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**ECS 2211: QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES**

SPECIAL/SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATION

**SERIES: FEBRUARY 2013**

**TIME: 2 HOURS**

**Instructions to Candidates:**

You should have the following for this examination

- *Answer Booklet*

This paper consist of **FIVE** questions  
 Answer question **ONE (COMPULSORY)** and any other **TWO** questions  
 Maximum marks for each part of a question are as shown  
 This paper consists of **THREE** printed pages

**Question One (Compulsory)**

- a) Distinguish between the following terms:
  - (i) Regression
  - (ii) Correlation (4 marks)
  
- b) Define each of the following terms as used in time series analysis:-
  - (i) Trend
  - (ii) Cyclic movement
  - (iii) Random variation (6 marks)
  
- c) It is Define the following statistical measures:
- d) Price index
- e) Coefficient of determination (4 marks)
  
- f) State **TWO** characteristics of the Poisson distribution. (2 marks)
  
- g) Explain **FOUR** characteristics of the components of a time series. (4 marks)
  
- h) The probability of getting a defective resistor from a supplier is 0.03. The resistors are packed in boxes each containing 100 resistors. Calculate the probability of getting at most 2 defective resistors. (4 marks)
  
- i) State **TWO** uses of the concept of regression analysis. (2 marks)
  
- j) With the aid of a diagram, distinguish between perfect positive correlation and negative correlation. Showing the line of best fit where possible. (4 marks)

**Question Two**

- a) The table below shows the relationship between age (in years) and price (in thousands of shillings) of BMW motorbike sold by a company dealing with second hand motorbikes.

<b>Age</b>	8	3	6	9	2	5	6	4
<b>Price</b>	16	47	38	19	102	36	33	69

- (i) Draw a scatter diagram to represent the data. (4 marks)
- (ii) Determine the regression line for the data using the least squares method. (6 marks)
- (iii) Interpret the gradient of the line. (2 marks)
- (iv) Estimate the price of the motorbike which is aged at 10 years. (2 marks)

**Question Three**

- a) Explain the following terms as applied in indices:
  - (i) Volume index
  - (ii) Base year (4 marks)
  
- b) State **FOUR** uses of index numbers. (4 marks)
- c) The table below shows the trend of oil products for the years 2007 and 2008.

<b>PRODUCTS</b>	<b>2007</b>	<b>2008</b>
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	QUANTIT Y	PRIC E	QUANTIT Y	PRIC E
Pertrol	210	90	160	140
Diesel	250	80	230	120
Kerosene	340	60	290	100
Lubricant	430	30	620	80

Calculate the following index numbers:

(Use 2007 = 100)

- (i) Laspeyres price index (3 marks)
- (ii) Paasches volume index (3 marks)
- (iii) Fisher price index (6 marks)

#### Question Four

- a) Distinguish the terms correlation and regression. (4 marks)
- b) Describe why the Spearman's Rank Correlation is used. (2 marks)
- c) The table below shows the scores awarded by two judges P and Q to several competitors during inter-college music festivals.

Competitor	A	B	C	D	E	F	G	H
Judge P	25	19	21	23	28	17	16	28
Judge Q	20	9	21	13	7	14	21	15

- (i) Determine the spearman's Rank correlation coefficient for the scores. (8 marks)
- (ii) Determine the coefficient of determine nation. (2 marks)
- (iii) Give an interpretation of both the values of r and r<sup>2</sup>. (4 marks)

#### Question Five

- a) Differentiate between irregular and cyclic components of a time series. (4 marks)
- b) Describe the steps involved in determining the trend using the Semi Average Method. (4 marks)
- c) The table below shows the quarterly production of Keyboards at particular electronic company.

YEAR	1				2				3		
QUARTER	1	2	3	4	1	2	3	4	1	2	3
OUTPUT	24	50	56	63	79	89	79	80	93	100	88
(in '000')											

- (i) Calculate the Four-quarter moving averages for the production. (5 marks)
- (ii) Evaluate the seasonal components for each quarter. Use the additive model. (5 marks)
- (iii) Evaluate the deseasonalised data. (2 marks)