per 3-month period on a certain road has the distribution $Po(\lambda)$. In the past the value of λ has been 5.7. Following some changes to the road, the council carries out a hypothesis test to determine whether the value of λ has decreased. If there are fewer than 3 accidents in a randomly chosen 3-month period, the council will conclude that the value of λ has decreased.

(a) Find the probability of a Type I error. [2]

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(b) Find the probability of a Type II error if the mean number of accidents per 3-month period is now actually 0.9. [3]

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6 Last year, the mean time taken by students at a school to complete a certain test was 25 minutes. Akash believes that the mean time taken by this year's students was less than 25 minutes. In order to test this belief, he takes a large random sample of this year's students and he notes the time taken by each student. He carries out a test, at the 2.5% significance level, for the population mean time, μ minutes. Akash uses the null hypothesis $H_0: \mu = 25$.

(a) Give a reason why Akash should use a one-tailed test. [1]

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Akash finds that the value of the test statistic is $z = -2.02$.

(b) Explain what conclusion he should draw. [2]

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In a different one-tailed hypothesis test the z-value was found to be 2.14.

(c) Given that this value would lead to a rejection of the null hypothesis at the $\alpha\%$ significance level, find the set of possible values of α . [3]

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