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**DEPARTMENT OF CIVIL AND ENVIRONMENTAL ENGINEERING**

**COURSE: WATER RESOURCES SIMULATION (ECI 146)**

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**ASSIGNMENT 1: Modeling, solution of implicit algebraic equations and ODEs**

*Assigned on: Monday, January 27, 2020*

*Due on: Tuesday, February 4, 2020*

Please answer the following questions using the discussions we had in class and hand-outs (please see the course notes).

**Question 1:** Please calculate the water depth in a trapezoidal open channel, when it carries 300 ft<sup>3</sup>/s. The channel has a lower width of 6 ft, lateral walls inclined at 50 degrees with the horizontal, and a longitudinal slope of 0.0015. The bottom of the channel is made of rough concrete, with a Manning's  $n$  value of 0.016. Use the fixed-point method to solve the problem. Please report the result and the number of iterations needed.

**Question 2:** Please explain what we mean when we refer to 1D, 2D and 3D models. Can we develop a 3D model for rivers? Please justify your answer carefully.

**Question 3:** Please mention four (4) uses of water in which you can apply numerical techniques to optimize the use (based on the examples we saw in the first two classes). Indicate the use (for example, "provide potable to a city"), the problem (for example, "calculate the friction factor of the pipes"), and how you will solve it (for example, "apply the Newton-Raphson method to obtain the friction factor iteratively"). Please base your answers on the examples we saw in class, and on the course handouts. Please formulate the answer as follows: a) Problem; b) which type of equation is obtained?; c) how to solve it.

**Question 4:** a) Please develop a flow chart for the method of **iteration of a point (fixed point)** for a *general* algebraic implicit equation. Please obtain the error from successive guessed values of the root. b) How do the flow charts change if the "stopping criterion" is based on the value of the function "close to zero"?

**Question 5:** Please take the equation:

$$\frac{du(t)}{dt} + K u(t) = 0$$

In class we used a *forward* (Euler) method (approximation) to discretize it. Now, please use a “*backward* (or backward Euler) method” to discretize it (i.e., evaluate the second term at  $j+1$ ) and obtain the “computational stencil.” Call the time step as “ $h$ ”. Is the solution unstable in the backward method? Is the solution accurate? Under what conditions?

**Question 6:** Please explain what you understand by order of convergence in the case of an algebraic implicit equation. Is it there a similar concept in the solution of ODEs?

**Question 7:** Obtain the error for the forward approximation of the first derivative of a function.

**Question 8:** Please use the Theorem we discussed in class for the **fixed point** method to see if the alternative method you selected in Computer Problem 1 for the Colebrook-White equation can be shown to produce a convergent set of values in the iterative process.

**Question 9:** Please explain what you understand by consistency, stability and convergence of ODEs. You can use examples for this.

**Question 10:** Please develop a flow chart for the Newton-Raphson method.