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Statistics S2

Advanced/Advanced Subsidiary

Wednesday 25 January 2017 – Afternoon

Time: 1 hour 30 minutes

Paper Reference

WST02/01**You must have:**

Mathematical Formulae and Statistical Tables (Blue)

Total Marks

Candidates may use any calculator allowed by the regulations of the Joint Council for Qualifications. Calculators must not have the facility for symbolic algebra manipulation, differentiation and integration, or have retrievable mathematical formulae stored in them.

Instructions

- Use **black** ink or ball-point pen.
- If pencil is used for diagrams/sketches/graphs it must be dark (HB or B). Coloured pencils and highlighter pens must not be used.
- **Fill in the boxes** at the top of this page with your name, centre number and candidate number.
- Answer **all** questions and ensure that your answers to parts of questions are clearly labelled.
- Answer the questions in the spaces provided – *there may be more space than you need.*
- You should show sufficient working to make your methods clear. Answers without working may not gain full credit.
- Values from the statistical tables should be quoted in full. When a calculator is used, the answer should be given to an appropriate degree of accuracy.

Information

- The total mark for this paper is 75.
- The marks for **each** question are shown in brackets – *use this as a guide as to how much time to spend on each question.*

Advice

- Read each question carefully before you start to answer it.
- Try to answer every question.
- Check your answers if you have time at the end.

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4. The time, in thousands of hours, that a certain electrical component will last is modelled by the random variable X , with probability density function

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{3}{64}x^2(4-x) & 0 \leq x \leq 4 \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

Using this model, find, by algebraic integration,

- (a) the mean number of hours that a component will last, (4)
- (b) the standard deviation of X . (4)



Figure 1

Figure 1 shows a sketch of the probability density function of the random variable X .

- (c) Give a reason why the random variable X might be unsuitable as a model for the time, in thousands of hours, that these electrical components will last. (1)
- (d) Sketch a probability density function of a more realistic model. (1)

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