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Master of Business Economics  
Third Semester  
Group -A: Banking and Insurance  
MBE-7104: Decision Making Under Uncertainty

Max. Marks: 80

Time allowed: 3 Hours

**NOTE:** Attempt five questions in all, selecting one question from each unit. All questions carry equal marks.

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**UNIT - I**

- I. Discuss the technique of combination of forecasts? What are its benefits?
- II. Why is an insurance company likely to behave as if it were risk neutral even if its managers are risk averse individuals?

**UNIT - II**

- III. What is a dominant strategy? Why is an equilibrium stable in dominant strategies?
- IV. What is meant by "first move advantage"? Give an example of gaming situation with a first mover advantage.

**UNIT - III**

- V. Explain the difference between adverse selection and hazard in insurance market. Can one exist without the other?
- VI. Why might a seller find it advantageous to signal the quality of a product? How are guarantees and warranties a form of market signaling?

**UNIT - IV**

- VII. What are the four major sources of market failure? Explain briefly why each prevents the competitive market from operating efficiently.
- VIII. How is the production possibilities frontier related to the production contract curve?

**UNIT - V**

- IX. Defined the following terms:-
  - a) Stochastic process
  - b) Bernoulli process
  - c) Brownian motion

- X. Explain Markov chain, continuous time Markov process and its application in finance.

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