

OXFORD CAMBRIDGE AND RSA EXAMINATIONS

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MATHEMATICS

2644

Probability & Statistics 4

Friday 17 JANUARY 2003 Afternoon 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.**

This question paper consists of 4 printed pages.

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1 The probability generating function of the random variable X is given by $G(t) = e^{2t-a}$, where a is a constant. Find

(i) the value of a , [2]

(ii) $E(X)$. [2]

2 At a particular restaurant 55% of customers order an aperitif and 80% order wine. 30% of customers order wine without ordering an aperitif.

(i) Find the percentage of customers who order both an aperitif and wine. [2]

(ii) Given that a customer ordered wine, find the probability that the customer ordered an aperitif. [2]

(iii) 40% of customers order a starter with their meal, independently of whether they order an aperitif and independently of whether they order wine. Show that at most 29% of customers order an aperitif, a starter and wine. [3]

3 (i) Find the number of different arrangements of these letters.

X X X Y Y Y Y Y [2]

The continuous random variables X and Y have identical distributions. Three observations of X and five observations of Y are taken and placed in rank order, smallest first. The sum of the ranks of the values of X is denoted by R .

(ii) Assuming that all arrangements are equally likely, find $P(R \leq 8)$. [2]

A chemical is produced in two factories, A and B . A customer who obtains the chemical from both factories suspects that there is a greater amount of impurity in the chemical produced by factory A than in the chemical produced by factory B . An analysis of five random samples from factory A and three random samples from factory B gave the following percentages of impurity.

Factory A	3.5	4.7	3.8	5.2	4.6
Factory B	2.6	1.8	4.5		

(iii) Use a suitable non-parametric test, at the 5% significance level, to decide whether there is evidence to support the customer's suspicion. [4]

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- 4 The discrete random variables X and Y have the joint probability distribution given in the following table.

		X		
		0	1	2
Y	0	0	0	0.1
	1	0	0.2	0.3
	2	0.1	0.3	0

- (i) Show that $\text{Var}(X) = 0.41$ and write down $\text{Var}(Y)$. [4]
- (ii) Tabulate the probability distribution of T , where $T = X + Y$, and use it to find $\text{Var}(T)$. [3]
- (iii) Hence or otherwise find $\text{Cov}(X, Y)$ and state, giving a reason, whether X and Y are independent. [3]
- 5 The time, X months, to the first breakdown of a particular make of washing machine may be modelled by a continuous random variable with probability density function given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{4a^4}{x^5} & x \geq a, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise,} \end{cases}$$

where a is an unknown positive constant.

- (i) Find $E(X)$. [2]

Two randomly chosen washing machines break down independently after X_1 and X_2 months.

- (ii) Show that T , where $T = \lambda X_1 + \left(\frac{3}{4} - \lambda\right)X_2$, is an unbiased estimator of a for any value of the constant λ . [2]
- (iii) Find the value of λ for which the variance of T is a minimum. [3]
- (iv) Given that $X_1 = 3.45$ and $X_2 = 1.75$, estimate a using this value of λ . Explain why, in this case, this is not a useful estimate of a . [2]

- 6 The random variable X has a probability density function which involves a parameter α . The moment generating function of X is $(1 - 2t)^{-\alpha}$. Find

- (i) $E(X)$, [2]
- (ii) $\text{Var}(X)$. [2]

This distribution, with parameter α , is denoted by $D(\alpha)$. The sum of three observations of a random variable having a $D(2)$ distribution and one observation of a random variable having a $D(1)$ distribution is denoted by S . All observations are independent.

- (iii) Write down, in simplified form, the moment generating function of S , and hence identify the distribution of S in terms of D . [3]
- (iv) Find $E(S^3)$. [3]

- 7 Portfolios of students' work, used for assessment on a university course, are each marked independently by two lecturers, Ms Abel and Mr Barnes. The marks given to a random sample of 10 students in the year 2002 are as follows.

Student	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Ms Abel's mark	37	48	62	24	53	72	41	29	53	24
Mr Barnes' mark	41	54	74	26	66	62	34	32	62	29

- (i) Use an appropriate Wilcoxon test, at the 5% significance level, to decide whether the average marks given by Ms Abel and Mr Barnes are different. [5]
- (ii) Why, in this case, is a Wilcoxon test preferred to a sign test? [1]

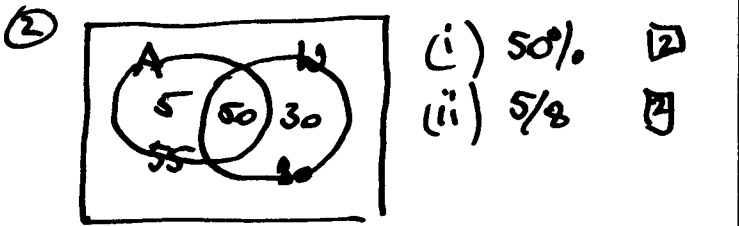
The final mark awarded is the sum of the two marks, as shown in the table below.

