

## FIRST SEMESTER M.A. DEGREE EXAMINATION, DECEMBER 2017

(CUCSS)

Economics

EC 01 C04—QUANTITATIVE METHODS FOR ECONOMIC ANALYSIS—I

(2015 Admissions)

Time : Three Hours

Maximum : 36 Weightage

**Part A (Multiple Choice)**

Answer all the twelve questions.  
Each question carries a weightage of  $\frac{1}{4}$ .

- If  $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & k+2 \\ k+1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k+3 & 4 \\ 3 & -k \end{pmatrix}$ , then  $k$  is :
  - 1.
  - 2.
  - 0
  - 2.
- For a symmetric matrix  $A$  :
  - $A^T A = I$ .
  - $A^T = A$ .
  - $A^2 = A$ .
  - $\bar{A}^T = A$ .
- The characteristics roots of  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$  are :
  - 1 and 2.
  - 1 and 4.
  - 0 and 2.
  - 0 and 8.
- The transpose of the co-factor matrix is called :
  - Minor.
  - Inverse.
  - Adjoint.
  - Symmetric matrix.
- $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x}$  is :
  - 0.
  - 3.
  - 1.
  - 2.
- The derivative of  $y = 5x^4$  with respect to  $x$  is :
  - $20x^3$ .
  - $12x^4$ .
  - $20x^5$ .
  - $4x^3$ .

Turn over

7. Marginal function is :
- (a) Ratio of total function and price. (b) Product of total function and  $x$ .  
 (c) Derivative of the total function. (d) Product of average function and  $x$ .
8.  $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 + \cos x) dx$  is :
- (a)  $\frac{\pi}{2}$ . (b)  $1 + \frac{\pi}{2}$ .  
 (c) 1. (d)  $1 - \frac{\pi}{2}$ .
9. If A and B are independent events and  $P(A) = 0.5$ ,  $P(B) = 0.3$ , then  $P(A \cup B)$  is :
- (a) 0.8. (b) 0.15.  
 (c) 0.7. (d) 0.65.
10. If A and B are any two events and  $P(A) = 0.5$ ,  $P(\bar{B}) = 0.6$ ,  $P(A \cup B) = 0.8$  then  $P(A \cap B)$  is :
- (a) 0.2. (b) 0.3.  
 (c) 0.4. (d) 0.6.
11. For any two events A and B,  $P(A) - P(B)$  is :
- (a)  $P(A \cap B)$ . (b)  $P(\bar{A} \cap B)$ .  
 (c)  $P(A \cap \bar{B})$ . (d)  $P(\bar{A} \cap \bar{B})$ .
12. For a continuous random variable,  $P(a < x \leq b)$  is :
- (a)  $F(b) - F(a)$ . (b)  $F(a) - F(b)$ .  
 (c)  $F(b+h) - F(a-h)$ . (d)  $F(b+h) - F(a+h)$ .

**Part B (very Short Answer)**

Answer any five questions.

Each question carries 1 weightage.

13. Given that  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 4 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$  and  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 3 & 4 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ . Find C such that  $A + B - 2C = 0$ , where 0 is a null matrix of order  $2 \times 3$ .
14. If  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 0 \\ 3 & -4 & 2 \end{pmatrix}$ ,  $B = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & -7 \\ 5 & 8 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that  $(AB)^T = B^T \cdot A^T$ .

15. For the cost function  $c(x) = 3x^2 + 2x$ , find the marginal cost for an output of 4 units.
16. If  $y = 2x^2 + \cos x$ , then find  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2}$ .
17. Evaluate  $\int_0^x 4e^{-4x} dx$ .
18. State the addition theorem for two events A and B.
19. In the process of manufacture of part, A, 10 out of 100 are likely to be defective. Similarly, 6 out of 100 are likely to be defective in the manufacture of part B. Calculate the probability that the assembled part will be defective.
20. State Baye's theorem.

**Part C (Short Answer)**

*Answer any eight questions.  
Each question carries 2 weightage.*

21. Given  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & 3 \\ 2 & 3 & 1 \\ 4 & 5 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ . Show that A is non-singular.
22. Obtain the equilibrium prices of the following market model :
- $$qd_1 = 12 + p_1 - 2p_2 \quad qs_1 = -2 + 3p_2$$
- $$qd_2 = 18 - 3p_1 + p_2 \quad qs_2 = -2 + 4p_1$$
23. Find characteristics roots of  $\begin{pmatrix} 9 & 0 & 0 \\ 2 & 5 & 0 \\ 5 & 7 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$ .
24. Find the maxima and minima of the function  $f(x) = (x - 2)^2(x + 3)$ .
25. Find the slope of the function  $2x^3 + 6x^2 + 6$  at  $x = -2$  and at  $x = 3$ .
26. Find the partial derivatives  $\frac{\partial^2 y}{\partial x^2}$  and  $\frac{\partial^2 x}{\partial x \partial y}$  of the function  $2x^4 - 4y^3 + 2y^2 - 8xy + 9$ .
27. Explain the Lagrangian method of multipliers in optimization ?
28. If two dice are thrown, what is the probability that the sum is (a) greater than 8, and (b) neither 7 nor 11.

29. A bag contains 6 white balls, 4 red balls and 8 blue balls. Two balls are drawn at random. Find the probability that they are (i) white and blue, (ii) both are red, and (iii) both are blue.
30. If A, B and C are independent events show that  $A \cup B$  and C are also independent.
31. The probability that there is at least one error in an accounts statement prepared by A is 0.4 and for B and C they are 0.3 and 0.6 respectively. A, B and C prepared 10, 16 and 20 statements respectively. Find the expected number of correct statements in all.

### Part D (Essay)

*Answer any three questions.  
Each question carries 4 weightage.*

32. Solve the following system of equations with the help of matrices

$$x + 2y + 3z = 14; \quad 3x + 2z = 11 - y; \quad 2x + 3y = 11 - z.$$

33. If  $p_t$  be the price,  $x_t$  the per capita quantity,  $y_t$  the per capita disposable income at time  $t$  and the demand function is :

$$\log p_t = 0.768 + 4 \log x_t - 21 \log y_t,$$

Compute the price elasticity and income elasticity of demand.

34. In a bolt manufacturing factory machines A, B and C manufactures respectively 25%, 35% and 40% of the total. Of their output 5, 4, 2 percents are defective bolts. A bolt is drawn at random from the product and is found to be defective. What are the probabilities that it was manufactured by machines A, B and C ?
35. (a) Two ideal dice are thrown. Let  $X_1$  be the score on the first die and  $X_2$  denote the score on the second die. Let Y denote the maximum of  $X_1$  and  $X_2$  :

(i) Write down the joint distribution of Y and  $X_1$ .

(ii) Find the mean and variance of Y.

- (b) Let X be a random variable with the following probability distribution :

$x$	:	- 3	6	9
$P(X = x)$	:	$\frac{1}{6}$	$\frac{1}{2}$	$\frac{1}{3}$

Find  $E(X)$ ,  $E(X^2)$  and  $V(X)$ .

36. A random variable X assumes the values  $-5, -3, -1, 0, 1, 3, 5$  such that  $P(X = -5) = P(X = -3) = P(X = -1)$ ,  $P(X = 1) = P(X = 3) = P(X = 5)$  and  $2P(X = 0) = P(X > 0) = P(X < 0)$ . Obtain the probability mass function of X and distribution function of X.