

SOLUTION TO 3RD SEMESTER ENGINEERING ECONOMICS HS 2002 QUESTION PAPER(Dated: 22/09/20)

SECTION A: SHORT ANSWER TYPE

Ans1(a) The percentage increase in its demand = 40%

(2X5=10)

- The price elasticity of supply(E_s) = 2
- The price elasticity of demand = $2.5 > 1$, so elastic.
- The price at which he will demand 40 units of this commodity = or $P_2 = 22$

Ans 1(b) Students will define 'veblen goods' with examples.

- Students will define 'Giffen Goods' and explain its demand curve.
- Will explain any two factors which causes a shift in the supply curve. (NO DIAGRAMS REQUIRED) .
- Will explain GNP at Market price.

Ans 1(c) They will explain MRS.

MRS = 4:1 , 2:1 , 1:1

- Shortage , shortage , equilibrium, surplus and surplus.
- Elastic product , so TR will fall.
- The Income elasticity of the product = $e_i = 4.16 > 1$, so elastic. (By Midpoint method= $e_p = 4.61$)

Ans 1(d) $P = 158730$

- $F = 856912$
- $F = 385780.50$
- Effective rate = $r = 12.68$

Ans 1(e) (IF COMPLETED AT LEAST TWO COLUMNS , CAN BE ASSIGNED FULL MARKS)

Price of Apples (per kg)	Quantity sold (in kg) per day	Total Revenue (TR)	Average Revenue(A R)	Marginal Revenue (MR)
90	? (10)	900	? (90)	? (900)

80	20	? (1600)	? (80)	? (700)
70	? (30)	2100	? (70)	? (500)
? (60)	? (60)	3600	60	? (1500)
50	? (50)	2500	? (50)	? (1100)

- Quantity = $56000/800 = 70$
- Combined demand function = $78 - 7P$. At $P=5$, $Q_d = 43$
- $n = 27.62$

SECTION B (ANY ONE)

2. (a) (i) $Q = 56000$

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$$e_P = \frac{dQ}{dP} \times \frac{P}{Q}$$

$$e_P = -2 \times \frac{2000}{56000}$$

$$e_P = -0.0714$$

(ii) TR will increase

(b) $20000 - 8P = 8000 + 2P$

[3]

$$P = 1200 \quad Q.D/Q.S = 10400$$

(c)

[4]

3. (a) (i) $Q = 76000$

[3+3+4]

$$e_Y = \frac{dQ}{dY} \times \frac{Y}{Q}$$

$$e_Y = 4 \times \frac{10000}{76000}$$

$$e_Y = 0.526$$

(ii) Normal Product

Demand will increase.

$$(b) P = 100 - 4Q$$

$$TR = P \cdot Q = 100Q - 4Q^2$$

$$\frac{dTR}{dQ} = MR = 100 - 8Q$$

$$MR = 0 \Rightarrow 100 - 8Q = 0$$

$$Q = 12.5 \text{ \& } P = 50$$

$$Q = 25 - \frac{1}{4}P$$

$$e_p = \frac{dQ}{dP} \times \frac{P}{Q}$$

$$e_p = -\frac{1}{4} \times \frac{50}{12.5} = -1$$

$$(c) F = A \times \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right] + P(1+i)^n$$

$$F = 20000 \left[\frac{(1.07)^{30} - 1}{0.07} \right] + 12000(1.07)^{30}$$

$$F = 836740.4672$$

$$4. (a) e = \frac{\Delta Q}{\Delta P} \times \frac{P}{Q}$$

[3+3+4]

$$= \frac{-20}{4} \times \frac{8}{100} = -0.4$$

Or

$$\% \Delta P = 50\%$$

$$\% \Delta Q = -20\%$$

$$E = \frac{\% \Delta Q}{\% \Delta P} = \frac{-20}{50} = -0.4$$

Increase the price.

(b) (i)

$$(ii) MRS_{xy} = \frac{P_x}{P_y} = \frac{8}{4} = \frac{2}{1}$$

$$(c) \quad A = F \times \left[\frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1} \right]$$

$$A = 2000000 \left[\frac{.1}{(1.1)^{20} - 1} \right]$$

$$A = 34919.24955$$

5. (a) Demand increases by 24% for 10% decrease in the price of car. [3+3+4]

Demand decreases by 45% for 30% decrease in Income

Net decrease in demand = 21%

(b) (i) equilibrium

$$500 - 3P = 2P$$

$$5P = 500$$

$$P = 100$$

(ii) Revised supply

$$Q = 2(P - 10) = 2P - 20$$

Revised price

$$500 - 3P = 2P - 20$$

$$5P = 520$$

$$P = 104$$

Yes, demand is more elastic.

$$(c) \quad A = P \times \left[\frac{i(1+i)^n}{(1+i)^n - 1} \right]$$

$$A = 1000000 \left[\frac{0.06(1.06)^{20}}{(1.06)^{20} - 1} \right]$$

$$A = 87184.55698$$

6. (a) Train travel will increase i.e. $2.2 \times 12 = 26.4\%$ [3+3+4]

(b)

Qty	MU _A /P _A	MU _B /P _B
1	20	16
2	16	15
3	12	12
4	10	11

The consumer will buy 3 units of A and 3 units of B.

$$(c) \quad A = \frac{A + G \left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i} \right]}{i(1+i)^n - 1}$$

$$A = 20000 + 1000 \left[\frac{(1.04)^{12} - 1}{.04(1.04)^{12} - .04} \right]$$

$$A = 25034.34819$$

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