

# UNIVERSITI TUN HUSSEIN ONN MALAYSIA

# FINAL EXAMINATION SEMESTER II **SESSION 2022/2023**

**COURSE NAME** 

**ENGINEERING ECONOMY** 

COURSE CODE

BDA 40902

PROGRAMME CODE

**BDD** 

EXAMINATION DATE :

JULY / AUGUST 2023

EXAMINATION PERIOD :

2 HOURS

INSTRUCTION

1. ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS IN

SECTION A

2. SELECT ONE(1) FROM TWO(2) QUESTIONS IN SECTION B

3. THIS FINAL EXAMINATION IS CONDUCTED VIA CLOSED

BOOK.

4. STUDENTS ARE **PROHIBITED** 

TO CONSULT THEIR OWN

MATERIAL OR ANY

EXTERNAL RESOURCES

**DURING THE EXAMINATION** 

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#### **SECTION A: Answer ALL questions**

Q1 (a) Using a suitable sketch, briefly describe the Classical Engineering approach and its problem.

(8 marks)

(b) An assistant engineer of Industrial Automation Laboratory plans to purchase a new electro-pneumatic trainer (EPT). In the selection process, there are three equal service life (7 years) EPT brands to be considered.

Table Q1

Items	FETO	BOSS	CMS	
Initial cost, RM	40,500	53,500	45,000	
Operation and maintenance cost, RM/year	1000	2500	1500	
Salvage value, RM	9000	15000	12000	

(i) Draw the cash-flow diagrams.

(6 marks)

(ii) Based on data in **Table Q1**, estimate the annuity worth (AW) values. Assume the MARR is 10% per year.

(9 marks)

(iii) Justify which EPT brand to be the most economics.

(2 marks)

Q2 (a) To be a Global Technopreneur University in 2030 (GTU 2030), UTHM plans to invest RM 1.5 million to accommodate research on new learning methods. Through the 15-year research duration, UTHM is expected to gain RM 500,000 per year by attracting new students. To ensure the success of the research, RM 50,000 per year is allocated to research officers as operating costs. Inversely, the allocation for student activities will be reduced by RM 200,000 per year. Based on present worth (PW) and annuity worth (AW) values, apply both conventional B/C ratio and modified B/C ratio to see whether the research plan could be initiated economically. Assume that the MARR is 6% per annum.

(20 marks)

(b) In civil project evaluation theory, briefly describe with example the terms of benefit, disbenefit and cost.

(5 marks)



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- ABC company is considering replacing an old machine with a new one. The old machine was purchased 6 years ago for USD 120,000 and has a remaining useful life of 2 years. The new machine costs USD 250,000 and has an expected useful life of 8 years. The annual operating cost of the old machine and new machine are USD 40,000 and USD 30,000 respectively. The salvage value of the old machine and new machine are estimated to be USD 20,000 and USD 100,000 respectively. The company's cost of capital is 8%.
  - (a) Analyze the economic service life (ESL) of the old machine.

(5 marks)

(b) Analyze the ESL of the new machine.

(5 marks)

(c) Analyze the annual worth (AW) of the old machine.

(5 marks)

(d) Analyze the AW of the new machine.

(5 marks)

(e) Should the company replace the old machine with the new one? Justify your answer based on the AW and ESL analysis.

(5 marks)



#### SECTION B: Answer ONE question only

Q4 (a) Using an appropriate example, describe the following cost terminologies:

(i) Implicit versus Explicit costs.

(4 marks)

(ii) Sunk cost.

(2 marks)

(iii) Direct versus Indirect costs.

(4 marks)

(b) YEY online shop sells a variety of fragrances. The costs of each fragrance (in average) are given in **Table Q4**.

Table Q4

Items	RM		
Selling price	3.00 / unit		
Variable cost	1.85 / unit		
Fixed cost	1000 / month		

(i) Based on the information in **Table Q4**, create a linear equation that relate the profit, return sales and costs.

(6 marks)

(i) Analyze how many units of fragrance must be sold per month to meet breakeven point or capital recovery.

(4 marks)

(ii) Calculate how many fragrances need to be sold if YEY online shop targets to gain RM 25,000 profit per month.

(5 marks)

Q5 (a) AERO Company plans to establish a new Foundation to help people 5 years from now. The company's current worth is RM500 million. The company's chief executive officer decided the initial fund of the Foundation is based on 10 percent of the company's future worth. Based on (i) Simple Interest, and (ii) Compound Interest, estimate the amount of initial funds of the Foundation if the Company's worth is constantly growing at a rate of 15% per year.

(10 marks)



- (b) Mr. Putra deposited RM 1800 each year for 20 years in his financial account. A year after that saving period ended, he withdrew RM 7500 each year for 5 years. In the 6th and 7th years, he only withdrew RM 5000 per year. Then, in the 8th year, he decided to withdraw his remaining money.
  - (i) Draw a cash flow diagram to represent the situation.

(7 marks)

(ii) If the return profit is 6% per year throughout the whole period, estimate the amount of money that he withdrew at the end of the 8th year.

