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Mark Scheme

Probability and Statistical
distributions

Pearson Edexcel GCE
In Mathematics (9MA0)
Paper 31 Statistics

Question	Scheme	Marks
1a	<p>For $\frac{1}{3}$ in all 3 places on the 1st branches and 1 in the correct place on branch 2 and branch 3</p> <p>For $\frac{5}{7}, \frac{2}{7}, \frac{1}{5}$ and $\frac{4}{5}$ in the correct place on 2nd branches</p> <p>For $\frac{4}{6}, \frac{2}{6}, \frac{5}{6}, \frac{1}{6}, \frac{1}{4}$ and $\frac{3}{4}$ in the correct place on 3rd branches</p>	<p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>B1</p> <p>(3)</p>
1b	$\frac{1}{3}[\times 1 \times 1] + \frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{4}{6}$ $= \frac{31}{63}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>(2)</p>
1c	$\frac{1}{3} \times \frac{5}{7} \times \frac{4}{6}$ $= \frac{10}{63}$ $= \frac{10}{31}$	<p>M1</p> <p>A1</p> <p>(2)</p>
(7 marks)		

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2a	Discrete uniform [distribution]	B1
		(1)
2b	$P(X = x) = \begin{cases} \frac{1}{4} & x = 5, 6, 7, 8 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$	M1A1
		(2)
2c(i)	$P(Y = X) = 0.1 \times 0.25 + 0.2 \times 0.25 + 0.3 \times 0.25 + 0.4 \times 0.25$	M1
	$= 0.25$	A1
(ii)	$Y = 6$ then $X = 5$	M1
	$Y = 7$ then $X = 5$ or 6	
	$Y = 8$ then $X = 5, 6$ or 7	
	$P(Y > X) = 0.2 \times 0.25 + 0.3 \times 0.5 + 0.4 \times 0.75$	M1
	$= 0.5$	A1
	(5)	
2d(i)	$X = 8$ $Y = 8$ so 0.25×0.4	M1
	$= \frac{1}{10}$	A1
	(2)	
(ii)	$X = 5$ $Y = 7$	M1
	$X = 6$ $Y = 6$	
	$X = 7$ $Y = 5$	
	$0.25 \times 0.3 + 0.25 \times 0.2 + 0.25 \times 0.1$ or 0.25×0.6	M1
	$= \frac{3}{20}$	A1
	(3)	
(13 marks)		

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3a	A and C	B1
		(1)
3b	$P(A) \times P(B) = P(A \cap B) \Rightarrow (p + 1.2) \times 0.3 = 0.12$	M1
	$p = 0.28$	A1
		(2)
3c	$P(B C) = \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{0.1}{0.1+q} = 0.25$	M1
	$q = 0.3$	A1
	$r = 0.12$	A1
		(3)
3d	$P(A \cup C B) = \frac{0.22}{0.3}$	M1
	$= \frac{11}{15} = 0.73\dot{3}$	A1
		(2)
(8 marks)		

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4a(i)(ii)	$M \sim B(20, 0.15)$	M1
	$P(M = 3) = 0.242828\dots$	awrt 0.243 A1
	$P(M > 5) = 0.067307\dots$	awrt 0.0673 A1
		(3)
4b	$X \sim B(n, 0.15)$	
	$\left[{}^n C_0 (0.15)^0 \right] 0.85^n < 0.01$	M1
	$n > \frac{\log(0.01)}{\log(0.85)}$ or $n > \log_{(0.85)}(0.01)$	M1
	$n > 28.336\dots \Rightarrow n = 29$	A1 (3)
4c	$Y \sim N(120, 102)$	B1
	$P(Y > 110) \approx P(Y > 110.5)$	M1
	$\left[P\left(\frac{110.5 - "120"}{\sqrt{"102"}}\right) \right] = 0.826555\dots$	awrt 0.827 A1
		(3)
4d	$A \sim B(20, 0.1)$ $P(A = 3) = 0.190119\dots$	M1
	$P(M = 3) \times P(A = 3) = "0.242828\dots" \times "0.190119\dots"$	M1
	$= 0.0461665\dots$	awrt 0.0462 A1
		(3)
(12 marks)		

Question	Scheme	Marks
5a	$P(X < a) = 0.01$ or $P(X > a + 10) = 0.05$	
	$\frac{a - 252}{\sigma} = -2.3263$ or $\frac{a + 10 - 252}{\sigma} = 1.6449$	M1
	-2.3263 and 1.6449	B1
	$\frac{a - 252}{\sigma} = -2.3263$ and $\frac{a + 10 - 252}{\sigma} = 1.6449$	A1
	$(a - 252 = -2.3263\sigma) - (a - 242 = 1.6449\sigma)$	M1
	$10 = 3.9712\sigma \Rightarrow \sigma = 2.5^*$	A1 cso (5)
5b(i)	$P(\mu - 2\sigma < X < \mu + \sigma) \Rightarrow P(247 < X < 254.5)$	M1
	$= 0.81859\dots$	awrt 0.819 A1 (2)
(ii)	$P(X^2 - 506X + 64000 < 0)$	M1
	$P((X - 250)(X - 256) < 0) \Rightarrow P(250 < X < 256)$	M1
	$= 0.73\dots$	awrt 0.730 - 0.733 A1
		(3)
(10 marks)		