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General Marking Guidance

- All candidates must receive the same treatment. Examiners must mark the first candidate in exactly the same way as they mark the last.
- Mark schemes should be applied positively. Candidates must be rewarded for what they have shown they can do rather than penalised for omissions.
- Examiners should mark according to the mark scheme not according to their perception of where the grade boundaries may lie.
- There is no ceiling on achievement. All marks on the mark scheme should be used appropriately.
- All the marks on the mark scheme are designed to be awarded. Examiners should always award full marks if deserved, i.e. if the answer matches the mark scheme. Examiners should also be prepared to award zero marks if the candidate's response is not worthy of credit according to the mark scheme.
- Where some judgement is required, mark schemes will provide the principles by which marks will be awarded and exemplification may be limited.
- When examiners are in doubt regarding the application of the mark scheme to a candidate's response, the team leader must be consulted.
- Crossed out work should be marked UNLESS the candidate has replaced it with an alternative response.

General Instructions for Marking

1. The total number of marks for the paper is 75.
2. The Edexcel Mathematics mark schemes use the following types of marks:

'M' marks

These are marks given for a correct method or an attempt at a correct method. In Mechanics they are usually awarded for the application of some mechanical principle to produce an equation.

e.g. resolving in a particular direction, taking moments about a point, applying a suvat equation, applying the conservation of momentum principle etc.

The following criteria are usually applied to the equation.

To earn the M mark, the equation

- (i) should have the correct number of terms
- (ii) be dimensionally correct i.e. all the terms need to be dimensionally correct

e.g. in a moments equation, every term must be a 'force x distance' term or 'mass x distance', if we allow them to cancel 'g' s.

For a resolution, all terms that need to be resolved (multiplied by sin or cos) must be resolved to earn the M mark.

M marks are sometimes dependent (DM) on previous M marks having been earned.

e.g. when two simultaneous equations have been set up by, for example, resolving in two directions and there is then an M mark for solving the equations to find a particular quantity – this M mark is often dependent on the two previous M marks having been earned.

'A' marks

These are dependent accuracy (or sometimes answer) marks and can only be awarded if the previous M mark has been earned. E.g. M0 A1 is impossible.

'B' marks

These are independent accuracy marks where there is no method (e.g. often given for a comment or for a graph)

A few of the A and B marks may be f.t. – follow through – marks.

3. General Abbreviations

These are some of the traditional marking abbreviations that will appear in the mark schemes.

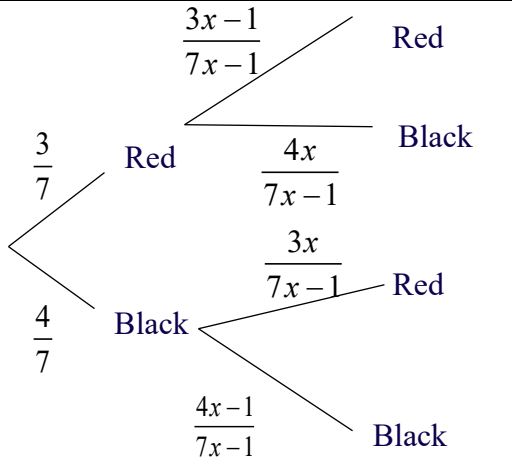
- bod – benefit of doubt
 - ft – follow through
 - the symbol \checkmark will be used for correct ft
 - cao – correct answer only
 - cso – correct solution only. There must be no errors in this part of the question to obtain this mark
 - isw – ignore subsequent working
 - awrt – answers which round to
 - SC: special case
 - oe – or equivalent (and appropriate)
 - dep – dependent
 - indep – independent
 - dp decimal places
 - sf significant figures
 - * The answer is printed on the paper
 - The second mark is dependent on gaining the first mark
4. All A marks are 'correct answer only' (cao.), unless shown, for example, as A1 ft to indicate that previous wrong working is to be followed through. After a misread however, the subsequent A marks affected are treated as A ft, but manifestly absurd answers should never be awarded A marks.
5. For misreading which does not alter the character of a question or materially simplify it, deduct two from any A or B marks gained, in that part of the question affected.
6. If a candidate makes more than one attempt at any question:
- If all but one attempt is crossed out, mark the attempt which is NOT crossed out.
 - If either all attempts are crossed out or none are crossed out, mark all the attempts and score the highest single attempt.
7. Ignore wrong working or incorrect statements following a correct answer.

