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DEPARTMENT OF ECONOMICS
2023_1 POP EXAMINATION.**

COURSE TITLE: APPLIED ECONOMETRICS

COURSE CODE: ECO 713

UNITS: 3

TIME ALLOWED: 3 HOURS

INSTRUCTION: ANSWER ANY FOUR (4) QUESTIONS. ALL QUESTIONS CARRY EQUAL MARKS

QUESTION ONE

1. Using Eviews, the results of the relationship between consumption (C_t) and disposable income (Y_t^d) expressed in functional form as; $C_t = f(Y_t^d)$ was obtained. If the linear model is stated as; $C_t = \alpha_1 + \beta_1 Y_t^d + \varepsilon_{1t}$ and the estimated parameter are; $\alpha_1 = 31.08$; $\hat{\beta}_1 = 0.36$, t-statistic = 3.565261, $\text{Prob}_y = 0.0020$ and $R^2 = 0.695994$. (17.5 Marks)

(i) State the existing relationship, (ii) Explain R^2 and (iii) determine the relevance of the result in policy forecasting.

QUESTION TWO

2. Given the simple linear model $Y_i = b_0 + b_1 X_i + u_i$, derive the least squares estimates of \bar{b}_0 , \bar{b}_1 and \bar{u}_i using the following data shown on the table below (17.5 Marks)

N	1	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10
Y	51	52	55	59	57	58	62	65	68	68
X	5	7	8	10	8	9	10	9	11	10

Where Y is the demand for bread, X stand for the price of the bread, and N is the number of observation

QUESTION THREE

- 3a. Enumerate five (5) Solutions for Multicollinearity (12.5 Marks)
- 3b. Discuss how a new variable is classified as useful, superfluous or detrimental as follows (5 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR

- 4a. List and explain the difference between the two main branches of econometrics. (8.5 Marks)
- 4b. List the three (3) tests for the presence of heteroscedasticity. (4.5 Marks)
- 4c. After the estimation of a model, we need to test the explanatory power or the goodness of fit of such model, as well as the statistical reliability/significance at a given level in respect of b_i ($i = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$). List three (3) of the tests that can be used to achieve this. (4.5 Marks).

QUESTION FIVE

- 5a. Identify and discuss the five (5) intending difficulties when estimating the parameters of linear probability model using Ordinary Least Square estimator (First list them before discussion). (10 Marks)
- 5b. Enumerate four (4) consequences of heteroscedasticity in a model (7.5 Marks)