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1. Find the value of the constant a such that

$$P(a < F_{8,10} < 3.07) = 0.94$$

(2)

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Q1

(Total 2 marks)



- 2. Two independent random samples X_1, X_2, \dots, X_7 and Y_1, Y_2, Y_3, Y_4 were taken from different normal populations with a common standard deviation σ . The following sample statistics were calculated.

$$s_x = 14.67 \quad s_y = 12.07$$

Find the 99% confidence interval for σ^2 based on these two samples.

(5)

Q2

(Total 5 marks)



3. Manuel is planning to buy a new machine to squeeze oranges in his cafe and he has two models, at the same price, on trial. The manufacturers of machine *B* claim that their machine produces more juice from an orange than machine *A*. To test this claim Manuel takes a random sample of 8 oranges, cuts them in half and puts one half in machine *A* and the other half in machine *B*. The amount of juice, in ml, produced by each machine is given in the table below.

Orange	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8
Machine <i>A</i>	60	58	55	53	52	51	54	56
Machine <i>B</i>	61	60	58	52	55	50	52	58

Stating your hypotheses clearly, test, at the 10% level of significance, whether or not the mean amount of juice produced by machine *B* is more than the mean amount produced by machine *A*.

(8)



4. A proportion p of letters sent by a company are incorrectly addressed and if p is thought to be greater than 0.05 then action is taken.

Using $H_0: p = 0.05$ and $H_1: p > 0.05$, a manager from the company takes a random sample of 40 letters and rejects H_0 if the number of incorrectly addressed letters is more than 3.

(a) Find the size of this test. (2)

(b) Find the probability of a Type II error in the case where p is in fact 0.10 (2)

Table 1 below gives some values, to 2 decimal places, of the power function of this test.

p	0.075	0.100	0.125	0.150	0.175	0.200	0.225
Power	0.35	s	0.75	0.87	0.94	0.97	0.99

Table 1

(c) Write down the value of s . (1)

A visiting consultant uses an alternative system to test the same hypotheses. A sample of 15 letters is taken. If these are all correctly addressed then H_0 is accepted. If 2 or more are found to have been incorrectly addressed then H_0 is rejected. If only one is found to be incorrectly addressed then a further random sample of 15 is taken and H_0 is rejected if 2 or more are found to have been incorrectly addressed in this second sample, otherwise H_0 is accepted.

(d) Find the size of the test used by the consultant. (3)

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For your convenience Table 1 is repeated here

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Figure 1 shows the graph of the power function of the test used by the consultant.

