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## **ECONOMICS**

Paper : ECO-4046

### (Econometrics Methods)

Full Marks : 80

Time : Three hours

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

- 1. Answer the following:  $5 \times 4 = 20$ 
  - (a) What are Robust Standard Errors? How are they estimated? 2+3=5
  - (b) Estimate the total effect and mean lag of the following model: 2+3=5

$$Y_{t} = \alpha + \beta_{0}X_{t} + \beta_{1}X_{t-1} + \beta_{2}X_{t-2} + \dots + \mu_{t}$$

(c) Show that  $Y_t = pY_{t-1} + U_t$  is weakly dependent when |p| < 1 but not at p=15

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- (d) What is econometric simulation? What are its uses? 3+2=5
- 2. Answer **any three** from the following: 10×3=30
  - (a) Explain the Idea of Likelihood ratio and its use for test of overall significance of a regression model estimated by using Maximum Likelihood method.
  - (b) Using Taylor's expansion obtain the estimable form of an inherently nonlinear regression model. 3+7=10
  - (c) What is the use of Koyck transformation in a dynamic econometric model? Explain how one can sort out the problems that appear in a distributed lag model with the help of Koyck transformation. Can we use directly OLS method in the transformed model? State the reason. 2+6+2=10

(d) In a panel data model:

 $Y_{it} = \alpha + \beta X_{it} + \chi_i + \delta_t + \mu_{it}$ , where  $\chi_t$ and  $\delta_t$ , are individual specific and time specific effects respectively, explain the use of Fixed Effects and Random Effects model to estimate the model.

5+5=10

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- (e) Outline the procedure of the 3SLS method of estimating simultaneous equation models. State the properties of these estimators.
- 3. Answer **any two** from the following: 15×2=30
  - (a) Show that under non-spherical disturbances, GLS rather than OLS gives the best linear unbiased estimators of regression coefficients. Illustrate the application of GLS technology for a linear model with auto-correlated disturbance with first order auto-regression. Lay out a method for making the GLS estimation feasible. 7+6+2=15
  - (b) Explain why a linear specification is unsuitable for regression of a qualitative binary dependent variable. Use a suitable transformation function to derive the LOGIT or the PROBIT model for the variable. Obtain the likelihood function for obtaining ML estimates of the parameters. 5+5+5=15
  - (c) Show how the characteristics of AR and MA help to know whether a time series  $X_t$  is either AR (1) or MA (1). 15

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