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**A2 GCE MATHEMATICS (MEI)**

**4773/01 Decision Mathematics Computation**



Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet.

**OCR supplied materials:**

- 12 page Answer Booklet (OCR12) (sent with general stationery)
- Graph paper
- MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

**Other materials required:**

- Scientific or graphical calculator
- Computer with appropriate software and printing facilities

**Duration: 2 hours 30 minutes**



**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

- Write your name, centre number and candidate number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet. Please write clearly and in capital letters.
- Use black ink. HB pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Read each question carefully. Make sure you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.
- Additional sheets, including computer print-outs, should be fastened securely to the Answer Booklet.
- Do **not** write in the barcodes.

**INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES**

- The number of marks is given in brackets [ ] at the end of each question or part question.
- In each of the questions you are required to write spreadsheet or other routines to carry out various processes.
- For each question you attempt, you should submit print-outs showing the routine you have written and the output it generates.
- You are not expected to print out and submit everything your routine produces, but you are required to submit sufficient evidence to convince the examiner that a correct procedure has been used.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- This document consists of **8** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

**COMPUTING RESOURCES**

- Candidates will require access to a computer with a spreadsheet program, a linear programming package and suitable printing facilities throughout the examination.

1 A “rugby sevens” team has to be chosen from 9 rugby players. The players have differing physiques and skills, which fit them for different positions, as shown in the table.

player	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1 – tight head prop	✓	✓			✓				
2 – hooker		✓						✓	
3 – loose head prop	✓	✓			✓				
4 – scrum half			✓	✓			✓		
5 – fly half			✓				✓		
6 – centre			✓			✓		✓	✓
7 – wing			✓						✓

(i) Represent this information in a bipartite graph. [2]

The team manager starts to pick a team by choosing A to be tight head prop, B to be loose head prop, C to be wing, G to be scrum half and H to be centre.

(ii) Show this incomplete matching as a bipartite graph, and apply the matching algorithm to produce a complete matching. [7]

The team manager holds training sessions during which he assesses each player on a scale from 1 to 5 for each potential position, with 5 being the top score and 1 the lowest score. These scores are shown below.

player	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H	I
1 – tight head prop	4	4			3				
2 – hooker		3						2	
3 – loose head prop	4	4			3				
4 – scrum half			5	4			4		
5 – fly half			5				4		
6 – centre			5			4		3	5
7 – wing			5						4

(iii) Formulate as a linear programming problem the problem of choosing the best team. [5]

(iv) Run your LP and interpret the solution. [4]

2 A mathematical model of an epidemic has the following features:

- A Individuals are either susceptible, infective or recovered.
- B A susceptible individual can be infected when in contact with an infective individual. The susceptible then becomes an infective.
- C Infectives can recover. Recovered individuals are no longer infective or susceptible.

A simulation follows the following additional rules:

- D In any hour at most one susceptible individual can become infective, and at most one infective individual can recover.
- E The probability of an infection taking place during an hour is  $\lambda \times$  the number of susceptible individuals at the beginning of the hour  $\times$  the number of infective individuals at the beginning of the hour, where  $\lambda$  is a constant.
- F The probability of a recovery taking place during an hour is  $\beta \times$  the number of infective individuals at the beginning of the hour, where  $\beta$  is a constant.

Let the number of infective individuals at time  $t$  (hours) be  $f(t)$  and the number of susceptible individuals at time  $t$  (hours) be  $s(t)$ . So, in the simulation, if a random number between 0 and 1 is less than  $\lambda \times f(t) \times s(t)$ , then there is a new infection in the hour beginning at time  $t$  hours.

The number of recovered individuals is modelled in a similar way, but following the rule given in F.

Ten people share a hut in a remote area, cut off by bad weather. Two are infective and the other eight are susceptible.

