

<In the Name of God>

Numerical Analysis Fall, 2015

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HW #1

Due Date: TBA (Late HWs will get a zero grade.)

(Note: getting help or helping others on this HW is NOT allowed!)

Assume that you are designing a rocket engine. The thrust generated by your engine over time is measured and shown in the table below. (a) What is the thrust at Time=18 ? (b) At what time will your rocket generate a Thrust=88 ?

Time={ 1 6 11 16 21 26 31 36 41 46}

Thrust={7.2330 25.0000 53.4446 77.5804 90.7398 96.4352 98.6660 99.5060 99.8178 99.9330}

Method:

- 1) Write a Matlab program to perform polynomial interpolation. Find the estimated thrust at Time=18 using the 1st, 2nd, 3rd, 4th, 5th,and 9th degree polynomials.
- 2) Write a Matlab program to find roots using Newtons method. Use this to find when the above 2nd degree polynomial using the data points [11 16 21] crosses Thrust=88.
- 3) Check your results using the fzero.m function in Matlab.

Submission Guide: submit your Matlab program. Your Matlab program should be well commented. Plot the original data points and the 2nd degree polynomial that you found in a single plot. Also include in the plot the point where the polynomial crosses Thrust =44 and show the time this happens. Also include all your calculation for finding

the 2nd degree polynomial coefficients. Failing to follow the above guidelines will result in a ZERO grade!