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(For the candidates admitted from 2012–2013 onwards)

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Third Semester

Physics

COMPUTATIONAL METHODS AND
PROGRAMMING

Time : Three hours

Maximum : 75 marks

PART A — (5 × 5 = 25 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

1. (a) What are the ways of creating symbolic constants in C++? Explain with an example.

Or

- (b) Explain main and void functions with suitable examples.

2. (a) By the method of least squares, find the straight line that best fits the following data

x	1	2	3	4	5
y	14	27	40	55	68

Or

- (b) If $f(x) = \frac{1}{x^2}$ find the first divided differences

(i) $[a, b]$ and

(ii) $[a, b, c]$

3. (a) Solve the following equations by Gauss-Jordan method

$$x + y = 2$$

$$2x + 3y = 5$$

Or

- (b) Prove that the order of convergence of the Newton-Raphson method is at least 2.

4. (a) The population of a certain town is shown in the following table

Year (x):	1931	1941	1951	1961	1971
Population (y):	40.62	60.80	79.95	103.56	132.65

Find the rate of growth of the population in 1961.

Or

- (b) Obtain the truncation error in Simpson's one third rule.

5. (a) Using Modified Euler's method solve $\frac{dy}{dx}1+xy$ with $y(0)=2$. Find $y(0.1)$ and $y(0.2)$.

Or

- (b) Using Runge-Kutta of fourth order, solve for y at $x=1.2$ from $\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{2xy + e^x}{x^2 + xe^x}$ with $x_0=1, y_0=0$.

PART B — (5 × 10 = 50 marks)

Answer ALL questions.

6. (a) Discuss the following statements with suitable examples.
- if
 - if else and
 - switch.

Or

- (b) Explain input, output and comparison operators used in C++ with suitable examples.

7. (a) Obtain a relation of the form $y = ab^x$ for the following data by the method of least squares

$x:$	2	3	4	5	6
$y:$	8.3	15.4	33.1	65.2	127.4

Or

- (b) The values of $U(x)$ are known at a, b, c . Show that maximum or minimum of Lagrange's interpolation polynomial is attained at

$$x = \frac{\sum U_a(b^2 - a^2)}{2 \sum U_a(b - c)}$$

8. (a) Find the inverse of the matrix $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 3 & 2 & 3 \\ 1 & 4 & 9 \end{pmatrix}$ using Gauss-Jordan method.

Or

- (b) Find by Newton-Raphson method to correct to 4 places of decimals the root between 0 and 1 of the equation $3x - \cos x - 1 = 0$.

9. (a) Find the maximum and minimum value of y from the following table :

$x:$	0	1	2	3	4	5
$y:$	0	$\frac{1}{4}$	0	$\frac{9}{4}$	16	$\frac{225}{4}$

Or

- (b) Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x}$ using :

- (i) Trapezoidal rule and
(ii) Simpson's three eight rule.

Take $h = \frac{1}{6}$ for all cases.

10. (a) Solve $\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 - y$, $y(0) = 0$ using Euler's method. Find y at $x = 0.1$ and $x = 0.2$. Also find the values by Euler's improved method. Compare the results with result of the exact solution.

Or

- (b) Using second order and fourth-order Runge-Kutta methods, evaluate the value of y when $x = 1.1$ given that

$$\frac{dy}{dx} + \frac{y}{x} = \frac{1}{x^2}; y(1) = 1.$$