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ECOH-203(A/B)/298**

TDC Even Semester Exam., 2018

ECONOMICS

(Honours)

(2nd Semester)

Course No : ECOH-203

Full Marks : 50

Pass Marks : 17

Time : 2 hours

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

Arts students will answer ECOH-203 (A) and Science
students will answer ECOH-203 (B)

(For Arts Students)

OPTION : A

Course No : ECOH-203 (A)

(MATHEMATICS FOR ECONOMICS)

Answer **five** questions, taking **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. (a) Find y_c , y_p , the general solution and the definite solution of the following : 3+3=6

(i) $2 \frac{dy}{dx} + 4y = 6; y(0) = 1$

(2)

$$(ii) \frac{dy}{dx} + ay = b$$

(b) Solve :

$$\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} - 7 \frac{dy}{dx} + 12y = 0$$

2. (a) Solve the following differential equation :

$$\frac{dy}{dt} + \frac{y(1+2t)}{t(1+t)} = 0$$

(b) The demand and supply functions, where p is price, Q_d is quantity demanded and Q_s is quantity supplied, are given as (b)

$$Q_d = 10 - 0.8p$$

$$Q_s = -6 + 1.2p$$

and $\frac{dp}{dt} = 0.6(Q_d - Q_s)$. Find the time

path of price.

UNIT-II

3. (a) A consumer faces a utility function of the form $u = 2 \cdot q_1^{0.6} \cdot q_2^{0.4}$, where q_1 and q_2 are quantities of two goods (good 1 and good 2) respectively. Price of good 1 is ₹ 10 per unit and that of good 2 is ₹ 1 per unit. The consumer has a budget of ₹ 100. Find the optimum amount of q_1 and q_2 .

(3)

- (b) Find the price elasticity of demand for the following function at $P = 5$:

$$Q - 1.5P + 3 = 0$$

4. (a) If the total cost function is

$$C = \frac{1}{3}Q^3 - 3Q^2 + 9Q$$

find at what level of output AC be minimum and show that at that level of output $AC = MC$. 3+2=5

- (b) Suppose that the demand and total cost functions of a monopolist are $P = 20 - 4x$ and $C = 4x$ respectively. If a tax of $\frac{1}{2}$ per unit quantity produced is

imposed, find the quantity and the price that would correspond to the maximum profit of monopolist. What will be the maximum profit? 4+1=5

UNIT—III

5. (a) Define linear homogeneous production function with a suitable example. 4

- (b) Determine the level of homogeneity and returns to scale for the following production function :

(i) $Q = 0.9K^{0.2}L^{0.6}$

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$$(ii) Q = \alpha K + \beta L$$

$$(iii) Q = K^{0.64} \cdot L^{0.36}$$

6. Given the function, $u = Ax^b y^c$; A , b and c are constants.

- (a) Find the conditions under which this is a linear homogeneous function.
- (b) Apply Euler's theorem if these conditions hold true.
- (c) Show that for Cobb-Douglas production function, elasticity of substitution is unity.

UNIT—IV

7. (a) Prove that in an open input-output model, a unique solution can be obtained from the equation

$$\bar{x} = (I - A)^{-1} \cdot F$$

Where A = input-output coefficient matrix and F = final demand.

(b) Verify whether Hawkins-Simon conditions are true for the following technological coefficient matrix:

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.75 & 0.32 \\ 0.48 & 0.36 \end{bmatrix}$$

(5)

Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.1 \\ 0 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0 & 0 & 0.3 \end{bmatrix} \quad F = \begin{bmatrix} F_1 = 20 \\ F_2 = 0 \\ F_3 = 0 \end{bmatrix}$$



Find the output levels of x_1 , x_2 and x_3 . Verify Hawkins-Simon condition. $7+3=10$

UNIT—V

9. (a) Given technological coefficient matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.4 & 0.1 \\ 0.7 & 0.6 \end{bmatrix}$$

and output vector

$$x = \begin{bmatrix} 176.5 \\ 558.8 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (i) Find the gross value added.
- (ii) Find the output level disposal to final demand.
- (iii) Show that the total disposal to final demand is equal to the total value added. $4+2+1=7$

(b) State the uses of input-output analysis. 3

(a) Show that in closed input-output model, the solution is indeterminate. 7

(b) Discuss the limitations of input-output analysis. 3

(For Science Students)

OPTION : B

Course No : ECOH-203 (B)

(ELEMENTS OF MATHEMATICAL ECONOMICS)

Answer five questions, taking one from each

UNIT—I

1. (a) Define the term 'player' in the game theory. Solve the following game where the pay-off matrix of firm A is given below :

		Firm B			
		B_1	B_2	B_3	(b)
Firm A	A_1	1	3	1	(c)
	A_2	0	-4	-3	
	A_3	1	5	-1	Giv

- (b) What do you mean by saddle-point equilibrium of a game?

2. (a) Explain the following concept :

(i) Pay-off matrix

(ii) Mixed strategy

(iii) Two-person zero-sum game

- (b) Distinguish between dominant strategies and dominated strategies.



UNIT-II

3. Given the technology matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.3 & 0.2 & 0.2 \\ 0.2 & 0.1 & 0.5 \\ 0.2 & 0.4 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

The consumption demand vector

$$C = \begin{bmatrix} 80 \\ 30 \\ 50 \end{bmatrix}$$

- (a) Find the output level consistent with the model. 4
- (b) Check Hawkins-Simon conditions. 3
- (c) Find the intermediate uses of the three commodities. 3

4. Given

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.2 & 0.3 & 0.2 \\ 0.4 & 0.1 & 0.2 \\ 0.1 & 0.3 & 0.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

and final demands are F_1 , F_2 and F_3 .

- (a) Find the output level consistent with the model. 5
- (b) What will be the output levels if $F_1 = 10$, $F_2 = 5$ and $F_3 = 6$? 2
- (c) Check Hawkins-Simon condition for the above. 3

UNIT—III

5. (a) Write a short note on input-output analysis.
- (b) What are the limitations of input-output analysis?
6. (a) What is a dynamic input-output system? How is this system used in economic planning? Elaborate.
- (b) In a closed input-output model, unique solution of the system is not possible. Comment.

UNIT—IV

7. (a) Distinguish between feasible solution and basic feasible solutions in a linear programming problem.
- (b) Solve the following linear programming problem by graphic method :
Maximize

$$\pi = 4x_1 + 3x_2$$

subject to

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 4$$
$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 6$$

$$x_1 \geq 0, x_2 \geq 0$$

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- (a) What is meant by simplex tableau?
 (b) Solve the following linear programming problem by simplex method :

Maximize

$$\pi = 2x_1 + 5x_2$$

subject to

$$x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 24$$

$$3x_1 + 4x_2 \leq 21$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 9$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

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UNIT—V

- (a) Explain the concept of duality with the help of an economic example.

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- (b) Find the dual of the following linear programming problem :

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Maximize

$$Z = c_1 x_1 + c_2 x_2$$

subject to

$$a_{11}x_1 + a_{12}x_2 \leq b_1$$

$$a_{21}x_1 \leq b_2$$

$$a_{32}x_2 \leq b_3$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

- (a) Give a general formulation of linear programming problem of cost minimization.

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- (b) Prove that the dual of the dual is the primal.

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