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Department of Applied Mathematics
Numerical Analysis (Math3201) Final-Examination

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Time Allowed: 2:30 hrs.

Target Group: 3rd year SE

Max. Marks: 50%

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GENERAL DIRECTIONS:

- ✓ *Make Shure that this booklet contains FIFTEEN multiple choice, TEN short answer questions and FOUR workout problems.*
- ✓ *Using mobile phone is strictly FORBIDDEN in the examination.*
- ✓ *Don't use pencil for writing your answer.*
- ✓ *Check there are 11 pages including the cover page.*
- ✓ *Any attempt of cheating during exam will result in 0 mark.*
- ✓ *Perform your calculation to FIVE DECIMAL PLACES.*

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Examination part	I (15%)	II (10%)	III (25%)	Total (50%)
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**Part I (Multiple choices): Choose the best answer and write your choice in the space provided
(Each worth 1 point)**

1. In numerical analysis, a method is said to be stable if:
 - A. It runs in constant time
 - C. It always converges
 - B. Small changes in input cause small changes in output
 - D. It uses the least memory
2. Which of the following is NOT a source of error in numerical computation?
 - A. Truncation error
 - C. Syntax error
 - B. Rounding error
 - D. Discretization error
3. Which of the following best describes convergence of a numerical method?
 - A. The method produces results quickly
 - B. The method gives the exact solution in one iteration
 - C. The numerical solution approaches the exact solution as the number of iterations increases
 - D. The method uses less memory
4. In numerical integration, which of the following contributes to convergence?
 - A. Increasing the number of intervals
 - C. Increasing the interval length
 - B. Decreasing the accuracy of floating-point arithmetic
 - D. Using an explicit method
5. The order of convergence of a numerical method is defined as:
 - A. The number of iterations needed
 - B. The speed at which the number of correct digits increases
 - C. A measure of how fast the error reduces relative to the previous error
 - D. The number of steps per iteration
6. What is the main goal of interpolation?
 - A. To find the derivative of a function
 - B. To solve a differential equation
 - C. To minimize the error in computation
 - D. To estimate unknown values between known data points
7. Which of the following affects the accuracy of numerical differentiation?
 - A. Step size h
 - C. Integration constant
 - B. Number of iterations
 - D. Order of the differential equation

- 8.** Which of the following is true about Simpson's 1/3 Rule?
- A. It uses linear approximation C. It uses parabolic approximation
B. It is less accurate than the Trapezoidal D. It cannot be used for definite integrals
- 9.** What is numerical integration?
- A. Solving DEs numerically C. Estimating function values
B. Approximating the area under a curve D. Minimizing error in equations
using discrete data
- 10.** What is a key difference between a MATLAB script and a function?
- A. Scripts accept inputs, functions do not
B. Functions have local variables, scripts use the workspace
C. Scripts can return outputs, functions cannot
D. Functions cannot use loops
- 11.** What does $x = \text{linspace}(0, 1, 5)$ produce?
- A. [0, 0.2, 0.4, 0.6, 0.8] C. [0, 1, 2, 3, 4]
B. [0, 0.25, 0.5, 0.75, 1] D. [1, 2, 3, 4, 5]
- 12.** Your iterative solver runs indefinitely. Which is the *most likely* cause?
- A. The loop variable is not incremented. C. A `disp()` statement is missing.
B. The termination tolerance is too strict. D. None
- 13.** Which of the following MATLAB commands generates the column vector $a = \begin{bmatrix} 1 \\ 2 \\ 3 \end{bmatrix}$?
- A. $a = [1 2 3]$ B. $a = [1; 2; 3]'$ C. $a = [1 2 3]'$ D. B and C
- 14.** Which one of the following commands computes the roots of the equation $f(x) = x^3 - 2x^2 - x + 2 = 0$?
- A. $f = [-2 -1 2 1]; \text{roots}(f)$ C. $f = [1 -2 -1 0]; \text{roots}(f)$
B. $f = [1 -2 -1 2]; \text{roots}(f)$ D. $f = [2 -1 -2 1]; \text{roots}(f)$
- 15.** You get the error: "**Matrix dimensions must agree.**" Which operation likely caused it?
- A. $A + B$ where A & B are same-sized matr. C. $A * B$ where A is 3×2 and B is 2×3 .
B. $A . * B$ where A is 3×2 and B is 2×3 . D. A' (transpose of A).