Student	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Final mark	78	102	136	50	119	134	75	61	115	53

The median mark of all students for this portfolio in 2001 was 120.

- (iii) Use a sign test, at the 10% significance level, to decide whether there is evidence that the median mark has decreased. [5]
- (iv) Give a reason why, in this case, a sign test may be more appropriate than a Wilcoxon test. [1]

- (1) (i) $G(1) = 1$ so $e^{2-a} = 1$ and $a = 2$ [2]
 (ii) $G'(t) = 2e^{2t-a}$ so $E(X) = G'(1) = 2$ [3]
 [4]



(iii) $P(S \cap A \cap W) = -P(S) - P(A) - P(W) + P(S \cap A) + P(S \cap W) + P(A \cap W) + P(S \cap A \cap W)$
 $= P(S \cup A \cup W) - (.55 + .7 + .4) + (.32 + .22 + .5)$
 $= P(S \cup A \cup W) - 0.71$ but $P(S \cup A \cup W) \leq 1$
 $\therefore P(S \cap A \cap W) \leq 1 - 0.71 = 0.29$ [3]
 [7]

- (3) (i) $\frac{8!}{3!5!} = 56$ [2]
 (ii) 123, 124, 125, 134 so $4/56 = 1/14$ [2]
 (iii) BBAAABAAA so $R_B = 8, R_A = 19$
 H_0 : Distributions of impurities identical between
 H_1 : Factory A has higher average. A and B
 $1/14 > 1/20$ [or $8 > 7$] so do not reject H_0 .
 Insufficient evidence that more impurity in chemical from factory A. [4]
 [8]

- (4) (i) X | 0 1 2 $E(X) = 1.3$
 $P(X=x)$ | 0.1 0.5 0.4 $V(X) = 2.1 - 1.3^2 = 0.41$ [4]
 (ii) T | 2 3 $E(T) = 2.6$
 $P(T=t)$ | 0.4 0.6 $V(T) = 7.0 - 2.6^2 = 0.24$ [3]
 (iii) $V(T) = V(X) + V(Y) + 2Cov(X, Y)$
 $0.24 = 0.41 + 0.41 + 2Cov(X, Y)$
 $Cov(X, Y) = -0.29$
 (iv) $Cov(X, Y) \neq 0$ so not independent [3]
 [10]

- (5) (i) $\int_a^{\infty} 4a^4 x^{-4} dx = \left[\frac{-4a^4}{3x^3} \right]_a^{\infty} = \frac{4a}{3}$ [2]
 (ii) $\lambda \cdot \frac{4a}{3} + \left(\frac{3}{4} - \lambda \right) \frac{4a}{3} = a$ so unbiased [2]
 (iii) $Var = \left[\lambda^2 + \left(\frac{3}{4} - \lambda \right)^2 \right] \sigma^2 = \left(2\lambda^2 - \frac{3\lambda}{2} + \frac{9}{16} \right) \sigma^2$
 Differentiate: Min. for $4\lambda = \frac{3}{2}$, $\lambda = \frac{3}{8}$ [3]
 (iv) $\frac{3}{8} \times 3.45 + \frac{3}{8} \times 1.75 = 1.95$
 but this is bigger than 1.75 and clearly $a \leq 1.75$. [3]
 [9]

- (6) (i) $M'(0) = 2\alpha$ [2]
 (ii) $M''(0) = 4\alpha(\alpha+1)$
 $\therefore V(X) = 4\alpha^2 + 4\alpha - 4\alpha^2 = 4\alpha$ [2]
 (iii) $[(1-2t)^{-2}]^3 [(1-2t)^{-1}] = (1-2t)^{-7} = D(7)$ [3]
 (iv) $\frac{d^3}{dt^3} (1-2t)^{-7} = -7 \cdot -8 \cdot -9 \cdot (-2)^3 (1-2t)^{-10}$
 $\therefore M^{(3)}(0) = 4032$ [2]
 [10]

- (7) Diff 4 6 12 2 13 10 -7 3 9 5
 Rank 3 5 9 1 10 -8 -6 2 7 4
 $R = 14, P = 2041$ so $T = 14$
 H_0 : median difference is 0 (population median)
 H_1 : median difference $\neq 0$.
 Critical value is 8. $14 > 8$ so do not reject H_0 .
 Insufficient evidence that average marks differ. [5]
 (ii) Wilcoxon test uses more information. [1]
 (iii) --- + --- + ---
 $B(10, 0.5) : P(\leq 2) = 0.0547 < 0.1$
 Reject H_0 . Significant evidence that median marks has decreased.
 [$H_0: \mu = 120, H_1: \mu < 120$, where μ is the population median] [5]
 (iv) To use Wilcoxon we would need to know that the distribution of marks was symmetric. [1]
 [12]