MODULE 3: FINANCE AND MODELLING

QUESTION 1 [6 Marks]

An amount of P is invested at r % per annum compounded monthly for two years. The accumulated value of R1 196,41 is then reinvested at r % per annum compounded quarterly. After a further three years the investment is worth R1 609,04.

Calculate r and the value of P. (6)

QUESTION 2 [10 Marks]

Meshen borrows R350 000 to start up a business, which he pays back over seven years as follows:

- R150 000 at the end of the second year
- a further R100 000 at the end of the third year
- a final payment at the end of the seventh year

Interest is calculated at 14 % per annum compounded monthly for the first three years and is then reduced to 12 % per annum compounded semi-annually for the remaining four years.

Calculate his final payment. (10)

QUESTION 3 [17 Marks]

a) A recursive formula for calculating the balance outstanding on a loan with monthly payments is $F_{n+1}=1.01\,F_n-1\,500$ and $F_0=10\,000$

- i) What does the 1 500 in this formula represent? (2)
- ii) How long does it take to repay the loan, and what is the value of the final payment? (5)
- iii) What is represented by $F_n F_{n+1}$? (2)

A loan of R1 800 000 is repaid by means of quarterly payments starting in three months' time. The interest rate quoted by the bank is 14,25 % per annum compounded monthly. If the loan is repaid over 10 years calculate the quarterly payment.

QUESTION 4 [25 Marks]

Tiaan takes out a loan of R150 000 to buy a car. He agrees to pay the loan back over 5 years at an interest rate of 12,5 % per annum compounded monthly.

- a) Calculate his monthly payments if his first payment is made in one month's time. (4)
- b) Calculate what percentage of his first payment will pay off capital. (8)
- c) Due to some unforeseen expenses Tiaan only makes his first payment 9 months
 after taking the loan. Calculate his revised monthly payment.
- d) How much **extra** interest will he pay by deferring the loan as in c)? (5)

QUESTION 5 [20 Marks]

Lindelani takes out a mortgage bond of R600 000 to buy a flat in Durban. To pay off the loan in less than 20 years he negotiates to pay R8 000 per month for the first 5 years starting in one month's time and then pay R10 000 per month until the loan is amortised, with a final payment of less than R10 000. The interest rate will be fixed at 9,5 % per annum compounded monthly.

Calculate:

- a) How many payments of R10 000 he will make. (12)
- b) The value of the final payment. (8)

QUESTION 6 [9 Marks]

The table shows part of a spreadsheet used to calculate the terms in a second order difference equation $T_n = p.T_{n-1} + q.T_{n-2}$

T ₂	100,00
T ₃	1125,50
T ₄	1233,63
T ₅	2393,43

- a) Calculate the values of p and q correct to 3 decimal places. (6)
- b) Hence, evaluate T_1 (3)

QUESTION 7 [13 Marks]

Zoologists have been studying a population of feral cats. In 2015 the population was estimated to be 100 of which 60 were female. The average litter size is 2,5 kittens with a survival rate of 48 % and a cat has two litters per year. The average lifespan of a cat in the wild is 10 years.

- a) Show that the annual growth rate is 1,34. (4)
- b) Use a Malthusian Model to represent the population growth starting from 2015. (2)
- c) Calculate the estimated population in 2020. (2)
- d) If 130 cats are removed each year adapt your model and calculate the predicted population in 2020?
- e) How many cats need to be removed annually to keep the population stable at 100?

(2)

TOTAL = 100