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## Mark scheme instructions to examiners

## General

The mark scheme for each question shows:

- the marks available for each part of the question
- the total marks available for the question
- marking instructions that indicate when marks should be awarded or withheld including the principle on which each mark is awarded. Information is included to help the examiner make his or her judgement and to delineate what is creditworthy from that not worthy of credit
- a typical solution. This response is one we expect to see frequently. However credit must be given on the basis of the marking instructions.

If a student uses a method which is not explicitly covered by the marking instructions the same principles of marking should be applied. Credit should be given to any valid methods. Examiners should seek advice from their senior examiner if in any doubt.

## Key to mark types

| $M$ | mark is for method |
| :--- | :--- |
| $R$ | mark is for reasoning |
| A | mark is dependent on M marks and is for accuracy |
| B | mark is independent of M marks and is for method and accuracy |
| E | mark is for explanation |
| F | follow through from previous incorrect result |

## Key to mark scheme abbreviations

| CAO | correct answer only |
| :--- | :--- |
| CSO | correct solution only |
| ft | follow through from previous incorrect result |
| 'their' | indicates that credit can be given from previous incorrect result |
| AWFW | anything which falls within |
| AWRT | anything which rounds to |
| ACF | any correct form |
| AG | answer given |
| SC | special case |
| OE | or equivalent |
| NMS | no method shown |
| PI | possibly implied |
| sf | significant figure(s) |
| dp | decimal place(s) |

Examiners should consistently apply the following general marking principles

## No Method Shown

Where the question specifically requires a particular method to be used, we must usually see evidence of use of this method for any marks to be awarded.

Where the answer can be reasonably obtained without showing working and it is very unlikely that the correct answer can be obtained by using an incorrect method, we must award full marks. However, the obvious penalty to candidates showing no working is that incorrect answers, however close, earn no marks.

Where a question asks the candidate to state or write down a result, no method need be shown for full marks.

Where the permitted calculator has functions which reasonably allow the solution of the question directly, the correct answer without working earns full marks, unless it is given to less than the degree of accuracy accepted in the mark scheme, when it gains no marks.

Otherwise we require evidence of a correct method for any marks to be awarded.

## Diagrams

Diagrams that have working on them should be treated like normal responses. If a diagram has been written on but the correct response is within the answer space, the work within the answer space should be marked. Working on diagrams that contradicts work within the answer space is not to be considered as choice but as working, and is not, therefore, penalised.

## Work erased or crossed out

Erased or crossed out work that is still legible and has not been replaced should be marked. Erased or crossed out work that has been replaced can be ignored.

## Choice

When a choice of answers and/or methods is given and the student has not clearly indicated which answer they want to be marked, mark positively, awarding marks for all of the student's best attempts. Withhold marks for final accuracy and conclusions if there are conflicting complete answers or when an incorrect solution (or part thereof) is referred to in the final answer.

## AS/A-level Maths/Further Maths assessment objectives

| AO |  | Description |
| :--- | :--- | :--- |
| AO1 | AO1.1a | Select routine procedures |
|  | AO1.1b | Correctly carry out routine procedures |
|  | AO1.2 | Accurately recall facts, terminology and definitions |
|  | AO2.1 | Construct rigorous mathematical arguments (including proofs) |
|  | AO2.2a | Make deductions |
|  | AO2.2b | Make inferences |
|  | AO2.3 | Assess the validity of mathematical arguments |
|  | AO2.4 | Explain their reasoning |
| AO2.5 | Use mathematical language and notation correctly |  |
|  | AO3.1a | Translate problems in mathematical contexts into mathematical processes |
|  | AO3.1b | Translate problems in non-mathematical contexts into mathematical processes |
|  | AO3.2a | Interpret solutions to problems in their original context |
|  | AO3.2b | Where appropriate, evaluate the accuracy and limitations of solutions to problems |
|  | AO3.3 | Translate situations in context into mathematical models |
|  | AO3.4 | Use mathematical models |
|  | AO3.5a | Evaluate the outcomes of modelling in context |
|  | AO3.5b | Recognise the limitations of models |
|  | AO3.5c | Where appropriate, explain how to refine models |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| $\mathbf{1}$ | Ticks correct answer | 1.1b | B1 | The first activity in a critical path <br> has an earliest start time of zero |
|  | Total |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |


