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**WINTER EXAMINATIONS 2018/2019**

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**DATA VISUALISATION [SPEC9995]**

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DATE & TIME TBA

ONE HOUR AND THIRTY MINUTES

ANSWER ALL OF THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS

1. (a) List **two** of the main classifications of *visualisation*. Give a description of each. (20 marks)
- (b) Describe the stages of Ben Fry's *process of visualisation*. (15 marks)
- (c) For each of the following plot types, describe **one** situation where each plot would be appropriate over the others. (15 marks)
- (i) Histogram
  - (ii) Bar chart
  - (iii) Pie Chart
2. (a) *Map projections* are used to visualise geospatial data. Describe and compare **two** different projection systems. (15 marks)
- (b) In relation to encoding, what are "*distinct values*" and how should they be used? Provide examples to support your answer. (20 marks)
- (c) List the most appropriate charts to visualise patterns over time with the following data: (15 marks)
- (i) Discrete points in time
  - (ii) Continuous points in time
  - (iii) Multiple dimensions
- Use examples to illustrate your selection.