

GCE Examinations  
Advanced Subsidiary / Advanced Level  
**Decision Mathematics**  
**Module D2**

Paper C

## **MARKING GUIDE**

This guide is intended to be as helpful as possible to teachers by providing concise solutions and indicating how marks should be awarded. There are obviously alternative methods that would also gain full marks.

Method marks (M) are awarded for knowing and using a method.

Accuracy marks (A) can only be awarded when a correct method has been used.

(B) marks are independent of method marks.



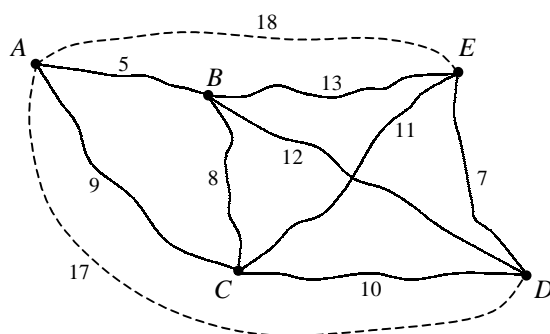
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## D2 Paper C – Marking Guide

1. (a)

add  $AD - 17, AE - 18$ 

M1 A1

(b)  $AB (5), BC (8), CD (10), DE (7), EA (18)$   
tour:  $ABCDEA$ 

M1

upper bound =  $5 + 8 + 10 + 7 + 18 = 48$  miles

A1

(c) actual tour is  $ABCDEBA$  as  $EA$  is not in original network

M1 A1 (6)

2. (a) adding 4 to all entries to make them positive gives

M1

|          |     |          |    |     |
|----------|-----|----------|----|-----|
|          |     | <i>B</i> |    |     |
|          |     | I        | II | III |
| <i>A</i> | I   | 3        | 8  | 1   |
|          | II  | 1        | 11 | 5   |
|          | III | 9        | 2  | 3   |

new value of game  $v = V + 4$ 

A1

(b) let  $B$  play strategies I, II and III with proportions  $p_1, p_2$  and  $p_3$ 

M1

let  $x_1 = \frac{p_1}{v}, x_2 = \frac{p_2}{v}, x_3 = \frac{p_3}{v}$ 

A1

(c)  $p_1 + p_2 + p_3 = 1$ 

M1

dividing by  $v$  gives  $x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = \frac{1}{v}$ we wish to minimise  $v \therefore$  maximise  $\frac{1}{v}$ objective function is maximise  $P = x_1 + x_2 + x_3$ 

A1

(d) from  $A$  I,  $3p_1 + 8p_2 + p_3 \leq v$ from  $A$  II,  $p_1 + 11p_2 + 5p_3 \leq v$ 

M1

from  $A$  III,  $9p_1 + 2p_2 + 3p_3 \leq v$ dividing by  $v$  gives the constraints

$$3x_1 + 8x_2 + x_3 \leq 1$$

$$x_1 + 11x_2 + 5x_3 \leq 1$$

$$9x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 \leq 1$$

A1

also  $x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0, x_3 \geq 0$

(8)

3.

| Stage     | State     | Action    | Destination   | Value   |
|-----------|-----------|-----------|---|---|
| 1         | <i>I</i>  | <i>IL</i> | <i>L</i>  | 19*   |
|           | <i>J</i>  | <i>JL</i> | <i>L</i>  | 18*   |
|           | <i>K</i>  | <i>KL</i> | <i>L</i>  | 26*   |
| 2         | <i>E</i>  | <i>EI</i> | <i>I</i>  | max(35, 19) = 35<br>max(29, 18) = 29*   |
|           |           | <i>EJ</i> | <i>J</i>  |   |
|           | <i>F</i>  | <i>FI</i> | <i>I</i>  | max(17, 19) = 19*<br>max(24, 18) = 24<br>max(15, 26) = 26                     |
|           |           | <i>FJ</i> | <i>J</i>  |   |
| <i>FK</i> |           | <i>K</i>  |   |   |
| <i>G</i>  | <i>GI</i> | <i>I</i>  | max(18, 19) = 19*<br>max(26, 18) = 26<br>max(14, 26) = 26 |   |
|           | <i>GJ</i> | <i>J</i>  |   |   |
|           | <i>GK</i> | <i>K</i>  |   |   |
| <i>H</i>  | <i>HJ</i> | <i>J</i>  | max(17, 18) = 18*<br>max(39, 26) = 39                     |   |
|           | <i>HK</i> | <i>K</i>  |   |   |
| 3         | <i>B</i>  | <i>BE</i> | <i>E</i>  | max(21, 29) = 29<br>max(25, 19) = 25*<br>max(28, 19) = 28                     |
|           |           | <i>BF</i> | <i>F</i>  |   |
|           |           | <i>BG</i> | <i>G</i>  |   |
|           | <i>C</i>  | <i>CE</i> | <i>E</i>  | max(28, 29) = 29<br>max(30, 19) = 30<br>max(40, 19) = 40<br>max(28, 18) = 28* |
|           |           | <i>CF</i> | <i>F</i>  |   |
|           |           | <i>CG</i> | <i>G</i>  |   |
|           |           | <i>CH</i> | <i>H</i>  |   |
|           | <i>D</i>  | <i>DF</i> | <i>F</i>  | max(38, 19) = 38<br>max(24, 19) = 24*<br>max(35, 18) = 35                     |
|           |           | <i>DG</i> | <i>G</i>  |   |
| <i>DH</i> |           | <i>H</i>  |   |   |
| 4         | <i>A</i>  | <i>AB</i> | <i>B</i>  | max(19, 25) = 25<br>max(12, 28) = 28<br>max(7, 24) = 24*                      |
|           |           | <i>AC</i> | <i>C</i>  |   |
|           |           | <i>AD</i> | <i>D</i>  |   |

