

**Semester One 2024  
Examination Period**

**Faculty of Business & Economics**

**UNIT CODES:** ETC0000  
**TITLE OF PAPER:** Advanced Bean Counting  
**EXAM DURATION:** 2 hours 10 minutes

**AUTHORISED MATERIALS**

This is a closed book exam, with the following permitted items.

- A physical calculator of any type or Virtual Calculator:
  - Inbuilt Mac/Windows calculator
  - Website <https://www.educalc.net/2336211.page>
  - 10bii Financial Calculator for Mac by K2 Cashflow,  
<https://apps.apple.com/au/app/10bii-financial-calculator/id473144920>
- 5 blank pages for use as working sheets
- 2 pre-printed answer sheets

**RULES**

During your eExam, you must not have in your possession any item/material that has not been authorised for your exam. This includes books, notes, paper, electronic device/s, smart watch/device, or writing on any part of your body. Authorised items are listed above. Items/materials on your device, desk, chair, in your clothing or otherwise on your person will be deemed to be in your possession. Mobile phones must be switched off and placed face-down on your desk during your exam attempt.

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You must comply with any instructions given to you by Monash exam staff.

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The exam contains FIVE questions. ALL questions must be answered. The exam is worth 100 marks in total.

## SECTION A

Show that the following expression is the MLE for the variance assuming a Gaussian distribution.

$$\hat{\sigma}^2 = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - \bar{x})^2$$

20 marks

Total: 20 marks

## SECTION B

Second question.

(a) Part a.

4 marks

(b) More stuff.

10 marks

(c) Final part.

6 marks

**Total: 20 marks**