

PSG COLLEGE OF ARTS & SCIENCE  
(AUTONOMOUS)

MA DEGREE EXAMINATION DECEMBER 2022  
(First Semester)

Branch – ECONOMICS

**ADVANCED MICRO ECONOMIC THEORY-I**

Time: Three Hours

Maximum: 50 Marks

**SECTION-A (5 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL marks (5 x 1 = 5)

- 1 The Cross Elasticity of demand between two complementary goods is
  - (i) Negative
  - (ii) Positive
  - (iii) Unity
  - (iv) Zero
- 2 Iso quants are convex to origin because of
  - (i) Diminishing MRTS
  - (ii) Increasing MRTS
  - (iii) Increasing returns to scale
  - (iv) Decreasing returns to scale
- 3 Product Differentiation is an important feature of
  - (i) Monopoly
  - (ii) Perfect Competition
  - (iii) Monopolistic Competition
  - (iv) Bilateral Monopoly
- 4 Stackelberg's model of oligopoly assumes that the output of the first firm is
  - (i) Diminishing
  - (ii) Increasing
  - (iii) Constant
  - (iv) Minimum
- 5 A 'discretionary investment' in Williamson's model represents:
  - (i) a way of spending surplus profit
  - (ii) an additional investment undertaken by managers in excess of that required for the normal operation of the firm.
  - (iii) a gift by managers to shareholders by means of an additional dividend
  - (iv) a free and anonymous gift by managers to charity

**SECTION - B (15 Marks)**

Answer ALL Questions

ALL Questions Carry EQUAL Marks (5 x 3 = 15)

- 6 a) What are the properties of indifference curve?  
(or)
- b) Write a short note on cross elasticity of demand.
- 7 a) Explain the L-shaped long-run average cost curve.  
(or)
- b) Write a short note on elasticity of substitution.
- 8 a) State the features of perfect competition.  
(or)
- b) Explain the short run equilibrium of firm under monopolistic competition.  
(or)
- 9 a) Explain the Bertrand solution of duopoly problem.  
(or)
- b) What are the features of oligopoly?
- 10 a) Explain Bain's limit pricing theory.  
(or)
- b) Write a short note on Williamson's model of managerial discretion.

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**SECTION -C (30 Marks)**

Answer ALL questions

ALL questions carry EQUAL Marks

(5 x 6 = 30)

- 11 a Make an evaluation of Hicks' logical theory of demand.  
OR  
b Explain the various methods of measuring elasticity of demand.
- 12 a Analyse the Cobb-Douglas production function.  
OR  
b Describe the law of Variable proportions.
- 13 a Explain the equilibrium of the firm under perfect competition.  
OR  
b Describe the price and output determination under discriminating monopoly.
- 14 a Explain price and output determination under price leadership by a dominant firm.  
OR  
b Analyse Sweezy's model of kinked demand curve.
- 15 a Explain the Hall-Hitch version of full-cost pricing theory.  
OR  
b Describe Baumol's sales maximization model.

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