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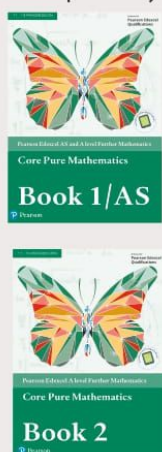


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## Overarching themes

The following three overarching themes have been fully integrated throughout the Pearson Edexcel AS and A level Mathematics series, so they can be applied alongside your learning and practice.

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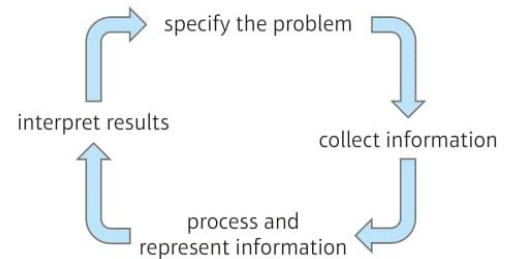
### 2. Mathematical problem solving

- Hundreds of problem-solving questions, fully integrated into the main exercises
- Problem-solving boxes provide tips and strategies
- Structured and unstructured questions to build confidence
- Challenge boxes provide extra stretch

### 3. Mathematical modelling

- Dedicated modelling sections in relevant topics provide plenty of practice where you need it
- Examples and exercises include qualitative questions that allow you to interpret answers in the context of the model
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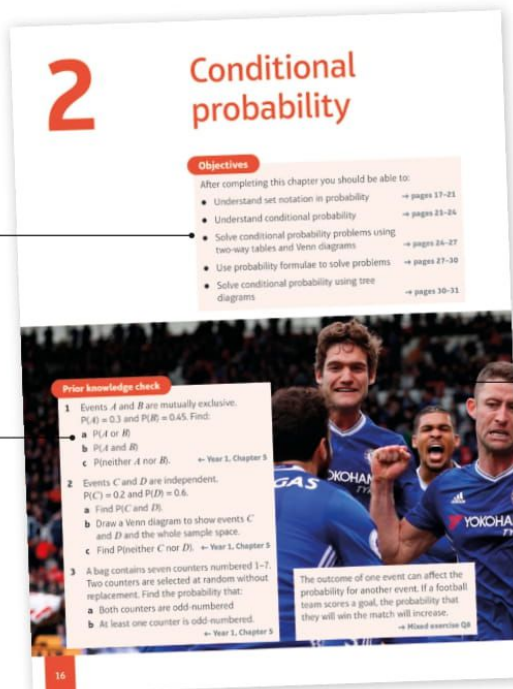
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Each chapter starts with a list of objectives

The *Prior knowledge check* helps make sure you are ready to start the chapter



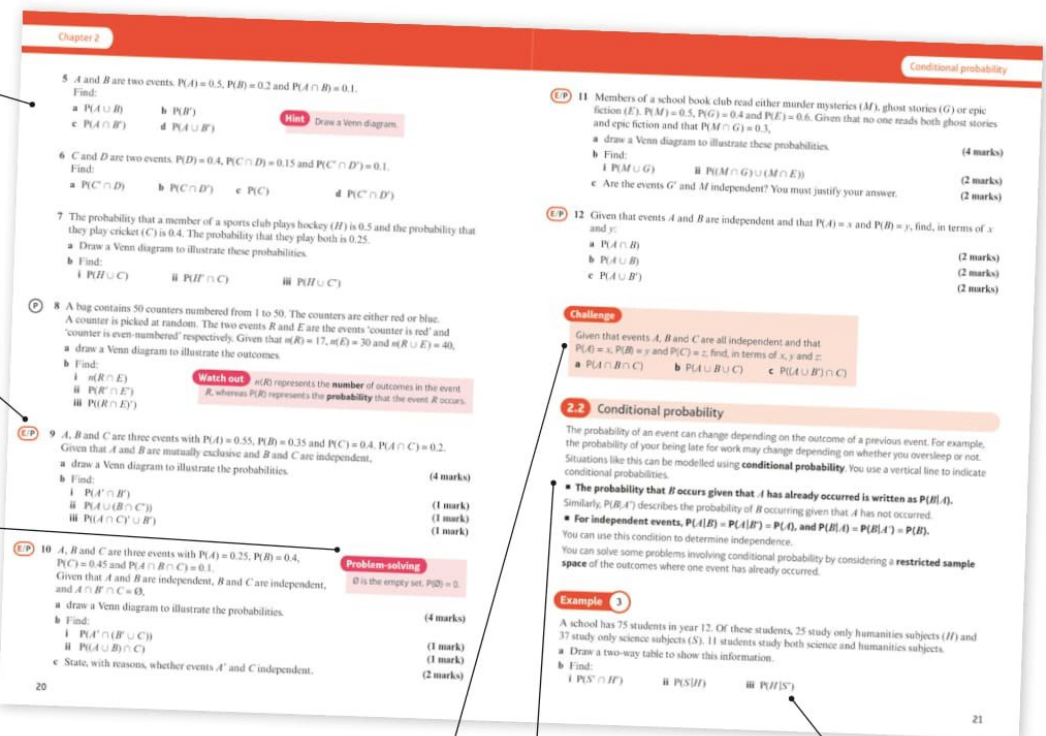
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Exercise questions are carefully graded so they increase in difficulty and gradually bring you up to exam standard

