

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)  
BCom DEGREE EXAMINATION MAY 2023  
(Sixth Semester)

Branch – COMMERCE (ACCOUNTING & FINANCE)

**FINANCIAL DERIVATIVES**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 75 Marks

**SECTION-A (10 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (10 x 1 = 10)

1. Financial Derivatives include -----  
i) Stocks                      ii) Bonds                      iii) Futures                      iv) None of these
2. The payoffs for financial derivatives are linked to -----  
i) Securities that will be issued in the future  
ii) The volatility of interest rates  
iii) Previously issued securities  
iv) Government regulations specifying allowable rates of return
3. The contract which gives the buyer the right but not obligation -----  
i) Options                      ii) Futures                      iii) Swaps                      iv) Forwards
4. The buyer in the derivative contract is also known as -----  
i) Deep in the contract                      ii) Middle in the contract  
iii) Short in the contract                      iv) Long in the contract
5. The option contract that can be exercised only at the date of maturity is called -----  
i) European option                      ii) American option  
iii) Bermudan option                      iv) Call option
6. Option strategy with combination of selling one put option at low strike price and buying put option at a high strike price -----  
i) Put bear spread                      ii) Call bear spread  
iii) Long call butterfly                      iv) Short call butterfly
7. There are two types of regular options (calls and puts). How many types of barrier options are there?  
i) Two                      ii) Four                      iii) Six                      iv) Eight
8. A fixed look back put option pays off which of the following-----  
i) The amount by which the final stock price exceeds the minimum stock price  
ii) The amount by which the maximum stock price exceeds the final stock price  
iii) The amount by which the strike price exceeds the minimum stock price  
iv) The amount by which the maximum stock price exceeds the strike price
9. A volatility swap is -----  
i) An instrument that swaps the change in the value of a market variable for a fixed amount  
ii) A swap involving an asset whose volatility is greater than a certain level  
iii) An exchange of the implied volatility of an option at a future time for a fixed volatility  
iv) An exchange of the realized volatility of an asset for a fixed volatility
10. Exotic options -----  
i) Can always be hedged just as easily as regular options  
ii) Are easier to hedge than regular options  
iii) Are more difficult to hedge than regular options  
iv) Are sometimes easier and sometimes more difficult to hedge than regular options.

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**SECTION - B (35 Marks)**

Answer **ALL** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (5 x 7 = 35)

11. a) Explain the advantages of derivatives.  
OR  
b) Describe any five features of financial derivatives.
12. a) Analyse any five features of forward Contracts.  
OR  
b) Classify the advantages of Forward Trading Mechanism.
13. a) Outline the various types of financial future Contracts.  
OR  
b) Describe Stock Futures and Interest Rate Future.
14. a) What is forward contract? How the forward contract is differ from future contract?  
OR  
b) Differentiate between future market and option market.
15. a) Classify the types of swaps.  
OR  
b) State the features of swaps.

**SECTION - C (30 Marks)**

Answer any **THREE** Questions

**ALL** Questions Carry **EQUAL** Marks (3 x 10 = 30)

16. Discuss the Regulatory framework in Derivatives markets in India.
17. Explain the classification of Forward Contract.
18. Highlight and Benefits of Forward and Futures Markets in India.
19. What are the main factors determining an Option's Price or Premium?
20. Categorize the types of Interest Rate Swaps.

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