

**Curtin University**  
**MATH1019 Linear Algebra and Statistics for Engineers**

Mid-Semester Test, S2 2019; Time Allowed: **1 Hour + 5 minutes** reading time

This paper contains 8 pages (including this cover sheet), 5 questions, worth a total of 45 marks

*Write your answers in the spaces provided. Write your name and student number on this cover sheet. If pages become separated write your name on all separated sheets. A blank page is attached should you require additional space, however if you need more paper than this, please ask.*

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**Question 1.**

- (a) A set of five positive whole numbers: a, b, c, d, e has the following statistical measures: Mean = 31, Median = 33, Mode = 34, Range = 8. Use the given data to determine the values of a, b, c, d and e. (Hint: you may assume the data are in ascending order) (5 marks)

- (b) The following data represent bone densities of ten individuals:

611	621	614	593	593	653	600	554	603	569
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- (i) Obtain the five-number summary for the above data. (4 marks)
- (ii) Are there any outliers? Justify your answer. (3 marks)
- (iii) Sketch a boxplot of the above data, indicating any outliers. (3 marks)

**Question 2.** A process has been set up to manufacture polypropylene capacitors with a 25 micro-Farad capacitance. The process mean is 25.08 and the standard deviation is 0.98. The capacitors are to be marketed with a tolerance of  $\pm 10\%$ . Assume that capacitances are normally distributed.

- (a) Calculate the proportion of production, in parts per million (ppm), that will lie outside the tolerance range. (4 marks)
- (b) Suppose now that the process mean is 25.00. What does the standard deviation need to be reduced to for only 5000 ppm to be outside the tolerance interval? (4 marks)

**Question 3.** In a particular game involving eight-sided dice, three fair eight-sided dice are rolled after the player has placed a bet on the occurrence of a particular face of the dice. For every \$1 bet that you place: you can lose the \$1 if none of the three dice shows the face; you can win \$1 if one die shows the face; you can win \$2 if two of the dice show the face; or you can win \$3 if three dice show the face.

- (a) Form and identify the probability distribution function representing the different monetary values (winnings or losses) that are possible from one roll of the three dice. (4 marks)
- (b) What is the player's expected long-run profit (or loss) from a \$1 bet? (2 marks)

**Question 4.** The friction between a vehicle's tyres and a bitumen road is due to the aggregate that is bound with the tar. A good crushed stone for use as aggregate will maintain frictional forces despite the polishing action of tyres. Samples of aggregate from a large road building project were sent to four independent laboratories for friction test readings (FTR). The FTR were:

62.15, 53.50, 55.00, 61.50

- (a) Calculate a 95% confidence interval for the mean FTR  $\mu$  of the notional population of all such aggregate samples. (6 marks)
- (b) What assumptions were required in order for you to be able to calculate the confidence interval above? (2 marks)
- (c) In general, what is the interpretation of a 95% confidence interval? (2 marks)

**Question 5.** An inductor is manufactured to a specified inductance of 470 microhenrys. A customer tests a sample of 20 inductors and finds the sample mean and standard deviation are 465.8 and 8.7, respectively. If we assume the sample is a simple random sample from production is there evidence that the required specification is not met? To answer this question set up and conduct a hypothesis test at the 5% level of significance, stating the hypotheses, test statistic,  $p$ -value or critical region, and your conclusion.

(6 marks)

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