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Mark scheme

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Key to mark scheme abbreviations

M	mark is for method
m or dM	mark is dependent on one or more M marks and is for method
A	mark is dependent on M or m marks and is for accuracy
B	mark is independent of M or m marks and is for method and accuracy
E	mark is for explanation
✓ or ft or F	follow through from previous incorrect result
CAO	correct answer only
CSO	correct solution only
AWFW	anything which falls within
AWRT	anything which rounds to
ACF	any correct form
AG	answer given
SC	special case
OE	or equivalent
A2,1	2 or 1 (or 0) accuracy marks
-x EE	deduct x marks for each error
NMS	no method shown
PI	possibly implied
SCA	substantially correct approach
c	candidate
sf	significant figure(s)
dp	decimal place(s)

No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award **full marks**. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn **no marks**.

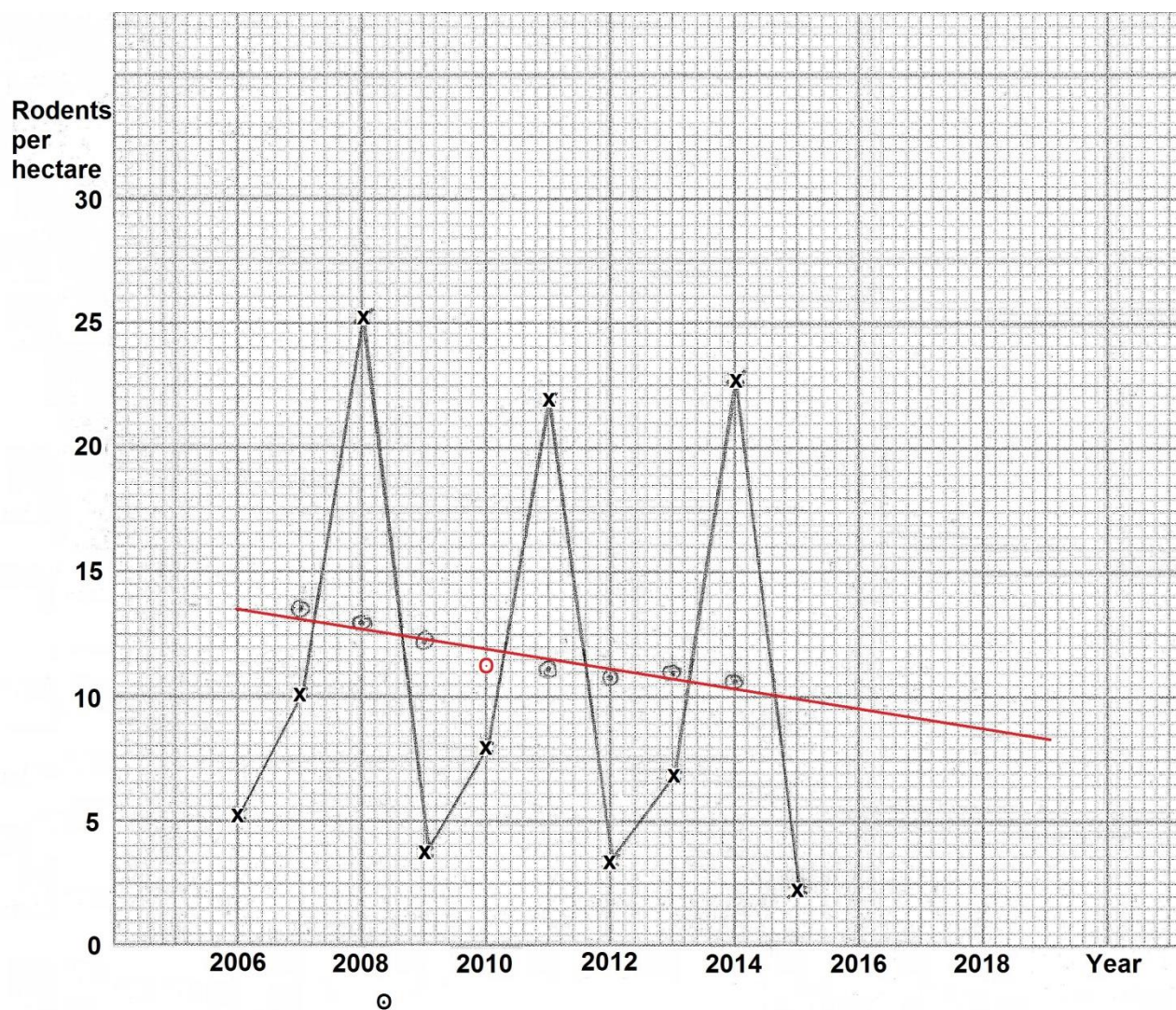
Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns **full marks**, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains **no marks**.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

