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**DEGREE OF MBA, MSC FINANCE, MSC HRM, MPSM**  
**BMS 5102: QUANTITATIVE TECHNIQUES**

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**DURATION: 3 HOURS**

**INSTRUCTIONS: ANSWER QUESTION ONE AND ANY OTHER THREE**

**QUESTION ONE**

a. Outline five advantages of Quantitative Techniques

**(5 marks)**

b. Given the following matrices

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 \\ 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$B = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 3 \\ 0 & 1 \\ 4 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$C = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 4 \\ 1 & 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$$

Find

i)  $A-3B$

ii)  $2C^T+A$

iii)  $A.C$

**(6 marks)**

c) Find the inverse of  $\begin{pmatrix} 4 & -7 & 6 \\ -2 & 4 & 0 \\ 5 & 7 & -4 \end{pmatrix}$

**(7 marks)**

d) Solve the system of linear equations by Gaussian or Gauss-Jordan elimination method

$$\begin{aligned} x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 &= 8 \\ -x_1 - 2x_2 + 3x_3 &= 1 \\ 3x_1 - 7x_2 + 4x_3 &= 10 \end{aligned}$$

**(7 marks)**

**QUESTION TWO**

a) State the binomial formula and discuss the distinctive features of the binomial distribution. When does a binomial distribution tend to become a normal distribution?

**(7 marks)**

- b) In a large city, 50% of the people choose a movie, 30% choose a dinner and a play, and 20% choose shopping as a leisure activity. If a sample of five people is randomly selected, find the probability that three are planning to go to a movie, one to a play, and one to a shopping mall.

**(3 marks)**

- c) A sales firm receives, on average, three calls per hour on its toll-free number. For any given hour, find the probability that it will receive the following:

- i) At most three calls
- ii) At least three calls
- iii) Five or more calls

**(15 marks)**

### **QUESTION THREE**

- a) With an aid of example, illustrate how we can measure hypothesis using multiple regression equation with three independent variables.

**(10 marks)**

- b) A study was conducted to determine whether there is a relationship between strength and speed. A sample of 20-year-old males was selected. Each was asked to do push-ups and to run a specific course. The number of push-ups and the time it took to run the course (in seconds) are given in the table.

<b>Push-ups, X</b>	5	8	10	10	11	13	15	18	23
<b>Time, Y</b>	61	65	43	56	62	73	48	49	50

- i) Determine the Least Squares regression line of Fuel consumed on Journey length.
- ii) Determine the coefficient of correlation.
- iii) Determine the coefficient of determination.

**(15 marks)**

### **QUESTION FOUR**

- a. A hospital finds that 25% of its bills are at least one month in arrears. A random sample of forty-five bills was taken.
- i. What is the probability that less than ten bills in the sample were at least one month in arrears?
  - ii. What is the probability that the number of bills in the sample at least one month in arrears was between twelve and fifteen (inclusive)?

**(14 mark)**

- b. What is statistical decision theory?

**(2 mark)**

- c. Explain the differences between decision-making under certainty, risk and uncertainty by giving suitable examples.

**(9 marks)**

**QUESTION FIVE**

- a. The total cost function of a firm is  $C = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 5x^2 + 28x + 10$ , where C is total cost and x is output. A tax at the rate of \$.2 per unit of output is imposed and the producer adds it to his cost. If the market demand function is given by  $P = 2530 - 5x$ , where P is the price per unit of output, find the profit maximizing output and price.

**(15 marks)**

- b. Integrate the following functions

i)  $\int_1^2 4e^{2x} dx$

ii)  $\int_1^4 \frac{3}{4u} du$

Each correct to 4 significant figures

**(10 marks)**

**QUESTION SIX**

- a) The following data presents the number of units production per day turned out by 5 different workers using 4 different types of machines

<u>Workers</u>	<u>Machine Type</u>			
	A	B	C	D
1	44	38	47	36
2	46	40	52	43
3	34	36	44	32
4	43	38	46	33
5	38	42	49	39

- i. Test whether the mean productivity is the same for different machine types  
ii. Test whether the 5 workers differ with respect to mean productivity

NB: You may apply coding method by subtracting 40 from all observations

**(12 marks)**

- b) The Tictoe watch company claim that they have 25% of the market share. In a survey of 900 people some 200 people were found to wear a Tictoe watch. Use these data to test Tictoe's claim against the alternative that they have less than a 25% market share

**(13 marks)**