

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 ¼.*

1. If $\begin{pmatrix} 5 & k+2 \\ k+1 & -2 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} k+3 & 4 \\ 3 & -k \end{pmatrix}$, then k is :

- (a) -1. (b) -2.
(c) 0 (d) 2.

2. For a symmetric matrix A :

- (a) $A^T A = I$. (b) $A^T = A$.
(c) $A^2 = A$. (d) $\bar{A}^T = A$.

3. The characteristics roots of $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 \\ 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ are :

- (a) 1 and 2. (b) 1 and 4.
(c) 0 and 2. (d) 0 and 8.

4. The transpose of the co-factor matrix is called :

- (a) Minor. (b) Inverse.
(c) Adjoint. (d) Symmetric matrix.

5. $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(3x)}{x}$ is :

- (a) 0. (b) 3.
(c) 1. (d) 2.

6. The derivative of $y = 5x^4$ with respect to x is :

- (a) $20x^3$. (b) $12x^4$.
(c) $20x^5$. (d) $4x^3$.

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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 $P(A) = 0.5$, $P(B) = 0.6$, $P(A \cup B) = 0.8$ 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 C is a matrix of order 2×3 .

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 $\int_0^8 4e^{-4x} dx$.
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.

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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 $A \cap B$ and C are also independent.
31. The probability that there is at least one error in an accounts statement prepared by A, B and C respectively is 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
 $x + 2y + 3z = 14$; $3x + 2z = 11 - y$; $2x + 3y = 11 - z$
33. If p_t be the price, x_t the per capita quantity, y_t the per capita disposable income at time t , 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%, 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.