



GARISSA UNIVERSITY

UNIVERSITY EXAMINATION **2016/2017** ACADEMIC YEAR **ONE**
FIRST SEMESTER EXAMINATION

SUPPLEMENTARY/SPECIAL EXAMINATION

SCHOOL OF BUSINESS MANAGEMENT AND ECONOMICS
FOR THE DIPLOMA BUSINESS MANAGEMENT

COURSE CODE: DBM 04

COURSE TITLE: QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES

EXAMINATION DURATION: 3 HOURS

DATE: 19/03/18

TIME: 09.00-12.00 PM

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

- The examination has SIX (6) questions
- Question ONE (1) is COMPULSORY
- Choose any other THREE (3) questions from the remaining FIVE (5) questions
- Use sketch diagrams to illustrate your answer whenever necessary
- Do not carry mobile phones or any other written materials in examination room
- Do not write on this paper

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QUESTION ONE (COMPULSORY)

- (a) State any two measures of dispersion [2 marks]
- (b) State any two types of correlation [2 marks]
- (c) Highlight four uses or importance of index numbers to a Business Manager [4 marks]
- (d) From the following data, construct the index for 2003 using 2000 as base year. Comment on your result. [6 marks]

| Commodity | price 2000 | price 2003 |
|-----------|------------|------------|
| A | 30 | 30 |
| B | 35 | 50 |
| C | 45 | 75 |
| D | 45 | 70 |
| E | 25 | 40 |

- (e) Describe any four main characteristics of a Normal Distribution [4 marks]
- (f) Find the first quartile Q1 and third quartile Q3 of the following set of data. [6 marks]
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|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| A | B | C | D | E | F | G | H | I | J |
| 12 | 13 | 15 | 16 | 19 | 20 | 25 | 25 | 29 | 36 |
- (g) Give two characteristics of binomial distribution. [2 marks]

QUESTION TWO

- (a) Statistical inquiry is a process of transforming raw data into useful information that can tell us more about a subject and allow us to make recommendations and possibly make predictions of future outcomes. Discuss the six stages of statistical inquiry [12 marks]
- (b) A container is packed with heavy (2B), medium (HB), fine (2H) and extra fine (3H) pencils. If a pack is chosen randomly from the container what is the probability that the pack chosen is medium. [3 marks]

QUESTION THREE

- i. Calculate the coefficient of correlation for the following. [12 marks]



| | | | | | | | | | |
|-------------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
| Husband age(x) | 23 | 27 | 28 | 28 | 29 | 30 | 31 | 33 | 35 |
| Wife age(y) | 18 | 20 | 22 | 27 | 21 | 29 | 27 | 29 | 28 |

ii. distinguish regression and correlation

[3 marks]

QUESTION FOUR

From the table below compute

| Commodity | base year | | current year | |
|-----------|-----------|-----|--------------|-----|
| | Price | qty | price | qty |
| A | 4 | 3 | 6 | 2 |
| B | 5 | 4 | 0 | 4 |
| C | 7 | 2 | 9 | 2 |
| D | 2 | 3 | 1 | 5 |

i. Laspeyres index

[3 marks]

ii. Paasche index

[3 marks]

iii. Fishers index

[3 marks]

iv. Marshall-edgeworth index

[3 marks]

v. Dorbish-bowly index

[3 marks]

QUESTION FIVE

(a) Using the following information:

| | X | Y |
|------|----------|----------|
| Mean | 8 | 10 |



Standard deviation 7 50/3

$r = 12/20$

Required: Find

- i. There regression coefficient of **X** on **Y** [3 marks]
- ii. The regression coefficient of **Y** on **X** [2 marks]
- iii. The most likely value of **Y** when **X**=100 [2 marks]

(b) Using the following information

| | | | | | |
|----------|---|---|----|----|----|
| X | 2 | 3 | 4 | 5 | 6 |
| Y | 7 | 9 | 10 | 14 | 15 |

- Find the regression equation of **Y** on **X** [5 marks]
- (c) Distinguish between correlation and regression [3 marks]

QUESTION SIX

The table below shows the marks scored by students of DBM class in a CAT.

| | | | | | | |
|-----------------------|-----|------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Marks scored | 0-5 | 5-10 | 10-15 | 15-20 | 20-25 | 25-30 |
| No of students | 2 | 8 | 12 | 6 | 7 | 5 |

Required:

- i. Calculate the modal mark [3 marks]
- ii. The mean mark [3 marks]
- iii. Median mark [3 marks]
- iv. Variance [3 marks]
- v. The standard deviation of marks [3 marks]

