

Chai packs china mugs into cardboard boxes. Chai's manager suspects that breakages occur at random times and that the number of breakages may follow a Poisson distribution. He takes a small sample of observations and finds that the number of breakages in a one-hour period has a mean of 2.4 and a standard deviation of 1.5.

- (a) Explain how this information tends to support the manager's suspicion. [2]

The manager now takes a larger sample and claims that the numbers of breakages in a one-hour period follow a Poisson distribution. The numbers of breakages in a random sample of 180 one-hour periods are summarised in the following table.

Number of breakages	0	1	2	3	4	5	6	7 or more
Frequency	21	33	46	31	23	16	10	0

The mean number of breakages calculated from this sample is 2.5.

- (b) Use the data from this larger sample to carry out a goodness of fit test, at the 10% significance level, to test the claim. [8]