

# Cumulative Frequency

- 6 The table below refers to the salaries, £x thousand, of each of a sample of 60 company Chief Executive Officers.

x	Frequency
$0 < x \leq 100$	2
$100 < x \leq 200$	5
$200 < x \leq 300$	18
$300 < x \leq 400$	13
$400 < x \leq 500$	4
$500 < x \leq 600$	5
$600 < x \leq 700$	5
$700 < x \leq 900$	7
$900 < x \leq 1100$	0
$1100 < x \leq 1300$	1

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- (i) On graph paper draw a cumulative frequency graph to represent the data in the table. [4]
- (ii) Use your cumulative frequency graph to estimate
- (a) the median,  $q_2$ , [1]
  - (b) the lower quartile,  $q_1$ , [1]
  - (c) the upper quartile,  $q_3$ . [1]

For a given set of data any value which is unusually high or unusually low is called an outlier. One way of identifying an outlier is to find two boundary values,  $A = q_1 - \frac{3}{2}(q_3 - q_1)$ , the lower boundary, and  $B = q_3 + \frac{3}{2}(q_3 - q_1)$ , the upper boundary. Any values in the data which fall above the upper boundary or below the lower boundary are then defined to be outliers.

- (iii) Calculate  $A$  and  $B$  for the data in the table, and hence state whether there are any outliers. [3]

- 1 A senior officer at a fire station carried out an investigation into the time taken for a fire engine to reach the scene of an emergency. He recorded the time,  $t$  minutes, between receiving a call for assistance and the arrival of the fire engine at the scene of the emergency. The results are given in the table below.

t	Frequency
$0 < t \leq 2$	6
$2 < t \leq 4$	8
$4 < t \leq 6$	7
$6 < t \leq 10$	9
$10 < t \leq 20$	20

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- (i) On graph paper draw a cumulative frequency graph to represent the data. [4]
- (ii) From your graph estimate
- (a) the median time, [1]
  - (b) the upper quartile of the times. [1]

# Cumulative freq. (Cont 1)

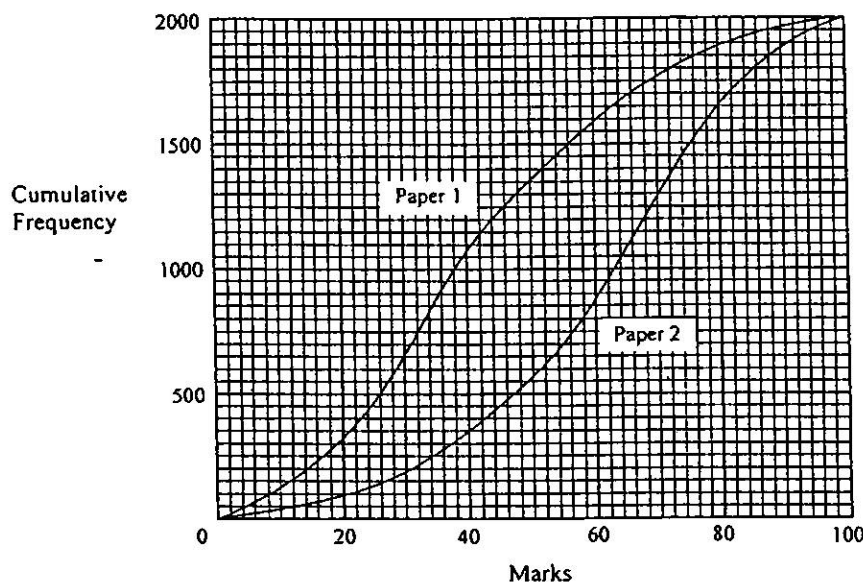
6 The table below refers to the mass,  $m$  kg, of each of a sample of 60 dogs examined in a vet's surgery.

Mass, $m$ kg	$0 \leq m < 5$	$5 \leq m < 10$	$10 \leq m < 15$	$15 \leq m < 20$	$20 \leq m < 30$	$30 \leq m < 50$
Frequency	2	7	17	19	8	7

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- (i) Draw a cumulative frequency graph for the data in the table. [3]
- (ii) Use your cumulative frequency graph to estimate the median and the interquartile range for the data. [3]
- (iii) You are now given that the minimum mass in the sample of 60 dogs was 4 kg and the maximum was 47 kg. Use your estimates from part (ii) to draw a box-and-whisker plot of the data. [3]
- (iv) Give one feature of the data which you can deduce from a box-and-whisker plot more easily than from a cumulative frequency graph. [1]

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The diagram shows the cumulative frequency graphs for the marks scored by the candidates in an examination. The 2000 candidates each took two papers; the upper curve shows the distribution of marks on paper 1 and the lower curve shows the distribution on paper 2. The maximum mark on each paper was 100.

