

# Cambridge International AS & A Level

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MATHEMATICS 9709				
Paper 6 Probability & Statistics 2 May/June 2				
			1 hour 15 minutes	
You must answer on the question paper.				

You will need: List of formulae (MF19)

#### INSTRUCTIONS

- Answer **all** questions.
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- 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 The number of characters in emails sent by a particular company is modelled by the distribution  $N(1250, 480^2)$ .

Find the probability that the mean number of characters in a random sample of 100 emails sent by the company is more than 1300. [3]

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(a)	Explain what is meant by a Type I error in this context. [1	]
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(b)	Find the probability of a Type I error in the test. [3	]
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(c)	Given that the true value of $p$ is 0.3, find the probability of a Type II error in the test. [2	]
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- **3** Batteries of type *A* are known to have a mean life of 150 hours. It is required to test whether a new type of battery, type *B*, has a shorter mean life than type *A* batteries.
  - (a) Give a reason for using a sample rather than the whole population in carrying out this test. [1]

A random sample of 120 type *B* batteries are tested and it is found that their mean life is 147 hours, and an unbiased estimate of the population variance is 225 hours<sup>2</sup>.

(b) Test, at the 2% significance level, whether type *B* batteries have a shorter mean life than type *A* batteries. [5]

Calculate a 94% confidence interval for the population mean life of type $B$ batteries. [

- 4 Each box of Seeds & Raisins contains S grams of seeds and R grams of raisins. The weight of a box, when empty, is B grams. S, R and B are independent random variables, where  $S \sim N(300, 45)$ ,  $R \sim N(200, 25)$  and  $B \sim N(15, 4)$ . A full box of Seeds & Raisins is chosen at random.
  - (a) Find the probability that the total weight of the box and its contents is more than 500 grams. [5]

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- 5 The number of clients who arrive at an information desk has a Poisson distribution with mean 2.2 per 5-minute period.
  - (a) Find the probability that, in a randomly chosen 15-minute period, exactly 6 clients arrive at the desk.
    [3]

(b) If more than 4 clients arrive during a 5-minute period, they cannot all be served.

Find the probability that, during a randomly chosen 5-minute period, not all the clients who arrive at the desk can be served. [2]

 (c) Use a suitable approximating distribution to find the probability that, during a randomly chosen 1-hour period, fewer than 20 clients arrive at the desk. [4] .....

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6 A random sample of 5 values of a variable *X* is given below.

2 3 3 5 *a* 

(a)	Find an expression, in terms of <i>a</i> , for the mean of these values.	[1]		
It is given that an unbiased estimate of the population variance of $X$ , using these values, is 4. It is also given that $a$ is positive.				
<b>(b)</b>	Find and simplify a quadratic equation in terms of $a$ and hence find the value of $a$ .	[3]		

 $\mathbf{f}(x) = \begin{cases} p(a^2 - x^2) \\ 0 \end{cases}$ 

 $0 \le x \le a$ , otherwise,

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	Given that $E(X) = 3$ , find the value of <i>a</i> .	
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