| $\mathbf{Q}$ | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| $\mathbf{2}$ | Circles correct answer | 1.1 b | B1 | 56 |
|  |  | Total |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3(a)(i) | Sets up a model of finding a maximum spanning tree by listing at least 4 correct labelled arcs | 3.3 | M1 | Using Prim's algorithm: $X-B: 3.0$ <br> B-C: 3.5 <br> B-E: 3.0 <br> E-G: 4.5 |
|  | Uses their model to find the correct 8 arcs of the maximum spanning tree | 3.4 | A1 | $\begin{aligned} & G-H: 5.5 \\ & D-E: 4.0 \\ & A-D: 3.0 \\ & C-F: 2.5 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Total |  | 2 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 3(a)(ii) | Finds the total of the weights of the 8 arcs from their model | 3.1b | M1 | $\begin{aligned} & 3.0+3.5+3.0+4.5+5.5+4.0+ \\ & 3.0+2.5 \\ & =29 \text { tonnes } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Finds the correct estimate for the maximum amount of precious metal with units from their model | 3.2a | A1F |  |
|  | Total |  | 2 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| 3(b) | Explains that the values used in <br> calculating (a)(ii) are estimates | 2.4 | E1 | The values used to arrive at 29 <br> tonnes are estimates, so 29 tonnes <br> is an estimate for the maximum <br> amount of precious metal |
|  | Infers that the true maximum <br> value may be more or less than <br> the estimate | 2.2 b | E1 | The true value may be more than <br> or less than 29 tonnes |
|  | Total |  | $\mathbf{2}$ |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| 3(c) | Evaluates the removal of $C F$ <br> from their model | 3.5 a | M1 | CF is part of the spanning tree that <br> maximises the estimate for the <br> amount of precious metal that can <br> be excavated. Either EF or HF will <br> need excavating instead as they <br> both have a weight of 3.0 |
|  | Determines that the estimate for <br> the maximum amount of <br> precious metal will decrease by <br> 0.5 tonnes to 28.5 tonnes <br> CAO <br> Condone omission of units | 1.1 b | A1 | This will reduce the estimate for the <br> maximum amount of precious <br> metal by 0.5 tonnes to 28.5 tonnes. |


| Question total |
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| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| 4(a) | Finds the correct Hamiltonian cycle starting at the depot using the nearest neighbour algorithm Condone omission of $B-O$ | 3.1a | M1 | $\begin{aligned} & O-F-D-E-C-A-B-O \\ & (10+6+6+13+7+13+12) \\ & =67 \text { miles } \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Finds the correct total distance PI | 1.1b | A1 |  |
|  | Finds the correct total time, in minutes or hours, using their total distance | 1.1b | A1F | Time taken to drive this distance $=(67 / 40) \times 60=100.5$ minutes <br> Time taken to complete all 6 biofuel deliveries $=6 \times 30=180 \text { minutes }$ <br> Therefore an upper bound for $T$ is $\begin{aligned} & 100.5+180 \\ & =280.5 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Finds the time taken, in minutes or hours, to complete all 6 biofuel deliveries PI | 1.1a | M1 |  |
|  | Finds correctly the upper bound on $T$ <br> CAO | 3.2a | A1 |  |
|  | Total |  | 5 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| 4(b) | Explains that CE was part of the Hamiltonian cycle and that $A$ is now the nearest neighbour to $E$, so $A E$ should be used instead | 2.4 | M1 | As $C E$ cannot be used, $A E$ and then $A C$ must be used instead. This makes a new Hamiltonian cycle of $\begin{aligned} & O-F-D-E-A-C-B-O \\ & (10+6+6+14+7+8+12) \\ & =63 \text { miles } \end{aligned}$ <br> This reduces the upper bound on $T$ by 6 to 274.5 |
|  | Deduces correctly that the upper bound on $T$ reduces by 6 or reduces to 274.5 | 2.2a | A1 |  |
|  | Total |  | 2 |  |


