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**FINAL EXAMINATION**  
**JANUARY 2017 SEMESTER**

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**COURSE CODE** : LGB20103  
**COURSE NAME** : NUMERICAL METHODS  
**PROGRAMME NAME** : BACHELOR OF ENGINEERING TECHNOLOGY (HONS)  
(FOR MPU: PROGRAMME LEVEL) IN NAVAL ARCHITECTURE & SHIPBUILDING  
**DATE** : 07/07/2017 FRI  
**TIME** : 9.00 AM - 12.00 PM  
**DURATION** : 3 HOURS

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

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1. Please read **CAREFULLY** the instructions given in the question paper.
  2. This question paper has information printed on both sides.
  3. This question paper consists of **TWO (2)** sections; Section A and Section B. Answer **ALL** questions in **Section A** and **THREE (3)** questions from Section B.
  4. Please write your answers on the answer booklet provided.
  5. Write your answers only in **BLACK** or **BLUE** ink.
  6. Answer all questions in English.
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**THERE ARE 7 PAGES OF QUESTIONS, INCLUDING THIS PAGE.**

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**SECTION A (Total: 40 marks)**

**INSTRUCTION: Answer ALL questions.**  
**Please use the answer booklet provided.**

**Question 1**

- (a) Define numerical computing and list the **Four (4)** characteristics of it. (4 marks)
- (b) List the **Three (3)** different types of programming structures? Explain each of those with flow chart. (6 marks)
- (c) Convert to the binary values of the decimal number 3.14579. (Consider 6 digits after decimal point for the binary values) (6 marks)
- (d) Define 'absolute error' and 'relative error'. (4 marks)

**Question 2**

- (a) Solve the following equation using Newton-Raphson method.

$$f(x) = 2x^3 - 11.7x^2 + 17.7x - 5$$

Given  $x_0 = 3$  and convergence rate  $E_r = 10^{-4}$ . Do all calculation in 4 decimal points.

(10 marks)

- (b) Solve the following equation using fixed point iteration method.

$$f(x) = \frac{1.5x}{(1+x^2)^2} - 0.65 \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{0.65x}{1+x^2} = 0,$$

Given  $x_1 = 0.1$  and convergence rate  $E_a = 10^{-5}$ . Do all calculation in 4 decimal points.

(10 marks)

## SECTION B (Total: 60 marks)

INSTRUCTION: Answer only THREE (3) questions.

## Question 3

(a) Solve the linear system below by using Gauss-Jordan elimination method.

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + 4x_2 - 6x_3 &= -8 \\x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 &= 10 \\2x_1 - 4x_2 - 2x_3 &= -12\end{aligned}$$

(10 marks)

(b) Solve the linear system below using Gauss-Seidel Iteration method. Do the calculations up to 2nd iteration.

$$\begin{aligned}2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 &= 5 \\3x_1 + 5x_2 + 2x_3 &= 15 \\2x_1 + x_2 + 4x_3 &= 8\end{aligned}$$

(10 marks)

**Question 4**

(a) The value of  $e^x$  are shown in Table 1:

**Table 1**

$x$	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.8
$e^x$	2.7183	3.3201	4.0552	6.0496

It is observed that  $e^c = 3$  for  $c \approx 1.1$ . Therefore, from the table given, evaluate the value of  $P_2(1.1)$  accurately by using Lagrange interpolation polynomial method.

(10 marks)

(b) Inspect whether the following functions are splines or not.

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 - 3x + 1, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \\ x^3 + x^2 - 3, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ x^3 + 5x - 9, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \end{cases}$$

(10 marks)

## Question 5

(a) You are given values of  $f(x) = xe^x$  as shown in Table 2:

Table 2

$x$	1.8	1.9	2.0	2.1	2.2
$f(x)$	10.8894	12.7032	14.7781	17.1489	19.8550

Calculate the above function for  $f'(2.0)$  by using the following formulas and evaluate absolute error for each method. Give your answer at up to 4 decimal points.

i.  $f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h)-f(x)}{h}, h = 0.1$

(5 marks)

ii.  $f'(x) \approx \frac{f(x+h)-f(x-h)}{2h}, h = 0.2$

(5 marks)

iii.  $f'(x) \approx 1/2h (-f(x+2h) + 4f(x+h) - 3f(x)), h = 0.1$

(5 marks)

(b) Calculate the following integral using Simpson's 1/3 rule.

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt{\sin(x)} dx$$

(5 marks)

**Question 6**

- (a) Solve the differential equation by the simple Euler's method to estimate  $y(1)$  using  $h = 0.2$ .

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = x^2(1 - 3y), \quad y(0) = 1$$

Compare your results with the exact answer given the analytical solution as

$$y(x) = \frac{2}{3}e^{-x^3} + \frac{1}{3}$$

(17 marks)

- (b) Show graphically how Euler method solves the ordinary differential equation (ODE) with initial value problem.

(3 marks)

**END OF EXAMINATION PAPER**

## Appendix 1 Formulas

Solution of Nonlinear Equation
$x_{i+1} = x_i - \frac{f(x_i)}{f'(x)}, i = 2,3,4 \dots (1)$
$x_{i+1} = x_i - f(x_i) \left[ \frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})} \right], i = 2,3,4 \dots (2)$
$x_{i+1} = g(x_i), i = 2,3,4 \dots (3)$
Numerical Differentiation
$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h} \dots (4)$
$f'(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - f(x-h)}{2h} \dots (5)$
$f'(x) = \frac{-3f(x) + 4f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{2h} \dots (6)$
$f'(x) = \frac{3f(x) - 4f(x-h) + f(x-2h)}{2h} \dots (7)$
$f''(x) \approx \frac{1}{h^2} (f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)) \dots (8)$
Numerical Integration
$I_{S1} = (b-a) \frac{f(a) + 4f(x_1) + f(b)}{6} \dots (9)$
Ordinary Differential Equations initial value
$y_{i+1} = y_i + hf(x_i, y_i) \dots (10)$