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<b>SUPPLEMENTARY/ 2ND OPPORTUNITY EXAMINATION QUESTION PAPER</b>	
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<b>INSTRUCTION</b>
1. Answer all the questions 2. Show clearly all the steps in the calculations 3. All written work must be done in blue and black ink

**PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS**

Non-programmable calculator without cover

**THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 3 PAGES** (including the front page)

**QUESTION ONE - 20 MARKS**

(a) Verify that  $(\max \rho_1 = 0.5 \text{ and } \min \rho_1 = -0.5 \text{ for } -\infty < \theta < \infty)$  for an MA(1) process:  $X_t = \varepsilon_t - \theta\varepsilon_{t-1}$  such that  $\varepsilon_t$  are independent noise processes. [8 mks]

(b) State the order of the following ARIMA(p,d,q) processes [12 mks]

(i)  $Y_t = (1 + \phi)Y_{t-1} - \phi Y_{t-2} + e_t$

(ii)  $Y_t = Y_{t-1} + e_t - \theta e_{t-1}$

(iii)  $Y_t = 5 + e_t - \frac{1}{2}e_{t-1} - \frac{1}{4}e_{t-2}$

(iv)  $Y_t = 0.8Y_{t-1} + e_t + 0.7e_{t-1} + 0.6e_{t-2}$

**QUESTION TWO - 22 MARKS**

Consider AR(3) :  $Y_t = \phi_1 Y_{t-1} + \phi_2 Y_{t-2} + \phi_3 Y_{t-3} + \varepsilon_t$  where  $\varepsilon_t$  is identically independently distributed (iid) as white noise. The Estimates the parameters can be found using Yule Walker equations as

$$\begin{pmatrix} \phi_1 \\ \phi_2 \\ \phi_3 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & \rho_1 & \rho_2 \\ \rho_1 & 1 & \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 & \rho_1 & 1 \end{pmatrix}^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} \rho_1 \\ \rho_2 \\ \rho_3 \end{pmatrix} \text{ and}$$

$$\sigma_\varepsilon^2 = \gamma_0 [1 - \phi_1^2 - \phi_2^2 - \phi_3^2 - 2\phi_2(\phi_1 + \phi_3)\rho_1 - 2\phi_1\phi_3\rho_2]$$

where

$$\hat{\rho}_h = r_h = \frac{\sum_{t=1}^n (X_t - \mu)(X_{t-h} - \mu)}{\sum_{t=1}^n (X_t - \mu)^2}$$

$$\hat{\gamma}_0 = Var = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{t=1}^n (X_t - \mu)^2$$

$$\mu = \sum_{t=1}^n X_t$$

Use the data below to evaluate the values of the estimates  $(\phi_1, \phi_2, \phi_3 \text{ and } \sigma_\varepsilon^2)$  [22 mks]

t	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$X_t$	13	17	15	14	19	22	20	26	32	32

**QUESTION THREE - 20 MARKS**

A first order moving average MA(2) is defined by  $X_t = z_t + \theta_1 z_{t-1} + \theta_2 z_{t-2}$  Where  $z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and the  $z_t : t = 1, 2, 3, \dots, T$  are uncorrelated.

(a) Find

(i) Mean of the MA(2) [2 mks]

(ii) Variance of the MA(2) [6 mks]

(iii) Autocovariance of the MA(2) [8 mks]

(iv) Autocorrelation of the MA(2) [2 mks]

(b) is the MA(2) stationary? Explain your answer [2 mks]

**QUESTION FOUR - 18 MARKS**

Consider the ARMA(1,1) process  $X_t$  satisfying the equations  $X_t - 0.5X_{t-1} = z_t + 0.4z_{t-1}$  Where  $z_t \sim WN(0, \sigma^2)$  and the  $z_t : t = 1, 2, 3, \dots, T$  are uncorrelated.

- (a) Determine if  $X_t$  is stationary [4 mks]
- (b) Determine if  $X_t$  is casual [2 mks]
- (c) Determine if  $X_t$  is invertible [2 mks]
- (d) Write the coefficients  $\Psi_j$  of the  $MA(\infty)$  representation of  $X_t$  [10 mks]

**QUESTION FIVE - 20 MARKS**

Use the following data shown in the table below to answer the questions that follow.

t	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
$Y_t$	7	8	9	11	13	16	14	13	18	17

Given  $X_t = m_t + R_t$  such that  $R_t$ -is the random component following a white noise with a mean of zero and variance of  $\sigma^2$  and  $m_t$ - is the trend,

- (a) Estimate the trend using exponential smoothing method with a smoothing parameter  $\alpha = 0.68$ . [5 mks]
- (b) Estimate the trend using a centred moving average of order 4 [6 mks]
- (c) On the same axes, draw the graphs of the original set of data, detrended data (using the exponential smoothing ) and detrended data (using the moving average) [7 mks]
- (d) Which estimates in (a) or (b) above is a better estimate above ((a) or (b)) and why. [2 mks]