

2017

( 5th Semester )

ECONOMICS

SEVENTH PAPER

( Quantitative Technique—I )

Full Marks : 75

Time : 3 hours

( PART : B—DESCRIPTIVE )

( Marks : 50 )

*The figures in the margin indicate full marks  
for the questions*

1. (a) State and prove the distributive laws of union and intersection by using the following sets : 4  
 $A = \{0, 1\}$ ,  $B = \{1, a, e\}$  and  $C = \{1, e, f\}$
- (b) Sets  $A$  and  $B$  are such that set  $A$  has 20 scheduled tribe students while  $B$  has 30 female students, and  $A \cup B$  has 45 students. Find the number of  $A \cap B$ . 3
- (c) Distinguish between quadratic function and linear function. 3

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OR

2. (a) Elaborate the applications of linear and non-linear equations in economics. 5  
(b) Define subset and proper subset. 3  
(c) If  $\xi = \{1, 2, 3, 5\}$  and  $A = \{1, 2, 5\}$ , find  $A'$ . 2

3. (a) Find the point of discontinuity of function

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2 - 4x}{x^2 - 4x + 4} \quad 2$$

- (b) The function is defined as follows :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= x+2, \quad \text{when } x > 2 \\ &= x-4, \quad \text{when } x < 2 \\ &= 2, \quad \text{when } x = 2 \end{aligned}$$

Is  $f(x)$  continuous at  $x = 2$ ? 2

- (c) Find  $\frac{dy}{dx}$  for the following equations

(any three) :

2×3=6

(i)  $y = (2x^2 + 3)(4x + 1)$

(ii)  $y = (2x^2 + 3x)^5$

(iii)  $y = e^x x^2$

(iv)  $y = \frac{x+4}{x-1}$

OR

4. (a) The demand function is given by  $q = 25 - 4p + p^2$ . Find the elasticity of demand, when  $p = 4$ . 4

(b) The total cost function is given by  $C = q^3 - 2q^2 + 2q$ .

(i) Find at what level of output, AC is minimum.

(ii) Verify that at a minimum of average cost,  $AC = MC$ . 3+3=6

5. (a) The price of the quantity demanded under pure competition is determined by the demand and supply functions

$$P_d = \frac{8}{x+1} - 2 \quad \text{and} \quad P_s = \frac{1}{2}(x+3)$$

respectively. Find the consumer's surplus. 6

(b) The marginal cost (MC) function for a firm is

$$MC = -2q + 150$$

Find—

(i) the total cost function;

(ii) the average cost function. 2+2=4

OR

6. (a) Evaluate the following functions  
(any two) : 3×2=6

(i)  $\int_1^2 (x^3 - 2x + 5) dx$

(ii)  $\int x \log x dx$

(iii)  $\int \left( \frac{5}{x} + 5e^{2x} + 3 \right) dx$

- (b) Find the producer's surplus when the demand and supply functions are  $P_d = 8 - 3x$  and  $P_s = 4x - 6$  respectively. 4

7. (a) Explain the properties of a determinant by giving suitable examples. 6

- (b) Verify whether  $AB = BA$  using the following matrices : 4

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 1 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

OR

8. (a) Using Cramer's rule or matrix inversion method, determine the values of  $x$ ,  $y$  and  $z$  from the following system of equations : 7

$$x - 2y + z = 8$$

$$2x + y + 3z = 12$$

$$x + y + z = 6$$

(b) Define rank of matrix. 3

9. Using graphical method

$$\text{Maximize } Z = 2x_1 + 5x_2$$

subject to

$$x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 24$$

$$3x_1 + x_2 \leq 21$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 9$$

$$\text{and } x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0$$

Indicate the feasible region. 8+2=10

OR

10. (a) Discuss the relevance of linear programming in profit maximization of a firm. 4

(b) What are the processes involved in the formulation of linear programming? 6

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( PART : A—OBJECTIVE )

( Marks : 25 )

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SECTION—A

( Marks : 10 )

Tick (✓) the correct answer in the brackets provided : 1×10=10

1. Which one of the following is in the form of a linear function?

(a)  $y = a + bx$  ( )

(b)  $y = a + bx + \log x$  ( )

(c)  $y = a + bx^2$  ( )

(d)  $xy = xy^2 + x^2y$  ( )

2. Any set containing  $n$  number of elements has \_\_\_\_\_ number of subsets.

(a)  $2n^2$  ( )

(b)  $2^n$  ( )

(c)  $n^2$  ( )

(d)  $2n^2 - 1$  ( )

3. The value for a function  $y = f(x)$  is minimum, if

(a)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$  ( )

(b)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 0$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$  ( )

(c)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} > 0$  ( )

(d)  $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1$  and  $\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} < 0$  ( )

4. The profit of a firm is maximum at

(a)  $MC < AC$  ( )

(b)  $MC = MR$  ( )

(c)  $MC > AC$  ( )

(d)  $AC = MC$  ( )

5. If  $MC = 3Q^2 - 2Q + 15$ , then  $TC$  is

- (a)  $6Q - 2$  ( )
- (b)  $6Q^3 - 2Q^2 + 15Q$  ( )
- (c)  $Q^3 - Q^2 + 15Q$  ( )
- (d)  $Q^3 - Q^2 - 15Q$  ( )

6.  $\int e^x dx =$

- (a)  $\log x + c$  ( )
- (b)  $\frac{1}{x} + c$  ( )
- (c)  $e^x + c$  ( )
- (d) None of the above ( )

7. A square matrix  $A$  is singular, if

- (a)  $|A| \neq 0$  ( )
- (b)  $|A| > 0$  ( )
- (c)  $|A| < 0$  ( )
- (d)  $|A| = 1$  ( )

8. When the rows and columns of a matrix are interchanged, it is termed as

- (a) identity matrix ( )
- (b) transpose of a matrix ( )
- (c) diagonal matrix ( )
- (d) square matrix ( )

9. The optimal solution of linear programming is found

- (a) at the corner point of feasible region ( )
- (b) outside the feasible region ( )
- (c) at the origin of the graph ( )
- (d) None of the above ( )

10. In linear programming problem, linearity of the constraints implies that

- (a) each resource is heterogeneous ( )
- (b) each resource is not heterogeneous ( )
- (c) each resource is homogeneous ( )
- (d) each resource is not homogeneous ( )

2. What are the first-order and second-order conditions for optimization?

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3. Integrate the following function :

$$y = x^{-2} + e^x + \frac{1}{x}$$

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4. Given that

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & 1 \end{bmatrix}, B = \begin{bmatrix} a & b \\ c & d \end{bmatrix}, C = \begin{bmatrix} 0 & 1 \\ 1 & 1 \end{bmatrix}$$

What are the values of  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$  and  $d$ , if  $A + B = C$ ?

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5. Formulate the dual of the given primal :

$$\text{Maximize } \Pi = 9x_1 + x_2$$

subject to

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 8$$

$$4x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 14$$

$$\text{and } x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

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