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Morning

1 hour 20 minutes

Additional materials:

Answer booklet

Graph paper

List of Formulae (MF8)

**TIME** 1 hour 20 minutes

**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your Name, Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the answer booklet.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Give non-exact numerical answers correct to 3 significant figures unless a different degree of accuracy is specified in the question or is clearly appropriate.
- You are permitted to use a graphic calculator in this paper.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- The total number of marks for this paper is 60.
- Questions carrying smaller numbers of marks are printed earlier in the paper, and questions carrying larger numbers of marks later in the paper.
- **You are reminded of the need for clear presentation in your answers.**

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**This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.**

- 1 A questionnaire sent to doctors contained an item on smoking. The researcher wished to test whether smoking profile depends on age and she set up a contingency table with the following headings. Data values are omitted.

		Smoking Profile		
		Never smoked	Current smokers	Ex-smokers
Age	< 40			
	40 – 50			
	> 50			

In the test it was found necessary to combine the first two rows. The value of  $\chi^2$  was then calculated to be 10.474. Determine the conclusion of the test at the 5% significance level. [4]

- 2 A hardware shop sells wood screws produced by two manufacturers,  $A$  and  $B$ . On average, 2% of those produced by  $A$  have faulty heads and  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  of those produced by  $B$  have faulty heads. I buy 125 screws produced by  $A$  and 100 screws produced by  $B$ . The total number of screws with faulty heads is denoted by  $F$ . It may be assumed that the screws purchased are random samples.

(i) Find the exact value of  $E(F)$ . [2]

(ii) Using suitable Poisson approximations, find the probability that exactly 3 of the 225 screws have faulty heads. [3]

- 3 The lifetime in years of a particular machine is a continuous random variable  $T$  with probability density function given by

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{180}t^2 & 0 \leq t \leq 6, \\ \frac{1}{30}(12 - t) & 6 < t \leq 12, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

(i) Show that the expected lifetime is 6.6 years. [4]

(ii) The total running cost for a machine whose lifetime is  $T$  years is  $\pounds(120 + 0.5T)$ . Find the expected value of the total running cost. [2]

- 4 A new coffee machine was installed in a cafeteria and information was sought regarding the amount of caffeine dispensed in a cup of (low-caffeine) coffee. The amounts of caffeine in a random sample of 80 cups of coffee were measured. These amounts,  $x$  mg, are summarised by  $\Sigma x = 552$  and  $\Sigma x^2 = 3924$ .

(i) Find an unbiased estimate of the variance of the amount of caffeine dispensed in a cup. [2]

The mean amount of caffeine dispensed in a cup is  $\mu$  mg.

(ii) Find a 99% confidence interval for  $\mu$ . [3]

(iii) State why it is necessary to use the Central Limit Theorem in calculating the interval. [1]

(iv) If the confidence level of 99% is reduced, state whether the resulting confidence interval will be

(a) narrower or wider, [1]

(b) more likely or less likely to contain  $\mu$ . [1]

- 5 John cycles to work each day, a distance of 20 km. Owing to varying traffic conditions, the time for the journey varies. The journey time,  $T$  hours, is a continuous random variable with (cumulative) distribution function given by

$$F(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t < 1, \\ c(3t^2 - t^3 - 2) & 1 \leq t \leq 2, \\ 1 & t > 2, \end{cases}$$

where  $c$  is a positive constant.

(i) Show that  $c = \frac{1}{2}$ . [1]

(ii) Show that the median journey time is less than  $1\frac{1}{2}$  hours. [2]

The probability density function and (cumulative) distribution function of the average speed  $V$  km h<sup>-1</sup> for the journey are denoted by  $g(v)$  and  $G(v)$  respectively.

(iii) Show that  $G(v) = 1 - F\left(\frac{20}{v}\right)$ . [3]

(iv) Hence show that, over the interval  $10 \leq v \leq 20$ ,

$$G(v) = 2 - \frac{600}{v^2} + \frac{4000}{v^3}. \quad [2]$$

(v) Find  $g(v)$  over the interval  $10 \leq v \leq 20$ . [2]

[Questions 6 and 7 are printed overleaf.]

6 In order to test a coin for bias, the following procedure was carried out 128 times.

The coin is tossed repeatedly until a head is obtained.

The score,  $x$ , is the number of tosses up to and including the one with the head.

A frequency table of the results is as follows.

$x$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	$\geq 8$
Frequency	53	28	19	12	8	6	2	0

(i) By fitting a  $\text{Geo}(\frac{1}{2})$  distribution, show that there is evidence at the  $2\frac{1}{2}\%$  significance level that the coin is biased. [6]

(ii) State, giving your reasons, whether the bias is towards a head or towards a tail. [2]

(iii) Show that the data implies a total of 304 tosses, 128 of which are heads. [2]

(iv) Find an approximate 95% confidence interval for the probability that the coin comes down heads. [3]

7 Type  $A$  resistors sold at an electronics store have a nominal resistance of 3.50 ohms and Type  $B$  have a nominal resistance of 3.00 ohms. Random samples of 6 Type  $A$  and 5 Type  $B$  resistors were measured with the following results, in ohms.

