1. A medical researcher is studying the relationship between age (x years) and volume of blood (y ml) pumped by each contraction of the heart.

The researcher obtained the following data from a random sample of 8 patients.

Age (x)	20	25	30	45	55	60	65	70
Volume (y)	74	76	77	72	68	67	64	62

[You may use $\sum x = 370$, $S_{xx} = 2587.5$, $\sum y = 560$, $\sum y^2 = 39418$, $S_{xy} = -710$]

(a) Calculate S_{yy}

(2)

(b) Calculate the product moment correlation coefficient for these data.

(2)

(c) Interpret your value of the correlation coefficient.

(1)

The researcher believes that a linear regression model may be appropriate to describe these data.

(d) State, giving a reason, whether or not your value of the correlation coefficient supports the researcher's belief.

(1)

(e) Find the equation of the regression line of y on x, giving your answer in the form $y = a + bx$

(4)

Jack is a 40-year-old patient.

(f) (i) Use your regression line to estimate the volume of blood pumped by each contraction of Jack's heart.

(ii) Comment, giving a reason, on the reliability of your estimate.

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(Total for Question 1 is 12 marks)