GS/ECON 5010 Assignment 4 F2007

due: Wednesday November 21 before class

Do all 5 questions. Each counts 20%.

1. What does the contract curve look like for a 2-person, 2-good exchange economy, with a total endowment of 10 units of good 1 and 30 units of good 2, if the preferences of the two people could be represented by the utility functions

$$u^{1}(x_{1}^{1}, x_{2}^{1}) = \ln x_{1}^{1} + \ln x_{2}^{1}$$

$$u^{2}(x_{1}^{2}, x_{2}^{2}) = 112 - \frac{1}{(x_{1}^{2})^{2}} + \ln x_{2}^{2}$$

where x_j^i is person i's consumption of good j?

2. What are all the allocations in the core of a 3-person, 2-good economy, in which each person's preferences can be represented by the utility function

$$u^{i}(x_{1}^{i}, x_{2}^{i}) = x_{1}^{i} + 2\sqrt{x_{2}^{i}}$$

where x_j^i is person i's consumption of good j, and where the endowments e^i of the three people are $e^1 = (4,0), e^2 = (0,4), e^3 = (2,2)$?

3. In the economy described in question #1 above, suppose that person 2's endowment of the two goods is $e^2 = (\alpha, 8)$. Suppose as well that person 1 chooses to consume 8 units of good 1 in the resulting competitive equilibrium.

What does α equal?

4. Calculate the competitive equilibrium for the 3–person, 2–good economy described in question #2.

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 $5. \ \ Find all the pure-strategy \ Nash \ equilibria \ in the following \ strategic-form \ two-person \ game.$

	a	b	c	d	e	f	g
A	(0,0)	(0, 8)	(0, 15)	(0, 17.7)	(0, 20)	(0, 23)	(0, 24)
B	(8,0)	(4, 4)	(2,9)	(1, 10.7)	(0, 12)	(-2, 13)	(-4, 12)
C	(15,0)	(9, 2)	(6, 6)	(4.5, 7.2)	(3, 8)	(0,8)	(-3, 6)
D	(17.7, 0)	(10.7, 1)	(7.2, 4.5)	(5.5, 5.5)	(3.7, 6)	(0.2, 5.5)	(-3.2, 3)
E	(20,0)	(12,0)	(8, 3)	(6, 3.7)	(4, 4)	(0, 3)	(-4,0)
F	(23,0)	(13, -2)	(8,0)	(5.5, 0.2)	(3,0)	(-2, -2)	(-7, -6)
G	(24,0)	(12, -4)	(6, -3)	(3, -3.2)	(0, -4)	(-6, -7)	(-12, -12)