

JNUEE SIS 2012 SOLUTION PAPER

M.A. ECONOMICS (with specialization in the world economy)

1. (C) $Q^d = 10 - 2p$ & $Q^s = 3p - 5$

$$\therefore 10 - 2p = 3p - 5.$$

$$\therefore, p = 3; Q = 4 \rightarrow \text{Equilibrium quantity}$$

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Equilibrium price

$$Q^d = 10 - 2p$$

$$Q^s = 3p - 5$$

$$\therefore 2p = 10 - Q^d$$

$$\therefore, 3p = Q^s + 5$$

$$\therefore, p = 5 - \frac{1}{2}Q^d$$

$$\therefore, p = \frac{1}{3}Q^s + \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\text{Producer surplus at } p_s = 3 \text{ is } PS = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times \left(3 - \frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times \frac{4}{3} = \frac{8}{3}$$

$$\text{For } p_s = 4 \therefore Q^s = 3(4) - 5 = 12 - 5 = 7$$

$$\therefore \text{Producer surplus } (PS_1) = \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \times \left(4 - \frac{5}{3}\right) = \frac{1}{2} \times 7 \times \frac{7}{3} = \frac{49}{6}$$

$$\therefore \text{Gain in producer surplus} = PS_1 - PS = \frac{49}{6} - \frac{8}{3} = \frac{11}{2}$$

2. (C) Consumer surplus at $p = 3$ is $CS = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times (5 - 3) = \frac{1}{2} \times 4 \times 2 = 4$

At $p = 4$,

$$\text{Quantity demanded} = 10 - 2p = 10 - 2(4) = 2$$

$$\text{consumer surplus } [(CS_1)] = \frac{1}{2} \times 2 \times 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore \text{Change in consumer surplus} = CS - CS_1 = 4 - 1 = 3$$

3. (B) $Q^d = 2$ at $P = 4$

$$Q^s = 7 \text{ at } P = 4;$$

$$\text{The cost to the Govt. of this policy} = 4 \times (7 - 2) = 20$$

$$4. (C) S = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\therefore p = 3 + \frac{5}{3} = \frac{14}{3}$$

$$\therefore Q^s = 3p - 5 = 14 - 5 = 9$$

Equilibrium quantity = 4

$$\therefore \text{Govt. expenditure} = (9 - 4) \times \text{price} = 5 \times 3 = 15$$

5. (A) The demand is price elastic and price falls.

$$6. (D) e_D = \frac{\% \Delta \text{ in quantity demanded}}{\% \Delta \text{ in price}} \Leftrightarrow -3.5 = \frac{\% \Delta \text{ qty.}}{10\%}$$

\therefore 35% fall in quantity.

7. (A) Any point outside the PPF (or PPC) is not feasible for given current resources & technology.

8. (B) MRP = additional 20 packages \times price per package = $20 \times 5 = \text{Rs. } 100/-$

9. (C) Marginal product of second worker is $(30-20) = 10$ candles

Given: Price per candle = Rs. 2/-

So, MRP = $2 \times 10 = \text{Rs. } 20/-$

10. (A) Minimize $y = x_1 + x_2$ subject to: $1 - x_1^{1/2} - x_2 = 0$.

Lagrange's Multiplier = $L = x_1 + x_2 + \lambda(1 - \sqrt{x_1} - x_2)$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_1} = 1 - \lambda \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x_1}} = 0.$$

$$\therefore \lambda \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x_1}} = 1 \dots\dots\dots(i)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial x_2} = 1 - \lambda = 0$$

$$\therefore \lambda = 1 \dots\dots\dots(ii)$$

$$\frac{\partial L}{\partial \lambda} = 1 - \sqrt{x_1} - x_2 = 0$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x_1} + x_2 = 1 \dots\dots\dots(iii)$$

From (i) and (ii),

$$\lambda \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = \lambda$$

$$\therefore \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} = 1$$

$$\therefore, 2\sqrt{x} = 1$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{x} = 1/2$$

$$\therefore, x_1^* = 1/4$$

Putting $x = 1/4$ in (iii),

$$\frac{1}{2} + x_2 = 1$$

$$\therefore x_2^* = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\therefore x_1^* = \frac{1}{4}; x_2^* = \frac{1}{2}$$

11. (D) The function $f:R \rightarrow R$ is defined by

$$f(x) = \frac{x^2+2x-3}{x^2-x-2} = \frac{x^2+3x-x-3}{x^2-2x+x-2} = \frac{x(x+3)-1(x+3)}{x(x-2)+1(x-2)} = \frac{(x-1)(x+3)}{(x+1)(x-2)}$$

\therefore two points of discontinuity at $x = -1$ or $x = 2$.

