

Question 1

$$y = \frac{ax+b}{\sqrt{x}} = ax^{1/2} + bx^{-1/2}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a}{2\sqrt{x}} - \frac{b}{2x^{3/2}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \text{at } x=1, \frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{a}{2} - \frac{b}{2}$$

Given equation of normal at $x=1$ is $y = 2x - 2$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{2} \text{ and } y = 0 \text{ when } x = 1.$$

$$\therefore a - b = -1 \quad \dots(1)$$

$$(1,0) \text{ is on the curve } \Rightarrow a + b = 0 \quad \dots(2)$$

Solving (1) and (2), we have $a = -\frac{1}{2}, b = \frac{1}{2}$.

Question 2

$$\int_2^n \left(2^{-\sqrt{x}} - \frac{1}{2x} \right) dx = 1.1727$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_1^n 2^{-\sqrt{x}} dx - \int_1^2 2^{-\sqrt{x}} dx - \int_2^n \frac{1}{2x} dx = 1.1727$$

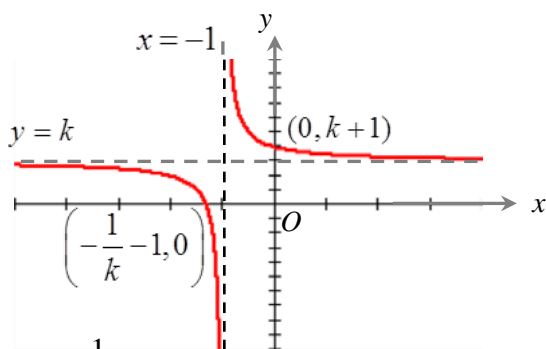
$$\int_1^n 2^{-\sqrt{x}} dx = 2.7551 \text{ and } \Rightarrow 2.7551 - 0.431062 - \frac{1}{2} \ln x \Big|_2^n = 1.1727$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln n - \ln 2 = 2.302676$$

$$\Rightarrow \ln n \approx 2.9958$$

$$\Rightarrow n \approx e^{2.9958} \approx 20.001 = 20 \text{ (nearest integer)}$$

Question 3



$$y = k + \frac{1}{x+1}$$

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = -\frac{1}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$\therefore \text{equation of tangent at } x = p \text{ is } y - \left(k + \frac{1}{p+1} \right) = -\frac{1}{(p+1)^2} (x - p)$$

$$y = -\frac{x - p}{(p+1)^2} + k + \frac{1}{p+1}$$

$$\text{Tangent passes through } (2, 0) \Rightarrow 0 = -\frac{2-p}{(p+1)^2} + k + \frac{1}{p+1}$$

$$-\frac{1}{(p+1)^2}(2-p) + k + \frac{1}{p+1} = 0$$

$$-(2-p) + k(p+1)^2 + (p+1) = 0$$

$$-2 + p + kp^2 + 2kp + k + p + 1 = 0$$

$$kp^2 + (2+2k)p + k - 1 = 0$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{discriminant} &= (2k+2)^2 - 4k(k-1) \\ &= 12k+4 > 0 \text{ for all } k > 0 \end{aligned}$$

Hence, there are 2 distinct values of p .

This implies there will always be 2 tangents to the curve that passes through $(2, 0)$.

Question 4

(i)

$$A_1 = \int_1^e \ln \sqrt{x} \, dx; \quad A_2 = \int_1^e (\ln x - \ln \sqrt{x}) \, dx$$

$$\text{Since } \ln \sqrt{x} = \frac{1}{2} \ln x, \quad A_1 = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^e \ln x \, dx \text{ and}$$

$$A_2 = \int_1^e \left(\ln x - \frac{1}{2} \ln x \right) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^e \ln x \, dx = A_1 \text{ (shown)}$$