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
1 (a)	Median = 53		B1
	IQR = 63 – 46		M1
	= 17		A1
			(3)
(b)	'46' – 1.5 × '17' or '63' + 1.5 × '17'		M1
	20.5 and 88.5		A1
			M1 A1ft B1
		(5)	
(c)	Lower Quartile changes from 46 to 43		B1
	Lower outlier boundary is now 13 or upper outlier boundary is now 93		M1
	So, X removed at 18 and lower whisker extended to 18 oe		A1
	X at 90 moved to 94		A1
	[All other points remain the same]		(4)
Notes			Total 12
(a)	B1	Cao	
	M1	For an attempt at IQR. Either Q ₁ or Q ₃ must be correct.	
	A1	Cao	
(b)	M1	For use of either LQ – 1.5 × IQR or UQ + 1.5 × IQR fit their LQ/UQ and their IQR May be implied by 20.5 or 88.5 or a fully correct box plot with outliers plotted correctly	
	A1	Cao May be implied by a fully correct box plot with outliers plotted correctly	
	M1	For a box with an upper and lower whisker	
	A1ft	For a box with an upper and lower whisker and the LQ, median and UQ plotted correctly fit their values [Allow ½ square tolerance]	
(c)	B1	For lower whisker plotted at 26 or their 20.5 and upper whisker plotted at 85 or their 88.5 and only 2 outliers marked at 18 and 90	
	B1	For LQ changes to 43	
	M1	For 13 or 93 identified as the new outlier boundaries	
	A1	Dep on 13 being identified as the new outlier boundary. For outlier removed at 18 and lower whisker extended to 18 (Do not accept the lower whisker is extended to 13)	
	A1	Dep on 93 being identified as the new outlier boundary. For outlier at 90 moved to 94 [and whisker extended to 93 – Ignore any reference to the upper whisker]	

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
2 (a)	$S_{ff} = 25.5 - \frac{15^2}{10}$	$S_{df} = 433.5 - \frac{(25.7 \times 10) \times 15}{10}$	M1
	$S_{ff} = 3$	$S_{df} = 48$	A1 A1
			(3)
(b)	f since the frequency depends on the depth (d) oe		B1 (1)
(c)	$\frac{'48'}{\sqrt{1090.6 \times '3'}} = 0.8391\dots$	awrt 0.839	M1 A1 (2)
(d)	As the depth (d) increases the frequency (f) increases		B1ft (1)
(e)	$\beta = \frac{'48'}{1090.6} [= 0.04401\dots]$		M1
	$\alpha = \frac{15}{10} - '\beta' \times 25.7 [= 0.3688\dots]$		M1
	$f = 0.369 + 0.0440d$		A1 (3)
(f) (i)	For every extra metre of depth, the frequency increases by '0.044' [kHz] oe		B1ft
(ii)	[Assuming the model is valid,] the frequency at the surface would be '0.369' [kHz] oe		B1ft (2)
Notes			Total 12
(a)	M1	For a correct method to find either S_{ff} or S_{df} May be implied by a correct answer	
	A1	For $S_{ff} = 3$	
	A1	For $S_{df} = 48$	
(b)	B1	f identified with a correct reason e.g. f and is dependent on.../affected by.../changed by.../influenced by... determined by d or f and reference to d being controlled e.g. f since d is the variable that is controlled	
(c)	M1	For a correct method to calculate the PMCC follow through their S_{ff} and S_{df} May be implied by awrt 0.839	
	A1	awrt 0.839	
(d)	B1ft	A correct interpretation follow through their part (c) e.g. As d increases f increases. Ignore any reference to numbers	
(e)	M1	A correct method to find the gradient ft their S_{df} May be implied by awrt 0.04 or $\frac{240}{5453}$	
	M1	A correct method to find the f intercept ft their β May be implied by awrt 0.37 or $\frac{4023}{10906}$	
	A1	For a correct equation, with α =awrt 0.369 and β =awrt 0.044 Allow $\alpha = \frac{4023}{10906}$ and $\beta = \frac{240}{5453}$ Must be in terms of f and d only	
(f) (i)	B1ft	A correct interpretation, follow through their β . Must have the units metre oe	
(ii)	B1ft	A correct interpretation, follow through their α Allow $d = 0$ to imply 'at the surface'	

