3 (Sem-5/CBCS) STA HE 2

2022

STATISTICS

(Honours Elective)

Paper: STA-HE-5026

(Time Series Analysis)

Full Marks: 60

Time: Three hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions.

- 1. Answer **any seven** from the following questions as directed: 1×7=7
 - (a) The general decline in sales of cotton clothes is attached to the component of the time series:
 - (i) Secular trend
 - (ii) Cyclical variation
 - (iii) Seasonal variation
 - (iv) All of the above (Choose the correct option)

- (b) Link relative method for measuring seasonal indices was expounded by (Fill in the blank)
- (c) The conclusion drawn from time series analysis are not absolutely true.

 (State True or False)
- (d) If the slope of trend line is positive it shows:
 - (i) rising trend
 - (ii) declining trend
 - (iii) stagnation
 - (iv) Any of the above (Choose the correct option)
- (e) Indian population-explosion during Bangladesh War is attached to the component of the time series.
 - (i) Secular trend
 - (ii) Cyclical variation
 - (iii) Random variation
 - (iv) Both (ii) and (iii)
 (Choose the correct option)
- (f) The term prosperity, recession, depression and recovery are in particular attached to
 (Fill in the blank)

(g) Most frequently used mathematical model of a time series is

- (i) additive model
- (ii) multiplicative model
- (iii) mixed model
- (iv) All of the above (Choose the correct option)
- (i) From the given five values 15, 24, 18, 33, 42 the three years moving averages are
 - (i) 19, 22, 23
 - (ii) 19, 25, 31
 - (iii) 19, 30, 31
 - (v) None of the above (Choose the correct option)
- (j) Secular trend is indicative of long term variation towards:
 - (i) increase only
 - (ii) decrease only

- (iii) either increase or decrease
- (iv) All of the above

(Choose the correct option)

- (k) Salient factors responsible for seasonal variation are:
 - (i) weather
 - (ii) social customs
 - (iii) festivals
 - (iv) floods

(Choose the correct option)

(l) "If the trend line is concave downwards, the value of the moving average will always be too high; if the trend line is concave upward the value of the moving average will always be too low."

(State True or False)

- 2. Answer any four questions from the following:

 2×4=8
 - (a) What are the main problems in the analysis of time series?
 - (b) Give the merits and demerits of the simple average method.

- (c) Explain graphical method of determining trend.
- (d) Define time series with two examples.
- (e) Write a note on mixed models.
- (f) What do you mean by deseasonalisation of data in time series?
- (g) Write a short note on Gompertz curve with its relevance in time series analysis.
- (h) Which component of time series is mainly applicable in the following example?
 - (i) Values of exports from India
 - (ii) Increase in a hill station population during summer vacations
 - (iii) A continuously increasing demand for synthetic fibre
 - (iv) Price of gold over a long time
- 3. Answer any three of the following questions: 5×3=15
 - (a) Explain the additive and multiplicative model in time series stating clearly the assumptions and discuss their relative merits.

- (b) Describe the procedure of computing seasonal indices by ratio to trend method. Also mention its merits and demerits.
- (c) Explain cyclical variation of a time series. How can you isolate cyclical variation by residual method?
- (d) How can the ratio to moving average method be applied for computing the seasonal indices?
- (e) Explain semi average method of determining trend. Also discuss its merits and demerits.
- Show that the 4 years centered moving average is equivalent to a 5 years weighted moving average with weights $\frac{1}{5}(1, 2, 2, 2, 1)$ respectively.
- (g) How can you convert annual trend equation to
 - (i) half yearly trend equation,
 - (ii) monthly trend equation?
- (h) (i) Explain merits and demerits of Link relative method.
 - (ii) How can a best model for a time series be selected?

- 4. Answer **any three** from the following questions: 10×3=30
 - (a) Discuss the moving average method for determining the trend. What are the advantages and disadvantages of the moving average method? 5+5=10
 - (b) What do you understand by seasonal variation? Explain with examples. Describe the method of link relatives for finding seasonal indices. 2+8=10
 - (c) Explain how would you fit second degree trend equation $a + bx + cx^2$? State how the shape of second degree curve depends on the value of b and c. Also discuss the merits and demerits of trend fitting by the principle of least square. 3+3+4=10
 - (d) Discuss briefly irregular variation in the context of time series. How do you estimate the variance of the random component of a time series? 5+5=10
 - (e) What is exponential smoothing? How does the method of exponential smoothing help in business forecasting?
 4+6=10

- (f) (i) Discuss briefly the importance of time series analysis. 6
 - (ii) How to decide the length of the period of moving average? 4
- (g) Explain the procedure for fitting a logistic curve to a time series. What are the main properties of this curve?

 6+4=10
- (h) (i) What factors are generally responsible for the occurrence of cycles?

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(ii) What are the essential requirements for proper analysis of a time series?