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Module Number: IS3304 Module Name: Numerical Methods

[Three hours]

[Answer all questions, each question carries twelve marks]

Q1.

- a) Clearly mentioning the assumptions, prove the Newton-Raphson formula,

$$X_{n+1} = X_n - \frac{f(X_n)}{f'(X_n)} \quad \text{using Taylor's expansion.} \quad [2 \text{ Marks}]$$

- b) A loan of 'A' rupees is repaid by making  $n$  equal monthly payments of  $M$  rupees, starting a month after the loan is made. It can be shown that if the monthly interest rate is  $r$ , then

$$Ar = M \left( 1 - \frac{1}{(1+r)^n} \right).$$

A car loan of Rs.1,000,000.00 was repaid in 60 monthly payments of Rs.25,000.00. Use Newton-Raphson method to find the monthly interest rate (%) with an accuracy of 0.001.

[7 Marks]

- c) Consider the function,  $f(x) = x^2 - x - e^{-x}$  shown in Figure Q1. Two equations can be derived by using simple algebraic manipulations to transform the function  $f(x) = 0$  to the form of  $x = g(x)$  as bellow.

$$g_1(x) = x^2 - e^{-x} \quad ; \quad g_2(x) = \sqrt{e^{-x} + x}$$

- i.) Find the convergence/divergence of fixed-point iteration schemes derived with the functions  $g_1(x)$  and  $g_2(x)$ .

(Hint: You may estimate  $|g_1'(x)|$  and  $|g_2'(x)|$ )

- ii.) Use either  $g_1(x)$  or  $g_2(x)$  (whichever converges) to estimate the root of the function  $f(x) = x^2 - x - e^{-x}$  by using fixed-point iteration method with an accuracy of 0.001.

[3 Marks]

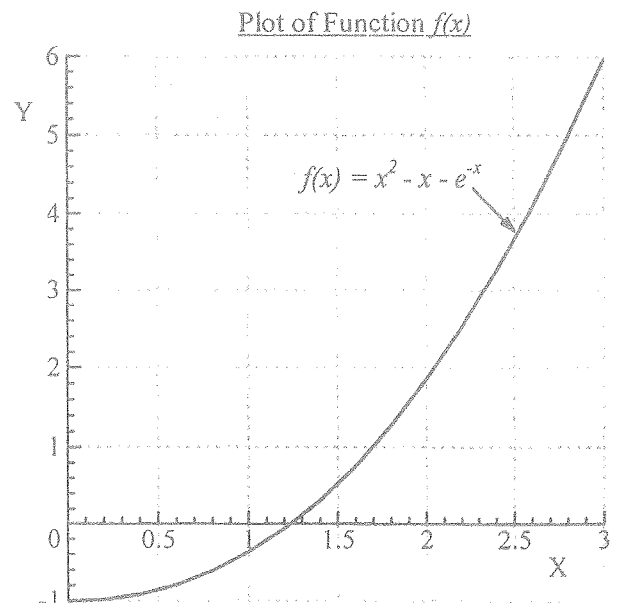


Figure Q1

Q2.

- a) The Lagrangian interpolating polynomial of degree  $n$  that passes through  $n+1$  data points  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), \dots, (x_{n-1}, y_{n-1}), (x_n, y_n)$  is defined as  $P_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n y_i L_i(x)$ .

$$\text{where, } L_i(x) = \prod_{\substack{j=0 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j}.$$

Show that  $L_i(x_j) = 1$  when  $i = j$  and

$$L_i(x_j) = 0 \quad \text{when } i \neq j.$$

[2 Marks]

- b) If  $(x_0, y_0), (x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2)$  and  $(x_3, y_3)$  are distinct node points, obtain the

- linear interpolation polynomial,  $P_1(x)$
- quadratic interpolation polynomial,  $P_2(x)$
- cubic interpolation polynomial,  $P_3(x)$

by using above node points.

[2 Marks]

- c) i.) Write down the general form of the Newton's divided difference interpolation polynomial.

[1 Mark]

- ii.) The specific heat of water is given as a function of temperature below.

Temperature, $T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	42	52	82	100
Specific heat, $C_p$ ( $\text{J/kg} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	4179	4186	4199	4217

Determine the value of the specific heat at  $T = 61^{\circ}\text{C}$  using Newton's divided difference method of interpolation with a 3<sup>rd</sup> order polynomial.

[6 Marks]

- iii.) If the exact value of specific heat at  $T = 61^{\circ}\text{C}$  is  $4191.2 \text{ J/kg} \cdot ^{\circ}\text{C}$ , find the absolute relative true error (%) for the 3<sup>rd</sup> order polynomial approximation.

[1 Mark]

Q3.

- a) The upward velocity of a rocket is given at three different times below.

