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**ANSWER ALL THE QUESTIONS****ALL CALCULATIONS MUST BE SHOWN****QUESTION 1**

(a) How does one create a variable in Octave/Matlab? (1)

(b) What does the following statement do? (3)

**B1=ones(2,3)**

(c) Use the concept in (b) to explicitly construct

(i) A row vector with entries 3 3, 1 7, 2 1 (2)

(ii) A row vector where the values change by equal increment (2)

(d) Given  $U2$ ,  $V2$ ,  $V3$ , and  $A2$  as

$$U2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 00000 \\ 0 & 80000 \\ 0 & 60000 \\ 0 & 40000 \end{bmatrix},$$

$$V2 = [1 \ 00000 \ 0 \ 80000 \ 0 \ 60000 \ 0 \ 40000],$$

$$V3 = [1 \ 0000 \ 2 \ 00000 \ 3 \ 00000 \ 4 \ 00000],$$

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$$A2 = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & 00000 & 2 & 00000 & 3 & 00000 & 4 & 00000 \\ 5 & 00000 & 6 & 00000 & 7 & 00000 & 8 & 00000 \\ 9 & 50000 & 11 & 50000 & 13 & 50000 & 15 & 50000 \\ 1 & 00000 & 0 & 00000 & 0 & 00000 & 0 & 00000 \end{bmatrix},$$

(i) What is  $A4 = [A2 \ U2]$  (List entries), (3)

(ii) What is  $A4 = [A2, \ V3]$  (List entries), (3)

(iii) What is  $A5 = A4$  (List entries), (2)

(iv) Find the values of the following elements of a vector or a matrix

(1) in a row vector,  $V3(2)$ , (1)

(2) in a column vector,  $U2(4)$ , (1)

(3) in a matrix,  $A2(2,3)$ , (2)

(4) in a matrix,  $A2(3,2)$  (2)

(v) What do the following notations do?

$A2(2, )$ ,

$A2( , 3)$

Write down the matrix entries in each case (3)

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## QUESTION 2

(a) A stone is thrown vertically upward with an initial speed  $u$ , its vertical displacement  $s$  after an elapsed time  $t$  is given by the formula

$$s = ut - \frac{gt^2}{2}$$

where  $g$  is the acceleration due to gravity. Air resistance is ignored. Calculate the value of  $s$  over a period of 12.3 seconds at intervals of 0.1 seconds, and plot the distance-time graph over this period by writing Matlab/Octave code that implements and solves the problem (8)

(b) Consider the sequence

$$x_n = \frac{a^n}{n!} \quad n = 1, 2, 3,$$

where  $a = 10$  (a constant) and  $n!$  is the factorial function

If we try to compute  $x_n$  directly, we can get into trouble, because  $n!$  grows very rapidly as  $n$  increases, and numerical error overflow can occur. However the situation is neatly transformed if we notice that  $x_n$  is related to  $x_{n-1}$  as follows

$$x_n = \frac{ax_{n-1}}{n}$$

which then implies that we now no longer have numerical overflow problems

Find  $x_{20}$  using the last formula

Write Matlab/Octave code that implements and solves the problem (5)

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- (c) In a series form, the natural logarithm of 2 ( $\ln(2)$ ) is given by

$$1 - \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{5} + \dots + (-1)^{n+1} \frac{1}{n} + \dots$$

Write Matlab/Octave code that implements and computes the sum of the first 999 terms using a for loop (5)

- (d) The initial heat distribution over a steel plate is given by the function

$$u(x, y) = 80y^2 e^{-x^2} - 0.3y^2$$

write Matlab/Octave code which plots the surface  $u$  over the grid defined by

$$-2 \leq x \leq 2, \quad -6 \leq y \leq 6$$

where the grid width is 0.5 in both directions

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### QUESTION 3

- (a) Write Matlab/Octave code for the Gauss-Seidel method to solve the linear system of equations  $Ax = b$ . Input should be a matrix  $A$ , a column vector  $b$  and the initial guess  $x_{old}$  (10)

- (b) Given the following system of equations

$$10x_1 + 7x_2 + 8x_3 + 7x_4 = 32$$

$$7x_1 + 6x_2 + 6x_3 + 5x_4 = 23$$

$$8x_1 + 6x_2 + 10x_3 + 9x_4 = 33$$

$$7x_1 + 5x_2 + 9x_3 + 10x_4 = 31$$

write an M-file called "iterative\_linear\_solver.m" to solve this system with maximum permitted value of the relative error  $Tol < 0.005$ , the initial estimate of the solution  $x_{initial} = [0.0000]$ , the maximum number of permitted iterations  $MAX\_it = 50$ , and the method to be used for obtaining an iterative solution, which is the Gauss-Seidel method (code) you have written in (a). Your M-file should state  $A$ ,  $b$  as initial matrix inputs from the equation above (15)

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### QUESTION 4

- (a) Write Matlab/Octave code for the power method. The code must accept any square matrix as input (10)

- (b) Modify the power method in (a) so that the stopping condition is changed to

$$\left| \frac{Ax_n - \mu_n x_n}{|x_n|} \right| < tolerance$$

(5)

- (c) Given the matrix

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 1 & -3 & 3 \\ 3 & -5 & 3 \\ 6 & -6 & 4 \end{bmatrix}$$

find both the eigenvalues and eigenvectors of  $A$  using the command `eig`

(3)

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(d) Given the objective function

$$L = 40x_1 + 60x_2$$

subject to the constraints

$$2x_1 + x_2 \leq 70$$

$$x_1 + x_2 \leq 40$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 \leq 90$$

$$x_1, x_2 \geq 0$$

write Matlab/Octave code to maximize  $L$

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