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ECON 219 Quiz IV

General recommendations:

- Read questions thoroughly.
- Work individually. • Please respond on this copy. • There are two pages.
- You have 20 minutes.
- Good luck!

Your name:

- 1. Circle the appropriate answer on each of the following items. Circle multiple items if necessary:
 - (a) Which of these stylized facts is (are) replicated in the Solow growth model with technology growth at the steady-state? 1) the capital/output ratio is steady; 2) capital per worker is increasing; 3) output per worker is steady; 4) growth rates differ a lot across countries.
 - (b) The following are ways to obtain endogenous growth: 1) inflation; 2) human capital accumulation; 3) research and development; 4) physical capital accumulation.
 - (c) If the population growth rate increases, in the Solow growth model steadystate: 1) capital grows more slowly; 2) output per person is unchanged; 3) savings per capita are higher; 4) the standard of living is higher.
 - (d) In the endogenous growth model with human capital, spending more time on education 1) increases the growth rate; 2) decreases the growth rate; 3) increases output in the short-term; 4) increases output in the short-term.
- 2. Define precisely and in words the Golden Rule savings rate.

| 3. In the Solow growth model, how can we obtain in the long run sustained growth in output per person? Explain. | |
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| 4. What is the key difference between endogenous and exogenous growth theory? | |
| 5. Explain why there is a steady-state in the Solow growth model. | |
| Bonus question : In the Solow growth model, suppose that households can choose the savings rate. Compared to the model with an exogenous savings rate, what consequences would this have? | |