

# THE TECHNICAL UNIVERSITY OF KENYA

## DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL ENGINEERING

EECQ3101 NUMERICAL METHODS: Class Exercise for 1<sup>st</sup> March 2016

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer ALL Questions

Q1 (a) The following data give the percentage of criminals for different age groups.

Age (less than x)	25	30	40	50
% of criminals	52	67.3	84.1	94.4

Using Lagrange's formulae, find the percentage of criminals under the age of 35. ✓

(b) Given that  $f(-1)=-2$ ,  $f(0)=-1$ ,  $f(2)=1$  and  $f(3)=4$ , fit a polynomial of third degree. ✓

(c) Apply Lagrange's formula inversely to obtain the root of  $f(x)=0$  given that  $f(30)=-30$ ,  $f(34)=-13$ ,  $f(38)=3$  and  $f(42)=18$ . ✓

Q2 (a) Given that  $f(0)=16.35$ ,  $f(5)=14.88$ ,  $f(10)=13.59$  and  $f(15)=12.46$ , find  $x$  when  $f(x)=14$ . ✓

# (b) Using Lagrange's interpolation formula express the function

$$\frac{x^2 + x - 3}{x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2}$$

As a sum of partial fractions

(c) Given the following data, find the maximum value of  $y$ . ✓

x	0	2	3	4	7	9
y	4	26	58	112	466	922

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