- (i) Build an Excel simulation model for the hour-by-hour progress of the epidemic, allowing the input of specific values for  $\lambda$  and  $\beta$ . [8]
- (ii) Run your simulation with  $\lambda = 0.04$  and  $\beta = 0.2$  until  $f(t) = 0$ , noting the time at which this happens and the value of  $s(t)$  at that time. [2]
- (iii) Repeat part (ii) 19 more times. Summarise and interpret your 20 results. [5]
- (iv) Compare and contrast what happens if a medicine is available which reduces  $\lambda$  to 0.01 and increases  $\beta$  to 0.3. [2]
- (v) Describe how to improve the simulation so that it more closely approximates to reality. [1]

3 Soil temperatures are measured at 10 cm beneath the surface at a number of locations at an agricultural research institute. It is suggested that the daily mean soil temperature across these sites can be modelled by a recurrence relation of the form  $T_n = aT_{n-1} + bT_{n-2} + c$ , where  $T_n$  is the mean soil temperature at the institute on day  $n$ .

(i) Solve the recurrence relation in the case  $a = 0.8$ ,  $b = 0.2$  and  $c = 0$ , i.e. find an expression in terms of  $n$  which will give the value of  $T_n$ . Start with  $T_1 = 7$  and  $T_2 = 8$ . [8]

(ii) Construct a spreadsheet to show that your formula is correct for the first 20 terms. [3]

(iii) Give the exact value to which the model temperature converges. [1]

The “ $c$ ” term allows for a daily increase in soil temperature if the weather is warm, and a daily decrease if the weather is cold.

(iv) Use your spreadsheet from part (ii) with  $a = 0.8$  and  $b = 0.2$ , to investigate what happens to the modelled soil temperature if  $c$  is constant at a value of 0.1 over a period of 20 days. Describe what happens to the temperature differences. [2]

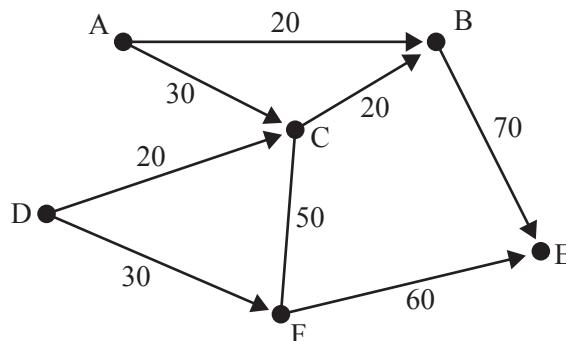
(v) Adapt your answer to part (i) to give a formula in terms of  $n$  which will give the value of  $T_n$  when  $c = 0.1$  and when  $n$  is greater than 15, correct to the accuracy of your spreadsheet. [1]

(vi) Find values of  $a$ ,  $b$ , and  $c$  which lead to modelled values which are close to the following observed values: [3]

$n$	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$T_n$	7	8	7.8	8.08	8.17	8.33	8.47	8.61	8.75	8.90

$n$	11	12	13	14	15	16	17	18	19	20
$T_n$	9.04	9.18	9.33	9.47	9.61	9.76	9.90	10.04	10.18	10.33

4 A water supply network is shown in the diagram. The arcs represent pipes and the weights on the arcs represent pipe capacities. The pipe connecting C and F is undirected.



Pumps at A and D deliver water into the network. Pump A has capacity 40 and pump D has capacity 40. Water is extracted at B and E. B has a demand of 50 and E has a demand of 30.

- (i) Add a super source and a super sink with associated arcs to model this situation. [2]
- (ii) Find a set of feasible flows which give a total flow of 70 through the network, and prove that this is a maximal flow. Say which demand cannot be satisfied. [3]
- (iii) Construct a linear program to model flows through the network. [5]
- (iv) Run your program, interpret your results, and check that the maximal total flow is as per your answer to part (ii). [3]
- (v) Change your program to model the effect of decreasing the demand at B to 30 and increasing the demand at E to 50, and report on the result. [2]

New pumps are installed at A and D, each with capacity 50. Demands at B and E are now each 50.

- (vi) Give 3 separate modifications to individual pipes, any one of which will allow the demands to be met. In each case give a set of feasible flows which satisfy the demands. [3]

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