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This paper consists of 4 pages

Answer **ALL** the questions

QUESTION 1

- (a) What does the following statements do? (1)
- (i) > edit (2)
 - (ii) > exl (3)
 - (iii) > help fplot (1)
- (b) A bank wants to calculate the interest due to its customers and add to that accounts The interest rate applicable depends on the initial balance, as follows

Initial balance	Interest rate
Less than R1000	0%
R1000 to R5000	5%
R5000 to R10 000	8%
R10000 to R20000	9%
Above R20 000	10%

Write an Octave/Matlab code that implement and solve the above problem (Hint Use the following psudo-if lop structure

if (*condition*)

statement

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else if (*condition*)

else

statement

end if

(4)

(c) Give the mathematical mean of the following Octave/Matlab operations

(i) < (1)

(ii) <= (1)

(iii) > (1)

(iv) >= (1)

(v) == (1)

(d) Write an Octave/Matlab code that solve the following problems

Evaluate the following series $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} U_n$ in which U_n is not known explicitly but is given in terms of a recurrence relation You should stop the summation when $|U_n| < 10^{-8}$

$U_{n+1} = U_n^2$, with $U_1 = 0.5$ (10)

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QUESTION 2

(a) Spread of an infectious disease in a town can be modeled (when the number of infected people is much less than the total population) as $x_{(n+1)} = Ax_{(n)}$, where n refers to the month, and

$$x_{(n)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{s(n)} \\ x_{m(n)} \\ x_{r(n)} \\ x_{d(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

The disease is spread by mosquito bites, and $x_{m(n)}$ refers to the number of mosquitoes that carry the disease, $x_{s(n)}$ is the number of sick people, $x_{r(n)}$ is the number of people who recovered, and $x_{d(n)}$ is the number of people who die. The matrix A is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.8 & 0 & 0 \\ 1.6 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

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In the long term, at what rate will the incidence of the disease increase every month? Consequently as a public health initiative, the mosquito breeding areas are being sprayed with insecticide, and the matrix A changes to B where

$$B = \begin{bmatrix} 0.7 & 0.3 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.6 & 0 & 0.1 & 0 \\ 0.2 & 0 & 0 & 0 \\ 0.1 & 0 & 0 & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

Show that the effect will be that the disease will be eradicated by writing an Octave/Matlab code that implement and solve the problem. (10)

- (b) Consider a infectious species and suppose that the population can be divided into three different age groups babies, juveniles and adults. Let the population in year n in each of these groups be

$$x_{(n)} = \begin{bmatrix} x_{b(n)} \\ x_{j(n)} \\ x_{a(n)} \end{bmatrix}$$

The population changes from one year to the next according to $x_{(n+1)} = Ax_{(n)}$, where the matrix A is

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} \frac{1}{2} & 5 & 3 \\ \frac{1}{2} & 0 & 0 \\ 0.2 & \frac{2}{3} & 0 \end{bmatrix}$$

In the long term, what will be the relative distribution of the population amongst the age group? Write an Octave/Matlab code that implement and solve the problem (10)

- (c) Find the cubic polynomial that best fits the data points

$$(x, y) = (-1, 14), (0, -5), (1, -4), (2, 1), (3, 22).$$

Produce a graph showing the polynomial, together with the given data points as discrete points by writing an octave/Matlab code that implement and solve the problem (5)

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QUESTION 3

- (a) Compose a function file Gauss.m that implements the Gauss method to solve a linear system of equations.

(5)

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(b) Consider the system

$$2x - y + z = 4, \quad x + y + z = 3, \quad 3x - y - z = 1$$

- (i) Determine A and b for $AX = b$ (2)
- (ii) determine $\det(A)$ (2)
- (iii) From the value of $\det(A)$, is the matrix invertible? (2)
- (iv) Determine $X = (x, y, z)$ using Gaussian elimination (15)

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QUESTION 4

(a) A MatLab/Octave code for optimising a linear programming problem is

$$[x_{\max}, L_{\max}] = \text{glpk}(C, A, b, lb, ub, ctype, vartype, s)$$

Explain the role of each of the parameters $lb, ub, ctype, vartype$ and s

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(b) Use the *simplex* method to solve the following linear programming problem

Maximize

$$L = x_1 + 1.6x_2$$

subject to the constraints

$$0.33x_1 + x_2 < 4$$

$$x_1 + 0.66x_2 < 5$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

(10)

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