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**M.I.B. DEGREE I SEMESTER (SUPPLEMENTARY) EXAMINATION  
NOVEMBER 2010**

**SMI 2104 QUANTITATIVE METHODS**

Time : 3 Hours

Maximum Marks : 50

(All questions carry EQUAL marks)

(5 x 10 = 50)

- I. A. (a) Distinguish between a symmetric matrix and a skew symmetric matrix. Partition the following matrix to a symmetric and a skew symmetric matrix.

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 0 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (b) Explain the conditions for a function  $y = f(x)$  to have maximum and minimum values. Show that the total revenue  $R = 20 - x^2$  will be maximum when output  $x = 10$ .

**OR**

- B. (a) Define the Adjoint of a matrix. For any square matrix A, show that  $A(\text{Adj } A) = |A|I$ .
- (b) Solve the following system of simultaneous equations using Cramer's rule :

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 - x_3 = 5$$

$$x_1 + 4x_2 + 2x_3 = 6$$

$$2x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 4$$

- II. A. (a) Distinguish between arithmetic mean, geometric mean and harmonic mean stating the advantages and disadvantages of each.
- (b) For the following data calculate the GM :

Size	5	8	10	12	14	16
Frequency	2	3	4	5	4	2

**OR**

- B. (a) Explain briefly the various measures of dispersion and their properties.
- (b) The marks obtained by 50 students in an examination is given below. Calculate the mean marks and the standard deviation.

Marks	0 - 10	10 - 20	20 - 30	30 - 40	40 - 50	50 - 60	60 - 70	70 - 80
No. of students	2	4	5	7	9	5	8	10

- III. A. (a) Define correlation. Explain Karl Pearson's coefficient of correlation. Illustrate spurious correlation with suitable examples.
- (b) The data on price and quantity demanded of a commodity for the past five years is given below. Calculate the coefficient of correlation and hence comment on the relation.

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