

* Scope of Mathematics in Economics :-

Mathematics is used in economics in the following three forms :-

(1) Economic Theory -

Logic of numbers is the mathematics. Theoretical Economics or Non-mathematical Economics uses it to express its findings in precise form.

- Concise by changing the forms of economic principles.
- To eliminate the complexity of concepts.

$$D_x = f(P_x \text{ Ceteris Paribus})$$

where, D_x = Quantity demanded of x Product
 P = Its price
 f = function.

'Ceteris Paribus' = for the phrase if other things remain equal.

(2) Mathematical Economics -

A new branch of Economics has started with the use of mathematics, which is called Mathematical Economics. Use of mathematics creates three main qualities in economics :

- (a) Exactness of the entire economic analysis.
- (b) Clarity of the language of analysis.

(e) Precision

(d) Possibility of generalization of the analysis relative to n-variables.

(3) Econometrics -

It was born in 1926 as a distinct branch of study. 'Econometrics' was first used in 1926 by the Norwegian economist Professor Ragnar Frisch. ECONOMETRICS originated from BIOMETRY, a branch related to biology.

The combination of economic theory, statistics and mathematics is called econometrics. Relationships can be displayed in the following form:-

$$\begin{aligned}\text{ECONOMETRICS} &= \text{Economics} + \text{Mathematics} + \\ &\quad \text{Statistics} \\ &= \text{Theoretical Economics} + \text{Mathematical Statistics} \\ &= \text{Statistical Economics} + \text{Mathematics} \\ &= \text{Mathematical Economics} + \text{Statistics}\end{aligned}$$