



# KINGSWAY CHRISTIAN COLLEGE

## MATHS DEPARTMENT

**Course:** Mathematics Methods Year 12

**Assessment Task:** Test 6 – Probability Distributions (Continuous)

**Student Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Date:** 24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> August 2017

**Assessment Score:** \_\_\_\_\_ / 70

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**METHODS YEAR 12                      Test 6 2017**

**Probability Density Functions**

**Resource Free**

**Time: 35 minutes**

**Marks:     / 35**

**Formula sheet provided but no extra notes or calculators allowed for this section.**

For any question or part question worth more than two marks, valid working or justification is required to receive full marks.

**Question 1**

**[4 marks]**

On a recent test, Bianca scored 70% and her standard score was 1. Riley sat the same test and her standard score was -0.5 when she scored 55%.

Calculate the mean and standard deviation for these test results.

**Question 2** [2, 3, 2, 2, 2 = 11 marks]

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The heights of fairy penguins in a particular geographic location are normally distributed with a mean height of 32 cm and a standard deviation of 1.5 cm.

Use the 68%, 95% and 99.7% rule to calculate each of the following.

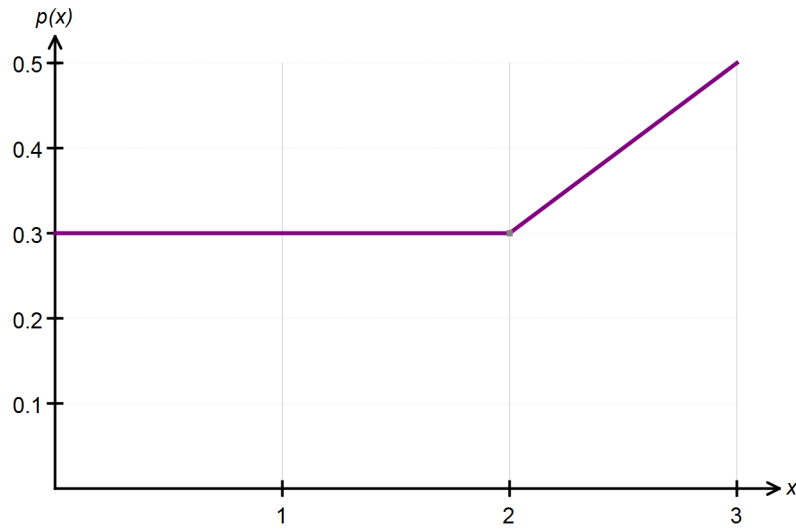
- (a) Determine the probability that a randomly selected fairy penguin is taller than 30.5 cm.
- (b) Determine the probability of a randomly selected fairy penguin being shorter than 30.5 cm if it is known that they are in the 0.5 quantile.
- (c) In a sample of 2000 penguins, how many would you expect to be taller than 35cm?
- (d) What is the maximum height of the shortest 2.5% of penguins in this location?

- (e) In a different geographic location the mean height of the fairy penguins found there is 33 cm. If 97.5% of the penguins are shorter than 35cm, and their heights are also normally distributed, what is the standard deviation for this population?

### Question 3

[3, 5 = 8 marks]

Consider the probability density function drawn below:



- (a) Confirm, with appropriate calculations, that this above graph represents a probability density function.
- (b) State the piecewise function that defines this continuous random variable.

**Question 4****[4, 4, 4 = 12 marks]**

Determine the value(s) of  $k$  which make each of the following functions a probability density function.

(a) 
$$h(x) = \begin{cases} kx + 2 & ; 1 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(b) 
$$f(x) = \begin{cases} k(1 - x^2) & ; -1 < x < 1 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

(c) 
$$h(x) = \begin{cases} k\sqrt{x} & ; 0 < x \leq 9 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

**END OF RESOURCE FREE SECTION**

**METHODS YEAR 12    Test 6 2017    Name: \_\_\_\_\_**  
**Probability Density Functions: Continuous Distributions**

**Resource Assumed**

**Time: 40 minutes**

**Marks:     / 35**

**CAS calculator allowed for this section.**

For any question or part question worth more than two marks, valid working or justification is required to receive full marks.

**Question 1**

**[2, 2, 2, 1 = 7 marks]**

A random variable  $X$  is normally distributed with a mean of 40 cm and a standard deviation of 3 cm.

(a) Calculate the value of  $x$  associated with a standardised score of  $\frac{2}{3}$ .

(b) Determine the value of the 85<sup>th</sup> percentile.

(c) Calculate  $P(X < 45 \mid X > 38)$ .

(d) Determine  $k$  for  $P(X > k) = 0.8$ .



**Question 2****[4 marks]**

Given that  $X \sim N(\mu; \sigma^2)$ , find  $\mu$  and  $\sigma$  if:

$$P(X \geq 35) = 0.1817 \text{ and } P(X < 40) = 0.9655$$

**Question 3****[3 marks]**

In a state spelling competition, results were normally distributed with a mean of 58% and a standard deviation of 14%.

Participants who scored between 85% and 95% received a certificate of distinction. In the state, 103 participants were awarded a certificate of distinction.

How many students participated?

**Question 4****[3, 2, 2, 3 = 10 marks]**

A new battery in an electric car has a charge that can last on average for 150 km of travel with a standard deviation of 21 km. Testing is underway to evaluate the performance of these batteries.

- (a) Determine the probability that a randomly selected battery:
  - (i) Can be used for at least 140 km before it needs to be charged.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  - (ii) Can be used for more than 165 km if it is known that it can be used for at most 180 km.
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (b) The worst performing 3% of batteries will be studied for their deficiencies. What is the maximum distance one of these batteries can be used for?
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
  
- (c) In a sample of 250 batteries, how many would you expect to be in the 0.85 quantile?

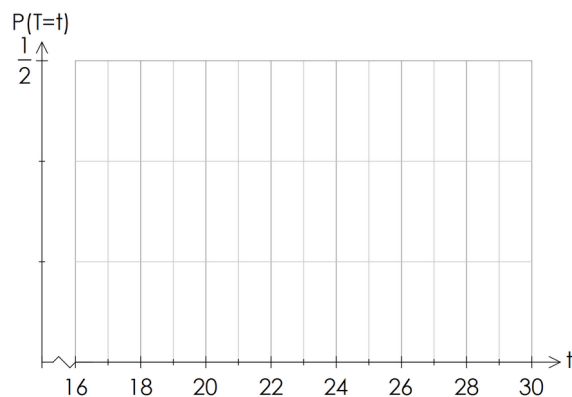
- (d) To improve the consistency of the battery performance, a team of engineers decide that at most 0.27% of batteries should last less than 100 km. Calculate the value of the new standard deviation for this normal distribution if the mean remains the same.

### Question 5

[2, 2, 2, 2, 3 = 11 marks]

According to the Apple support site, the time taken to download a 2 hour movie using an ADSL2+ Broadband connection is uniformly between 18 and 24 minutes. Let  $T$  be the time taken to download one 2 hour movie from the Apple store.

- (a) Sketch the probability distribution function for  $T$ .



- (b) Calculate the mean time taken to download a movie.

- (c) 75% of the time it takes less than  $k$  minutes to download a movie. Calculate the value of  $k$ .
- (d) Calculate  $P(T > 20 | T < 23)$
- (e) This week, Dom has downloaded one movie each day. Determine the probability that exactly three of them took more than 22 minutes to download.

**END OF RESOURCE ASSUMED SECTION**