Mathematics at ICEF Master's programme: What to be prepared for

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Course Review

Refresher part

- Multivariate Calculus and Optimization
- Linear Algebra
 - Matrix Algebra
 - Eigenvalues/eigenvectors, diagonalization and Jordan form
 - Quadratic forms
 - Projections
- Probability theory and statisticts
- Main part
 - Differential equations
 - Phase diagrams, stability and Linearization
 - Dynamic Optimization in Continious and Discrete time
 - Stochastic Calculus
 - Sigma algebras and Filtrations
 - Martingales
 - Ito's calculus
 - Black-Scholes model

Literature

- C. P. Simon, L. Blume, Mathematics for economists, W.W. Norton company Inc., 1994 or latest edition
- H. Anton, C. Rorres, Elementary linear algebra, 11th edition
- Newbold P., Carlson W., Thorne B. (2019). Statistics for Business and Economics, 9th edition.
- Ватутин В.А. Ивченко Г.И., Медведев Ю.И. и др. Теория вероятностей и математическая статистика в задачах
- Summer Bridge School

Problem 1.

A monopolist producing a single output has two types of customers. If it produces Q_1 units for customers of type 1, then these customers are willing to pay a price of $50 - 5Q_1$ dollars per unit. If it produces Q_2 units for customers of type 2, then these customers are willing to pay a price of $100 - 10Q_2$ dollars per unit. The monopolist's cost of manufacturing Q units of output is 90 + 20Q dollars.

In order to maximize profits, how much should the monopolist produce for each market?

Problem 2.

An economy has three markets. The supply functions for the three gooods are given by

$$egin{aligned} q_1^S &= -20 - p_1 + 3p_2 + 3p_3 \ q_2^S &= 50 + 2p_1 - p_2 - p_3 \ q_1^S &= -50 + 4p_1 + p_2 \end{aligned}$$

and the demand functions for the three goods are given by

$$egin{aligned} q_1^D &= 130 - 2p_1 + p_3 \ q_2^D &= 100 - 2p_1 - 3p_2 + 2p_3 \ q_3^D &= 100 + p_1 + p_2 - 2p_3. \end{aligned}$$

Finf the equlibrium prices using matrix algebra.