M.Sc. 2nd Semester Examination, 2010

APPLIED MATHEMATICS WITH OCEANOLOGY AND COMPUTER PROGRAMMING

(Stochastic Process and Regression)

PAPER-MA-1206

Full Marks: 25

Time: 1 hour

Q. No. 1 is compulsory and any two questions from the rest

The figures in the right-hand margin indicate marks

- 1. Answer any *two* from the following: 2×2
 - (a) Define order of a Markov chain.
 - (b) What do you mean by periodicity?
 - (c) State Chapman Kolmogrov equation.

2. (a) Prove that the state j is persistant or transient according as

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} p_{jj}^{(n)} = \infty \quad \text{or} < \infty$$

where $p_{ij}^{(n)}$ is the probability that if reaches from state i to j not necessarily for the first time, after n transitions.

(b) Explain the concepts of multiple and partial correlation coefficients. Show that the multiple correlation coefficient $R_{1.23}$ is, in the usual notations given by

$$R_{123}^2 = 1 - \frac{w}{w}$$

- 3. (a) Deduce the equation of the plane of regression of X_1 on $X_2, X_3, ..., X_n$
 - (b) Suppose that the probability of a dry day (state 0) following a rainy day (state 1) is 1/3 and that the probability of rainy day following a dry day

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is 1/2. Find the transition probability matrix and find the probability that May 5 is a dry day if given May 1 is a dry day. 4+4

- 4. (a) Define closed set of state.
 - (b) Describe a linear birth and death process. Find the mean population size under this process.

1 + 7

[Internal Assessment: 5 Marks]