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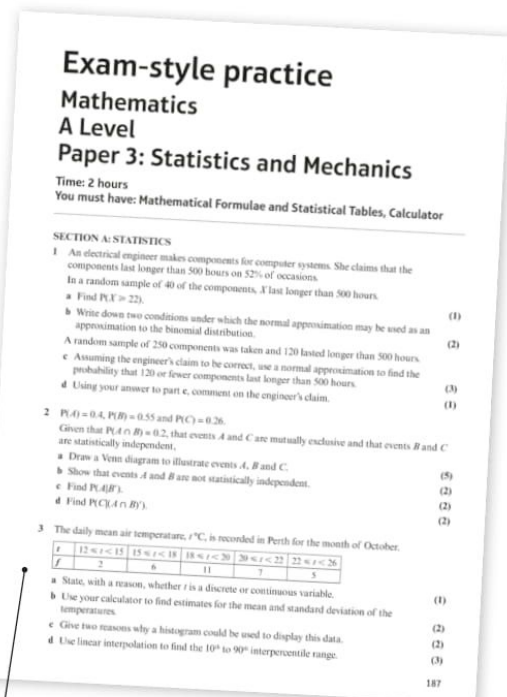
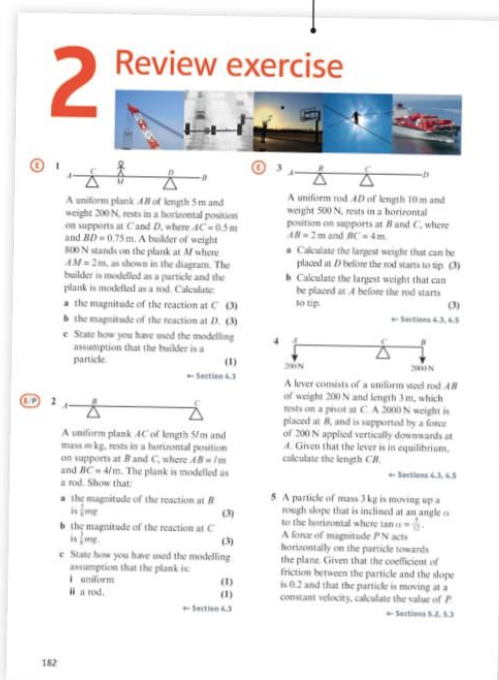
Each chapter ends with a *Mixed exercise* and a *Summary of key points*

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Each section begins with explanation and key learning points

Step-by-step worked examples focus on the key types of questions you'll need to tackle

Every few chapters a *Review exercise* helps you consolidate your learning with lots of exam-style questions



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# Regression, correlation and hypothesis testing

