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*TWO (2) HOURS*

*To be completed by the candidate*

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1. The medium of instruction and question is **English**.
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6. Answer **ALL** questions. All questions carry equal marks (25 marks).
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1. (a) i. Let  $\{x_n\}$  be a sequence of real numbers. What is meant by the term " $\{x_n\}$  is *Cauchy*"?
- ii. Suppose  $\lim_n x_n = \sqrt{\pi + e}$  and  $|x_n - x_m| < 10^{-5}$  for every  $n, m \geq 2019$ . If  $x_{2019}$  is used to approximate  $\sqrt{e + \pi}$ , what is the *guaranteed minimum error*?
- (8 points)

- (b) Suppose the Bisection method is used to determine an approximate solution in the interval  $(-1, 1)$  of the equation

$$\cos(3\pi x) - 3x^3 - 1.5 = 0$$

- i. Show that the equation has a solution in the interval  $(-1, 1)$ .
- ii. Determine the approximate solution obtained by the third iterate.
- iii. Find the number of iterates required to achieve an accuracy of  $10^{-4}$ .

(9 points)

- (c) Find an appropriate iterative formula for a sequence  $\{x_n\}$  to approximate  $\sqrt{15}$  using Newton-Rapson method with initial guess  $x_0 = 4$ .

(8 points)

2. (a) Consider the function  $f$ , given in the following tabular form.

$x$	0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1
$f(x)$	2	4	5	7	10	8	4	1	-2	-1	0

Estimate  $\int_0^1 f(x)dx$  using,

- i. Mid-point rule with 5 sub-intervals.
- ii. Simpson's rule with 5 sub-intervals.

(10 points)

- (b) Suppose the mid-point method, trapezoidal method and Simpson's method were used to compute the integral  $\int_0^1 (3x+1) dx$  with  $n$ -subdivisions. Which method/methods would give the exact answer irrespective of the value of  $n$ ? Give reasons to justify your answer.

(6 points)

- (c) Consider the initial value problem,

$$y' = t^2 + ye^t, t > 0, y(0) = 1.$$

Approximate  $y$  in the interval  $[0, 1]$  using fourth order Runge Kutta method with three sub-intervals.

(9 points)

3. (a) Consider the set  $G$  given by,

$$G = \{([x]_8, [y]_8) : x, y \in \mathbb{Z}, 0 \leq x \leq 7, \text{ and } 0 \leq y \leq 7\}.$$

Let the binary operation  $*$  on  $G$  be defined by

$$([s]_8, [t]_8) * ([u]_8, [v]_8) = ([s + u]_8, [t + v]_8)$$

- i. Compute  $([1]_8, [2]_8) * ([4]_8, [5]_8)$ .
- ii. Show that  $(G, *)$  has an identity element.
- iii. Is  $(G, *)$  a group? Give reasons to justify your answer.

(12 points)

- (b) Let  $(G, *)$  be a group. Define what is meant by the term “ $G$ -is cyclic”.

- i. Show that  $(\mathbb{Z}_m, +_m)$  is cyclic and  $[x]_m$  is a generator for  $(\mathbb{Z}_m, +_m)$  if and only if  $[1] \in \langle [x]_m \rangle$ .
- ii. Determine all the generators of  $(\mathbb{Z}_{15}, +_{15})$ .
- iii. Determine with reasoning the number of generators of the group  $(\mathbb{Z}_{2019}, +)$ .

(13 points)

4. (a) State *Lagrange's Theorem*.

- i. Determine all subgroups of  $(\mathbb{Z}_{11}^*, \times_{11})$ .
- ii. Let  $(G, *)$  be group with  $|G| = 100$ . Suppose  $H, K \leq G$  with  $H \neq K$  but  $|H| = |K| = 50$ . Find the least possible value of  $|H \cup K|$ .

(10 points)

- (b) Let  $(R, +, \times)$  be ring. Define the term *a-is a zero divisor* in  $R$ .

- i. Determine all zero divisors of the ring  $(\mathbb{Z}_{20}, +_{20}, \times_{20})$ .
- ii. Find all solutions of the equation  $5x - 3 = 7$  in  $\mathbb{Z}_{20}$ .

(8 points)

- (c) Compute  $\gcd(x^5 + x^2 + 2x + 1, x^3 + x^2 + x + 1)$  in the polynomial ring  $\mathbb{Z}_4[x]$ .

(7 points)

