

QUESTION 1

Mark did a survey on second-hand car prices. For a particular type of car, he surveyed the ages x (in years) and the prices R_y (in thousands) of 10 second-hand cars.

The data collected is summarized as follows:

$$\sum x = 67 \quad \sum y = 2745 \quad \sum xy = 13472 \quad \sum x^2 = 553$$

$$\sum y^2 = 1038765$$

- (a) Determine \bar{x} and \bar{y}

(2)

$$\bar{x} = \frac{67}{10} = 6,7 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{2745}{10} = 274,5 \quad \checkmark$$



- (b) Hence determine the equation of the least squares regression line of y on x .

(8)

$$b = \frac{n \sum xy - \sum x \sum y}{n(\sum x^2) - (\sum x)^2}$$

$$= \frac{10(13472) - 67(2745)}{10(553) - 67^2} \quad \checkmark$$

$$= \frac{-49195}{1041}$$

$$= -47,26 \quad \checkmark$$

$$y = a + bx \quad \text{subs } (\bar{x}; \bar{y}) \quad \checkmark$$

$$274,5 = a - 47,26(6,7) \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore a = 591,14 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\therefore y = 591,14 - 47,26x \quad \checkmark \checkmark$$

- (c) Estimate the initial value of a vehicle of this type. Comment on the validity of the prediction. (2)

591 142 not valid as model is for second hand cars (NOT new cars), extrapolation

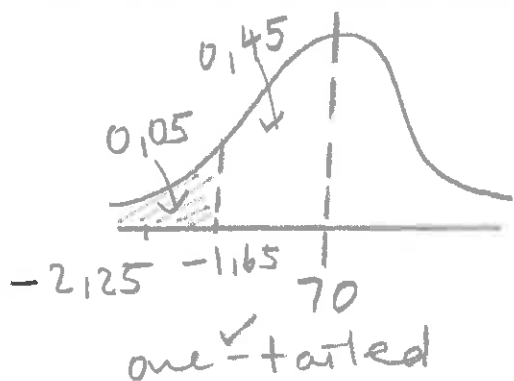
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QUESTION 2

Each year a large number of students write a Mathematics examination. Over a period of time it is found that the marks of the students follow a normal distribution with a mean 70 and a standard deviation 6.

This year the examination contains questions on a new topic and the examiner believes that the marks are lower, on average. To test this belief, he calculates the mean mark of a random sample of 25 students and finds it to be 67.3.

Carry out a hypothesis test at the 5% level of significance to test whether the mean mark in the examination is lower this year.



$$\mu = 70$$

$$\sigma = 6$$

$$H_0 : \mu = 70 \quad \checkmark$$

$$H_1 : \mu < 70 \quad \checkmark$$

Critical value $z = \frac{\bar{x} - \mu}{\frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{n}}}$

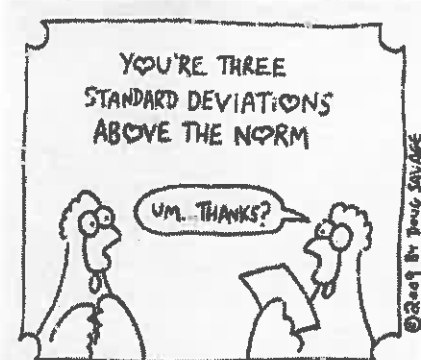
$$= \frac{67.3 - 70}{\frac{6}{\sqrt{25}}}$$

$$= -2.125 \quad \checkmark$$

Critical value lies in rejection region, \therefore reject H_0 and accept H_1 at 5% level of significance that the mean mark is lower. [10]

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QUESTION 3

Ballpoint pens are made in large quantities in a factory. They are tested in batches of 50 and it is known that 3% are faulty.