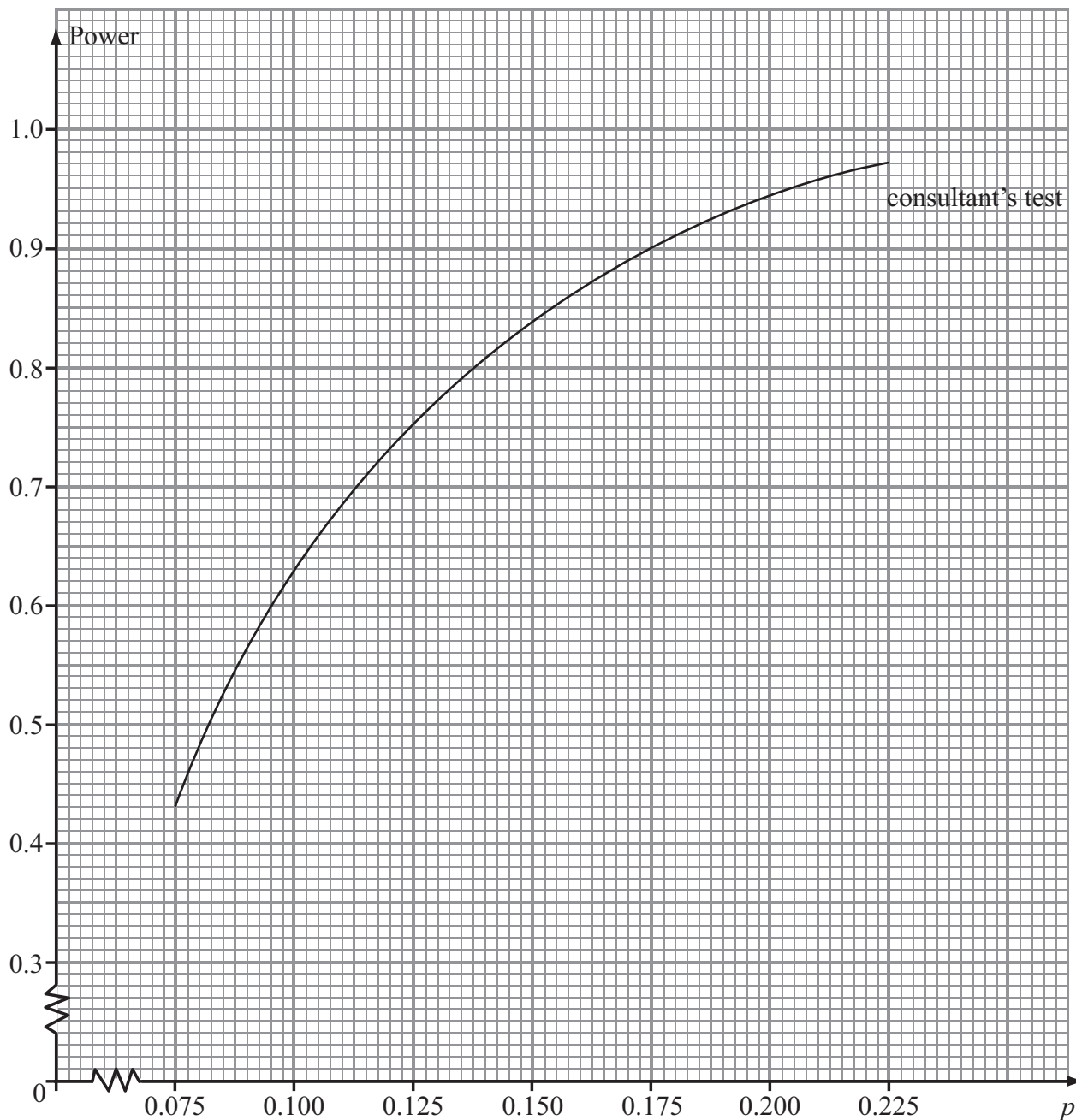


Figure 1

(e) On Figure 1 draw the graph of the power function of the manager's test. (2)

(f) State, giving your reasons, which test you would recommend. (2)



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Question 4 continued

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(Total 12 marks)

Q4

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5. The weights of the contents of breakfast cereal boxes are normally distributed. A manufacturer changes the style of the boxes but claims that the weight of the contents remains the same. A random sample of 6 old style boxes had contents with the following weights (in grams).

512 503 514 506 509 515

The weights, y grams, of the contents of an independent random sample of 5 new style boxes gave

$$\bar{y} = 504.8 \quad \text{and} \quad s_y = 3.420$$

- (a) Use a two-tail test to show, at the 10% level of significance, that the variances of the weights of the contents of the old and new style boxes can be assumed to be equal. State your hypotheses clearly. (5)
- (b) Showing your working clearly, find a 90% confidence interval for $\mu_x - \mu_y$, where μ_x and μ_y are the mean weights of the contents of old and new style boxes respectively. (7)
- (c) With reference to your confidence interval comment on the manufacturer’s claim. (2)



6. A random sample X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n is taken from a population where each of the X_i have a continuous uniform distribution over the interval $[0, \beta]$.
The random variable $Y = \max\{X_1, X_2, \dots, X_n\}$.
The probability density function of Y is given by

$$f(y) = \begin{cases} \frac{n}{\beta^n} y^{n-1} & 0 \leq y \leq \beta \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(a) Show that $E(Y^m) = \frac{n}{n+m} \beta^m$. (3)

(b) Write down $E(Y)$. (1)

- (c) Using your answers to parts (a) and (b), or otherwise, show that

$$\text{Var}(Y) = \frac{n}{(n+1)^2(n+2)} \beta^2$$
 (3)

- (d) State, giving your reasons, whether or not Y is a consistent estimator of β . (3)

The random variables $M = 2\bar{X}$, where $\bar{X} = \frac{1}{n}(X_1 + X_2 + \dots + X_n)$, and $S = kY$, where k is a constant, are both unbiased estimators of β .

- (e) Find the value of k in terms of n . (1)

- (f) State, giving your reasons, which of M and S is the better estimator of β in this case. (3)

Five observations of X are: 8.5 6.3 5.4 9.1 7.6

- (g) Calculate the better estimate of β . (2)



7. A machine produces components whose lengths are normally distributed with mean 102.3 mm and standard deviation 2.8 mm. After the machine had been serviced, a random sample of 20 components were tested to see if the mean and standard deviation had changed. The lengths, x mm, of each of these 20 components are summarised as

$$\sum x = 2072 \quad \sum x^2 = 214\,856$$

- (a) Stating your hypotheses clearly, test, at the 5% level of significance, whether or not there is evidence of a change in standard deviation.

(7)

- (b) Stating your hypotheses clearly, test, at the 5% level of significance, whether or not the mean length of the components has changed from the original value of 102.3 mm using

- (i) a normal distribution,
- (ii) a t distribution.

(9)

- (c) Comment on the mean length of components produced after the service in the light of the tests from part (a) and part (b). Give a reason for your answer.

(2)



