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## BINDURA UNIVERSITY OF SCIENCE EDUCATION DEVELOPMENT STUDIES AND DISASTER MANAGEMENT

DG102: STATISTICS FOR DEVELOPMENT STUDIES

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Time: 3 hours

Candidates may attempt any **THREE** questions. Each question should start on a fresh page.

- 1. (a) In a computer game, the probability that the player hits the target is 0.4 for each attempt and the result of each attempt is independent of all others. Find:
  - i. The probability that he hits the target for the first time on the fourth attempt [6]
  - ii. The mean number of attempts needed to hit the target [2]
  - iii. The standard deviation of the number of attempts
  - iv. The probability that he takes more than seven attempts to hit the target [3]
  - (b) The lengths of metal strips are normally distributed with a mean of 120cm and a standard deviation of 10 cm. find the probability that a strip selected at random has a length:
    - i. Greater than 105cm [3]
    - ii. Within 5cm of the mean [3]

Strips that are shorter than L are rejected. Estimate the value of L, correct to one decimal place, if 9% or all strips are rejected. In a sample of 500 strips, estimate the number having a length over 126cm.

2. The price \$x of a certain cassette recorder is increased by \$2 every six months. The number of recorders sold during the six months before the next increase is y thousand. The values covering the eight consecutive periods are shown in the table.

X	40	42	44	46	48	50	52	54
у	12.8	11.6	11.3	10.3	48 10.7	9.1	8.9	9.2

(a) Plot a scatter diagram for the data.

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- (b) Obtain the regression line of yonx giving values of a and b correct to 3sf. plot this on your scatter diagram. [8]
- (c) Calculate the product moment coefficient of correlation and interpret it. [8]
- (d) Estimate the number of recorders sold when the price is \$58 [2]
- 3. In a survey 50 oranges were noted and recorded in the following table. Each value was given to the nearest gram.

- (a) Construct a frequency distribution table using equal class intervals of width 5g and taking the first interval as 85-89. [5]
- (b) Draw a histogram to illustrate the data and write down the modal class. [10]
- (c) Draw a stem plot to illustrate to illustrate the data and write down the modal class. [4]
- (d) Calculate the mean, variance and standard deviation. [2,2,2]
- 4. (a) A continuous random variable X has a probability density function f given by:

$$f(x) = kx^2 \ 0 \le x \le 4$$

i. Find the value of k, and sketch y = f(x)

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ii. Calculate the mean and variance of X

[5]

iii. c) Find P(1 < X < 2)

- [3]
- (b) In an investigation into eye color and left- or right handedness the following results were obtained:

		Handedness		
		Left	Left	
Eye Color	Blue	15	85	
	Brown	20	80	

Is there evidence, at 5% level, of an association between eye color and left or right handedness? [12]

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