12. (C)

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}_{2 \times 3}; \quad B = \begin{bmatrix} 4 & 5 & 0 \\ 5 & 3 & 2 \\ 2 & 0 & 6 \end{bmatrix}_{3 \times 3}$$

$\therefore C$ is a 2×3 matrix.

$$\text{Rank} = \min\{2, 3\} = 2$$

∴ Rank of C is 2.

$$13. (B) P(\text{The statement is indeed true/they make the same statement}) = \frac{pq}{pq+(1-p)(1-q)}$$

$$14. (D) P(A) = \frac{3}{7} ; P(B) = \frac{3}{8} ; P(C) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$P(\text{Problem is not solved}) = \left(1 - \frac{3}{7}\right) \cap \left(1 - \frac{3}{8}\right) \cap \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\right) = \frac{4}{7} \times \frac{5}{8} \times \frac{2}{3} = \frac{5}{21}$$

15. (A)

| X | P(X = x) |
|---|----------------------|
| 0 | C/2 |
| 1 | 2C - 3C ² |
| 2 | 2C - 1 |
| 3 | C/2 |

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

$$\Leftrightarrow 5C - 3C^2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\therefore 3C^2 - 3C - 2C + 2 = 0$$

$$\therefore 3C(C - 1) - 2(C - 1) = 0$$

$$3C = 2 ; C = 1$$

$$\Leftrightarrow C = 2/3$$

$$16. (B) \bar{x} = \frac{n_1\bar{x}_1 + n_2\bar{x}_2 + n_3\bar{x}_3}{n_1 + n_2 + n_3}$$

$$650 = \frac{14 \times 575 + 7 \times 400 + 9 \times \bar{x}_3}{30}$$

$$\therefore 19500 - 8050 - 2800 = 9\bar{x}_3$$

$$\therefore \bar{x}_3 = 961.11$$

17. (B) $P(\text{some mistake in page}) = 1 - P(\text{no mistake})$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{e^{-m} \times m^x}{x!} \right)$$

$$= 1 - \left(\frac{e^{-3} \times 3^0}{0!} \right)$$

$$= 0.950212$$

$$18. (A) P(X < 30) = \frac{X - \mu}{\sqrt{\text{var}(X)}} = \frac{30 - 46}{20} = -0.8$$

$$P(X < 30) = 1 - 0.788 = 0.212$$

19. (C) An increase in equilibrium level of output and a decrease in price level.

20. (B) An increase in the equilibrium level of output and the price level.

[Since increase in govt. spending will give rise to increase in output, as well as employment. Increase in employment will lead to increase in demand and hence price rise].

21. Do Yourself.

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23. (A)

| | A | B |
|-------|-----------------------------|-------------------------------|
| Food | $\frac{500}{0.29}$ 500/1700 | $\frac{1200}{0.70}$ 1200/1700 |
| Cloth | $\frac{700}{0.47}$ 700/1500 | $\frac{800}{0.53}$ 800/1500 |

\therefore A has comparative advantage in food ($0.29 < 0.47$).

B has comparative advantage in cloth ($0.53 < 0.70$).

∴ A will specialize in food and export food and import cloth from B.

24. (C)

$$Q^d = a - bP$$

$$900 = a - 100b$$

$$700 = -a + 200b$$

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$$200 - 100b$$

$$b = 2$$

$$\therefore a = 1100$$

$$\text{Import dd. Function} = d - S = (1100 - 2P^1) - (-200 + 2P^1) = 1300 - 4P^1$$

$$\therefore 300 = 1300 - 4P^1$$

$$\therefore 1000 = 4P^1$$

$$\therefore P^1 = 250\$$$

$$\text{Price 'p' earlier} = 100\$$$

$$\therefore P^1 - P = 250 - 100 = 150\$$$

∴ Price will go up by \$150.

$$Q^s = a + bP$$

$$0 = a + 100b$$

$$-200 = -a + 200b$$

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$$-200 = -100b$$

$$b = 2$$

$$\therefore a = -200$$

$$25. (B) \text{ multiplier effect on GDP} = \frac{1}{1 - mpc + mpi} = \frac{1}{mps + mpi}$$

Plugging values:

$$\text{Multiplier effect on GDP} = \frac{1}{0.15 + 0.05} = \frac{1}{1/5} = 5$$