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2019 /2020 ACADEMIC YEAR

FIRST YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

**FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE
(APPLIED STATISTICS WITH COMPUTING)**

COURSE CODE: STA114

**COURSE TITLE: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR
DATA ANALYSIS**

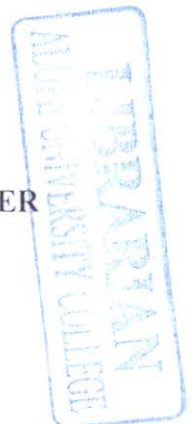
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REGULAR – MAIN EXAM

STA 114: COMPUTER APPLICATIONS FOR DATA ANALYSIS

STREAM: ASC

DURATION: 3 Hours

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATESAnswer **ALL** questions from section A and **ANY THREE** Questions in section B.

All questions in section B carry Equal Marks

SECTION A (31 marks): Answer ALL questions.**QUESTION ONE (16 Marks)**

- a) A Computer is an electronic device that can perform activities that involve Mathematical, Logical and graphical manipulations. List three operations in sequence that the computer performs. [3Marks]
- b) Define the following terms;
- i) Program [1Mark]
 - ii) Memory unit [1Mark]
 - iii) ASCII [1Mark]
 - iv) RAM [1Mark]
- c) Explain the difference between Relation Schema and relation Instance. [2Marks]
- d) Explain the following variable type on a SPSS program
- i) Numeric [1Mark]
 - ii) Comma [1Mark]
 - iii) Dot [1Mark]
 - iv) Scientific notation [1Mark]
 - v) Date [1Mark]
 - vi) Dollar [1Mark]
 - vii) string [1Mark]

QUESTION TWO (15 marks)

- a) Convert the following numbers respectively
- i) Convert 11010001_2 to Octal [2Marks]
 - ii) Convert 526_8 to binary [2Marks]
- b) Use Gaussian elimination to solve the system of linear equations [4Marks]

$$2x_2 + x_3 = -8$$

$$x_1 - 2x_2 - 3x_3 = 0$$

$$-x_1 + x_2 + 2x_3 = 3$$

- c) The yearly averages of K.S.C.E entries were tabulated as shown below.

Find the estimate of missing terms.

[4Marks]

Year	2011	2012	2013	2014	2015	2016
No. of kcse entries	100	?	200	250	400	?

- d) Express $\Delta^5 y_0$ in terms of y_0, y_1, y_2, \dots

[3Marks]

SECTION B (39 marks):

Answer any **THREE** questions. All Questions carry equal marks

QUESTION THREE (13 marks)

- a) Many persons are involved in the design, use and maintenance of any database. Discuss two types of persons who are involved in database. [6Marks]

- b) State four (4) advantages and three (3) disadvantages of database management systems.

[7Marks]

QUESTION FOUR (13 marks)

- a) Find the sum of 1010_2 and -1100_2 using once complements [3Marks]

- b) i) Obtain four corresponding values of $x_{20}, x_{40}, x_{60}, x_{80}, x_{100}$ and x_{120} given the equation $X_n = (1.02)^n X_0$ if $X_0 = 100$. [3Marks]

- ii) Sketch a curve of X_n against the responding values of n . [3Marks]

- c) Compute the next 3 terms of each of the following sequences from the given information.

i) $X_0 = 10, X_{n+1} = X_n + 4$ [1Marks]

ii) $y_0 = -1, y_{n+1} = \frac{1}{y_n}$ [1Marks]

iii) $z_0 = 2, z_{n+1} = z_n^2 - z_n$ [2Marks]

QUESTION FIVE (13 marks)

- a) Explain the following terms;

i) Hardware and software [3Marks]

ii) Compilers and interpreters [4Marks]

- b) Discuss the three types of programming languages. [6Marks]

QUESTION SIX (13 marks)

a) Solve the unknown values in the following system of equations by gauss elimination.

[6Marks]

$$x_1 - 2x_2 + 5x_3 = 12$$

$$2x_1 + 4x_2 + 12x_3 = -17$$

$$x_1 - x_2 - x_3 = 22$$

e) Given $u_1 = (12 - y)(4 + y)$, $u_2 = (5 - y)(4 - y)$, $u_3 = (y + 18)(y + 6)$ and $u_4 = 94$.

Find the values of y such that 2nd degree difference of u are constant.

[7Marks]

QUESTION SEVEN (13 marks)

a) Given $f(x) = x^2 + x - 8$ and the roots lies in the interval $[1, 2]$. Find the;

i) Initial approximation to the root using the bisection method.

[3Marks]

ii) Second approximation

[3Marks]

b) Starting with $x_1 = 1$, find two approximation to the root using

i) Iteration method

[3Marks]

ii) Newton's method

[4Marks]