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
3 (a)(i)	$\frac{7}{120}$		B1
(ii)	$\frac{22}{120}$		B1
			(2)
(b)			B1 M1 A1 B1ft
			(4)
(c)(i)	$\left[P(F' \cap G') = \frac{16+22}{120} \right] = \frac{19}{60}$		B1ft
(ii)	$\left[P(F \cap G S) = \right] \frac{5}{7+5+9+16}$		M1
	$= \frac{5}{37}$		A1
			(3)
Notes			Total 9
(a)(i)	B1	Oe Allow 0.058 or better	
(ii)	B1	Oe Allow 0.183 or better	
(b)	B1	For 36 and 4 in the correct place on the Venn diagram	
	M1	For $2 \times 41 - 7 - 5 - 9 - '36' - '4'$ or $\frac{41}{60} = \frac{52}{120} + \frac{18+x}{120} - \frac{9}{120}$ (May be implied by 21) If $'36'+ '4'+ '21' = 61$ this will imply this mark	
	A1	For 21 in the correct place on the Venn diagram	
	B1ft	For 16 in the correct place on the Venn diagram or ft their Venn diagram (total = 120)	
(c)(i)	B1ft	For $\frac{19}{60}$ oe or ft their 16 Allow 0.317 or better	
(ii)	M1	For a correct method to find the conditional probability ft their 16	
	A1	Oe Allow 0.135 or better	

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
4 (a)(i)(ii)	$a = \frac{1}{2}$		B1
(ii)	$d = 1$		B1
(iii)	$a + 3b = 1 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 3b = 1 \Rightarrow b = \frac{1}{6}$		M1A1
(iv)	$a + 2b = c \Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} + 2 \times \frac{1}{6} = c$ or $d - b = c \Rightarrow 1 - \frac{1}{6} = c$ So $c = \frac{5}{6}$		M1A1
			(6)
(b) (i)	$E(X) = \left[0 \times \frac{1}{2} \right] + 2 \times \frac{1}{3} + 3 \times \frac{1}{6} \left[= \frac{7}{6} \right]$	4, 28 and 40 seen	M1
	$E(12X + 4) = 12E(X) + 4 = 12 \times \frac{7}{6} + 4 = 18$	$4 \times \frac{1}{2} + 28 \times \frac{1}{3} + 40 \times \frac{1}{6} = 18$	M1 A1
			(3)
(ii)	$E(X^2) = \left[0^2 \times \frac{1}{2} \right] + 2^2 \times \frac{1}{3} + 3^2 \times \frac{1}{6} \left[= \frac{17}{6} \right]$	16, 784 and 1600 seen oe	M1
	$\text{Var}(X) = \frac{17}{6} - \left(\frac{7}{6} \right)^2 \left[= \frac{53}{36} \right]$	$4^2 \times \frac{1}{2} + 28^2 \times \frac{1}{3} + 40^2 \times \frac{1}{6} [= 536]$	M1
	$\text{Var}(12X + 4) = 12^2 \text{Var}(X) = 144 \times \frac{53}{36} = 212$	$536 - 18^2 = 212$	M1 A1
			(4)
Notes			Total 13
(a) (i)	B1	Cao	
(ii)	B1	Cao	
(iii)	M1	For writing or using of $a + 3b = 1$ ft their a provided $0 < a < 1$ May be implied by $b = \frac{1}{6}$	
	A1	Allow awrt 0.167	
(iv)	M1	For writing or using of $a + 2b = c$ ft their a and their b provided $0 < a < 1$ and $0 < b < 1$ or $d - b = c$ ft their d and their b provided $0 < d < 1$ and $0 < b < 1$ May be implied by $c = \frac{5}{6}$	
	A1	Allow awrt 0.833	
(b) (i)	M1	For use of $\sum xP(X = x)$ ft their a and their b provided $0 < b < 1$ (We do not need to see 0×0.5) Allow $\sum xP(X = x) = 7b$ or writing/using 4, 28 and 40	
	M1	For use of $12E(X) + 4$ ft their $E(X)$ Allow $E(12X + 4) = 84b + 4$ or use of $\sum xP(X = x)$ if using 4, 28 and 40 ft their a and their b provided $0 < a < 1$ and $0 < b < 1$ Allow $\sum xP(X = x) = 4a + 96b$	
	A1	Cao	
(ii)	M1	For use of $\sum x^2P(X = x)$ ft their a and their b , provided $0 < b < 1$ (We do not need to see $0^2 \times 0.5$). Allow $\sum x^2P(X = x) = 17b$ or writing/using 16, 784 and 1600 May be implied by the 2 nd M mark	
	M1	For use of $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$ ft their $E(X^2)$ and their $E(X)$ Allow $\text{Var}(X) = 17b - 49b^2$ or use of $\sum x^2P(X = x)$ if using 16, 784 and 1600 ft their a and their b provided $0 < a < 1$ and $0 < b < 1$ Allow $\sum x^2P(X = x) = 16a - 3168b$	
	M1	For use of $12^2 \text{Var}(X)$ ft their $\text{Var}(X)$ Allow $2448b - 7056b^2$ or $\text{Var}(X) = E(X^2) - E(X)^2$ if using 16, 784 and 1600 Allow $16a - 3168b - (4a + 96b)^2$	
	A1	Cao	