A1

M1 A2

M1 A1

A1

giving route *ADGIL*

M1 A1 (9)

4.

|          | $W_1$ | $W_2$ | $W_3$ | Available |
|----------|-------|-------|-------|-----------|
| $S_1$    | 20    | 10    |       | 30        |
| $S_2$    |       | 5     | 20    | 25        |
| $S_3$    |       |       | 10    | 10        |
| Required | 20    | 15    | 30    |           |

M1 A1

taking  $R_1 = 0$ ,

$$R_1 + K_1 = 12 \quad \therefore K_1 = 12$$

$$R_1 + K_2 = 11 \quad \therefore K_2 = 11$$

$$R_2 + K_2 = 5 \quad \therefore R_2 = -6$$

$$R_2 + K_3 = 10 \quad \therefore K_3 = 16$$

$$R_3 + K_3 = 8 \quad \therefore R_3 = -8$$

M1 A2

|            | $K_1 = 12$ | $K_2 = 11$ | $K_3 = 16$ |
|------------|------------|------------|------------|
| $R_1 = 0$  | (0)        | (0)        | (17)       |
| $R_2 = -6$ | (7)        | (0)        | (0)        |
| $R_3 = -8$ | (5)        | (6)        | (0)        |

improvement indices,  $I_{ij} = C_{ij} - R_i - K_j$ 

$$\therefore I_{13} = 17 - 0 - 16 = 1$$

$$I_{21} = 7 - (-6) - 12 = 1$$

$$I_{31} = 5 - (-8) - 12 = 1$$

$$I_{32} = 6 - (-8) - 11 = 3$$

M1 A1

pattern is optimal as there are no negative improvement indices

B1

optimal pattern:

20 rolls from  $S_1$  to  $W_1$ , 10 rolls from  $S_1$  to  $W_2$ , 5 rolls from  $S_2$  to  $W_2$ ,20 rolls from  $S_2$  to  $W_3$ , 10 rolls from  $S_3$  to  $W_3$ 

A1

$$\text{total cost} = (20 \times 12) + (10 \times 11) + (5 \times 5) + (20 \times 10) + (10 \times 8) = \text{£}655$$

M1 A1 (11)

5. need to maximise so subtract all values from 9 giving M1

|   |   |   |   |          |
|---|---|---|---|----------|
|   |   |   |   | row min. |
| 2 | 1 | 4 | 3 | 1        |
| 3 | 0 | 3 | 4 | 0        |
| 0 | 1 | 4 | 2 | 0        |
| 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 2        |

reducing rows gives:

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 1 | 0 | 3 | 2 |
| 3 | 0 | 3 | 4 |
| 0 | 1 | 4 | 2 |
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |

M1 A1

col min. 

|   |   |   |   |
|---|---|---|---|
| 0 | 0 | 1 | 1 |
|---|---|---|---|

reducing columns gives:

|              |              |              |              |
|--------------|--------------|--------------|--------------|
| 1            | 0            | 2            | 1            |
| 3            | 0            | 2            | 3            |
| 0            | 1            | 3            | 1            |
| <del>0</del> | <del>0</del> | <del>0</del> | <del>0</del> |

(N.B. a different choice of lines will lead to the same final assignment)

A1

3 lines required to cover all zeros, apply algorithm

B1

|               |              |    |               |
|---------------|--------------|----|---------------|
| <del>1</del>  | 0            | 1  | <del>0*</del> |
| 3             | 0*           | 1  | 2             |
| <del>0*</del> | <del>1</del> | 2  | <del>0</del>  |
| <del>1</del>  | 1            | 0* | <del>0</del>  |

M1 A1

4 lines are required to cover all zeros so allocation is possible

B1

- stage 1 – C
- stage 2 – B
- stage 3 – D
- stage 4 – A

M1 A1

total number of days = 9 + 9 + 6 + 6 = 30 days

A1 (11)

6. (a) (i) strategy III dominates II since  $9 \geq 7$ ,  $-4 \geq -2$ ,  $8 \geq -1$   
player A can ignore strategy II M1 A1
- (ii) strategy III dominates I since  $-2 \leq 3$ ,  $-1 \leq 7$ ,  $8 \leq 9$   
player B can ignore strategy I A1

