

PG Odd Semester (CBCS) Exam., December—2016

ECONOMICS

( 3rd Semester )

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( Advanced Econometrics—I )

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Pass Marks : 28

Time : 3 hours

The figures in the margin indicate full marks for the questions

Answer **five** questions, selecting **one** from each Unit

UNIT—I

1. (a) Define the following terms :

- (i) Goodness of fit
- (ii) Analysis of variance (ANOVA)

(b) State the relation between regression slope and correlation coefficient.

(c) We have the following results from a regression exercise :

$$\hat{Y}_i = 0.7264 + 1.0598 X_i$$

$$(0.3001) \quad (0.0728)$$

$$r^2 = 0.4710; F(1, 238) = 211.895$$

d.f. = 238 (figures in parentheses are standard errors). Now answer the following :

- (i) Test the null hypothesis that the coefficient of  $X$  is greater than 1.
- (ii) Is the intercept significantly greater than zero?

(iii) What does the value of  $r^2$  imply?

$$(2+2)+3+(3+2+2)=14$$

2. (a) Distinguish between the following :

- (i) True model and estimated model
- (ii) Parameter and estimate

(b) In case of a 2-variable linear regression show that an  $F$ -statistic is the square of a  $t$ -statistic ( $F = t^2$ ).

(c) A sample of 12 observations corresponding to a two-variable linear model  $Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i$  provided the following results :

$$\sum X_i = 4200, \quad \sum (X_i - \bar{X})^2 = 46509.96$$

$$\sum Y_i = 3861, \quad \sum (Y_i - \bar{Y})^2 = 40068.24$$

$$\sum (X_i - \bar{X})(Y_i - \bar{Y}) = 43145.04$$

Using these results, estimate  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$  along with their variances. Also obtain 95% confidence intervals for  $\beta_0$  and  $\beta_1$ .

$$(2+2)+3+(3+2+2)=14$$

UNIT—II

3. (a) Define the following :

- (i) Adjusted  $R^2$
- (ii) Overall significance of an estimated multiple regression model

(b) From the data of 45 developed countries, the following regression results are obtained :

$$\widehat{\log C} = 4.30 + 1.34 \log P - 0.17 \log Y$$

(0.09)    (0.32)                    (0.20)

(Figures in parentheses are SEs)  
 $\bar{R}^2 = 0.27$ .

Here  $C$  = tobacco consumption (packets per year)  
 $P$  = real price of tobacco per packet  
 $Y$  = per capita real income

Now answer the following :

- (i) Interpret the given results.
- (ii) What is the elasticity of demand for tobacco with respect to price? Is it statistically significant?
- (iii) How would you retrieve  $R^2$  value from the value of  $\bar{R}^2$ ?  
(2+2)+(2+5+3)=14

4. (a) Define the following :

- (i) Likelihood ratio test statistics
- (ii) Likelihood function

(b) You are given the following regression results :

$$\hat{Y}_i = 16899 + 2978.5 X_{1i}$$

(8 5152)    ( 4 7280)

$$R^2 = 0.6149$$
  

$$\hat{Y}_i = 9734.2 + 3782.2 X_{1i} + 2815 X_{2i}$$

(3 3705)    ( 6 6070)                    (2 9712)

$$R^2 = 0.7706$$

(Figures in parentheses are computed  $t$ -values). Now answer the following :

- (i) Find out the sample size underlying these results.
- (ii) Interpret these results.
- (iii) Which model would you prefer and why? (2+2)+(3+3+4)=14

UNIT—III

5. (a) For the 2-variable model

$$Y_i = \beta_0 + \beta_1 X_i + u_i, u_i \text{'s}$$

are known to be heteroscedastic but non-autocorrelated with

$$\text{var}(u_i) = \frac{2}{u} X_i^2, \frac{2}{u}$$

is a positive constant.

- (i) Derive the variance of OLS and GLS estimators of .
  - (ii) You are given 6 observations of X as  $X_i = 2, 3, 5, 7, 8, 9$ . Calculate the relative efficiency of the GLS estimator of over its OLS counterpart.
- (b) Outline the Glejser test for detection of heteroscedasticity, clearly pointing out its advantages. (6+4)+4=14

6. (a) If the random disturbance  $u_t$ , in the model  $Y_t = X_t u_t$ , follows AR(1) scheme given by

$$u_t = \rho u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t \quad (\epsilon_t \text{ is white noise) and } |\rho| < 1$$

show that the autocorrelation coefficient at lag  $s$  is simply  $\rho^s$ . How would you plot the correlogram if  $\rho = 0.72$ ? 5+2=7

(b) You are given a 2-variable linear model for time series data as  $Y_t = X_t u_t$ , where  $u_t = u_{t-1} + \epsilon_t$ ,  $u_t$  being the random disturbance and  $\epsilon_t$  being a white random noise. Moreover it is known a priori that  $x_t$  is autocorrelated and follows AR(1) scheme given by

$$x_t = \rho x_{t-1} + w_t$$

(  $x_t = X_t - \bar{X}$  and  $w_t$  is a white noise). Show that variance of the OLS estimator is higher under autocorrelation than in the orthodox case. 7

UNIT—IV

7. (a) You are asked to estimate consumption functions for 'war time' and 'peace time'. Suppose your models are

$$Y_t = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_t + u_t \dots \text{war time model}$$

$$Y_t = \beta_2 + \beta_1 X_t + u_t \dots \text{peace time model}$$

Now frame a single model that can generate both war time and peace time estimates of all parameters. Hence devise a model that can simultaneously test  $H_{01}: \beta_2 = \beta_1 = 0$  and  $H_{02}: \beta_2 = \beta_1 = 0$ . What would be the interpretations of the alternative hypotheses? 2+2=4

(b) How would you make use of independent dummy variables if you are asked to adjust for seasonal factors where you are estimating a consumption function on the basis of quarterly data? 4

(c) Explain how you can test for stability of regression coefficients in the following case : 6

$$Y_{1t} = \beta_1 + \beta_2 X_{1t} + \beta_3 Z_{1t} + u_{1t} \dots \text{for period 1}$$

$$Y_{2t} = \beta_2 + \beta_1 X_{2t} + \beta_3 Z_{2t} + u_{2t} \dots \text{for period 2}$$

8. (a) Point out the limitations of the linear probability model in case of dummy dependent variable (binary). Is the profit an improvement? Explain analytically.  
3+5=8
- (b) In case of limited dependent variable models, why is the conventional  $R^2$  an improper goodness of fit measure? Present appropriate goodness of fit measures for such models. 6

UNIT—V

9. (a) Elaborate the use of 'Koyck scheme' in the context of regression with lagged regressors.
- (b) Outline the direct estimation procedure under Koyck scheme, when  
(i) disturbances are well-behaved and  
(ii) disturbances are autocorrelated.  
6+(4+4)=14
10. Write analytical notes on any *two* of the following : 7×2=14
- (a) Rational expectations  
(b) Partial stock adjustment models  
(c) Almon's scheme of polynomial lag

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