(ii)

$$A_3 = \int_0^1 x \, dy$$

$$= \int_0^1 e^y \, dy$$

$$= e^y \Big|_0^1 = e - 1$$

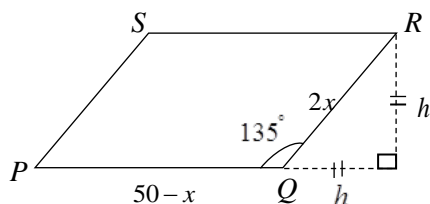
(iii)

$$A_1 + A_2 + A_3 = e \times 1$$

$$2A_1 + e - 1 = e$$

$$\therefore A_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Question 5



$$2h^2 = (2x)^2$$

$$\therefore h = \sqrt{2}x$$

$$A = \text{base} \times \text{height} = (50-x)\sqrt{2}x = \sqrt{2}x(50-x) \text{ (shown)}$$

$$A = \sqrt{2}x(50-x) = \sqrt{2}(50x - x^2) \quad \frac{dA}{dx} = \sqrt{2}(50 - 2x) = 0 \Rightarrow x = 25$$

Sign test on $\frac{dA}{dx}$:

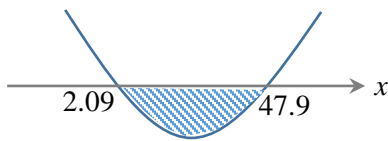
x	25^-	25	25^+
Sign of $\frac{dA}{dx}$	$+$	0	$-$
Slope	\nearrow	---	\searrow

When $x = 25$, $A = 625\sqrt{2}$ is a maximum value.

$$A > 100\sqrt{2} \Rightarrow 50x - x^2 > 100$$

$$x^2 - 50x + 100 < 0$$

From GC, $x^2 - 50x + 100 = 0$ when $x = 2.09$ or 47.9



$$2.09 < x < 47.9$$

The largest value of x is 47.

Section B

Question 6

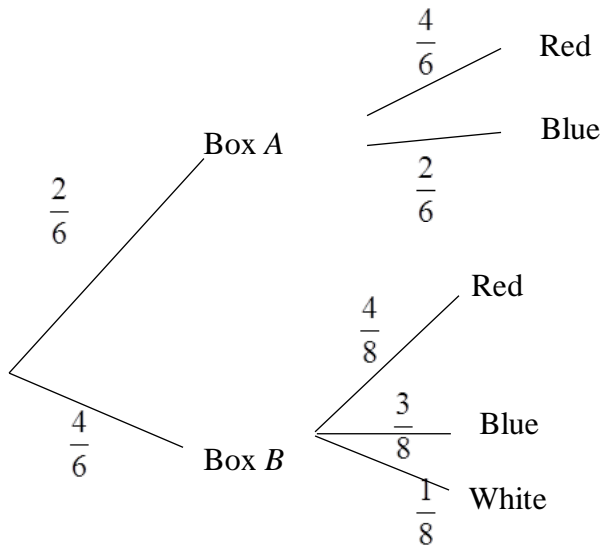
(i) Obtain a list of all the shops in each category in the shopping mall from the directory. Use a random sampling to select from each category a number which is proportional to the number of shops in the category. For example, if there are 60 shops in the fashion category, select 10 fashion shops. A stratified sample of 10 fashion shops can be obtained by using a random number generator to obtain 10 distinct numbers and then select the 10 shops which correspond to the numbers generated. This procedure is repeated for the remaining 3 categories.

(ii) It is difficult to obtain the sampling frame i.e. the number of shoppers in the shopping mall, thus, it would be difficult to use a stratified sampling.

(iii) Quota sampling. The manager would not be able to obtain a random sample as the manager might select shoppers based on his preference. Hence not everyone has an equal chance of being selected.

Question 7

(i) (a)



$$(ii) P(\text{box A} | \text{blue}) = \frac{P(\text{box A} \cap \text{blue})}{P(\text{blue})}$$

$$= \frac{\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)}{\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)\left(\frac{2}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)} = \frac{\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)\left(\frac{2}{6}\right)}{\frac{13}{36}} = \frac{4}{13}$$

$$\text{Required probability} = \left(\frac{2}{6}\right)\left(\frac{4}{6}\right)\left(\frac{3}{5}\right)\left(\frac{2}{4}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)\left(\frac{4}{8}\right)\left(\frac{3}{7}\right)\left(\frac{2}{6}\right) + \left(\frac{4}{6}\right)\left(\frac{3}{8}\right)\left(\frac{2}{7}\right)\left(\frac{1}{6}\right) = \frac{53}{420}$$

