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MATHEMATICS S2

STATISTICS 2

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(1½ hours)

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

Answer **all** questions.

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 weights, in kg, of babies born during a particular week in a hospital are given below.

3.25 3.38 3.04 3.59 3.42 3.13 3.38 3.09 3.15

- (a) Assuming that this is a random sample from a normal distribution with mean μ and standard deviation 0.15, calculate a 90% confidence interval for μ . [5]
- (b) How many observations would be required to halve the width of this 90% confidence interval? [2]

2. The independent random variables X and Y are Poisson distributed with means 2 and 3 respectively.

- (a) (i) Show that $E(X^2) = 6$ and evaluate $E(Y^2)$.
 (ii) Deduce the value of $E(X^2Y^2)$. [5]

- (b) The random variable U is defined by

$$U = XY.$$

Determine the standard deviation of U . [4]

3. The weights of apples may be assumed to be normally distributed with mean 75 grams and standard deviation 5 grams.

- (a) (i) Find the probability that a randomly chosen apple weighs less than 80 grams.
 (ii) Find the upper quartile of the weights of apples. [6]

- (b) The weights of plums may be assumed to be normally distributed with mean 56 grams and standard deviation 4 grams. Calculate the probability that the combined weight of 3 plums exceeds the combined weight of 2 apples. [6]

4. A circle has radius R cm, where R is a continuous random variable that is uniformly distributed on the interval $[0, 5]$.

- (a) State the probability density function of R . [1]

- (b) Find the expected area of the circle. [4]

- (c) Find the probability that the area of the circle is greater than 25 cm^2 , giving your answer correct to three decimal places. [4]

5. Jim is a darts player. When he throws a dart, he claims to be able to hit the ‘bull’ with probability 0.75. His friends believe that the probability is less than this.

(a) State suitable hypotheses to test Jim’s claim. [1]

(b) They decide to set up a trial in which Jim throws 20 darts and they define X to be the number of darts hitting the ‘bull’.

(i) Taking the critical region to be $X \leq k$, find the value of k for which the significance level is nearest to 10%.

(ii) The actual value of the probability of Jim hitting the ‘bull’ is 0.5. With the value of k found in (i), find the probability of reaching an incorrect conclusion. [7]

6. A plumber knows that the number of emergency calls received per day follows a Poisson distribution with mean $\mu = 2$.

(a) Calculate the probability that, in a 7-day period, he receives

(i) exactly 10 calls,

(ii) more than 12 calls. [5]

(b) Wishing to increase the value of μ , he increases his advertising budget.

(i) State suitable hypotheses for investigating whether or not this achieves the desired result.

(ii) In the first 7-day period after increasing the budget, he receives 20 emergency calls. Calculate and interpret the p -value of this result.

(iii) In the next 100-day period, he receives 230 emergency calls. Calculate an approximate p -value of this result and interpret it. [12]

7. A scientist wishes to determine whether or not there is a difference in the acidity levels of two different liquids. He therefore makes five independent measurements of the acidity level of each liquid with the following results.

Liquid 1	6.31	6.38	6.33	6.34	6.35
Liquid 2	6.28	6.31	6.29	6.35	6.30

You may assume that these are random samples from normal distributions with common standard deviation 0.025.

(a) (i) State suitable hypotheses.

(ii) Calculate the p -value of the above measurements and interpret your value in context. [10]

(b) Find a 95% confidence interval for the difference in the acidity levels of the two liquids. [3]