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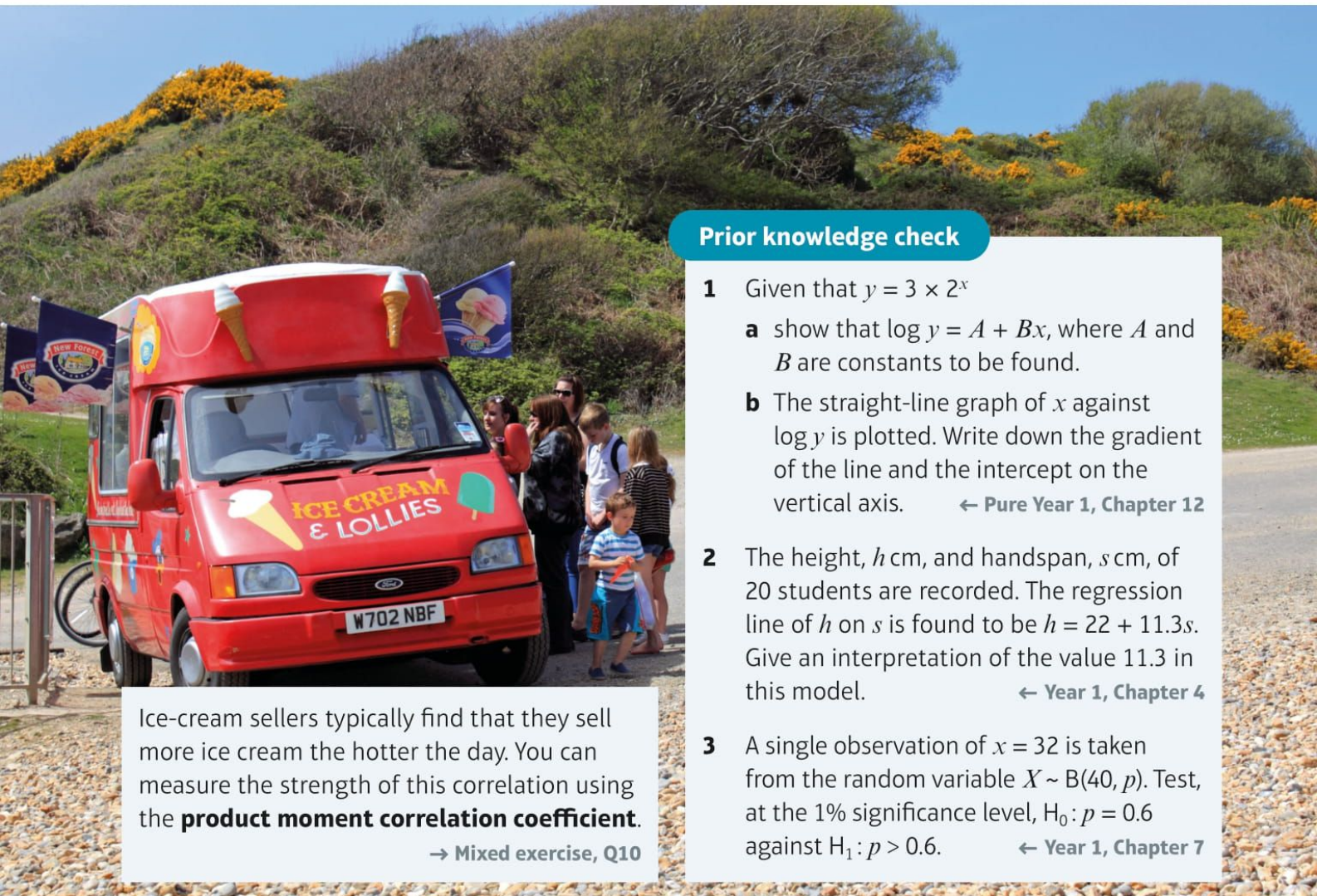
## Objectives

After completing this chapter you should be able to:

- Understand exponential models in bivariate data → pages 2–5
- Use a change of variable to estimate coefficients in an exponential model → pages 2–5
- Understand and calculate the product moment correlation coefficient → pages 5–8
- Carry out a hypothesis test for zero correlation → pages 8–12