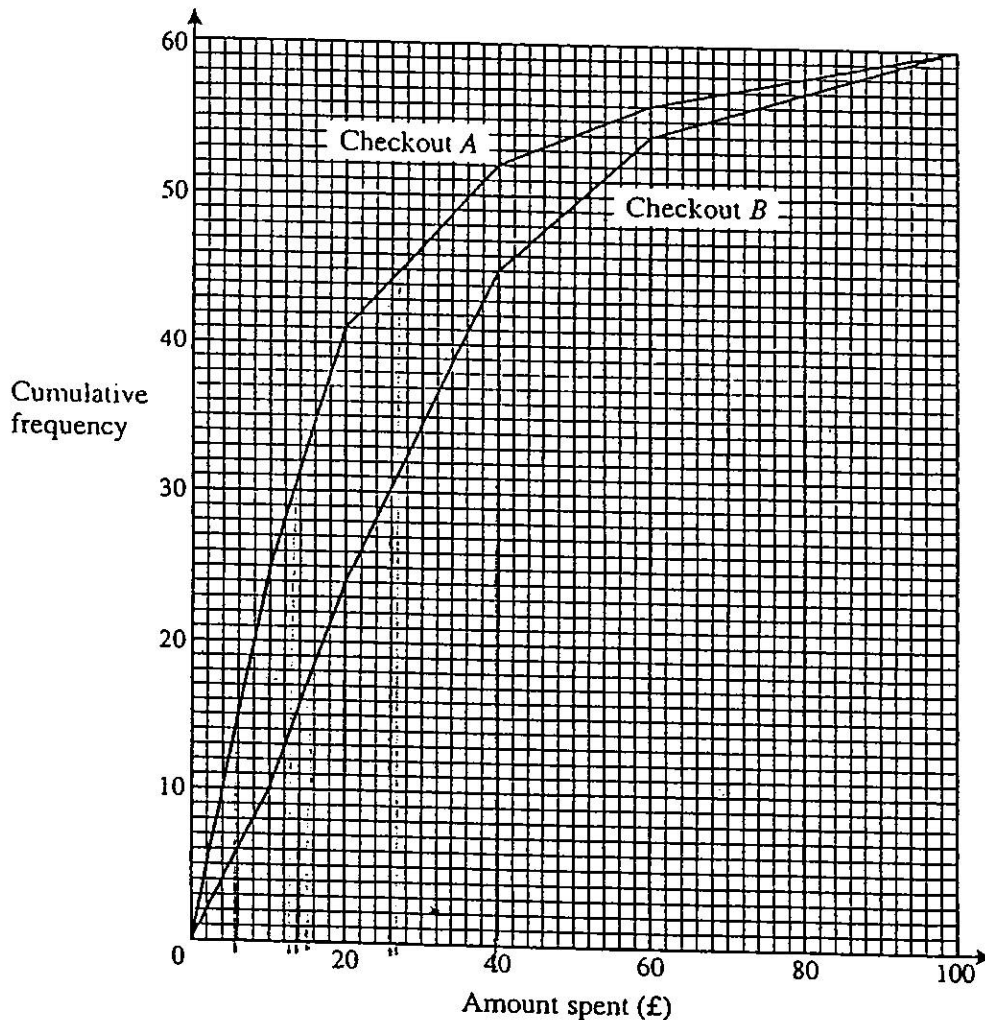
- (i) Use the diagram to estimate the median mark for each of paper 1 and paper 2. [3]
- (ii) State with a reason which of the two papers you think was the easier one. [2]
- (iii) To achieve grade A on paper 1 candidates had to score 66 marks out of 100. What mark on paper 2 gives equal proportions of candidates achieving grade A on the two papers? What is this proportion? [4]
- (iv) The candidates' marks for the two papers could also be illustrated by means of a pair of box-and-whisker plots. Give two brief comments comparing the usefulness of cumulative frequency graphs and box-and-whisker plots for representing the data. [2]

# Cumulative Freq (cont 2)

- 7 As part of a statistics project a student recorded the amount of money spent, in £, by each of a random sample of 60 customers at checkout A in a supermarket. She also recorded the amount spent by each of a random sample of 60 customers who used another checkout at checkout B in the same supermarket. The results are given in the table below.

Amount spent	≤ £10	≤ £20	≤ £40	≤ £60	≤ £100
Cumulative frequency for Checkout A	25	41	52	56	60
Cumulative frequency for Checkout B	10	24	45	54	60

The diagram shows the cumulative frequency graphs for the data.



- (i) Use the diagram to estimate the median amount spent at
- checkout A,
  - checkout B.
- [3]
- (ii) Use the diagram to estimate the interquartile range of the amount spent at
- checkout A,
  - checkout B.
- [4]
- (iii) One of the two checkouts was an 'express' checkout. Customers are allowed a maximum of nine items when they pass through an express checkout. State, with a reason, which of the two checkouts, A or B, was more likely to have been the express checkout.
- [2]
- (iv) Calculate an estimate of the mean amount spent at checkout B.
- [4]