



M.E DEGREE EXAMINATIONS: NOV/DEC 2024

(Regulation 2018)

First Semester

STRUCTURAL ENGINEERING

P18MAI1201: Applied Numerical Methods for Structural Engineering

COURSE OUTCOMES

- CO1:** Solve a set of algebraic equations representing steady state models formed in engineering problems
- CO2:** Fit smooth curves for the discrete data connected to each other or to use interpolation methods over these data tables
- CO3:** Find the trend information from discrete data set through numerical differentiation
- CO4:** Estimate integrals from discrete data through numerical methods.
- CO5:** Predict the system dynamic behavior through solution of ODEs modeling the system
- CO6:** Solve PDE models representing spatial and temporal variations in physical systems through numerical methods.

Time: Three Hours

Maximum Marks: 100

Answer all the Questions:-

PART A (10 x 1 = 10 Marks)

1. One of the roots of algebraic equation $f(x) = 2x^3 - 3x - 6 = 0$ lies between CO1 [K₂]
 - a) 0 and 1 b) -1 and 1
 - c) 1 and 2 d) 2 and 3

2. Rate of convergence of the Newton-Raphson method is generally CO1 [K₂]
 - a) 1 b) 2
 - c) 3 d) 4

3. Consider the following statements. CO2 [K₂]
 - 1) First and the last control points of the Bezier curve should not lie on the curve.
 - 2) Bezier curves are defined by the control points.
 - 3) Intermediate control points of the Bezier curve must lie on the curve.
 - 4) Bezier curve must lie within the convex hull.

Which of the above statements are true?

 - a) 1,2,3 b) 2,4
 - c) 1,4 d) 1,3,4

4. Match List I with List II with suitable codes given below. CO2 [K₂]

List I	List II
A. $y = ax + b$	i. Parabolic fit
B. $y = ax^2 + bx + c$	ii. Polynomial fit

14. Write down the normal equations to fit the parabola $y = ax^2 + bx + c$ CO2 [K₃]
 15. Form the divide difference table for the following data. CO3 [K₃]
 x: 1 2 7 8
 y: 1 5 5 4

16. Evaluate $\int y dx$ using Simpson's 3/8 rule. CO4 [K₃]

x	-3	-2	-1	0	1	2	3
y	-81	16	1	0	1	16	81

17. Split the BVP $y'' = -xy' + y + 2x + \frac{2}{x}$, $y(1) = 0$, $y(2) = 4 \log 2$ in to two IVP's CO5 [K₂]
 using linear shooting method.

18. Write down the basis functions that are used in Collocation method. CO5 [K₂]

19. Classify the PDE $u_{xx} + u_{yy} = 0$ CO6 [K₄]

20. Write down one dimensional heat equation and the explicit formula for solving it. CO6 [K₂]

PART C (6 x 5 = 30 Marks)

21. Solve the equation $x^3 - 2x - 5 = 0$ by using Secant method. Given the initial 5 CO1 [K₃]
 values $x_{-1} = 2$, $x_0 = 3$. (correct to 2 decimals)

22. Fit a straight line $y = ax + b$ by using method of least squares for the data 5 CO2 [K₃]
 x: 0 1 2 3 4
 y: 1 1.8 3.3 4.5 6.3

23. Estimate the displacement y of an object at x = 6 using Newton's divided difference 5 CO3 [K₃]
 formula.

x	1	2	7	8
y	1	5	5	4

24. Evaluate $\int_{-3}^3 x^4 dx$ by using 1). Simpson's 1/3 rd rule 2) Simpson's 3/8 th rule. 5 CO4 [K₅]

25. Solve the boundary value problem $y''(x) = y(x)$, $y(0) = 0$, $y(1) = 1.1752$ 5 CO5 [K₄]
 using linear shooting method through Taylor's series method.

26. Solve the one dimensional heat equation $u_{xx} = u_t$ with the boundary and initial 5 CO6 [K₃]
 values $u(0,t) = 0$, $u(1,t) = t$, $u(x,0) = 0$ for 2 time steps with h = 0.25 using
 Crank Nicholson method.

Answer any FOUR Questions

PART D (4 x 10 = 40 Marks)

27. Determine one of the positive root of the equation $3x = \cos x + 1$ by Newton Raphson method. Also estimate the error in each iteration. 10 CO1 [K₄]

28. Find the cubic spline approximation curve for the data given below with guesses $M_0 = 0, M_3 = 0$. Also find $y(2.5)$ 10 CO2 [K₃]

x	0	1	2	3
y= f(x)	1	2	33	244

29. a) Evaluate $\int_1^{1.4} \int_2^{2.4} \frac{dx dy}{xy}$, using trapezoidal and Simpsons rule $h = k = 0.1$ 5 CO4 [K₅]

b) Find the value of $f'(8), f''(9)$, from the following data, using an approximate interpolation formula.

x	4	5	7	10	11
y	48	100	294	900	1210

5 CO3 [K₃]

30. Solve the ordinary differential equation $y'' - y = 0$ with the boundary values $y_0 = y(0) = 0, y_1 = y(2) = 3.6$ by using finite difference method. Subdivide the range of x into 4 equal parts. CO5 [K₃]

31. Solve the one dimensional heat equation $u_{xx} = u_t$ with the boundary and initial values $u(0,t) = 0, u(4,t) = 0, u(x,0) = x(4 - x)$ up to $t = 5$ by using Bender Schmidt explicit formula. Assume $h = k = 1$ 10 CO6 [K₃]
