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AMS335: PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS

DURATION: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES:

1. Answer Question one and any other two questions.
2. Mobile phones are not allowed in the examination room.
3. You are not allowed to write on this examination question paper.

SECTION A: ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) Define the following terms: (5marks)
- Statistics
 - Sampling
 - Probability
 - Population
 - Parameter

- b) Giving examples, distinguish between discrete and continuous variables. (4marks)

- c) Given the data below:

$$X = 11, 13, 17, 14, 16, 10, 11, 17$$

Estimate:

- Harmonic mean (3marks)
 - Geometric mean (3marks)
 - Mean absolute deviation (3marks)
- d) Out of 6 engineers and 4 doctors, how many groups of 4 professionals can be formed such that at least one engineer is always there? (4marks)
- e) Given a probability distribution of x below

X	0	1	2	3
P(x)	$\frac{1}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$	$\frac{3}{8}$	$\frac{1}{4}$

Find:

- Mean of x (3marks)
- Standard deviation of x (5marks)

SECTION TWO: ANSWER ANY TWO QUESTIONS IN THIS SECTION

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) Describe three probability sampling techniques (6marks)
- b) Given the frequency distribution table below:

Class	5-9	10-14	15-19	20-24	25-29	30-34	35-39
Frequency	4	7	9	13	8	6	3

Estimate:

- Mode (3marks)
- 87th Percentile (4marks)
- Find the coefficient of skewness α_3 (7marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) Discuss three sources of Primary data collection (6marks)
- b) At a certain factory, three machines make 30%, 45% and 25% respectively of the products from past experience, it is known that 2%, 3% and 2% of the products made by each machine respectively are defective if the end product is randomly selected,
- What is the probability it is defective? (3marks)
 - If a product selected randomly was found to be defective, what is the probability it was made by machine 3? (4marks)

- c) Unreliable car battery company produces car batteries whose life time can be modelled in the probability density function.

$f(t) = 3e^{-3t}$ for $t > 0$, where t is time in hours. Calculate to 2.d.p. the probability that the car battery will;

- i. Have failed by end of one year (3marks)
- ii. Still be functional after 2 years (4marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) These data represent the record high temperature in degrees Fahrenheit (F) for 50 towns. Construct a grouped frequency distribution for the data. (5marks)

112 100 127 120 134 118 105 110 109 112
 110 118 117 116 118 122 114 114 105 109
 107 112 114 115 118 117 118 122 106 110
 110 116 108 110 121 113 120 119 111 104
 111 120 113 120 117 105 118 112 114 114

- b) Define the following terms
- i. Hypothesis (1mark)
 - ii. Null hypothesis (1mark)
 - iii. Test statistics (1mark)

- c) Given the following information, which bulb would you buy if you are willing to take 5% risk?

	Company A	Company B
Mean life time (hrs)	1300	1248
Standard Deviation	82	93
Sample size	120	100

(5marks)

- d) As part of a waste removal project, a new compression machine for processing sewage sludge is being studied.

Engineers are interested in moisture control of compressed pellets and the machine filtration rate.

Filtration(x) 78 60 75 48 55 82 80 70 58 65
 Moisture (y) 125 115 100 108 113 120 130 114 98 110

- i. Fit a regression equation for this data (5marks)
- ii. Estimate y when $x = 120$ (2marks)