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Annotations and abbreviations

Annotation in scoris	Meaning
✓ and ✕	
BOD	Benefit of doubt
FT	Follow through
ISW	Ignore subsequent working
M0, M1	Method mark awarded 0, 1
A0, A1	Accuracy mark awarded 0, 1
B0, B1	Independent mark awarded 0, 1
SC	Special case
^	Omission sign
MR	Misread
Highlighting	
Other abbreviations in mark scheme	Meaning
E1	Mark for explaining
U1	Mark for correct units
G1	Mark for a correct feature on a graph
M1 dep*	Method mark dependent on a previous mark, indicated by *
cao	Correct answer only
oe	Or equivalent
rot	Rounded or truncated
soi	Seen or implied
www	Without wrong working

Subject-specific Marking Instructions

- a Annotations should be used whenever appropriate during your marking.

The A, M and B annotations must be used on your standardisation scripts for responses that are not awarded either 0 or full marks. It is vital that you annotate standardisation scripts fully to show how the marks have been awarded.

For subsequent marking you must make it clear how you have arrived at the mark you have awarded.

- b An element of professional judgement is required in the marking of any written paper. Remember that the mark scheme is designed to assist in marking incorrect solutions. Correct *solutions* leading to correct answers are awarded full marks but work must not be judged on the answer alone, and answers that are given in the question, especially, must be validly obtained; key steps in the working must always be looked at and anything unfamiliar must be investigated thoroughly.

Correct but unfamiliar or unexpected methods are often signalled by a correct result following an *apparently* incorrect method. Such work must be carefully assessed. When a candidate adopts a method which does not correspond to the mark scheme, award marks according to the spirit of the basic scheme; if you are in any doubt whatsoever (especially if several marks or candidates are involved) you should contact your Team Leader.

- c The following types of marks are available.

M

A suitable method has been selected and *applied* in a manner which shows that the method is essentially understood. Method marks are not usually lost for numerical errors, algebraic slips or errors in units. However, it is not usually sufficient for a candidate just to indicate an intention of using some method or just to quote a formula; the formula or idea must be applied to the specific problem in hand, eg by substituting the relevant quantities into the formula. In some cases the nature of the errors allowed for the award of an M mark may be specified.

A

Accuracy mark, awarded for a correct answer or intermediate step correctly obtained. Accuracy marks cannot be given unless the associated Method mark is earned (or implied). Therefore M0 A1 cannot ever be awarded.

B

Mark for a correct result or statement independent of Method marks.

E

A given result is to be established or a result has to be explained. This usually requires more working or explanation than the establishment of an unknown result.

Unless otherwise indicated, marks once gained cannot subsequently be lost, eg wrong working following a correct form of answer is ignored. Sometimes this is reinforced in the mark scheme by the abbreviation isw. However, this would not apply to a case where a candidate passes through the correct answer as part of a wrong argument.

- d When a part of a question has two or more 'method' steps, the M marks are in principle independent unless the scheme specifically says otherwise; and similarly where there are several B marks allocated. (The notation 'dep *' is used to indicate that a particular mark is dependent on an earlier, asterisked, mark in the scheme.) Of course, in practice it may happen that when a candidate has once gone wrong in a part of a question, the work from there on is worthless so that no more marks can sensibly be given. On the other hand, when two or more steps are successfully run together by the candidate, the earlier marks are implied and full credit must be given.
- e The abbreviation ft implies that the A or B mark indicated is allowed for work correctly following on from previously incorrect results. Otherwise, A and B marks are given for correct work only — differences in notation are of course permitted. A (accuracy) marks are not given for answers obtained from incorrect working. When A or B marks are awarded for work at an intermediate stage of a solution, there may be various alternatives that are equally acceptable. In such cases, exactly what is acceptable will be detailed in the mark scheme rationale. If this is not the case please consult your Team Leader.

Sometimes the answer to one part of a question is used in a later part of the same question. In this case, A marks will often be 'follow through'. In such cases you must ensure that you refer back to the answer of the previous part question even if this is not shown within the image zone. You may find it easier to mark follow through questions candidate-by-candidate rather than question-by-question.

- f Wrong or missing units in an answer should not lead to the loss of a mark unless the scheme specifically indicates otherwise. Candidates are expected to give numerical answers to an appropriate degree of accuracy, with 3 significant figures often being the norm. Small variations in the degree of accuracy to which an answer is given (e.g. 2 or 4 significant figures where 3 is expected) should not normally be penalised, while answers which are grossly over- or under-specified should normally result in the loss of a mark. The situation regarding any particular cases where the accuracy of the answer may be a marking issue should be detailed in the mark scheme rationale. If in doubt, contact your Team Leader.

g Rules for replaced work

If a candidate attempts a question more than once, and indicates which attempt he/she wishes to be marked, then examiners should do as the candidate requests.

If there are two or more attempts at a question which have not been crossed out, examiners should mark what appears to be the last (complete) attempt and ignore the others.

