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Department of Economics & Banking

Final Examination: Spring 2019

Program: B.S.S. (Honours)

Course Code : MATH 1101

Course Title: Fundamentals of Mathematical Economics

Time: 2.5 Hours

Full Marks: 50

Answer any **FIVE** of the following questions. All parts of a question must be answered sequentially. Figures in the right margin indicate full marks.

- 1.(a) Consider the following market models: 10
1. $Q_d = 18 - 2P$
 $Q_s = -2 + 3P$
2. $Q_{d1} = 18 - 2P_1 + P_2$ $Q_{d2} = 20 + P_1 - P_2$
 $Q_{s1} = -2 + 3P_1$ $Q_{s2} = -1 + 2P_2$
- Are the models complete for solution?
- i) Compute the equilibrium prices and quantities.
- ii) Suppose the government imposes a tax of Tk.6.00 per unit of output. What will be the impact on the model? Find the new supply function for both the models.
- iii) Find the new supply function for both the models.
2. a) What is the difference between partial and general equilibrium market model? 2
- b) Given the following model: 8
- $Y = C + I_0 + G_0$
 $C = 25 + 6Y^{1/2}$
 $I_0 = 16$
 $G_0 = 14$
- i) How many endogenous and exogenous variables are there?
- ii) Find the equilibrium values of Y and C.
- iii) Are the results meaningful?
3. Consider the following function: 10
- $y = f(x) = 4x^2 + 9$
- i) Find the difference quotient as a function of x_0 and Δx . Does $\Delta y/\Delta x$ vary with Δx ?
- ii) Find the derivative dy/dx and calculate $f'(6)$.
4. a) "The derivative dy/dx is nothing but the slope of a curve as $\Delta x \rightarrow 0$ " - Explain. 2
- b) Differentiate the following functions: 8
- i) $y = (9x^2 - 2)(3x + 1)$
- ii) $y = \log_7 7x^2$
- iii) $y = 5e^{2-x^2}$
- iv) $y = \frac{ax^2 + b}{cx + d}$

5. a) Partially differentiate the following if the utility function of an individual takes the form as follows: 5

i) $f(u, v) = \frac{2u - 3v}{u + v}$

ii) $f(p, q) = 2p^3 - 11p^2q + 3q^2$

- b) $U = U(x_1, x_2) = (x_1 + 2)^3(x_2 + 3)^2$ 5

Where U is total utility and x_1 and x_2 are the quantities of two commodities consumed.

i) Find MU_1 and MU_2 .

ii) Find the value of MU_1 when 6 units of each commodity are consumed.

6. a) Find the total derivatives: 5

i) $z = 4x^2 - 3xy + 2y^2$, where $x = y^{-1}$

ii) $z = 7u + vt$, where $u = 2t^2$ and $v = t + 1$

- b) Use the rules of differentials to find dy from the following function: 5

$$y = \frac{2x_1x_2}{x_1 + x_2}$$

7. i) Given the demand function $Q_x = 100 - 2P_x + 3P_y + \sqrt{M}$, where $P_x = 25$, $P_y = 20$, and 10

$M = 81$

ii) Calculate the demand for x at the given prices and income.

iii) Determine the own price, the cross price and the income elasticities of demand. Comment on the elasticity coefficients in Part (ii).