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(Instructions: Answer all the Questions; Submit the handwritten and signed Answer Script in PDF in MS Teams only; No late submission of the Answer Script or its submission through email will be considered.)

Part-I: Select the most appropriate alternative for the following:

$1 \times 5 = 5$

1. The first difference of the logarithm of Y_t equals:
A) The first difference of Y
B) The difference between the lead and the lag of Y
C) **Approximately the growth rate of Y when the growth rate is small**
D) Exactly the growth rate of Y

2. If a variable (X) Granger causes another variable (Y):
A) **Variable X is exogenous**
B) Variable X is not exogenous
C) Variable X is endogenous
D) Variable X is not endogenous

3. A major problem with a distributed lag models is that:
A) R-square is low
B) Coefficient estimates are biased
C) **Variances of the coefficient estimates are large**
D) It is impossible to determine the lag length

4. The purpose of "augmenting" the regression for the Dickey-Fuller test is to:
A) Ensure that there is no heteroscedasticity in the residuals
B) **Ensure that there is no autocorrelation in the residuals**
C) Ensure that the regression residuals are normally distributed
D) Ensure that all aspects of the non-stationarity are taken into account

5. Which of the following is not a necessary condition for a weakly stationary time series?
A) **Mean is constant and does not depend on time**
B) Autocovariance function depends on s and t only through their difference $|s-t|$ (where s and t are moments in time)
C) The time-series under consideration is a finite variance process
D) **The time-series is Gaussian**

Part II: Comment on the following statements with justification:

3 × 2 = 6

1. The 'Granger causality test' is a test of precedence rather than a test of causality.
2. Application of the Koyck transformation procedure in a distributed lag model does not make much sense if some of the lag coefficients are positive and the rests are negative.

Part-III: Answer the following questions:

1. Consider the model $Y_t = e^\alpha (X_t^*)^\beta e^{u_t}$ where Y_t and X_t^* stand for investment on machinery and expected sales respectively. If X_t^* is not observable and the rule of adaptive expectation is followed, derive the regression equation that can be used to estimate the parameters of the model using the given data on X_t and Y_t . Can the derived model be estimated by applying the OLS method? Justify your answer.
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2. Draw an appropriate schematic (flow) diagram to show the process to be followed while carrying out the stationarity test of a variable using alternative functional forms.
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3. Explain how the ADF test is different from the DF-GLS test. Which test would you prefer to apply and why?
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