|  | Question total | 7 |  |
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| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| 5(a) | States correctly at least three of the names of the group conditions or Describes correctly at least one group condition | 1.1b | B1 | For a set of elements to form a group under a binary operation: <br> Closure <br> For all elements $a \& b$ in $S, a * b$ is also in $S$ <br> Identity <br> There exists an element $e$ in $S$ such that $e * a=a=a * e$ for all elements $a$ in $S$ <br> Inverse <br> For all elements $a$ in $S$, there exists an element $b$ in $S$ such that $a * b=e=b * a$ <br> Associativity <br> For any three elements $a, b \& c$ in $S,(a * b) * c=a *(b * c)$ |
|  | Describes correctly at least two group conditions | 1.1b | B1 |  |
|  | Describes correctly all four group conditions and no others | 1.1b | B1 |  |
|  | Total |  | 3 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(b)(i) | Explains correctly that $G$ is an <br> abelian group because <br> multiplication modulo $n$ is a <br> commutative binary operation | 2.4 | E1 | $G$ is abelian as multiplication <br> modulo $n$ is a commutative binary <br> operation |
|  | Total |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(b)(ii) | Finds and simplifies $10^{2}$ and $10^{3}$ modulo 13 (condone lack of modulo notation) | 1.1a | M1 | $\begin{aligned} & 10^{1} \equiv 10(\bmod 13) \\ & 10^{2} \equiv 9(\bmod 13) \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Finds correctly the order of $G$ | 1.1b | A1 | $\begin{aligned} 10^{4} & \equiv 3(\bmod 13) \\ 10^{5} & \equiv 4(\bmod 13) \\ 10^{6} & \equiv 1(\bmod 13) \end{aligned}$ <br> Hence, the order of $G$ is 6 |
|  | Total |  | 2 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(c) | States that 1 is the identity element of $G$ | 1.1b | B1 | 1 is the identity of $G$ <br> To show this, let $g$ be an element of $G$. Then $1 \times_{13} g=g \quad \text { and } \quad g \times_{13} 1=g$ <br> Hence, as both products return the element $g$, then 1 is the identity of G |
|  | Reasons that any element of $G$ multiplied by 1 remains unchanged (either leftmultiplication or rightmultiplication) <br> or <br> Shows that each element of $G$ when multiplied by 1 (either leftmultiplication or rightmultiplication) remains unchanged | 1.1a | M1 |  |
|  | Completes a rigorous mathematical proof, including an argument based upon the commutativity of multiplication modulo 13, the abelian property of $G$ or both left- and rightmultiplication, and a concluding statement | 2.1 | R1 |  |
|  | Total |  | 3 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 5(d) | Finds at least one proper, non-trivial subgroup of $G$ Condone poor notation | 1.1b | B1 | $\left(\langle 9\rangle, x_{13}\right)$ |
|  | Finds both proper, non-trivial subgroups of $G$ and no other subgroups. | 1.1b | B1 | $\left(\langle 12\rangle, x_{13}\right)$ |
|  | Total |  | 2 |  |
|  | Question total |  | 11 |  |



| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
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| $\mathbf{6 ( b )}$ | Explains that $K_{6}$ contains a <br> subgraph which is $K_{5}$ <br> or <br> Explains that $K_{6}$ contains a <br> subgraph which is $K_{3,3}$ | 2.4 | E1 | $K_{6}$ has a subgraph which is $K_{5}$ <br> Kuratowski's theorem states that a <br> graph which contains a subgraph <br> that is a subdivision of $K_{5}$ or $K_{3,3}$ <br> is not planar |
|  | Completes a rigorous <br> mathematical proof, including <br> reference to Kuratowski's <br> theorem | 2.1 | R 1 | Hence, $K_{6}$ is not planar |