## Prior knowledge check

- 1 Given that  $y = 3 \times 2^x$ 
  - a show that  $\log y = A + Bx$ , where  $A$  and  $B$  are constants to be found.
  - b The straight-line graph of  $x$  against  $\log y$  is plotted. Write down the gradient of the line and the intercept on the vertical axis. ← Pure Year 1, Chapter 12
- 2 The height,  $h$  cm, and handspan,  $s$  cm, of 20 students are recorded. The regression line of  $h$  on  $s$  is found to be  $h = 22 + 11.3s$ . Give an interpretation of the value 11.3 in this model. ← Year 1, Chapter 4
- 3 A single observation of  $x = 32$  is taken from the random variable  $X \sim B(40, p)$ . Test, at the 1% significance level,  $H_0: p = 0.6$  against  $H_1: p > 0.6$ . ← Year 1, Chapter 7



Ice-cream sellers typically find that they sell more ice cream the hotter the day. You can measure the strength of this correlation using the **product moment correlation coefficient**.

→ Mixed exercise, Q10



## 1.1 Exponential models

Regression lines can be used to model a **linear** relationship between two variables. Sometimes, experimental data does not fit a linear model, but still shows a clear pattern. You can use logarithms and coding to examine trends in non-linear data.

For data that can be modelled by a relationship of the form  $y = ax^n$ , you need to code the data using  $Y = \log y$  and  $X = \log x$  to obtain a linear relationship.

■ If  $y = ax^n$  for constants  $a$  and  $n$  then  $\log y = \log a + n \log x$

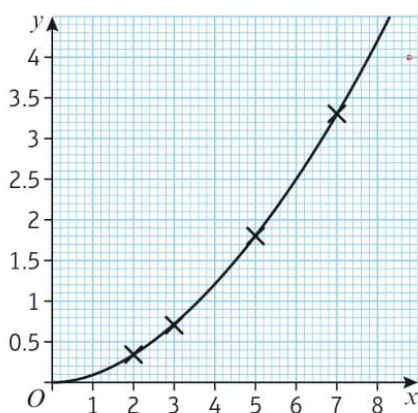
For data that can be modelled by an **exponential** relationship of the form  $y = ab^x$ , you need to code the data using  $Y = \log y$  and  $X = x$  to obtain a linear relationship.

■ If  $y = kb^x$  for constants  $k$  and  $b$  then  $\log y = \log k + x \log b$

### Link

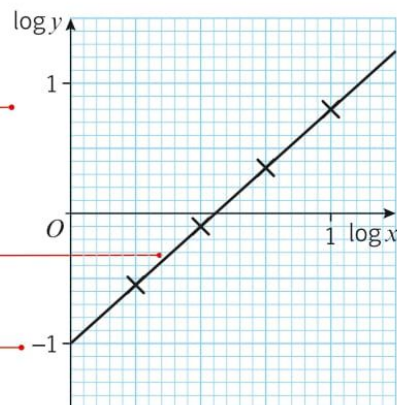
Take logs of both sides and rearrange to convert the original form into the linear form.

← Pure Year 1, Section 14.8



The points on this scatter graph satisfy the relationship  $y = 0.1x^{1.8}$ . This is in the form  $y = ax^n$ .

Plotting  $\log x$  against  $\log y$  gives a straight line.



The gradient of the line is 1.8. This corresponds to the value of  $n$  in the non-linear relationship.

The  $y$ -intercept is at  $(0, -1)$ . This corresponds to  $\log a$  hence  $a = 10^{-1} = 0.1$ , as expected.

### Example 1

The table shows some data collected on the temperature, in  $^{\circ}\text{C}$ , of a colony of bacteria ( $t$ ) and its growth rate ( $g$ ).

Temperature, $t$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	3	5	6	8	9	11
Growth rate, $g$	1.04	1.49	1.79	2.58	3.1	4.46

The data are coded using the changes of variable  $x = t$  and  $y = \log g$ . The regression line of  $y$  on  $x$  is found to be  $y = -0.2215 + 0.0792x$ .