Question 8

Let X be the number of spoiled eggs in a carton. $X \sim B(10, p)$.

$$P(X = 0) = 0.48$$

$$\binom{10}{0} p^0 (1-p)^{10} = 0.48$$

$$(1-p)^{10} = 0.48$$

$$p = 0.07076807$$

$$P(X = 1)$$

$$= \binom{10}{1} (0.07076807)^1 (1 - 0.07076807)^9$$

$$\approx 0.365556$$

$$= 0.3656 \text{ (4 d.p.)}$$

$$X \sim B(10, 0.07076807)$$

$$2E(X) = 2(10 \times 0.07076807) = 1.41536$$

$$P(X \geq 1.41536)$$

$$= P(X \geq 2)$$

$$= 1 - P(X \leq 1)$$

$$= 0.1544435$$

$$\text{Required prob} = (0.1544435)^3 = 0.0036839 = 0.00368(3 \text{ s.f.})$$

Let Y be the number of cartons, out of 30, with no spoiled eggs.

$$Y \sim B(30, 0.48)$$

$$np = 14.4 > 5; n(1-p) = 15.6; np(1-p) = 7.488$$

Since $np > 5$ and $n(1-p) > 5$, $Y \sim N(14.4, 7.488)$ approximately.

$$P(20 < Y \leq 25)$$

$$= P(20.5 < Y < 25.5)$$

$$= 0.0128757$$

$$= 0.0129 (3 \text{ s.f.})$$

Question 9

Let $w = x - 3$, then, $\sum w = 45$, $\sum w^2 = 425$ and

$$\text{Unbiased estimate of } \mu \text{ is } \bar{x} = 3 + \bar{w} = 3 + \frac{45}{60} = 3.75$$

$$\text{Unbiased estimate of } \sigma^2 \text{ is } s_x^2 = s_w^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \left[\sum x^2 - \frac{(\sum x)^2}{n} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{59} \left[425 - \frac{(45)^2}{60} \right] = 6.631356 \approx 6.63$$

$$H_0 : \mu = 3$$

$$H_1 : \mu > 3$$

Level of significance: 5%

Test Statistic: Since $n = 60$ is sufficiently large, so s_x^2 is a good estimate of σ^2 and by Central Limit Theorem, \bar{X} is approximately normal.

$$\therefore \bar{X} \sim N\left(3, \frac{s_x^2}{n}\right) \text{ approximately when } H_0 \text{ is true.}$$

$$\therefore Z = \frac{\bar{X} - 3}{s_x / \sqrt{n}} \sim N(0, 1).$$

Rejection region: $z \geq 1.6449$

Computation: $\bar{x} = 3.75$, $n = 60$, $s_x = \sqrt{6.631356}$

$$\therefore z = 2.25598 \approx 2.26$$

$$p\text{-value} = 0.0120358 \approx 0.0120$$

Conclusion: Since $p\text{-value} = 0.0120 < 0.05$, $\therefore H_0$ is rejected at 5% significance level. Hence there is sufficient evidence to conclude that the machine is not working correctly at the 5% significance level.

Yes. The test is valid since $n = 60$ is sufficiently large, by Central Limit Theorem, the sample mean length of a nail (\bar{X}) is approximately normally distributed.

If $\sigma = 0.1$, then when H_0 is true, $\bar{X} \sim N\left(3, \frac{\sigma^2}{n}\right)$

P (presuming machine has gone wrong when in fact it is working correctly) = 0.01

$$\therefore P(\bar{X} > a \text{ when } H_0 \text{ is true}) = 0.01$$

$$\Rightarrow P\left(Z > \frac{a-3}{0.1/\sqrt{n}}\right) = 0.01$$

From GC: $P(Z > 2.32635) = 0.01$

$$\therefore \frac{a-3}{0.1/\sqrt{n}} = 2.32635$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a &= 3 + 2.32635\left(\frac{0.1}{\sqrt{n}}\right) \\ &\approx 3 + \frac{0.233}{\sqrt{n}} \end{aligned}$$

