

END TERM EXAMINATION

FIFTH SEMESTER [BCOM(HONS)] DECEMBER 2024

Paper Code: BCOM313

Subject: Basics of Econometrics

Time: 03:00 Hours

Maximum Marks:75

Note: Attempt any five questions. All questions as carry equal marks.

- Q1. Answer **any five** of the following: (5x5=25)
- (a) What is conditional probability? Explain with the help of an example.
 - (b) What are the properties of a random variable?
 - (c) What is type-1 error in hypothesis testing? How is it measured?
 - (d) What are the reasons for misspecification of a model?
 - (e) What is serial correlation?
 - (f) What are the properties of the error term in the regression model?
 - (g) What is the importance of diagnostic checking for an econometric model?
 - (h) What is goodness of fit?
- Q2. Define econometrics. Discuss its nature and how is it related with economics and statistics. Discuss the role of econometrics in testing economic theories. (12.5)
- OR**
- Q3. What is the Poisson distribution? Explain the key characteristics of a Poisson distribution and give an example where it can be applied. How is it different from binomial distribution? (12.5)
- Q4. What is the Gauss-Markov Theorem? Explain the key assumptions of the theorem and describe its significance in the context of Ordinary Least Squares (OLS) regression. (12.5)
- OR**
- Q5. What is interval estimation? Define confidence intervals and explain how they are constructed. How do confidence intervals provide a range of plausible values for population parameters? (12.5)
- Q6. How multiple regressions is an extension of simple linear regression? What is the meaning of the coefficient of determination (R^2) in multiple regressions? How does R^2 help in understanding the goodness of fit of a regression model, and how is adjusted R^2 different from R^2 ? (12.5)
- OR**
- Q7. Explain the role of dummy variables in multiple regression. How are they used to represent categorical variables, and what challenges may arise when including dummy variables in a regression model? (12.5)
- Q8. What is heteroskedasticity, and how does it impact the validity of OLS estimates in multiple regression? Discuss methods to detect and correct for heteroskedasticity. (12.5)
- OR**
- Q9. What is multicollinearity in multiple regression analysis? What are its causes? How is it detected? What are the potential problems it can create for interpreting regression results? (12.5)
