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FOURTH YEAR SECOND SEMESTER REGULAR EXAMINATION

FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE (COMPUTER SCIENCE) MAIN EXAMINATION

COURSE CODE:

COM 426

COURSE TITLE:

SIMULATION AND MODELING

DATE: 31^{ST} MAY, 2022 TIME: 0900 - 1200 HRS

INSTRUCTION TO CANDIDATES

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REGULAR EXAM

COM 426: SIMULATION AND MODELING

STREAM: COM DURATION: 3 Hours

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Answer ALL questions from section A and any THREE from section B.

SECTION A [24 MARKS] ANSWER ALL QUESTIONS.

QUESTION ONE [12 MARKS]

- Explain why differential equations are important when studying continuous systems simulation
 [2 marks]
- b. Outline the three main roles of graphical models in system modeling. [3 marks]
- c. Explain any TWO real world problems in business where simulation is applied and their solution methods.
 [4 marks]
- d. What are the main reasons of analyzing a system during system modeling? [3 marks]

QUESTION TWO [12 MARKS]

- a. What is system model? Discuss different system perspectives that can be represented in a model.
 [4 marks]
- Explain the meaning of Monte Carlo simulation pointing out its key characteristics,
 advantage and disadvantages.
- c. Explain model building, verification and model Validation as distinct processes. [4 marks]

SECTION B [36 MARKS] ANSWER ANY THREE QUESTIONS]

QUESTION THREE [12 MARKS]

- a. System is not a randomly arranged set. Explain. [2 marks]
- **b.** Explain why probability theory of interest to performance modeling of information systems?

[2 marks]

c. Discuss any two Important features (or concepts) of a business system.

[4 marks]

d. Discuss various classification of mathematical models

[4 marks]

iii. On average, how many requests are in the system

[2 marks]

iv. What is the average time a request spends in the queue?
