

MOMBASA POLYTECHNIC

UNIVERSITY COLLEGE

PROBABILITY AND STATISTICS 1- SMA 2103

Bachelor of Science in Information Technology
Third Year First Semester

Instructions: Answer any three questions

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1(a) Explain the following terms:

- i. Trial and event
 - ii. Sample space
 - iii. Mutually exclusive events
- mks]**

[6

(b) Two dice are thrown. What is the probability that a double (both dice showing the same score) is obtained.

[6 mks]

(c) A shopkeeper buys a particular kind of light bulb from three manufacturers A_1 , A_2 , and A_3 . She buys 30% of her stock from A_1 , 45% from A_2 and 25% from A_3 . In the past she found that 2% of A_3 's bulbs are faulty whereas only 2% of A_1 's and A_2 's are. Suppose she chose a bulb and finds it faulty, what is the probability that was manufactured by:

- i. A_1
- ii. A_2
- iii. A_3

[11 mks]

2(a) Define a "random variable"
mks]

[3

(b) The number of Persons x , in a Singapore family chosen at random has the following probability distribution.

X	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	
P(x)	0.34	0.44		0.11	0.06	0.02	0.01	0.01	0.01

Find (i) The average family size

(ii) The variance

[14 mks]

c) Explain any three measures of central tendency.
[6marks]

3 (a) Define correlation
[2marks]

(b) The following are the scores of students in paper 1 and paper 2 for a certain subject.

Student	x, marks in paper 1	y, marks in paper 2
A	42	31
B	84	83
C	50	42
D	42	60
E	33	28
F	50	63
G	69	59
H	81	92
I	50	73
J	35	40

Determine the correlation coefficient

[12marks]

Using the method of least squares, derive the normal equations for the equation

$$Y_i = \alpha + \beta x_i + e_i$$

[9marks]

4. (a) Explain any 5 measures of dispersion

[10 marks]

(b) The distribution of goals scored by an amateur football team during two seasons is shown below.

No. of goals	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
No. of times	2	3	8	4	4	3	6	3	2	1

Calculate the means and standard deviation [13marks]

5. The data below was obtained from an experiment to measure the extension of a spring when loaded with different weights.

X; load (newtons)	y; length of spring (cm)
0.1	10.7
0.2	11.3
0.3	12.0
0.4	12.4
0.5	13.0
0.6	13.7
0.7	14.5
0.8	15.1
0.9	15.6
1.0	16.0

a) Calculate the regression line of y on x. [20marks]

b) Predict the load for 0.65N [3marks]