

Mathematics: analysis and approaches**Higher level - Paper 3****■ Worked Solutions v1 ■**

1. [Maximum mark: 29]

(a) $E(X) = 1 \cdot \frac{1}{6} + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{6} + 5 \cdot \frac{2}{6} + 7 \cdot \frac{1}{6} = \frac{1}{6} + \frac{4}{6} + \frac{10}{6} + \frac{7}{6} = \frac{22}{6} \Rightarrow E(X) = \frac{11}{3} \approx 3.66$ [2]

(b) (i) 3 ways for sum of numbers = 5: 1+2+2, 2+1+2 and 2+2+1 [3]

(ii) $P(\text{sum} = 5) = 3 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} = \frac{1}{18} \approx 0.0556$ [3]

(iii) 6 ways for sum = 9: 2+2+5, 2+5+2, 5+2+2; 1+1+7, 1+7+1, 7+1+1

$$P(\text{sum} = 9) = \left(3 \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(3 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{1}{9} + \frac{3}{216} = \frac{1}{8} = 0.125$$
 [3]

(iv) 4 ways for median = 1: 1-1-1, 1-1-2, 1-1-5 or 1-1-7

$$P(\text{median} = 1) = \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 + \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{6}\right)^3 = \frac{1}{36} \approx 0.0278$$
 [3]

(c) let random variable X represent the # of 5s (binomial probability); $X \sim B\left(10, \frac{1}{3}\right)$

$$P(X < 4) = P(X \leq 3) \approx 0.559$$
 [3]

(d) (i) $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n > 0.95 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n < 0.05$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^n = 0.05 \Rightarrow n \approx 7.38838... \Rightarrow n = 8 \quad \mathbf{Q.E.D.}$$
 [2]

(ii) $P(X \geq 1) = 1 - P(X = 0) = 1 - \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n > 0.85 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n < 0.15$

$$\left(\frac{5}{6}\right)^n = 0.15 \Rightarrow n \approx 10.405... \Rightarrow n = 11$$
 [3]

(e) binomial probability: $E(X) = np$ and $\text{Var}(X) = np(1-p)$

$$X = 1: 4.8 = 8p \Rightarrow p = 0.6 \Rightarrow P(X = 1) = 0.6$$

$$X = 2: 1.5 = 8p(1-p) \Rightarrow 3 = 16p(1-p) \Rightarrow 16p^2 - 16p + 3 = 0$$

$$p = 0.25 \text{ or } p = 0.75; p \neq 0.75 \text{ since } P(X = 1) + P(X = 2) > 1; \text{ hence, } P(X = 2) = 0.25$$

$$W = P(X = 1 \text{ or } 2) = P(x = 1) + P(x = 2) = 0.6 + 0.25 \quad \text{Thus, } W = 0.85$$
 [7]



2. [Maximum mark: 26]

(a) $p = \text{cost } (\$/\text{meter}) \text{ of pipeline from X to B}$

$6p = \text{cost } (\$/\text{meter}) \text{ of pipeline from A to X}$

$\text{XB} = 1000 - x \text{ meters}; \text{ AX} = \sqrt{x^2 + 500^2} = \sqrt{x^2 + 250000} \text{ meters}$

Thus, total cost of $\text{AX} + \text{XB} = C = 6p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000} + p(1000 - x)$

$C = 6p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000} + 1000p - px$

Q.E.D.

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(b) (i) note that p is a constant

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(6p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000} + 1000p - px \right) = \frac{d}{dx} \left(6p(x^2 + 250000)^{\frac{1}{2}} + 1000p - px \right)$$

$$= 6p \left(\frac{1}{2} (x^2 + 250000)^{-\frac{1}{2}} (2x) \right) + 0 - p$$

$$= \frac{6px}{\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}} - p = \frac{6px}{\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}} - \frac{p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}}$$

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = \frac{6px - p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}}{\sqrt{x^2 + 250000}}$$

