

Exercise 1

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Part 1

A company launched an online service in 2020, and has seen rapid growth in the number of subscribers each year. The company believes that the growth follows an exponential model S given by:

$$S(t) = 5000 \cdot e^{0.3t},$$

where $S(t)$ is the number of subscribers t years after 2020.

- a) **Write down** the number of subscribers the company had in 2020. 1 mark
- b) **Estimate** the number of subscribers there will be in 2025. 1 mark
- c) **Determine** the annual growth rate as a percentage. 2 marks
- d) The company aims to reach 100 000 subscribers. **Determine** in which year this is likely to be achieved. 2 marks

Part 2

The same company has been tracking its annual advertising spending and corresponding revenue for several years. The data are given in the table:

Year	Advertising Spending, x , in thousands of euros	Revenue, y , in thousands of euros
2020	20.5	149.8
2021	25.3	181.7
2022	30.2	200.5
2023	35.4	239.3
2024	40.1	261.4

- e) **Represent** the above data on a scatter diagram. 2 marks
- f) **Determine** the equation of the regression line for the data, in the form $y = mx + p$, with m and p rounded to two decimal places. **Draw** the regression line on the same diagram. 3 marks
- g) **Interpret** the value of the correlation coefficient r . 2 marks
- h) Using the model $y = 5.7x + 33.8$, **estimate** the revenue if the company spends 50 thousand euros on advertising. 2 marks
- i) **Interpret** in context the values 5.7 and 33.8. 3 marks

Part 3

The company observes that the number of customer orders each month follows a normal distribution with mean $\mu = 1200$ orders and standard deviation $\sigma = 150$ orders.

- j) **Determine** the probability that in a given month the company will receive between 1000 and 1350 orders. 2 marks
- k) **Determine** the probability that the company will receive more than 1300 orders in a given month. 2 marks
- l) In an advertisement, the company claims that it has at least 800 orders each month. **Examine** whether this claim is valid. 3 marks