

OCR Additional Maths Exam Questions - Binomial Distribution

- 13** In a supermarket chain there are a large number of employees, of whom 40% are male.
- (a) One employee is chosen to undergo training.  
What assumption is made if 0.4 is taken to be the probability that this employee is male? [1]
- (b) 6 employees are chosen at random to undergo training.
- (i) Show that  $P(\text{all 6 chosen are female}) = 0.0467$ , correct to 4 decimal places. [2]
- Find the probability that
- (ii) 3 are male and 3 are female, [4]
- (iii) there are more females than males chosen. [5]
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- 4** In a game 4 fair dice are thrown.
- Calculate the probability that
- (i) no six is thrown, [2]
- (ii) at least 2 sixes are thrown. [4]
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- 11** Eggs are delivered to a supermarket in boxes of 6.  
For each egg, the probability that it is cracked is 0.05 independently of other eggs.
- Find the probability that
- (i) in one box there are no cracked eggs, [2]
- (ii) in one box there is exactly 1 cracked egg. [4]
- The manager checks the eggs as follows.
- He takes a box at random from the delivery.
  - He accepts the whole delivery if this box contains no cracked eggs.
  - He rejects the whole delivery if the box contains 2 or more cracked eggs.
  - If the box contains 1 cracked egg then he chooses another box at random.
  - He accepts the delivery only if this second box contains no cracked eggs.
- (iii) Find the probability that the delivery is rejected. [6]
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- 2** A die has 6 faces numbered one to six. The die is biased so that when it is thrown the probability of obtaining a six is  $\frac{1}{5}$ .
- The die is thrown 5 times.
- Find the probability of obtaining
- (i) at least 1 six, [2]
- (ii) exactly 3 sixes. [4]

- 6 Amanda throws 3 fair dice. What is the probability that
- (i) exactly 2 sixes are thrown, [3]
- (ii) at least 1 six is thrown? [3]
- 14 Mugs are packed in boxes of 10. On average, 5% of the mugs are imperfect. A box of mugs is classified as “unsatisfactory” if it contains two or more imperfect mugs.
- (i) State two conditions that must be satisfied for the number of imperfect mugs in a box to have a binomial distribution. [2]
- (ii) Assuming that these two conditions are satisfied, calculate the probability that a box chosen at random is “unsatisfactory”. [6]
- A shop receives a delivery of a large number of boxes of mugs. The delivery is checked as follows.
- A box is chosen at random.
- If there are no imperfect mugs in the box then the whole delivery is accepted.
  - If the box is “unsatisfactory” then the whole delivery is rejected.
  - If there is exactly one imperfect mug in the box then a second box is chosen at random. The delivery is accepted only if this box contains no imperfect mugs.
- (iii) Calculate the probability that the delivery is accepted. [4]
- 12 A distributor of flower bulbs has a large number of tulip bulbs and daffodil bulbs, mixed in the ratio 1 : 3 respectively. He packs the bulbs in boxes. He puts 10 bulbs, chosen at random, into each box.
- (a) Find the probability that a box, chosen at random, contains
- (i) exactly 4 daffodil bulbs, [4]
- (ii) at least 1 tulip bulb. [3]
- (b) Two boxes of bulbs are chosen at random.
- Find the probability that there is a total of 3 tulip bulbs in the two boxes. [5]
- 5 In a large batch of glasses, 14% are defective. From this batch 8 glasses are selected at random. Calculate which is more likely:
- (A) none of the glasses is defective,
- (B) at least two of the glasses are defective. [7]

**11** It is known that 65% of all people living in the UK went abroad for a holiday last year.

A random sample of 5 people living in the UK was chosen.

Find the probability that

(i) all 5 went abroad for a holiday last year, [1]

(ii) exactly 4 went abroad for a holiday last year, [3]

(iii) at least 2 went abroad for a holiday last year. [4]

An additional random sample of 5 people living in the UK was chosen.

(iv) Find the probability that in the 10 people chosen altogether, exactly 8 went abroad for a holiday last year. [4]

**12** The work-force of a large company is made up of males and females in the ratio 9 : 11. One third of the male employees work part-time and one half of the female employees work part-time.

8 employees are chosen at random.

Find the probability that

(i) all are males, [2]

(ii) exactly 5 are females, [4]

(iii) at least 2 work part-time. [6]

**4** Glass marbles are produced in two colours, red and green, in the proportion 7 : 3 respectively. From a large stock of the marbles, 5 are taken at random.

Find the probability that

(i) all 5 are red, [2]

(ii) exactly 3 are red. [3]