- Mika says that the constant  $-0.2215$  in the regression line means that the colony is shrinking when the temperature is  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ . Explain why Mika is wrong.
- Given that the data can be modelled by an equation of the form  $g = kb^t$  where  $k$  and  $b$  are constants, find the values of  $k$  and  $b$ .



- a When  $t = 0$ ,  $x = 0$ , so according to the model,

$$y = -0.2215$$

$$\log g = -0.2215$$

$$g = 10^{-0.2215} = 0.600 \text{ (3 s.f.)}$$

This growth rate is positive: the colony is not shrinking.

- b Substitute  $x = t$  and  $y = \log g$ :

$$\log g = -0.2215 + 0.0792t$$

$$g = 10^{-0.2215 + 0.0792t}$$

$$g = 10^{-0.2215} \times (10^{0.0792})^t$$

$$g = 0.600 \times 1.20^t \text{ (both values given to 3 s.f.)}$$

$$\text{So } k = 0.600 \text{ and } b = 1.20$$

Remember that the original data have been coded. Use the coding in reverse to find the corresponding value of  $g$ . You could also observe that a prediction based on  $t = 0$  would be outside the range of the data so would be an example of **extrapolation**. ← Year 1, Section 4.2

Use the change of variable to find an expression for  $\log g$  in terms of  $t$ . You could also compare the equation of the regression line with  $\log g = \log k + t \log b$ . ← Pure Year 1, Section 14.6

Remember log means log to the base 10. So  $10^{\log g} = g$ .

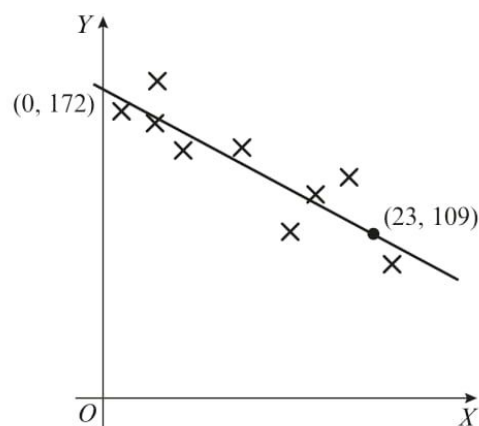
Use the laws of indices to write the expression in the form  $g = kb^t$ .

### Exercise 1A

- Data are coded using  $Y = \log y$  and  $X = \log x$  to give a linear relationship. The equation of the regression line for the coded data is  $Y = 1.2 + 0.4X$ .
  - State whether the relationship between  $y$  and  $x$  is of the form  $y = ax^n$  or  $y = kb^x$ .
  - Write down the relationship between  $y$  and  $x$  and find the values of the constants.
- Data are coded using  $Y = \log y$  and  $X = x$  to give a linear relationship. The equation of the regression line for the coded data is  $Y = 0.4 + 1.6X$ .
  - State whether the relationship between  $y$  and  $x$  is of the form  $y = ax^n$  or  $y = kb^x$ .
  - Write down the relationship between  $y$  and  $x$  and find the values of the constants.

- P** 3 The scatter diagram shows the relationship between two sets of coded data,  $X$  and  $Y$ , where  $X = \log x$  and  $Y = \log y$ . The regression line of  $Y$  on  $X$  is shown, and passes through the points  $(0, 172)$  and  $(23, 109)$ .

The relationship between the original data sets is modelled by an equation of the form  $y = ax^n$ . Find the exact value of  $a$  and the value of  $n$  correct to 3 decimal places.



- P** 4 The size of a population of moles is recorded and the data are shown in the table.  $T$  is the time, in months, elapsed since the beginning of the study and  $P$  is the number of moles in the population.

$T$	2	3	5	7	8	9
$P$	72	86	125	179	214	257

- Plot a scatter diagram showing  $\log P$  against  $T$ .
- Comment on the correlation between  $\log P$  and  $T$ .
- State whether your answer to **b** supports the fact that the original data can be modelled by a relationship of the form  $P = ab^T$ .
- Approximate the values of  $a$  and  $b$  for this model.
- Give an interpretation of the value of  $b$  you calculated in part **d**.