$A$	3.41	3.52	3.38	3.50	3.43	3.46
$B$	2.90	2.92	2.88	2.97	3.01	

The population mean resistances of Type  $A$  and Type  $B$  resistors are denoted by  $\mu_A$  ohms and  $\mu_B$  ohms respectively. The resistances of both types are normally distributed.

(i) Test at the 5% significance level whether  $\mu_A < 3.50$ . [6]

(ii) Stating a necessary assumption, find a 95% confidence interval for  $\mu_A - \mu_B$ . [6]

(iii) State, giving a reason, whether the data is consistent with  $\mu_A - \mu_B = 0.50$ . [2]

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$$1. \quad V = (\text{rows} - 1)(\text{columns} - 1) \\ = (2 - 1)(3 - 1) \\ = 2 \quad \chi_{2, 5\%}^2 = 5.991$$

$H_0$ : Smoking and age are independent  
 $H_1$ : Smoking and age are not independent.

$$\chi_{\text{calc}}^2 = 10.475 > 5.991$$

$\therefore$  reject  $H_0$

There is evidence that smoking and age are not independent.

$$2. \quad A: X \sim B(125, 0.02) \quad X = \text{no of faulty heads on screws} \\ B: Y \sim B(100, 0.025) \quad Y = \dots$$

$$(i) \quad E(F) = E(X) + E(Y) \\ = 125 \times 0.02 + 100 \times 0.025 \\ = 5$$

$$(ii) \quad \text{approx} \quad \begin{cases} X \sim P_0(125 \times 0.02) \\ X \sim P_0(2.5) \\ Y \sim P_0(100 \times 0.025) \\ Y \sim P_0(2.5) \end{cases} \begin{cases} n \text{ is large} \\ p \text{ is } < 0.1 \\ np < 5 \\ \text{as above} \end{cases}$$

$$F \sim P_0(2.5 + 2.5)$$

$$\sim P_0(5)$$

$$P(F=3) = \frac{e^{-5} 5^3}{3!}$$

$$= 0.1404 \text{ (4dp)}$$

$$3. \quad E(T) = \int_0^6 t \left( \frac{t^2}{180} \right) dt + \int_6^{12} t \left( \frac{12-t}{30} \right) dt \\ = \frac{1}{180} \left[ \frac{t^4}{4} \right]_0^6 + \frac{1}{30} \left[ 6t^2 - \frac{t^3}{3} \right]_6^{12} \\ = 1.8 - 0 + \frac{1}{30} [288 - 144] \\ = 1.8 + 4.8 \\ = \underline{6.6 \text{ years}} \quad \text{as req'd.}$$

(ii)  $C = 120 + 0.5T$   
 $E(C) = 120 + 0.5 E(T)$   
 $= 120 + 0.5 \times 6.6$   
 $= 120 + 3.3$   
 $= \underline{123.3}$  expected total running cost.

4.  $n=80$ ,  $\sum x_i = 552$ ,  $\sum x_i^2 = 3924$

(i)  $\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{n}{n-1} \left[ \frac{\sum x_i^2}{n} - \bar{x}^2 \right]$   
 $= \frac{80}{79} \left[ \frac{3924}{80} - \left( \frac{552}{80} \right)^2 \right]$   
 $= 1.4582 \dots$   
 $= \underline{1.458}$  (4sf)

(ii) 99% CI for  $\mu$  is  $\bar{x} \pm 2.576 \frac{\hat{\sigma}}{\sqrt{n}}$   $X = \text{mg of caffeine in the coffee}$   
 $\frac{552}{80} \pm 2.576 \times \frac{\sqrt{1.458}}{80}$   
 $6.55 \leq \mu \leq 7.25$

(iii)  $\bar{x} \sim N(\mu, \frac{\sigma^2}{n})$  by CLT, this is appropriate as although underlying dist is not known to be normal  $n > 30$  and hence the dist of  $\bar{x}$  will be approx normal.

(iv) (a) narrower  
 (b) less likely to contain  $\mu$

5. (i) know that  $F(2) = 1$   $\therefore c(3 \times 2^2 - 2^3 - 2) = 1$   
 $c[12 - 8 - 2] = 1$   
 $2c = 1$   
 $c = \frac{1}{2}$