Question 10

Let B kg be the mass of a randomly chosen Butternut pumpkin.

$$B \sim N\left(\mu, \left(\frac{\mu}{8}\right)^2\right)$$

$$P(B \geq 0.9\mu)$$

$$= P\left(Z \geq \frac{0.9\mu - \mu}{\mu/8}\right)$$

$$= P(Z \geq -0.8)$$

$$= 0.7881447$$

$$= 0.788 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

78.8% of the Butternut pumpkins have mass at least 0.9 of the mean mass.

$$B \sim N(0.8, 0.1^2)$$

$$\bar{B} = \frac{B_1 + B_2 + \dots + B_5}{5}$$

$$\bar{B} \sim N\left(0.8, \frac{0.1^2}{5}\right)$$

$$P(\bar{B} \leq 0.9) = 0.987326 = 0.987 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

Let J kg be the mass of a randomly chosen Japanese pumpkin.

$$J \sim N(1, 0.15^2)$$

Cost of one Butternut pumpkin, $X = 2.5B$

$$E(X) = 2.5(0.8) = 2 \quad \text{Var}(X) = 2.5^2(0.1^2) = 0.0625$$

$$X \sim N(2, 0.0625)$$

Cost of one Japanese pumpkin, $Y = 1.67J$

$$E(Y) = 1.67(1) = 1.67$$

$$\text{Var}(Y) = 1.67^2(0.15^2) = 0.06275025$$

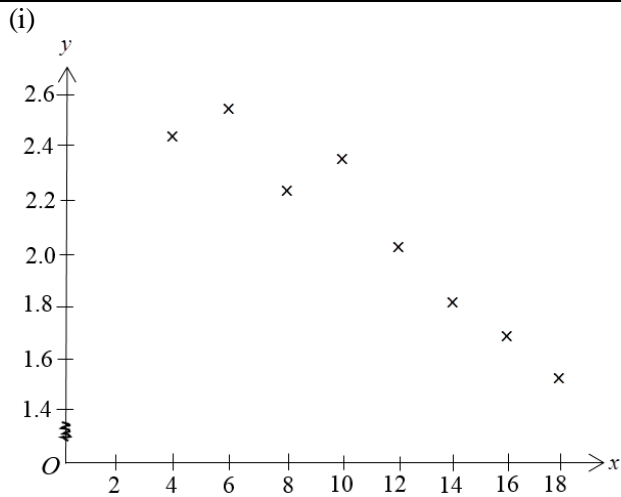
$$Y \sim N(1.67, 0.06275025)$$

$$C = X_1 + X_2 + Y_1 + Y_2 + Y_3 \sim N(9.01, 0.31325075)$$

$$P(8.50 < C < 9.50) = 0.628 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

Assume that the masses of all the pumpkins are independent of one other.

Question 11



(ii) $r = -0.960$ (to 3 s.f.)

Since $r = -0.960$ is close to -1 and the points seem to lie close to a straight line with negative gradient are indications of a strong negative linear relationship between the charge (x) and the average number of vehicles entering the city centre per day (y). This means that as x increases, y tends to decrease at a constant rate.

(iii) Since the values of x are fixed (or controlled), hence x is an independent variable. So the least squares regression lines, y on x should be used.

(iv) The equation of the regression line of y on x is $y = 2.8226 - 0.070238x$ i.e. $y = 2.82 - 0.0702x$ (to 3 s.f.)

(v) When there is no congestion charge i.e. $x = 0$, so the average number of vehicles which will enter the city centre per day is 2820000 (or 2.82 million).

Since $x = 0$ is out of the range of the data $4 \leq x \leq 18$, \therefore 2.82 million does not necessarily give the expected average number of vehicles entering the city centre per day.

(vi) $x = 2 + 2w$

$\therefore r = -0.960$ (same as the product moment correlation coefficient between x and y found in (i)) as the product moment correlation coefficient is unaffected by change of scale and location.