



**Mahindra University Hyderabad**  
École Centrale School of Engineering  
Minor-I exam

Program: B. Tech. Branch: AI, CAM, CE, CSE, ECOM NT Year: II Semester: II  
Subject: Numerical Methods (MA2208)

Date: 28/02/2024  
Time Duration: 1.5 Hours

Start Time: 10:00 AM  
Max. Marks: 15

**Instructions:**

- 1) Answer all the questions.
- 2) All questions are self-explanatory; no clarification will be provided during the exam.
- 3) Use of non-programmable scientific calculator is allowed. However, sharing calculators during exams is strictly prohibited.

**Question 1 (3 marks)**

- (a) Convert the IEEE 754 single-precision binary representation of a floating-point number, [1]

[0]

[10000000]

[100000000000000000000000]

to decimal.

- (b) Find a fixed point of the function [1]

$$f(x) = x^2 - 4x + 6.$$

(Find the exact value without using any numerical methods.)

- (c) Write a line of MATLAB code to generate 10 equally spaced points between -1 and 1. [1]

**Question 2 (6 marks)**

- (a) Write the Newton-Raphson's procedure for finding  $\sqrt[3]{N}$ , where  $N$  is a real number. [3]  
(b) Find the order of convergence of the following method to find  $\sqrt{a}$  [3]

$$x_{n+1} = g(x_n) = \frac{x_n}{2} \left( 3 - \frac{x_n^2}{a} \right).$$

**Question 3 (6 marks)**

Solve the following system of equations using Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting

$$\begin{bmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 4 & -6 & 0 \\ -2 & 7 & 2 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 7 \\ -8 \\ 18 \end{bmatrix}$$