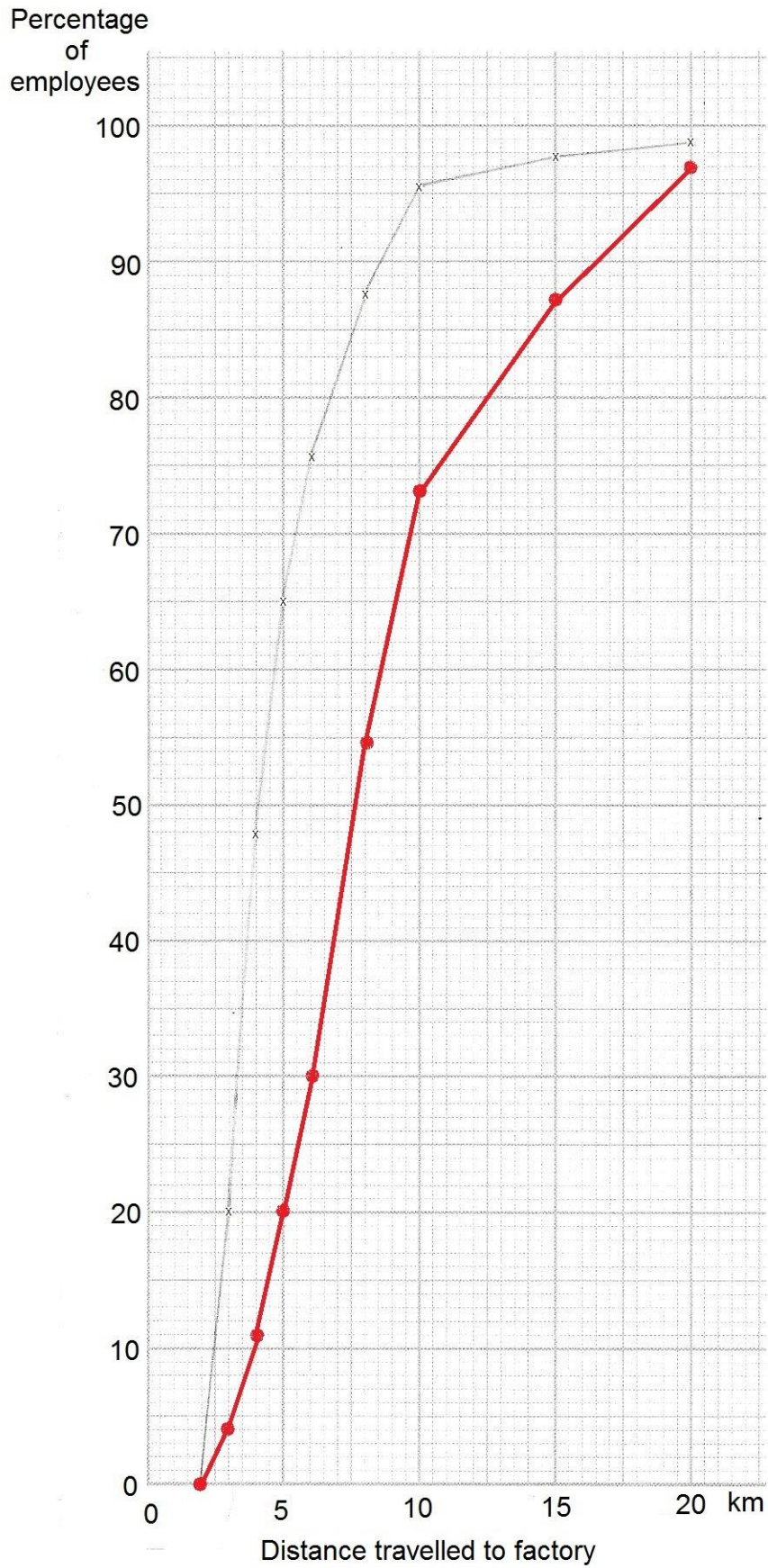
Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
1 (a)	0.4, 40% or $\frac{2}{5}$	B1	1	Any form but not simply 40
(b)	0.6×0.25 $\times 2 = 0.3$ (or 30% or $\frac{3}{10}$)	M1 A1	2	If unsupported answer 0.15 is given allow this M1 Any equivalent form
(c)	Mean = $1 \times 0.24 + 2 \times 0.36 \dots + 5 \times 0.03$ = 2.44 $1^2 \times 0.24 + 2^2 \times 0.36 \dots + 5^2 \times 0.03 - 2.44^2$ = $0.24 + 1.44 + 1.35 + 3.52 + 0.75 - 2.44^2$ = $7.3 - 2.44^2 = 1.3464$ and $\sqrt{(7.3 - 2.44^2)} = \sqrt{1.3464} (= 1.16)$	M1 A1 M1 A1 A1	5	CAO. Unsupported 2.44 scores B2 Complete method (their 2.44) Products or results of products Either of these AG
(d)	$E(C) = 68 + 24 \times 1.44 = \text{£}102.56$ $\sigma_c = 24 \times 1.16 = 27.8(4)$ May use new table	B1 B1	2	102.56 or 102.6 or 103 27.8, or AFWF 27.80 to 27.90
		Total	10	