Question Number	Scheme		Marks	
5 (a)		$\frac{3}{7}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram	B1	
		$\frac{3x-1}{7x-1}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram	B1	
		$\frac{3x}{7x-1}$ and $\frac{4x-1}{7x-1}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram	B1	
(3)				
(b)	$\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{4x}{7x-1} + \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1} = \frac{32}{63}$	$\frac{3}{7} \times \frac{4x}{7x-1} = \frac{16}{63}$	$\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1} = \frac{16}{63}$	M1
	$\frac{24x}{7x-1} = \frac{32}{9} \Rightarrow x = 4$	$\frac{12x}{7x-1} = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow x = 4$	$\frac{12x}{7x-1} = \frac{16}{9} \Rightarrow x = 4$	dM1 A1
	[So $7 \times '4' = 28$ counters in total]			dA1ft
	(4)			
(c)	$P(B \text{ and } R) = \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{12}{27} = \frac{16}{63}$ or $P(BR \text{ and } RR) = \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{12}{27} + \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{11}{27} = \frac{3}{7}$		M1	
	$P(\text{1st black} \text{2nd Red}) = \frac{\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{12}{27}}{\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{12}{27} + \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{11}{27}} = \frac{16}{27}$		M1 A1	
	(3)			
Notes			Total 10	
(a)	B1	for $\frac{3}{7}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram. Allow $\frac{3x}{7x}$		
	B1	for $\frac{3x-1}{7x-1}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram Allow equivalent expressions e.g. $1 - \frac{4x}{7x-1}$		
	B1	both $\frac{3x}{7x-1}$ and $\frac{4x-1}{7x-1}$ in the correct place on the tree diagram. Allow equivalent expressions		
(b)	M1	for setting their $P(\text{two counters are different colours}) = \frac{32}{63}$ or $P(R \text{ and } B) = \frac{16}{63}$ or $P(B \text{ and } R) = \frac{16}{63}$ ft their tree diagram		
	dM1	Dependent on previous M mark. For an attempt to simplify the probability expression leading to $x = \dots$ (At least one correct step needed) May be implied by $x = 4$		
	A1	for $x = 4$		
	dA1ft	Dep on 2 nd M mark. Ft their x provided x is a positive integer		
(c)	M1	For a correct probability expression for either $P(B \text{ and } R)$ or $P(BR \text{ and } RR)$ ft their tree diagram and their x , provided that x is an integer Allow expressions given in terms of x e.g. $\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1}$ or $\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1} + \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{3x-1}{7x-1}$ ft their tree diagram		
	M1	For a correct ratio of probabilities ft their tree diagram and their x , provided that x is an integer Allow expressions given in terms of x e.g. $\frac{\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1}}{\frac{4}{7} \times \frac{3x}{7x-1} + \frac{3}{7} \times \frac{3x-1}{7x-1}}$ ft their tree diagram		
	A1	Allow awrt 0.593		