(ii)  $F(1.5) = \frac{1}{2} (3 \times (1.5)^2 - (1.5)^3 - 2)$   
 $= 0.6875$   
 $> 0.5$   
 $\therefore$  median must be  $< 1.5$

$$5. \quad Y = \frac{20}{T}$$

$$\text{Now } G(v) = P(V \leq v)$$

$$= P\left(\frac{20}{T} \leq v\right)$$

$$= P\left(v \geq \frac{20}{T}\right)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(v \leq \frac{20}{T}\right)$$

$$= 1 - P\left(t \leq \frac{20}{v}\right) \quad t > 0, v > 0$$

$$= 1 - F\left(\frac{20}{v}\right)$$

(iv)

$$t = 1 \quad v = 20$$

$$t = 2 \quad v = 10$$

$$G(v) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} \left( 3 \lambda \left(\frac{20}{v}\right)^2 - \left(\frac{20}{v}\right)^3 - 2 \right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{3}{2} \times \frac{400}{v^2} + \frac{1}{2} \times \frac{8000}{v^3} + 1$$

$$= 2 - \frac{600}{v^2} + \frac{4000}{v^3} \quad \text{as req'd} \quad 10 \leq v \leq 20$$

$$(v) \quad G(v) = 2 - 600v^{-2} + 4000v^{-3}$$

$$g(v) = \frac{d(G(v))}{dv} = 1200v^{-3} - 12000v^{-4}$$

$$= \frac{1200}{v^3} - \frac{12000}{v^4} \quad 10 \leq v \leq 20$$

6.

$x$	$P(X=x)$	expected frequencies ( $\times 125$ )	$O$	$\frac{(O-E)^2}{E}$
1	0.5	64	53	1.890625
2	0.25	32	28	0.5
3	0.125	16	19	0.5625
4	0.0625	8	12	2
5	0.03125	4	8	8
6	0.015625	2	6	
7	0.0078125	1	2	
≥ 8	0.0078125	1	0	

$$X^2_{\text{calc}} = 12.953125$$

$$H_0: X \sim \text{Geo}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$H_1: X \not\sim \text{Geo}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\nu = 5 - 1 = 4$$

$$X^2_{3, 2\%} = 11.14$$

Conclude  $12.953 > 11.14$   $\therefore$  reject  $H_0$ , there is evidence at 2% level that  $X \not\sim \text{Geo}\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)$ , i.e. the coin is biased.

(ii) the coin seems to be biased towards tails as the observed freq for  $X=1$  &  $2$  are below expected. These observations account for 0.75 of the probabilities.

(iii) total no of tosses =  $\sum xf$   
 $= 53 \times 2 \times 25 + 3 \times 19 + 4 \times 12 \dots$   
 $= 53 + 56 + 57 + 48 + 40 + 36 + 14$   
 $= 304$

(iv)  $P_s = \frac{128}{304}$  if  $P =$  true prop<sup>n</sup> of heads

95% CI for  $P$  is

$$P_s \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{P_s Q_s}{n}}$$

$$\frac{128}{304} \pm 1.96 \sqrt{\frac{\left(\frac{128}{304}\right)\left(\frac{176}{304}\right)}{304}}$$

$$0.42105 \pm 0.05550 \dots$$

$$0.3656 \leq P \leq 0.4766$$

$$0.37 \leq P \leq 0.48 \quad (2sf)$$

Q7 (1)  $H_0: \mu_A = 3.50$

$H_1: \mu_A < 3.50$

$\bar{x} = 3.45$

$\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}} = 0.053665$

$n = 6$

under  $H_0$   $X \sim N(3.50, \sigma^2)$ ,  $\sigma^2$  unknown,  $\therefore$  use  $t$  test

critical value  $t_{5\%} = -2.015$

test statistic:  $t = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu_A}{\sigma/\sqrt{n}} = \frac{3.45 - 3.50}{0.053665/\sqrt{6}}$   
 $= -2.28$  (3sf).

Conclusion  $-2.28 < -2.015$

$\therefore$  reject  $H_0$  at 5%.

Evidence for the mean resistance of  $A < 3.50$  ohms



(ii) assume a common variance.

$$\hat{\sigma}_{\text{pooled}}^2 = \frac{(n_A - 1)\hat{\sigma}_A^2 + (n_B - 1)\hat{\sigma}_B^2}{n_A + n_B - 2}$$

$$\bar{x}_A = 3.45 \quad n_A = 6$$

$$\bar{x}_B = 2.936 \quad n_B = 5$$

$$= \frac{5 \times 0.0028799 + 4 \times 0.00282999}{6 + 5 - 2}$$

$$= 0.0028577$$

$$95\% \text{ C.I for } \mu_A - \mu_B = (\bar{x}_A - \bar{x}_B) \pm t_{5\%} \sqrt{\frac{\sigma_p^2}{4} \left( \frac{1}{n_A} + \frac{1}{n_B} \right)}$$

$$= 3.45 - 2.936 \pm 2.262 \sqrt{0.0028577 \left( \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{5} \right)}$$

$$= 0.514 \pm 0.0443376$$

$$0.470 \leq \mu_A - \mu_B \leq 0.558$$

(iii) data is consistent with  $\mu_A - \mu_B = 0.5$

as 0.5 is in the 95% C.I for  $\mu_A - \mu_B$