NB Follow these maths-specific instructions rather than those in the assessor handbook.

h For a *genuine* misreading (of numbers or symbols) which is such that the object and the difficulty of the question remain unaltered, mark according to the scheme but following through from the candidate's data. A penalty is then applied; 1 mark is generally appropriate, though this may differ for some units. This is achieved by withholding one A mark in the question.

Note that a miscopy of the candidate's own working is not a misread but an accuracy error.

i Anything in the mark scheme which is in square brackets [...] is not required for the mark to be earned, but if present it must be correct.

Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
1	(i)	Quota	B1	Not stratified
			[1]	
1	(ii)	There is no difference between the proportions of males and females answering Yes and No. More females say "Don't know"	B1 B1	Other sensible answers possible
			[2]	
1	(iii)	For Data about the housing Survey of households	B1 B1	Allow any reasonable description of relevant data, and any reasonable data collection method (which would enable collection of required data).
		Against Data relating to the risk of flooding Historical records	B1 B1	
			[4]	
2	(i)	For 275, $z = \frac{275 - 250}{50} = 0.5$ For 250, $z = 0$ $\phi(0.5) - \phi(0) = 0.6915 - 0.5$ = 0.1915	M1 A1 B1	M1: standardisation of 275 attempted (ignore wrong sign or $\sqrt{\quad}$ errors) A1: $z=0.5$ correct B1: 0.6915 – 0.5 seen SC: 0.6915 – 0.5 seen (no z-values) – gets full marks SC: Calculator answers must show the detail of what was entered. Full marks available.
			[3]	

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		All Miranda's frequencies are close to those for the Normal model				B1	One comment comparing the frequencies in the table																								
		Fig 2.1 is close to being symmetrical about the mean (250 ms)				B1	One comment about the shape of the chart allow 'bell shaped' SC B1: 'data fits normal curve / is bell shaped'																								
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2	(iii)	Most of their times are more than 3 standard deviations from Miranda's mean so their reactions are slow Maybe this is the result of the wine they have drunk / they did less practice	M1 A1	Accept "Miranda's times are generally much lower than these times" Can be implied by the explanation. Their explanation must relate to their description. SC B1 if there are both right and wrong full answers
			[2]	
2	(iv)	(A) It is nearly a Normal distribution (with the same mode as Miranda's times) but it is skewed (to the right) (B) This is because of some people who can be expected to take longer, for example beginners and those who have been drinking	B1 B1 B1	one comment related to the unimodality allow 'single peak' or 'approximately bell shaped' Allow a correct comment about 250. one comment related to skew B1 allow a reasonable description of 'skewed' (?) Allow a correct comment about the range. B1 The explanation must relate to skew
			[3]	
3	(i)	Self-selected	B1	Accept Opportunity
			[1]	

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3	<p>(ii) H_0: There is no association/correlation between dose and change in running time</p> <p>H_1: There is association/correlation between dose and change in running time</p> <table border="1" data-bbox="313 391 1332 1045"> <thead> <tr> <th>Volunteer</th> <th>Dose</th> <th>Dose rank</th> <th>$t_2 - t_1$</th> <th>$(t_2 - t_1)$ rank</th> <th>d</th> <th>d^2</th> </tr> </thead> <tbody> <tr><td>A</td><td>1.0</td><td>5</td><td>-0.3</td><td>3</td><td>-2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>B</td><td>2.0</td><td>9</td><td>1.4</td><td>10</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>C</td><td>0.0</td><td>1</td><td>0.0</td><td>5</td><td>4</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr><td>D</td><td>1.5</td><td>7</td><td>0.7</td><td>8</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>E</td><td>0.5</td><td>3</td><td>-0.6</td><td>1</td><td>-2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>F</td><td>1.75</td><td>8</td><td>1.2</td><td>9</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>G</td><td>0.25</td><td>2</td><td>-0.1</td><td>4</td><td>2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>H</td><td>0.75</td><td>4</td><td>-0.4</td><td>2</td><td>-2</td><td>4</td></tr> <tr><td>I</td><td>1.25</td><td>6</td><td>0.6</td><td>7</td><td>1</td><td>1</td></tr> <tr><td>J</td><td>2.25</td><td>10</td><td>0.5</td><td>6</td><td>-4</td><td>16</td></tr> <tr> <td colspan="5" style="text-align: center;">Σ</td> <td>0</td> <td>52</td> </tr> </tbody> </table> <p>$r_s = 1 - \frac{6 \sum d^2}{n(n^2 - 1)} = 1 - \frac{6 \times 52}{10 \times 99}$</p> <p>$r_s = 0.6848$</p> <p>Critical value for $n=10$, 2-tailed, 5% significance level, is 0.6485</p>	Volunteer	Dose	Dose rank	$t_2 - t_1$	$(t_2 - t_1)$ rank	d	d^2	A	1.0	5	-0.3	3	-2	4	B	2.0	9	1.4	10	1	1	C	0.0	1	0.0	5	4	16	D	1.5	7	0.7	8	1	1	E	0.5	3	-0.6	1	-2	4	F	1.75	8	1.2	9	1	1	G	0.25	2	-0.1	4	2	4	H	0.75	4	-0.4	2	-2	4	I	1.25	6	0.6	7	1	1	J	2.25	10	0.5	6	-4	16	Σ					0	52	<p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>B1</p>	<p>not ‘relationship’ or ‘dependence’</p> <p>Condone “increase” instead of “change”</p> <p>not ‘positive association’ in H_1</p> <p>One fully correct row</p> <p>One fully correct ‘rank’ column</p> <p>Correct Σd^2</p> <p>Attempt to use correct formula</p> <p>cao, art 0.68 or 0.685 (not f/t their table)</p> <p>0.6485 seen</p>
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		Since $0.6848 > 0.6485$, H_0 is rejected. (The evidence does not support H_0 .)	A1	Dependent on M1 f/t their rs and cv if both clearly seen. This mark may be awarded for a context based comment.
			[8]	
3	(iii)	The Spearman test suggests a side effect is possible. The times for the 3rd test are almost the same as those for the 1st suggesting that any effects are short term The data for the first two tests suggest that lower doses decrease times (people run faster) but higher doses increase times (people run slower). A random sample is required. / A (much) larger study is required.	B1 B1 B1	One mark for each (different) sensible point Comments about sample size or nature can score at most B1 in total.
			[3]	

