

**GIRTON SUMMER PROGRAMME**

**MATHEMATICS FOR ENGINEERING**

**NUMERICAL TECHNIQUES:  
HOMEWORK QUESTIONS**

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**The Homework Answers sheet can be downloaded from Moodle. Once completed (for all five homeworks) is must be uploaded as a “.pdf”.**

**Question: Numerical-1**

By using the Newton Raphson technique, obtain an iterative relationship to determine the (positive) cube root of a quantity  $b > 0$ .

Enter your iterative relationship on the **Homework Answers sheet**.

**Question: Numerical-2**

By using the expressions below for the exact ( $x$  and  $y$ ) and computer representations ( $x^*$  and  $y^*$ ) estimate the fractional error when two floating point numbers are multiplied.

$$x^* = x (1 + \varepsilon_x) \quad \text{and} \quad y^* = y (1 + \varepsilon_y) \quad \text{where} \quad |\varepsilon_x| \text{ and } |\varepsilon_y| < \varepsilon_{\text{precision}}$$

Enter your fractional rounding error estimate in the box on the **Homework Answers sheet**.

**Question: Numerical-3**

Using Gauss-Lobatto quadrature estimate  $\int_{-1}^{+1} \left( \frac{1}{6+x-x^2} \right) dx$  using  $n = 3$  points

Enter your estimate in the box on the **Homework Answers sheet**.