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| INSTRUCTIONS |
| <ol style="list-style-type: none">1. Answer ALL the questions.2. Write clearly and neatly.3. Number the answers clearly. |

PERMISSIBLE MATERIALS

1. PEN,
2. PENCIL
3. CALCULATOR

THIS QUESTION PAPER CONSISTS OF 2 PAGES (Including this front page)

QUESTION 1 [25 marks]

1. Why do we study econometrics as a separate discipline? (9)
2. Explain eight steps on how econometricians proceed in their analysis of an economic problem? (10)
3. Mention three ambiguities that must be address when constructing an econometrics model (6)

Question 2 [25 marks]

1. Describe the various components of the function $Y_i = E(Y | X_i) + \mu_i$. (2)
2. Discuss the two types of error that arise in hypothetical conclusions (6)
3. State the two distinct features of the interceptless model. (4)
4. One of the "consequences of error of measurement in the regressand is increased variance of the estimators". Formulate a scenario and provide proof of this statement. (4)
5. Consider a two-variable model where consumption as a regressand and income as a regressor.
 - (a) Name the parameter that is used to measure the spread of the values from their expected values? (2)
 - (b) Suppose, a researcher is interested in measuring the strength of the relationship between consumption and income, name the parameter one can use to quantify this relationship? (2)
6. Assuming a three-variable model $Y_t = \alpha_1 + \alpha_2 X_2 + \alpha_3 X_3$, where α_2 and α_3 are partial regression coefficients. You have been asked in a job interview to briefly describe the meaning of the two parameters in this context. (5)

QUESTION 3 [25 marks]

Given the regression output below answer the questions that follow. Where NFA net foreign asset
Dependent Variable: LNM2 is money supply, both in natural log.
Method: Least Squares

Sample(adjusted): 2006:02 2016:12

Included observations: 155 after adjusting endpoints

| Variable | Coefficient | Std. Error | t-Statistic | Prob. |
|--------------------|-------------|-----------------------|-------------|----------|
| C | 0.009936 | 0.003298 | 3.012688 | 0.0030 |
| LNNFA | 0.211279 | 0.023192 | 9.110164 | 0.0000 |
| R-squared | 0.351681 | Mean dependent var | | 0.012806 |
| Adjusted R-squared | 0.347444 | S.D. dependent var | | 0.050598 |
| S.E. of regression | 0.040874 | Akaike info criterion | | 3.543841 |
| Sum squared resid | 0.255611 | Schwarz criterion | | -.504571 |
| Log likelihood | 276.6477 | F-statistic | | 82.99509 |
| Durbin-Watson stat | 2.353923 | Prob(F-statistic) | | 0.000000 |

- (a) Write out the regression equation estimated in this study. (4)
- (b) Interpret the estimated function in (a). (6)
- (c) Identify the regressors and regressand. (4)
- (d) What is the value of the coefficient of determination? (3)
- (e) How many parameters are in this model? (2)
- (f) What type of regression model is this? (3)
- (g) What does the abbreviation OLS stand for? (3)

QUESTION 4 [25 marks]

1. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients of the following regression. $\hat{Y}_i = 56.1 - 1.7 X_i$ where Y=% of vote received by the incumbent president and X= unemployment rate (in percentage points) (5)
2. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients of the following regression. $\ln \hat{Y}_i = 3.5 + 1.35 \ln X_i$ where Y= GNP (in millions of \$) X= Government spending (in mills. of dollars) (5)
3. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients of the following regression. $\hat{Y}_i = -1.8 + 45.8 \ln X_i$ where Y=inflation rate (%) and X= wage rate (in N\$) (5)
4. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients of the following regression. $\ln \hat{Y}_i = 4.1 + 0.05 T$ where Y=GDP (in mill. of dollars) and T=time trend (T=1,2,3,... representing years) (5)
5. Interpret the intercept and slope coefficients of the following compound growth rate of $\ln \hat{Y}_i = 4.1 + 0.05 T$ where Y=GDP (in mill. of dollars) and T=time trend (T=1,2,3,... representing years) (5)