DOON UNIVERSITY, DEHRADUN Final Semester Examination, 2016 (Special Back Paper) Department of Economics

M.Sc. Fourth Semester SSEI- 222: Econometrics II

Time Allowed: 3 hrs.

Max. Marks: 50

Note: Attempt All Questions from Sections A,B,C.

SECTION: A

Answer the following

(Marks: 2x5=10)

- 1. Statistically define a biased and an unbiased estimator.
- 2. Who developed the 2SLS method? When is a 2SLS method used?
- 3. A white noise error term is a random term that has multiple variances.
- 4. If an omitted variable is correlated with an included variable in a model then the parameters of the model will be unbiased.
- 5. Multicollinearity problem arises mostly in cross section data. True or false?

SECTION: B

Answer any FOUR.

(Marks: 4x5=20)

- 1. Assume an econometric model with k explanatory variables. If due to some reason, r explanatory variables have been wrongly excluded from this model. Examine the consequences of specification error in such a case.
- 2. Define recursive models. Why recursive models are also called triangular systems? Explain using suitable equations.
- 3. Discuss the several challenges faced by econometricians while dealing with time series data.
- 4. Discuss the method of Indirect Least Squares (ILS)
- 5. Define the necessary and sufficient conditions for identification of a system of simultaneous equations.

SECTION: C

Answer any TWO.

(Marks: 2x10=20)

1. Assume the Keynesian model of income determination

Consumption function: $C_t = a_0 + a_1Y_t - a_2T_t + u$

Investment function: $I_t = b_0 + b_1 Y_{t-1} + v$

Taxation function: $T_t = c_0 + c_1 Y_t + w$

Definition equation: $Y_t = C_t + I_t + G_t$

Where C is consumption, I is investment, T is tax, Y is income, $Y_{t\text{-}1}$ is income in previous period and G is government expenditure.

a) Is the model mathematically complete? Why or why not?

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- b) Identify the consumption function and the investment function using the criteria for identification.

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- 2. Define a non-stationary stochastic process. Using suitable equations distinguish between random walk with drift and random walk without drift.

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3. Define model specification error. Discuss the different types of specification errors.

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