(b) reduced table:

|   |     | B  |     |
|---|-----|----|-----|
|   |     | II | III |
| A | I   | 5  | -2  |
|   | III | -4 | 8   |

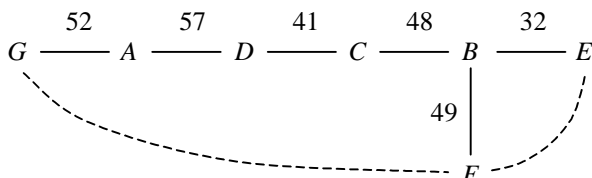
- (i) let A play strategies I and III with proportions  $p$  and  $(1 - p)$   
expected payoff to A against each of B's strategies:
- $$B \text{ II } \quad 5p - 4(1 - p) = 9p - 4$$
- $$B \text{ III } \quad -2p + 8(1 - p) = 8 - 10p$$
- M1 A1
- for optimal strategy  $9p - 4 = 8 - 10p$   
 $\therefore 19p = 12, p = \frac{12}{19}$
- $\therefore$  A should play I  $\frac{12}{19}$  of time, II never and III  $\frac{7}{19}$  of time M1 A1
- (i) let B play strategies II and III with proportions  $q$  and  $(1 - q)$   
expected loss to B against each of A's strategies:
- $$A \text{ I } \quad 5q - 2(1 - q) = 7q - 2$$
- $$A \text{ III } \quad -4q + 8(1 - q) = 8 - 12q$$
- M1 A1
- for optimal strategy  $7q - 2 = 8 - 12q$   
 $\therefore 19q = 10, q = \frac{10}{19}$
- $\therefore$  B should play I never, II  $\frac{10}{19}$  of time and III  $\frac{9}{19}$  of time M1 A1
- (c) value of game =  $(9 \times \frac{12}{19}) - 4 = 1 \frac{13}{19}$  M1 A1 (13)
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7. (a) e.g. starting at A

order: 1 5 4 3 6 7 2

|   | A   | B  | C   | D  | E  | F   | G   |
|---|-----|----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|
| A | –   | 63 | 75  | 57 | 81 | 102 | 52  |
| B | 63  | –  | 48  | 83 | 32 | 49  | 61  |
| C | 75  | 48 | –   | 41 | 72 | 65  | 109 |
| D | 57  | 83 | 41  | –  | 49 | 79  | 70  |
| E | 81  | 32 | 72  | 49 | –  | 51  | 88  |
| F | 102 | 49 | 65  | 79 | 51 | –   | 90  |
| G | 52  | 61 | 109 | 70 | 88 | 90  | –   |

M1 A2



A1

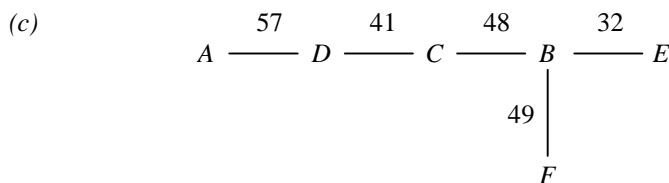
upper bound =  $2 \times$  weight of MST  
 $= 2 \times (52 + 57 + 41 + 48 + 32 + 49) = 2 \times 279 = 558 \text{ km}$

M1 A1

- (b) use  $FG$  saving  $52 + 57 + 41 + 48 + 49 - 90 = 157$   
 use  $EF$  saving  $32 + 49 - 51 = 30$   
 new upper bound =  $558 - 157 - 30 = 371 \text{ km}$

M1 A1

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M1

lower bound = weight of MST + two edges of least weight from  $G$   
 $= (57 + 41 + 48 + 32 + 49) + 52 + 61 = 340 \text{ km}$

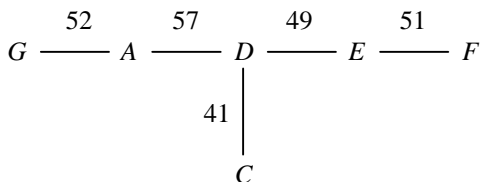
M1 A1

(d) e.g. starting at A

order: 1 4 3 5 6 2

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|---|-----|----|-----|----|----|-----|-----|
| A | –   | 63 | 75  | 57 | 81 | 102 | 52  |
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M1 A1



lower bound = weight of MST + two edges of least weight from  $B$   
 $= (52 + 57 + 49 + 51 + 41) + 32 + 48 = 330 \text{ km}$

M1 A1

(e) 340 km, from (c) is better as it is higher

B1 (17)

Total (75)

## Performance Record – D2 Paper C

| Question no. | 1                 | 2                          | 3                      | 4                                       | 5                   | 6               | 7              | Total |
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| Topic(s)     | nearest neighbour | game, formulate lin. prog. | dynamic prog., minimax | transport., n-w corner, improv. indices | allocation, maximum | game, dominance | TSP, shortcuts |       |
| Marks        | 6                 | 8                          | 9                      | 11                                      | 11                  | 13              | 17             | 75    |
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