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Instructions for Candidates

1. Write your Roll No. on the top immediately on receipt of this question paper.
2. Attempt any five questions.

1. (a) What do you understand by a time series? Explain in detail the trend and the irregular components of a time series.

(b) With which component of a time series would you mainly associate each of the following :

(i) Strike in a factory, delaying production for 10 days

(ii) Heavy sales on the occasion of Diwali

(iii) Sales of departmental stores during the busy hours

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iv) General decline in the infant mortality rate in India since independence. State reasons for your answers. (7,8)

2. In the usual notations, prove that

$$\frac{1}{m}[m]U_0 = \left[U_0 + \frac{m^2 - 1}{24} \delta^2 U_0 \right]$$

where $\frac{1}{m}[m]$ stands for the simple average of 'm' terms.

Further, show that

$$\frac{1}{m_1 m_2 \dots m_r} [m_1][m_2] \dots [m_r] U_0 = \left[U_0 + \frac{m_1^2 + m_2^2 + \dots + m_r^2 - r}{24} \delta^2 U_0 \right]$$

Hence deduce Spencer's 21-point formula. (15)

3. (a) Explain variate-difference method for trend analysis. How is the appropriate order of differencing determined?

(b) Explain the method of 'partial sums' for fitting the modified exponential curve to a given time-series data. (10,5)

4. (a) What do you understand by seasonal variations in a time-series? Give one example. Explain the Link Relative method of computing the indices of Seasonal variations.

(b) Describe the mathematical models of a time series. How can an additive model be considered as a particular type of multiplicative model? What are the limitations of the hypothesis of decomposition of a time series?

(10,5)

5. (a) What is periodogram? Discuss how the periodogram becomes helpful to determine the periodicity hidden in a time series.

(b) Explain the Slutsky-Yule effect in the context of a time series known to be composed of the trend, oscillatory and the random components.

(10,5)

6. (a) How will you obtain the autoregressive parameters in terms of autocorrelations of a AR(p) process? Hence, in particular, obtain the estimates of the parameters for AR(2) process.

(b) Obtain the autocorrelation function of the MA(2) process

$$y_t = \epsilon_t + 0.8 \epsilon_{t-1} + 0.4 \epsilon_{t-2}$$

given that $\{\epsilon_t\}$ is a discrete-time random process, such that $E(\epsilon_t) = 0$, $V(\epsilon_t) = \sigma^2$ and successive values of ϵ_t s are independent.

(10,5)

7. Write notes on any **two** of the following :

(a) Merits and limitations of trend fitting by the principle of least-squares.

(b) Correlogram of moving average.

(c) Exponential Smoothing procedure for forecasting.

(7½, 7½)