Answer Sheet

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|----------|----------|----------|-----------|-----------|
| 1. _____ | 4. _____ | 7. _____ | 10. _____ | 13. _____ |
| 2. _____ | 5. _____ | 8. _____ | 11. _____ | 14. _____ |
| 3. _____ | 6. _____ | 9. _____ | 12. _____ | 15. _____ |

Part II (Short Answer): Write the most simplified answer on the space provided (Each worth 1 pt.)

1. Floating-point arithmetic may introduce _____ errors due to limited precision.
2. If the Gauss Seidel method is used to solve the system of linear equations

$$2x_1 + x_2 + 5x_3 = 15$$

$$2x_1 + x_2 + x_3 = 8$$

$$x_1 + 3x_2 + x_3 = 10$$

with initial guess $X^{(0)} = (x_1^0, x_2^0, x_3^0) = (0, 0, 0)$, then the components of $X^{(1)} = (x_1^1, x_2^1, x_3^1)$ are:

$$x_1^1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}, \quad x_2^1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}} \quad \text{and} \quad x_3^1 = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

3. Given a linear system of equation $Ax = b$ where $A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 8 & 0 \\ -1 & 0 & 4 \end{pmatrix}$ and $b = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 8 \\ 4 \end{pmatrix}$. Using Doolittle LU decomposition method, Decompose Matrix A .

$$\mathbf{L} =$$

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$\mathbf{U} =$$

and

$$\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

4. If $f(x) = x^2$ and $h = 1$, then $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right)f(x) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$
5. What is the result of $0.1 + 0.2 == 0.3$ in MATLAB? $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (1 / 0)
6. What is the output of $3 > 2 \ \&\& \sim(4 < 5)$ in MATLAB? $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (1 / 0)
7. Given the following data

X	0	1	2	3	4
$Y=f(x)$	1.0	1.5	2.2	3.1	4.6

Then $\nabla^3 f(3) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

8. The error of interpolation at every tabulated point is equal to zero. $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (True/False)
9. The degree of the polynomial that interpolates a given set of n points is at most equal to n .
 $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (True/False)
10. Simpson's one-third rule of integration is more accurate than Simpson's three-eighth rule of integration. $\underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ (True/False)

PART III (Work-Out Items): Work out the following questions by showing all the necessary steps clearly.

1. a) Complete the **divided difference** table below.

(1 Point)

x	$f(x)$	$f[.,.]$	$f[.,.,.]$	$f[.,.,.,.]$
-2	2			
-1	-1	—	—	
0	-2	—	—	—
3	7	—		

- b) Derive interpolating polynomial by using **Lagrange's interpolation formula**.

(2 Points)

- c) Derive interpolating polynomial by using **Newton's divided difference formula**.

(2 Points)

- d) Approximate $f(2)$

(1 Point)

Use the difference table below to answer questions from 2 – 4.

x	$f(x) = \ln x$	Δ	Δ^2	Δ^3	Δ^4
4.90	1.5892				
5.00	1.6094	0.0202			
5.10	1.6292		-0.0004		
5.20	1.6487	0.0198		0.0001	
5.30	1.6677		-0.0003		-0.0003
		0.0195		-0.0002	
			-0.0005		
		0.019			

2. a) Using the appropriate Newton's difference formula, approximate $\ln 5.25$. (2 Points)
b) Give the corresponding error by comparing your results in part (a) with the exact value. (1 Points)

3. a) Find $f'(4.90)$ and $f''(4.90)$ (4 Points)
- b) Give the corresponding errors for each by comparing your results in part (a) with the exact values. (2 Points)

4. Approximate $\int_{4.90}^{5.30} f(x) dx$ by using
- a) Trapezoidal rule where the step length is $h = 0.10$ and compare your result with the exact value
(Hint: $\int \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - x + c$) (3 Points)
 - b) Simpson's rule where the step length is $h = 0.10$ and compare your result with the exact value.
(3 Points)
 - c) Give the error bound of the approximation in (a) and to how many significant figures is your approximation correct?
(2 points)
 - d) Give the error bound in the approximation in (b) and to how many significant figures is your approximation correct?
(2 points)