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4	(i)	<p>The median is midway between those ranked 114 and 115.</p> <p>Macedonia and Azerbaijan are ranked equal 113 with GDP per capita of \$10 800.</p> <p>Ecuador is ranked 115 with GDP per capita of \$10 600.</p> <p>So the median is \$10 700.</p>	<p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p>	<p>not 114th</p> <p>give if 114.5 seen</p> <p>All correct countries, ranks and GDP values seen.</p> <p>cao</p>
			[3]	
4	(ii)	<p>The country with the greatest GDP per capita is Qatar at \$102 100</p> <p>The country with the least GDP per Capita is Congo DDR at \$400</p> $\frac{\$102\,100 + \$400}{2} = \$51\,250$ <p>This is very much greater than the median. It suggests that a large amount of wealth is concentrated in a small number of countries.</p>	<p>B1</p> <p>M1</p> <p>A1</p>	<p>Both correct GDPs</p> <p>Finding the average of their two numbers</p> <p>Needs an explicit comparison with the median and a comment concerning distribution of wealth. (does not need the correct median in (i))</p> <p>Not 'there is a large difference between richest and poorest countries'</p>
			[3]	

Question		Answer	Mark	Guidance
5	(i)	Population of Argentina is 43 024 374, birth rate is 16.88 per thousand	B1	both correct numbers seen
		Number of babies per year is $43\,024\,374 \times \frac{16.88}{1000} = 726\,251 (\approx 726\,000)$	M1 A1	using their numbers Allow 2 to 6 s.f., art 730 000
			[3]	
5	(ii)	$\frac{\text{Babies}}{\text{Females}} = \frac{726\,251}{11\,692\,613} = 0.0621\dots (\approx 0.0621)$	M1 A1	using their answer from (i) f/t their (i), allow 2 to 4 s.f.
			[2]	
5	(iii)	$0.0621 \times 40 = 2.48$	B1	f/t their (ii)
		Average number of children per female	B1	Only give if “2.48” is between 1 and 10
			[2]	

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6	(i)	<p>H₀: The proportion of countries with Low, Medium and High life expectancy is independent of whether the countries are islands or mainland countries</p> <p>H₁: The proportion of countries with Low, Medium and High life expectancy depends on whether the countries are islands or mainland countries</p>					B1	<p>OR 'life expectancy and location are Independent'</p> <p>Both hypotheses correct</p> <p>not 'correlation' or similar</p>																			
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6	(iii)	Islands	$\frac{5149.36}{68} = 75.725(8)\dots$			B1	Accept 2 to 5 s.f.								
		Mainland countries	$\frac{10781.86}{(239-17-68)} = \frac{10781.86}{154} = 70.012\dots$			B1	Accept 2 to 5 s.f. ignore any incorrect statements/working								
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		20	Island	Population	Life expectancy	$Q \times R$		One correct $Q \times R$							
		21	Barbados	289690	74.99	21723103	B1	Correct Q24							
		22	Comoros	766875	63.48	48680590	B1	Correct T24 (allow if in T25)							
		23	New Zealand	4401916	80.93	356247062	B1	Correct T25, 3 s.f. or better							
24	Total	5458481		426650755	B1										
25				78.16	B1										
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6	(v)	The weighted mean is the best.	B1	Explicit comparison with χ^2 test
		The χ^2 test uses a sample not the whole population.	B1	
		It does not tell you which group has the greater life expectancy		
		The simple mean does not take the territories' populations into account	B1	Explicit comparison with simple mean
			[3]	

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