淡江大學 97 學年度碩士班招生考試試題

系別:產業經濟學系

科目:個體經濟學

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- 1. (10%) Explain.
- (a) Rate of Technical Substitution
- (b) Slutsky Equation
- 2. (10%) Define the output elasticity of a factor i to be $\varepsilon_i = \frac{\partial f(x_1, x_2)}{\partial x_i} \frac{x_i}{f(x_1, x_2)}$, i = 1, 2. If $f(x_1, x_2) = x_1^a x_2^b$, what is the output elasticity of each factor?
- 3. (30%) Assume that utility is given by $U(X,Y) = X^{0.3}Y^{0.7}$ and the budget constraint is $P_xX + P_yY = I$, where P and I denote price and income.
- (a) Find the uncompensated demand functions.
- (b) Compute the indirect utility function.
- (c) Compute the expenditure function.
- 4. (10%) A perfectly competitive market has 1,000 firms. In the very short run, each of the firms has a fixed supply of 100 units. The market demand is given by Q = 160,000 10,000P. Calculate the equilibrium price in the very short run.
- 5. (20%) A single firm monopolizes the entire market for widgets and can produce at constant average and marginal costs of AC = MC = 10. Originally, the firm faces a market demand curve given by Q = 60 P.
- (a) Calculate the profit-maximizing price-quantity combination for the firm.
- (b) What are the firm's profits?
- 6. (20%) An individual has a fixed wealth (W) to allocate between consumption in two periods (C_1 and C_2). The individual's utility function is given by

 $U(C_1, C_2)$, and the budget constraint is $W = C_1 + \frac{C_2}{1+r}$, where r is the

one-period interest rate.

- (a) Show that in order to maximize utility how the individual should choose C_i and C_2 .
- (b) Show that $\frac{\partial C_2}{\partial r} \ge 0$.