(ii) $\frac{dC}{dx} = 0 \Rightarrow 6px - p\sqrt{x^2 + 250000} = 0 \Rightarrow 6x - \sqrt{x^2 + 250000} = 0$

$x \approx 84.5154\dots$

Evaluate $\frac{dC}{dx}$ for values of x to left and right of $x \approx 84.5154\dots$ to justify C is a minimumFor $x = 80$: $\frac{dC}{dx} \approx (-0.05206\dots)p < 0 \Rightarrow C$ is decreasing [note: p must be positive]For $x = 90$: $\frac{dC}{dx} \approx (0.06292\dots)p > 0 \Rightarrow C$ is increasingThus, C must have a minimum value when $x \approx 84.5$ meters

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(c) $C(84.5154\dots) \approx (3958.0399\dots)p$

Thus, to an accuracy of 3 significant figures, the minimum total cost is **3960p**

[1]

(d) Let angle $\text{AXE} = \alpha$; then $\alpha + \theta = 180^\circ$

$$\tan \alpha = \frac{500}{x} \Rightarrow \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{500}{84.5154\dots} \right) \approx 80.40593\dots^\circ$$

$\theta = 180^\circ - 80.40593\dots^\circ \Rightarrow \theta \approx 99.594\dots^\circ$ Thus, $\theta \approx 99.6^\circ$ (3 significant figures)

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(e) (i) $\theta = 120^\circ \Rightarrow \alpha = 60^\circ$

$$\tan 60^\circ = \frac{500}{x} \Rightarrow x = \frac{500}{\tan 60^\circ} \approx 288.675\dots \text{ Thus, } x \approx 289 \text{ meters (3 significant figures)}$$

(ii) $C(288.675\dots) \approx (4175.4265\dots)p$

$$\text{increase} \approx (4175.4265\dots)p - (3958.0399\dots)p \approx (217.3866\dots)p$$

$$\% \text{ increase} \approx 100 \frac{(217.3866\dots)p}{(3958.0399\dots)p} \approx 5.49\% \quad [4]$$

(f) total cost: $C = 6p\sqrt{x^2 + a^2} + pb - px$

$$\frac{dC}{dx} = \frac{d}{dx} \left(6p(x^2 + a^2)^{\frac{1}{2}} + pb - px \right) = 6p \cdot \frac{1}{2}(x^2 + a^2)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot 2x + 0 - p$$

$$= \frac{6px}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} - p = \frac{6px}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} - \frac{p\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} = \frac{6px - p\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} = 0$$

$$6px - p\sqrt{x^2 + a^2} = 0 \Rightarrow p\sqrt{x^2 + a^2} = 6px \Rightarrow \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} = 6x$$

$(\sqrt{x^2 + a^2})^2 = (6x)^2$ squaring both sides may lead to extraneous solution(s); so, check solution(s)

$$x^2 + a^2 = 36x^2 \Rightarrow 35x^2 = a^2 \Rightarrow x = \pm \frac{a}{\sqrt{35}}; \quad x > 0, \text{ so } x = -\frac{a}{\sqrt{35}} \text{ is an extraneous solution}$$

When $a = 500$, then $x = \frac{500}{\sqrt{35}} \approx 84.5154\dots$ which agrees with result from part (b) (ii)

Thus, total cost is a minimum when $x = \frac{a}{\sqrt{35}}$ [OR] $x = \frac{a\sqrt{35}}{35}$ [6]

(g) $\tan \alpha = \frac{a}{x} \Rightarrow \alpha = \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{a}{\cancel{a}/\sqrt{35}} \right) = \tan^{-1} (\sqrt{35}) \approx 80.40593\dots^\circ$

$$\theta = 180^\circ - 80.40593\dots^\circ \Rightarrow \theta \approx 99.594\dots^\circ \quad \text{Thus, } \theta \approx 99.6^\circ \text{ (3 significant figures)} \quad [2]$$

(h) The value of b has no effect on the value of x that gives a minimum total cost.

There is a direct relationship between a and the value of x that gives a minimum total cost.

As a increases, x increases – and vice versa.

[2]