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
2				
(a)(i)	$(3.7 + 8.0 + 21.9)/3$ $= 11.2$	M1 A1	2	Any three consecutive values from table added and then divided by 3 CAO Value must be stated
(a)(ii)	Accurate plot Reasonable trend line	B1 B1	2	Within half a square Points above and below
(a)(iii)	Seasonal variation (with a 3-year cycle)	B1	1	Or detailed description of cycle pattern
(b)	Seasonal variation = $(12 + 11 + 12) \div 3$ $= 11.7$ (cm gives $(4.8 + 4.4 + 4.8) \div 3 = 4.7$) Trend value = 9.0 Estimate = 20.8	M1 A1 B1 A1	4	3 values (± 1) added and $\div 3$ (may be cm) AWFW 11.5 to 12.0 (cm 4.6 to 4.8) AWFW 8.5 to 9.5 (cm just using graph) AWFW 20 to 21.5
(c)	2016 seems to follow the previous pattern 2017 well below estimate – the pattern has changed	E1 E1	2	OE OE
		Total	11	



Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
3 (a)	$P(\leq 1) = 0.199(1)$ $1 - 0.199 = 0.801$	M1 A1	2	Stated or implied AWRT
(b)	In 3 years Steve expects 12 migraines $P(\leq 12) - P(\leq 11)$ $= 0.114(4)$	M1 M1 A1	3	PI Or formula or calculator. PI by correct answer. AWRT 0.114
(c)	Use of Po(14) $1 - 0.1757 = 0.824(3)$	M1 A1	2	AWRT 0.109, 0.176, 0.260, 0.740, 0.824, or 0.891 seen AWRT 0.824
(d)	$P(R = 0) \times P(S > 0) + P(R = 1) \times P(S > 1)$ $= 0.0498 \times (1 - 0.0183) + 0.1493 \times (1 - 0.0916)$ $= 0.184(5)$	M1 A1 A1	3	Complete method Either product correct AWFW 0.184 to 0.185
		Total	10	

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments	
4 (a)(i)		M1	4	Attempt to accumulate (16, 42, 80, 120, 218, 292, 348, 388)	
	$x \leq 2$				0
	$2 < x \leq 3$				4
	$3 < x \leq 4$	10.5		M1	Attempt to change to percentage (4, 6.5, 9.5, 10, 24.5, 18.5, 14, 10)
	$4 < x \leq 5$	20			
	$5 < x \leq 6$	30			
	$6 < x \leq 8$	54.5		A1	Accurate results, all correct.
	$8 < x \leq 10$	73			
	$10 < x \leq 15$	87			
	$15 < x \leq 20$	97		A1	Within one small square. Condone anything after $x = 20$ as long as it lies between 97 and 100
	$x > 20$				
	Accurately plotted and joined				
(a)(ii)	8.5	B1	1	AWFW 8.3 to 8.7	
(b)	The greatest distance travelled by an employee (and/or the shortest distance)	E1	1	OE	
(c)(i)	Part-time median = 4.1 Full-time median = 7.7 (Or difference of 3.6)	B1		4.0 to 4.2 7.5 to 7.9 B1 for both or difference 3.3 to 3.9	
	Full-time employees travel on average (3.6 km) more than part-time employees	E1dep			Dep on B1. Right way round.
(c)(ii)	Part-time IQR = $6 - 3.1 = 2.9$ Full-time IQR = $10.7 - 5.6 = 5.1$ (Or difference of 2.2)	B1		2.7 to 3.0 4.8 to 5.4 B1 for both or difference 1.8 to 2.7	
	Distances for full-time employees more spread out than for part-time employees (Or IQR around 2.2 greater)	E1dep			4
		Total	10		



Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
5	(Rounding errors) because the data are given to the nearest 1000	E1	1	Accept simply “rounding errors”
(a)	$105\,000 \div 17709 = 5.9(3)$	M1 A1	2	Allow without 000 AWRT 5.9
(b)(i)	$7904\,000 \div 33\,000$ (\$)240 000	M1 A1	2	Allow without 000 000 and 000 AWRT
(c)	11(.0)%	B1	1	11 or AWRT 11.0
(d)	$\frac{3653 - 3521}{3653} \times 100$ $\frac{11556 - 11488}{11556} \times 100, \quad \frac{6736 - 6713}{6736} \times 100$ $3.61\% > 0.59\% \text{ and } 0.34\%$ <p>Alternative All 3 differences calculated 132, 68 and 23 Pointed out that mining has the biggest difference and the smallest 2015 GDP So % difference for mining is greatest</p>	M1 M1 A1 (M1) (M1) (A1)	 3	Both 1 d.p. or better All three must be seen No further calculation necessary No further calculation necessary
		Total	9	

