

RAJARATA UNIVERSITY OF SRI LANKA FACULTY OF APPLIED SCIENCES

Bachelor of Science Honors in Industrial Mathematics Fourth Year - Semester I Examination - August/September 2023

MAT 4302 - FINANCIAL MATHEMATICS

Time: Three (03) hours

Answer All questions

Calculators will be provided

- 1. a) Explain the difference between the following concepts in your own words:
 - i. simple interest vs. compound interest
 - ii. ordinary annuity vs. annuity due
 - iii. call option vs. put option
 - iv. long position vs. short position
 - v. spot price vs. strike price

(50 marks)

b) Suppose that you need \$12,000 in 2 years. How much should you deposit today at a discount rate of 6% compounded monthly?

(20 marks)

c) Suppose at the beginning of every year you put \$200 in a savings account that pays 6% interest compounded monthly. What is the balance of your account after five years?

(20 marks)

2. a) A mortgage of \$10,000 is repaid over a year by equal monthly payments at the effective interest rate of 12%. Calculate the amortization table.

(30 marks)

b) A certain machine costing \$15,000 has an estimated salvage value of \$2,500 and a probable lifespan of 25,000 operating hours. Calculate the depreciation schedule using the straight-line method.

(30 marks)

- c) Suppose you invest \$2,000 today, and another \$6,000 after two years. In return, you will receive \$7,000 after one year of the first payment.
 - i. Write net present value (NPV) as a function of the interest rate.
 - ii. Compute the internal rate(s) of return (IRR) for this investment.
 - iii. Which interest rate would yield the highest net present value?

(40 marks)

- 3. a) The market department of ABC company recommends manufacturing and marketing a new school bag. The financial department provides the estimated cost function C(Q) = 74,000 + 120Q, and the estimated revenue function $R(Q) = 18Q + 0.5Q^2$. Sketch their graphs in the same diagram. Find the following:
 - i. the marginal cost

iii. the profit function

ii. the average revenue

iv. the break-even point

(40 marks)

b) Consider the following two-commodity (demand and supply) market model:

$$Q_d = 12 - 2P + P', Q_s = 3P - 3,$$
 $Q_d' = 21 + P - 2P', Q_s' = P' - 4$

- i. Sketch the region for unit prices P and P' such that both demand functions Q_d and Q'_d are positive.
- ii. Find the market equilibrium values.

(40 marks)

4. a) The following table shows the daily closing prices of a stock over 10 trading days.

| 01 | 02 | 03 | 04 | 05 | 06 | 07 | 08 | 09 | 10 |
|-----|----|-----|-----|-----|-----|-----|----|-----|-----|
| 100 | 98 | 105 | 112 | 110 | 105 | 108 | 95 | 100 | 115 |

- i. Compute the logarithmic return for each day.
- ii. Using i), compute the drift and the volatility of the stock.

(30 marks)

- b) An investor instructs his broker to buy the call option on 100 shares of a certain stock at a strike price of \$20. The price of the contract is \$1.65 per share.
 - i) If the price of the stock does not rise above \$20 calculate the loss.
 - ii) If the price rises to \$30 calculate the gain for buying 100 shares.
 - iii) Write down the payoff function P at the spot price S_T .

(30 marks)

- c) Suppose to implement a bear spread strategy on a certain stock, you simultaneously execute the following European style options trades:
 - Buy a put option with a strike price of \$55 for a premium of \$3 per share.
 - Sell a put option with a strike price of \$45 for a premium of \$1 per share.

Find the payoff P as a function of spot price S_T .

(20 marks)

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