(a) From a test batch calculate :

(1) the probability that exactly 2 pens are faulty (3)

$$P(X = 2) = \binom{50}{2} (0,03)^2 (0,97)^{48}$$

$$= 0,2555 \checkmark$$

(2) the probability that at least one of the pens are faulty (4)

$$P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) \checkmark$$

$$= 1 - \binom{50}{0} (0,03)^0 (0,97)^{50}$$

$$= 0,7819 \checkmark$$

(b) In 200 batches of 50, how many pens would you expect to be faulty? (2)

$$200 \times 50 \times 0,03 = 300 \text{ faulty}$$

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"I'm supposed to write an essay on what is meant by 'The pen is mightier than the sword'. First, I need to go to Google and find out what a pen is."

QUESTION 4

The probability mass function of the discrete random variable X , is given by

$$P(X = x) = a \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^x \text{ for all } x \in \mathbb{N}_0$$

- (a) Determine $P(x \leq 1)$ in terms of a . (3)

$$\begin{aligned} P(x \leq 1) &= P(x=0) + P(x=1) \\ &= a \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^0 \checkmark + a \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^1 \checkmark \\ &= a + \frac{2}{3}a \\ &= \frac{5}{3}a \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Determine the value of the constant a . (5)

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{x=0}^{\infty} \checkmark P(X=x) &= \frac{a}{1-r} \checkmark = \frac{a}{1-\frac{2}{3}} \checkmark = 1 \checkmark \\ \therefore a &= \frac{1}{3} \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

QUESTION 5

The lifetime of a lamp is divided according to the probability-density function:

$$f(t) = \begin{cases} k(-t^{\frac{3}{2}} + 8) & \text{as } 0 \leq t \leq 4; \text{ } k \text{ is a constant} \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Giving your answer as a fraction, determine the value of k

(6)

$$\int k(-t^{3/2} + 8) dt = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\int_0^4 -kt^{3/2} + 8k dt = 1$$

$$-\frac{2}{5} kt^{5/2} + 8kt \Big|_0^4 = 1$$

$$-\frac{2}{5} k(4)^{5/2} + 8t(4) - \left(-\frac{2}{5} k(0)^{5/2} + 8k(0)\right) = 1$$

$$-\frac{64}{5} k + 32k = 1 \quad \checkmark$$

$$1 = \frac{96}{5} k$$

$$\frac{5}{96} = k \quad \checkmark$$

- (b) Determine $P(0 < t < 2)$

(5)

$$\int_0^2 -\frac{5}{96} t^{3/2} + 8\left(\frac{5}{16}\right) dt \quad \checkmark \quad \text{can go in calculator!}$$

$$= \left[-\frac{5}{96} \cdot \frac{2}{5} t^{5/2} + \frac{5}{12} t\right]_0^2 \quad \checkmark$$

$$= 0.7155 \quad \checkmark$$

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QUESTION 6

- (a) The 95% confidence interval for the mean length of life (in hours) of a particular brand of light bulb is (1023,3; 1101,7). This interval is based on results from a random sample of 36 light bulbs.

- (1) Prove that the mean is 1062,50 and that the standard deviation is 120.

Show all working.

(8)

$$\bar{x} - 1,96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{36}} = 1023,3$$

$$\bar{x} + 1,96 \frac{\sigma}{\sqrt{36}} = 1101,7$$

$$2\bar{x} = 1101,7 + 1023,3$$

$$\bar{x} = 1062,50 \text{ given}$$

$$\bar{x} + 1,96 \frac{\sigma}{6} = 1101,7$$

$$1062,50 + 1,96 \frac{\sigma}{6} = 1101,7$$

$$\sigma = 120 \text{ given}$$

- (2) Find the 99% confidence interval for the mean length of life if this brand of light bulb, assuming that the length of life is normally distributed. (6)

$$1062,50 - 2,58 \cdot \frac{120}{6} < \mu < 1062,50 + 2,58 \frac{120}{6}$$

$$1010,90 < \mu < 1114,10$$

- (b) A national safety council wants to estimate the proportion of car accidents that involve pedestrians.
How large a sample of accident records must be examined, to be 98% confident that the estimate does not differ from the true proportion by more than 0,03. The proportion estimated is 0,25.

(6)

$$p = 0,25 \checkmark < 2,575$$

$$0,03 \checkmark < 2,575 \sqrt{\frac{0,25 \cdot 0,75}{n}} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{6}{515} < \frac{0,25 \cdot 0,75}{n} \checkmark$$

$$n < 16,0937$$

$$n = 16 \checkmark$$

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"OH, GREAT. MY INSURANCE AGENT.
I WAS JUST TEXTING YOU."