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
6 (a)	The sample is a random sample from a normal population of weights $H_0: \mu = 405.3$ $H_1: \mu \neq 405.3$ Critical z value = ± 1.96 $\bar{x} = 386.6$ Test statistic = $(386.6 - 405.3) \div (31.2/\sqrt{5})$ $= -1.34$ $-1.96 < -1.34 < 1.96$ So accept H_0 , no significant evidence that mean weight (of puffins) has changed	E1 E1 B1 B1 B1 M1 A1 A1dep	 8	Context. Not “a normal sample” For both AWRT CAO Complete formula (ignore sign) (their 386.6) AWRT Dep on A1 and critical value B1 Must include “mean weight” Not absolute “weight has not changed”
(b)	Test statistic = $(400.9 - 405.3) \div (28.4/\sqrt{196})$ $= (-)2.17$ CV = 2.054 for 2% significance and 2.326 for 1% significance So least possible α is 2 Alternative p-value calculated as 0.015(0) $0.01 < 0.015 < 0.02$ So least possible α is 2	B1 M1 A1 (B1) (M1) (A1)	 3	AWRT ignore sign For either to at least 3sf CAO AWRT 0.015 PI by correct final choice CAO
(c)	Type II error	B1	1	
		Total	12	

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6 (a)	Alternative (1) for last three marks			
	Critical values at $405.3 \pm 1.96 \times (31.2/\sqrt{5})$	M1		Complete formula
	= 380.0 & 432.6	A1		AWRT 380 and 433
	380.0 < 386.6 < 432.6 So accept H_0 , no significant evidence that mean weight (of puffins) has changed	A1dep	8	Dep on A1 and critical value B1 Must include “mean weight” Not absolute “weight has not changed”

6 (a)	Alternative (2) for last three marks			
	95% conf interval at $386.6 \pm 1.96 \times (31.2/\sqrt{5})$	M1		Complete formula
	= 359.3 & 413.9	A1		AWRT 359 and 414
	359.3 < 405.3 < 413.9 So accept H_0 , no significant evidence that mean weight (of puffins) has changed	A1dep	8	Dep on A1 and critical value B1 Must include “mean weight” Not absolute “weight has not changed”

6 (a)	Alternative (3) for last five marks			
	$\bar{x} = 386.6$	B1		CAO
	z value for this is $(386.6 - 405.3) \div (31.2/\sqrt{5})$	M1		Complete formula. PI by p value
	= -1.34	A1		AWRT PI by correct p value
	Giving a p value of 0.090 (or 0.180)			
	0.090 > 0.025 (or 0.180 > 0.05)	A1		Must be correct comparison AWRT 0.090 or 0.180
	So accept H_0 , no significant evidence that mean weight (of puffins) has changed	A1dep	8	Dep on both A1s Must include “mean weight” Not absolute “weight has not changed”

Q	Solution	Marks	Total	Comments
7 (a)	The list does not tell him the sex or age of the participants so he cannot pick a sample in the right proportions	E1 E1	 2	The problem with the list The consequence for the sample
	Alternative for one mark The list does not give any information about whether the runner exercises regularly	(E1)		
(b)(i)	Using random number tables or function select 4-digit random number ignoring (0000 and) >2000 and repeats continue until 40 have been selected (and measure those runners)	B1 B1 B1		Must specify 4-digit Condone not mentioning 0000
(b)(ii)	eg. difficult to find the numbered people at the end of the run some of the numbers chosen for his sample may belong to people who do not finish the run.	E1	4	Must be in this context and practical, not statistical
(c)(i)	Randomly choose one of the first 50 to finish Choose every 50 th person (after that) to be in the sample	B1 B1		Must specify random Indep of previous B1
(c)(ii)	Advantage: Eg. Should space out the people who need to be measured. Should give a spread of fitness levels. Disadvantage: Eg. May get a large number crossing the line close together – hard to manage	E1 E1	4	Must be in this context Must be in this context
(d)(i)	Cluster sampling	B1		
(d)(ii)	Advantage: Eg. Easy to spot who is in the sample. Can give them instructions before the run Disadvantage: Eg. May be very unrepresentative, as one charity may be all the same age, all the same sex, all the same fitness level.	E1 E1	3	Must be in this context Must be in this context
		Total	13	