**Hint**

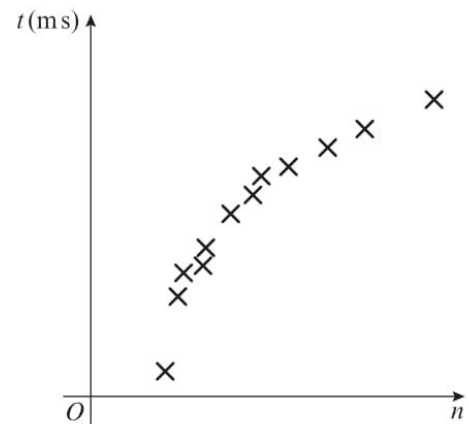
Think about what happens when the value of  $T$  increases by 1. When interpreting coefficients, refer in your answer to the context given in the question.

- 5** The time,  $t$  ms, needed for a computer algorithm to determine whether a number,  $n$ , is prime is recorded for different values of  $n$ . A scatter graph of  $t$  against  $n$  is drawn.

- Explain why a model of the form  $t = a + bn$  is unlikely to fit these data.

The data are coded using the changes of variable  $y = \log t$  and  $x = \log n$ . The regression line of  $y$  on  $x$  is found to be  $y = -0.301 + 0.6x$ .

- Find an equation for  $t$  in terms of  $n$ , giving your answer in the form  $t = an^k$ , where  $a$  and  $k$  are constants to be found.
- 6** Data are collected on the number of units ( $c$ ) of a catalyst added to a chemical process, and the rate of reaction ( $r$ ).
- The data are coded using  $x = \log c$  and  $y = \log r$ . It is found that a linear relationship exists between  $x$  and  $y$  and that the equation of the regression line of  $y$  on  $x$  is  $y = 1.31x - 0.41$ .
- Use this equation to determine an expression for  $r$  in terms of  $c$ .
- 7** The heights,  $h$  cm, and masses,  $m$  kg, of a sample of Galapagos penguins are recorded. The data are coded using  $y = \log m$  and  $x = \log h$  and it is found that a linear relationship exists between  $x$  and  $y$ . The equation of the regression line of  $y$  on  $x$  is  $y = 0.0023 + 1.8x$ .
- Find an equation to describe the relationship between  $m$  and  $h$ , giving your answer in the form  $m = ah^n$ , where  $a$  and  $n$  are constants to be found.
- E/P** **8** The table shows some data collected on the temperature,  $t$  °C, of a colony of insect larvae and the growth rate,  $g$ , of the population.



Temp, $t$ (°C)	13	17	21	25	26	28
Growth rate, $g$	5.37	8.44	13.29	20.91	23.42	29.38

The data are coded using the changes of variable  $x = t$  and  $y = \log g$ . The regression line of  $y$  on  $x$  is found to be  $y = 0.09 + 0.05x$ .

- Given that the data can be modelled by an equation of the form  $g = ab^t$  where  $a$  and  $b$  are constants, find the values of  $a$  and  $b$ . **(3 marks)**



- b Give an interpretation of the constant  $b$  in this equation. (1 mark)
- c Explain why this model is not reliable for estimating the growth rate of the population when the temperature is  $35^{\circ}\text{C}$ . (1 mark)

### Challenge

The table shows some data collected on the efficiency rating,  $E$ , of a new type of super-cooled engine when operating at a certain temperature,  $T$ .

Temp, $T (^{\circ}\text{C})$	1.2	1.5	2	3	4	6	8
Efficiency, $E$	9	5.5	3	1.4	0.8	0.4	0.2

It is thought that the relationship between  $E$  and  $t$  is of the form  $E = aT^b$ .

- a By plotting an appropriate scatter diagram, verify that this relationship is valid for the data given.
- b By drawing a suitable line on your scatter diagram and finding its equation, estimate the values of  $a$  and  $b$ .
- c Give a reason why the model will not predict the efficiency of the engine when the temperature is  $0^{\circ}\text{C}$ .