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
6 (a)	$[P(X+2 < 3X-4) =]P(X > 3) = \frac{2}{5}$		M1 A1 (2)
(b)	$E(X^2) = \frac{1}{5}(1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2) = 11$		M1 A1 (2)
(c)	$E(X) = 3$		B1
	$\text{Var}(X) = '11' - ('3')^2 [= 2]$ or $\frac{25-1}{12}$ or $\frac{(5+1)(5-1)}{12}$		M1
	$E(aX+5) = 6 \Rightarrow '3'a+5 = 6$		M1
	$a = \frac{1}{3}$		A1
	$\text{Var}(3-aX) \Rightarrow \left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^2 \times '2'$		M1
	$= \frac{2}{9}$		A1 (6)
Notes			Total 10
(a)	M1	For rearranging to $P(X > 3)$ Allow $P(3 < X)$ or $x > 3$ or identifying that $P(X=4)$ and $P(X=5)$ are needed e.g $6 < 8$ and $7 < 11$ identified	
	A1	For $\frac{2}{5}$ oe NB $\frac{2}{5}$ with no incorrect working seen scores M1A1 Watch out for $P(X < 3) = \frac{2}{5}$ which scores M0A0	
(b)	M1	For a correct method to find $E(X^2)$ May be implied by $E(X^2) = 11$	
	A1	Cao	
(c)	B1	For $E(X) = 3$ May be seen in an expression for $\text{Var}(X)$ or implied by a correct value for $\text{Var}(X)$ ft their $E(X^2)$ or implied by $a = \frac{1}{3}$ Allow if seen in part (b)	
	M1	For a correct method to find $\text{Var}(X)$ ft their $E(X^2)$ and their $E(X)$	
	M1	For writing or using $aE(X) + 5 = 6$ ft their $E(X)$ May be implied by $a = \frac{1}{3}$	
	A1	For $\frac{1}{3}$ oe Allow 0.333	
	M1	Use of $\text{Var}(3-aX) = a^2\text{Var}(X)$ ft their a and their $\text{Var}(X)$ May be implied by $\text{Var}(3-aX) = \frac{2}{9}$	
	A1	For $\frac{2}{9}$ oe allow awrt 0.222	

Question Number	Scheme		Marks
7 (a)	$P(X > 210) = P\left(Z > \frac{210-180}{20}\right)$		M1
	$= P(Z > 1.5) = 1 - 0.9332 = 0.0668$ So 6.68%*		A1*
			(2)
(b)	$\frac{n-180}{20} = -1.0364$		M1 B1
	$n = 159.272$	awrt 159	A1
			(3)
(c)(i)	$P(Y < \mu - 5 Y < \mu) = \frac{1-0.7967}{0.5}$		M1
	$= 0.4066$		awrt 0.407
			(2)
(ii)	$\frac{5}{\sigma} = 0.83$		M1
	$\sigma = \frac{5}{0.83} = 6.02\dots$ So $\sigma = 6$ *		A1*
			(2)
Notes			Total 9
(a)	M1	For standardising using 210, 180 and 20 (Standardisation must be seen)	
	A1*	Answer is given so no incorrect working can be seen 0.0668 is sufficient for this mark	
(b)	M1	For standardising using any letter, 180 and 20 = z value, where $1 < z < 1.5$	
	B1	For -1.0364 or better Allow 1.0364 or better	
	A1	awrt 159 NB M1B0A1 is possible	
(c)(i)	M1	For a correct method to find the conditional probability	
	A1	awrt 0.407	
(ii)	M1	For use of 0.83 or better (calc 0.82989...) in an equation with σ only. Allow $\frac{\mu+5-\mu}{\sigma} = 0.83$	
	A1*	Answer is given so no incorrect working can be seen awrt 6.02 – awrt 6.025 is sufficient for this mark	