(8 marks)

- END OF QUESTION -



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### LIST OF FORMULA

1	TC = FC + VC(Q)	9	Conventional B-C ratio with PW B-C = PW(B) $\div$ [(I – PW(MV)) +PW(O&M)]
2	$TR = P \times Q$	10	Conventional B-C ratio with AW B-C = AW(B) $\div$ [CR + AW(O&M)]
3	$I_{effective} = \left(1 + \frac{r}{m}\right)^m - 1$	11	Modified B-C ratio with PW B-C = $[PW(B) - PW(O&M)] \div [I - PW(MV)]$
4	$p(1+i)^n$	12	Modified B-C ratio with PW B-C = $[AW(B) - AW(O&M)] \div CR$
5	$F = P\left(\frac{F}{P}, i, n\right) = P(1+i)^n$	13	$P = F\left(\frac{P}{F}, i, n\right) = F\left[\frac{1}{(1+i)^n}\right]$
6	$F = A\left(\frac{F}{A}, i, n\right) = A\left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i}\right]$	14	$A = F\left(\frac{A}{F}, i, n\right) = F\left[\frac{i}{(1+i)^n - 1}\right]$
7	$P = A\left(\frac{P}{A}, i, n\right) = A\left[\frac{(1+i)^n - 1}{i(1+i)^n}\right]$	15	$A = P\left(\frac{A}{P}, i, n\right) = P\left[\frac{i(1+i)^n}{(1+i)^n - 1}\right]$
8	$CR_k = -P(A/P, i, k) + S_k(A/F, i, k)$	16	$AW_k = -CR_k - AOC$

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# **COMPOUND INTEREST FACTORS**

6%				Compound Ir	nterest Factors				$6^{\alpha_{_0}}$
	Single Payment		Uniform Payment Series				Arithmetic Gradient		
	Compound Amount Factor	Present Worth Factor	Sinking Fund Factor	Capital Recovery Factor	Compound Amount Factor	Present Worth Factor	Gradient Uniform Series	Gradient Present Worth	
n	Find F Given P F/P	Find P Given F P/F	Find A Given F A/F	Find A Given P A/P	Find F Given A F/A	Find P Given A P/A	Find A Given G A/G	Find P Given G P/G	n
1	1.060	.9434	1.0000	1.0600	1.000	0.943	0	0	1
2	1.124	.8900	.4854	.5454	2.060	1.833	0.485	0.890	
3	1.191	.8396	3141	.3741	3.184	2.673	0.961	2.569	3
4	1.262	.7921	2286	.2886	4.375	3.465	1.427	4.945	4
5	1.338	.7473	.1774	.2374	5.637	4.212	1.884	7.934	5
6	1.419	.7050	.1434	.2034	6.975	4.917	2.330	11.459	6
7	1.504	.6651	.1191	1791	8.394	5.582	2.768	15.450	7
8	1.594	6274	1010	1610	9.897	6.210	3.195	19.841	8
9	1.689	5919	.0870	1470	11.491	6.802	3.613	24,577	9
10	1.791	.5584	.0759	1359	13.181	7.360	4.022	29.602	10
11	1.898	.5268	.0668	.1268	14.972	7.887	4.421	34.870	11
12	2.012	4970	.0593	.1193	16.870	8.384	4.811	40.337	12
13	2.133	4688	.0530	1130	18.882	8.853	5.192	45.963	13
14	2.261	4423	.0476	.1076	21.015	9.295	5.564	51.713	14
15	2.397	.4173	.0430	.1030	23.276	9.712	5.926	57.554	15
16	2.540	3936	.0390	.0990	25.672	10.106	6.279	63.459	16
17	2.693	3714	.0354	.0954	28.213	10.477	6.624	69.401	17
18	2.854	3503	.0324	.0924	30.906	10.828	6.960	75.357	18
19	3.026	.3305	.0296	.0896	33.760	11.158	7.287	81,306	19
20	3.207	.3118	.0272	.0872	36.786	11.470	7.605	87.230	20
21	3.400	.2942	.0250	.0850	39.993	11.764	7.915	93,113	21
22	3.604	.2775	.0230	.0830	43.392	12.042	8.217	98.941	22
23	3.820	.2618	.0213	.0813	46.996	12.303	8.510	104,700	23
24	4.049	_2470	.0197	.0797	50.815	12.550	8.795	110.381	24
25	4.292	-2330	.0182	.0782	54.864	12.783	9.072	115.973	25
26	4.549	.2198	.0169	.0769	59.156	13.003	9.341	121.468	26
27	4.822	.2074	.0157	.0757	63.706	13.211	9.603	126.860	27
28	5.112	.1956	.0146	.0746	68.528	13.406	9.857	132.142	28
29	5.418	.1846	.0136	.0736	73.640	13.591	10.103	137.309	29
30	5.743	.1741	.0126	.0726	79.058	13.765	10.342	142.359	30