QUESTION 7

- (a) Patrick wants to invest some of his monthly salary. He invests a certain amount of this every month for 18 months. For each month there is a probability of 0,25 that he will buy shares in a large company, there is a probability of 0,15 that he will buy shares in a small company and there is a probability of 0,6 that he will invest in a savings account.

Determine the probability that Patrick will buy shares in a small company in exactly 3 of these 18 months. (6)

$$\begin{aligned} P(X = 3) &= \binom{18}{3} (0,15)^3 (0,85)^{15} \\ &= 0,2406 \end{aligned}$$

- (b) A book club sends 6 paperback and 2 hardback books to Matthew. He chooses 4 of these books at random to take with him on holiday.

Determine the probability that he chooses exactly two paperback books.

(6)

$$P(R = 2) = \frac{\binom{6}{2} \binom{2}{2}}{\binom{8}{4}}$$

$$= 0,2143$$

- (c) The probability that Richard goes to the gym on any day is 0,85. On a day when he goes to the gym, the probability that he has a whey protein smoothie is 0,9. On a day when he does not go to the gym, the probability that he has a whey protein smoothie is 0,32.

Given that Richard had a whey protein smoothie, find the probability that he went to the gym that day. (4)

$$\begin{aligned}
 P(B|A) &= \frac{P(B \cap A)}{P(A)} \\
 &= \frac{0,9 \times 0,85}{0,9 \times 0,85 + 0,1 \times 0,32} \\
 &= \frac{0,765}{0,797} \\
 &= 0,9598
 \end{aligned}$$



Filling in that application form was a severe first test

QUESTION 8

Given

$$P(A|B) = \frac{2}{5}; P(B|A) = \frac{1}{4} \text{ and } P(A \cup B) = \frac{11}{20}$$

- (a) Determine $P(A \cap B)$ in terms of $P(A)$ (3)

$$P(B|A) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(A)} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{1}{4} P(A) = P(A \cap B) \checkmark \checkmark$$

- (b) Determine $P(A \cap B)$ in terms of $P(B)$ (3)

$$P(A|B) = \frac{P(A \cap B)}{P(B)} \checkmark$$

$$\frac{2}{5} P(B) = P(A \cap B) \checkmark \checkmark$$

- (c) Hence or otherwise determine $P(A)$ (6)

$$\frac{1}{4} P(A) = \frac{2}{5} P(B) \quad \checkmark$$

$$P(B) = \frac{5}{8} P(A) \quad \checkmark$$

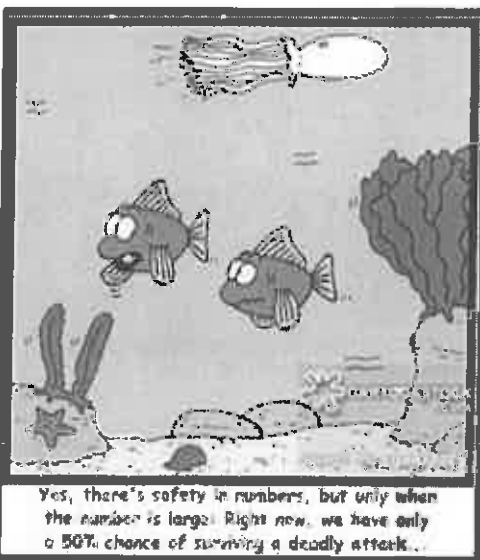
$$\frac{11}{20} \checkmark = P(A) + \frac{5}{8} \checkmark P(A) - \frac{1}{4} \checkmark P(A)$$

$$P(A) = \frac{2}{5} \quad \checkmark$$

- (d) Determine $P(A \cap B)$ (2)

$$\begin{aligned} P(A \cap B) &= \frac{1}{4} P(A) \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \times \frac{2}{5} \quad \checkmark \\ &= 0,1 \quad \checkmark \end{aligned}$$

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[Total: 100 marks]