## 1.2 Measuring correlation

You can calculate quantitative measures for the strength and type of linear correlation between two variables. One of these measures is known as the **product moment correlation coefficient**.

- **The product moment correlation coefficient describes the linear correlation between two variables. It can take values between  $-1$  and  $1$ .**

If  $r = 1$ , there is perfect positive linear correlation.

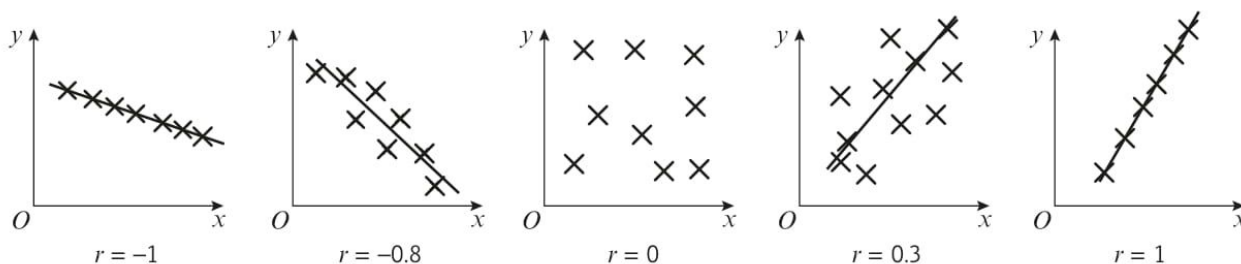
If  $r = -1$ , there is perfect negative linear correlation.

The closer  $r$  is to  $-1$  or  $1$ , the stronger the negative or positive correlation, respectively.

If  $r = 0$  (or is close to  $0$ ) there is no linear correlation. In this case there might still be a non-linear relationship between the variables.

**Notation** The product moment correlation coefficient, or PMCC, for a sample of data is denoted by the letter  $r$ .

**Hint** For  $r = \pm 1$ , the points all lie on a straight line.



You need to know how to calculate the product moment correlation coefficient for bivariate data using your calculator.

- E 12** The table shows data from the large data set on the daily mean air temperature and the daily mean pressure during May and June 2015 in Beijing.

Temperature (°C)	17.5	18.5	18.0	24.6	22.2	23.1	27.3
Pressure (hPa)	1010	1011	1012	997	1009	998	1002

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Test at the 2.5% level of significance the claim that there is negative correlation between the daily mean air temperature and the daily mean pressure. State your hypotheses clearly.

**(4 marks)**

### Large data set

You will need access to the large data set and spreadsheet software to answer these questions.

- 1 a** Take a random sample of size 20 from the data for Heathrow in 2015, and record the daily mean air temperature and daily total rainfall.
- b** Calculate the product moment correlation coefficient between these variables for your sample.
- c** Test, at the 5% level of significance, the claim that there is a correlation between the daily mean air temperature and the daily total rainfall.
- 2 a** State with a reason whether you would expect to find a relationship between daily mean total cloud cover and daily mean visibility.
- b** Use a random sample from the large data set to test for this relationship. You should state clearly:
  - Your sample size and location
  - Your sampling method
  - The hypotheses and significance level for your test
  - A conclusion in the context of the question

**Hint** You might be able to use the **Correl** or **CorrelationCoefficient** commands in your spreadsheet software to calculate the PMCC.

### Summary of key points

- 1** If  $y = ax^n$  for constants  $a$  and  $n$  then  $\log y = \log a + n \log x$
- 2** If  $y = kb^x$  for constants  $k$  and  $b$  then  $\log y = \log k + x \log b$
- 3** The **product moment correlation coefficient** describes the linear correlation between two variables. It can take values between  $-1$  and  $1$ .
- 4** For a one-tailed test use either:
  - $H_0: \rho = 0, H_1: \rho > 0$  or
  - $H_0: \rho = 0, H_1: \rho < 0$
 For a two-tailed test use:
  - $H_0: \rho = 0, H_1: \rho \neq 0$