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					iterest Factors				8%
	Single Pa	yment	Uniform Payment Series				Arithmetic	c Gradient	
	Compound Amount Factor	Present Worth Factor	Sinking Fund Factor	Capital Recovery Factor	Compound Amount Factor	Present Worth Factor	Gradient Uniform Series	Gradient Present Worth	
n	Find F Given P F/P	Find P Given F P/F	Given F G	Find A Given P A/P	Find F Given A F/A	Find P Given A P/A	Find A Given G A/G	Find P Given G P/G	n
1	1.080	.9259	1.0000	1.0800	1.000	0.926	0	0	,
2	1.166	.8573	.4808	.5608	2.080	1.783	0.481	0.857	
3	1.260	_7938	.3080	.3880	3.246	2.577	0.949	2.445	-
4	1.360	.7350	.2219	.3019	4.506	3.312	1.404	4.650	
5	1.469	.6806	.1705	.2505	5.867	3.993	1.846	7,372	3
6	1.587	.6302	1363	2163	7.336	4.623	2.276	10.523	6
7	1.714	.5835	.1121	.1921	8.923	5.206	2.694	14.024	7
8	1.851	-5403	.0940	1740	10.637	5.747	3.099	17.806	s
9	1.999	.5002	.0801	.1601	12,488	6.247	3.491	21.808	9
10	2.159	4632	.0690	.1490	14.487	6.710	3.871	25.977	10
11	2.332	.4289	.0601	1401	16.645	7.139	4.240	30.266	11
12	2.518	.3971	.0527	.1327	18.977	7.536	4.596	34.634	12
13	2.720	3677	.0465	1265	21.495	7.904	4.940	39.046	13
14	2.937	3405	.0413	.1213	24.215	8.244	5.273	43.472	14
15	3.172	.3152	.0368	1168	27.152	8.559	5.594	47.886	15

10%				Compound In	nterest Factors				10%
	Single Payment			Uniform Payment Series				Arithmetic Gradient	
	Compound Amount Factor	Amount Worth	Worth Fund	Capital Recovery Factor	Compound Amount Factor	Present Worth Factor	Gradient Uniform Series	Gradient Present Worth	
n	Find F Given P F/P	Find P Given F P/F	Find A Given F A/F	Find A Given P A/P	Find F Given A F/A	Find P Given A P/A	Find A Given G A/G	Find P Given G P/G	п
1	1.100	.9091	1.0000	1.1000	1.000	0.909	0	0	
2 3	1.210	8264	.4762	.5762	2.100	1.736	0.476	0.826	
3	1.331	.7513	.3021	.4021	3.310	2,487	0.937	2.329	-
4 5	1.464	.6830	.2155	.3155	4.641	3.170	1.381	4.378	
5	1.611	.6209	.1638	.2638	6.105	3.791	1.810	6.862	3
6	1.772	.5645	.1296	.2296	7.716	4.355	2.224	9.684	-
7	1.949	.5132	1054	.2054	9.487	4.868	2.622	12.763	-
8	2,144	4665	.0874	1874	11.436	5.335	3.004	16.029	S
9	2.358	4241	.0736	.1736	13.579	5.759	3.372	19,421	(
10	2.594	.3855	.0627	.1627	15.937	6.145	3.725	22,891	10
11	2.853	.3505	.0540	.1540	18,531	6.495	4.064	26.396	11
12	3.138	3186	.0468	1468	21.384	6.814	4.388	29.901	12
13	3.452	2897	.0408	.1408	24,523	7.103	4.699	33.377	13
14	3.797	.2633	.0357	1357	27.975	7.367	4.996	36.801	14
15	4.177	2394	.0315	1315	31.772	7.606	5.279	40.152	15



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	Single Payment			Uniform Payment Series				Arithmetic Gradient	
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n	Find F Given P F/P	P Given F Given P Given A Gi	Find P Given A P/A	Find A Given G A/G	Find P Given G P/G	n			
1	1.150	.8696	1.0000	1.1500	1.000	0.870	0	0	
2 3	1.322	.7561	.4651	.6151	2.150	1.626	0.465	0.756	1
3	1.521	6575	2880	.4380	3.472	2.283	0.907	2.071	-
4 5	1.749	5718	2003	.3503	4.903	2.855	1.326	3.786	
5	2.011	.4972	1483	2983	6.742	3.352	1.723	5.775	5
6	2.313	.4323	1142	2642	8.754	3.784	2.097	7.937	6
7	2.660	3759	.0904	2404	11.067	4.160	2.450	10.192	7
8	3.059	3269	.0729	.2229	13.727	4.487	2.781	12.481	8
9	3.518	.2843	.0596	2096	16.786	4.772	3.092	14.755	9
10	4,046	2472	.0493	.1993	20,304	5.019	3.383	16.979	10
11	4.652	2149	0411	1011	24.349	5.234	3.655	19.129	11
12	5.350	1869	.0345	1845	29.002	5.421	3.908	21.185	12
13	6.153	1625	.0291	1791	34.352	5.583	4.144	23.135	13
14	7.076	.1413	.0247	.1747	40.505	5.724	4.362	24.972	
15	8.137	.1229	.0210	.1710	47.580	5.847	4.565	26.693	14 15

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