|  | Question total | $\mathbf{8}$ |  |
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| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks |  | cal solution |
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| 7(a) | Translates the information in the pay-off matrix into at least one correct expression involving the three probability variables | 3.1a | M1 | There are no dominated strategies$\left\{\begin{array}{l} 3 p_{1}+2 p_{2}+6 p_{3} \geq v \\ p_{1}+3 p_{2}+2 p_{3} \geq v \end{array}\right.$ |  |
|  | Finds all three correct inequalities involving the three probability variables and the value of the game | 1.1b | A1 | $\left\{\begin{array}{l} 4 p_{1}+2 p_{2}+p_{3} \geq v \\ p_{1}+p_{2}+p_{3} \leq 1 \end{array}\right.$ |  |
|  | Writes down the correct condition for the sum of the probability variables | 1.1b | B1 | Maximise <br> Subject to | $P=v$$\begin{aligned} & 3 p_{1}+2 p_{2}+6 p_{3} \geq v \\ & p_{1}+3 p_{2}+2 p_{3} \geq v \\ & 4 p_{1}+2 p_{2}+p_{3} \geq v \\ & p_{1}+p_{2}+p_{3} \leq 1 \\ & p_{1}, p_{2}, p_{3} \geq 0 \end{aligned}$ |
|  | Formulates the situation as a linear programming problem, including use of the words 'maximise' and 'subject to', and the inclusion of the nonnegativity conditions | 1.1b | A1 |  |  |
|  | Total |  | 4 |  |  |


| Q | Marking instructions |  |  |  | AO | Marks |  | Typical solution |  |  |
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| 7(b)(i) | Translates their linear programming problem by introducing four slack variables in the column headings |  |  |  | 3.1a |  | M1 |  |  |  |
|  | Finds two correct rows |  |  |  | 1.1b |  | A1 |  |  |  |
|  | Finds all correct rows |  |  |  | 1.1b | A1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | P | $v$ | $p_{1}$ | $p_{2}$ | $p_{3}$ | $S_{1}$ | $S_{2}$ | $S_{3}$ | $S_{4}$ | value |
|  | 1 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | -3 | -2 | -6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | -1 | -3 | -2 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | -4 | -2 | -1 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|  |  |  |  | Tot |  |  | 3 |  |  |  |


| Q | Marking instructions |  |  |  | AO | Marks |  | Typical solution |  |  |
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| 7(b)(ii) | Uses the simplex algorithm to modify at least one non-pivot row correctly |  |  |  | 3.1a |  | M1 |  |  |  |
|  | Uses the simplex algorithm to find at least three rows correctly |  |  |  | 1.1b | A1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | Uses the simplex algorithm to find all rows correctly |  |  |  | 1.1b | A1 |  |  |  |  |
|  | $P$ | $v$ | $p_{1}$ | $p_{2}$ | $p_{3}$ | $S_{1}$ | $S_{2}$ | $S_{3}$ | $S_{4}$ | value |
|  | 1 | 0 | -3 | -2 | -6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 1 | -3 | -2 | -6 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 2 | -1 | 4 | -1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | -1 | 0 | 5 | -1 | 0 | 1 | 0 | 0 |
|  | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 | 1 | 0 | 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
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| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7(c)(i) | Interprets the final simplex tableau to find the optimal mixed strategy for Avon | 3.2a | B1 | The optimal mixed strategy for Avon is to play: strategy $\mathrm{A}_{1}$ with probability 0.25 , strategy $\mathrm{A}_{2}$ with probability 0.70 , and strategy $A_{3}$ with probability 0.05 |
|  | Total |  | 1 |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :--- | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7(c)(ii) | Deduces the value of the game <br> for Avon | 2.2 a | B1 | The value of the game for Avon is <br> $3 \times 0.25+2 \times 0.70+6 \times 0.05=2.45$ |
|  | Total |  | $\mathbf{1}$ |  |


| Q | Marking instructions | AO | Marks | Typical solution |
| :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: | :---: |
| 7(d) | Explains correctly that Avon should play $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{2}}$ each time | 2.4 | E1 | To improve their outcome, Avon should play $\mathbf{A}_{\mathbf{2}}$ each time <br> Under these conditions, Avon's maximum expected pay-off will be 3 |
|  | Determines correctly that Avon's maximum expected pay-off will be 3 | 3.2a | E1 |  |
| Total |  |  | 2 |  |
| Question total |  |  | 14 |  |
| Paper total |  |  | 50 |  |


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