Time, $t$ (s)	5	8	12
Velocity, $V$ (m/s)	106.8	177.2	279.2

The velocity data is approximated by a quadratic polynomial as,

$$V(t) = a_1 t^2 + a_2 t + a_3 \quad ; \quad 5 \leq t \leq 12$$

The coefficients  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$  for the above expression are given by,

$$\begin{bmatrix} 25 & 5 & 1 \\ 64 & 8 & 1 \\ 144 & 12 & 1 \end{bmatrix} \begin{bmatrix} a_1 \\ a_2 \\ a_3 \end{bmatrix} = \begin{bmatrix} 106.8 \\ 177.2 \\ 279.2 \end{bmatrix}$$

Find the values of  $a_1, a_2$  and  $a_3$  using Gauss elimination method. Then, find the velocities of the rocket at  $t = 6$  and  $10$  seconds, by using quadratic polynomial.

[6 Marks]

- b) Human vision has the remarkable ability to infer 3D shapes from 2D images. In order to replicate some of these abilities on a computer, it is required to integrate the following vector field,

$$I = \int_{30}^{100} f(x) dx$$

Where,

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) &= 0 & ; 0 < x < 30 \\ &= -9.1688 \times 10^{-6} x^3 + 2.7961 \times 10^{-3} x^2 - 2.8487 \times 10^{-1} x + 9.6778 & ; 30 \leq x \leq 172 \\ &= 0 & ; 172 < x < 200 \end{aligned}$$

Use three-point Gaussian quadrature method to find the value of the integral.

Table 1: Weighting factors and function arguments used in Gaussian quadrature Formulas

Points	2	3	4
Weighting Factors	$c_1 = 1.0000$ $c_2 = 1.0000$	$c_1 = 0.5555$ $c_2 = 0.8888$ $c_3 = 0.5555$	$c_1 = 0.3478$ $c_2 = 0.6521$ $c_3 = 0.6521$ $c_4 = 0.3478$
Function Arguments	$t_1 = -0.5773$ $t_2 = 0.5773$	$t_1 = -0.7746$ $t_2 = 0.0000$ $t_3 = 0.7746$	$t_1 = -0.8611$ $t_2 = -0.3399$ $t_3 = 0.3399$ $t_4 = 0.8611$

[6 Marks]

Q4.

- a) Briefly explain the following topics giving an example for each item.

- Ordinary differential equations (ODE)
- Partial differential equations (PDE)
- Initial value problem (IVP)
- Boundary value problem (BVP)

[3 Marks]

- b) A polluted lake has an initial concentration of a bacteria of  $10^7$  parts/m<sup>3</sup>, while the acceptable level is only  $10^5$  parts/m<sup>3</sup>. The concentration of the bacteria will reduce as fresh water enters the lake. The differential equation that governs the concentration  $C$  of the pollutant as a function of time (in weeks) is given by,

$$\frac{dC}{dt} + 0.08C = 0, \quad C(0) = 10^7$$

Using the Runge-Kutta 2<sup>nd</sup> order method, find the concentration of the pollutant after 7 weeks. Take a step size of 3.5 weeks.

[6 Marks]

- c) Using the following ordinary differential equation with given initial conditions and step size of  $h$ , show that the error of 4<sup>th</sup> order Runge-Kutta method is of order 5 [ $O(h^5)$ ].

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = y, \quad y(0) = 1$$

[3 Marks]

Q5.

- a) The distance  $x$  of a downhill skier from a fixed point is measured at time intervals of 0.25 s as below.

Time, $t$ (s)	0.0	0.25	0.5	0.75	1.0	1.25	1.5
Distance, $x$ (m)	0.0	4.3	10.2	17.2	26.2	33.1	39.1

By using central difference method, approximate the skier's velocity and acceleration at  $t = 0.5$  s and 1.25 s, with an accuracy of 0.1.

[3 Marks]

- b) Classify the following equations as linear or non-linear, and state their order.

i.)  $\frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial x^2} = c^2 \frac{\partial^2 u}{\partial t^2}$

ii.)  $\left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{\partial u}{\partial y}\right)^2 = 1$

iii.)  $\frac{\partial w}{\partial t} + \frac{\partial^3 w}{\partial x^3} - 6w \frac{\partial w}{\partial x} = 0$

[3 Marks]

- c) Solve the heat equation,

$$2 \frac{\partial^2 u(x, t)}{\partial x^2} - \frac{\partial u(x, t)}{\partial t} = 0 \quad \text{for } 0 < x \leq 1 \text{ and } 0 < t \leq 0.05$$

with the initial conditions,

$$u(x, 0) = f(x) = x - x^2$$

and the boundary conditions,

$$u(0, t) = 0$$

$$u(1, t) = t.$$

Use,  $h = 0.25$  and  $k = 0.025$ , where  $h$  and  $k$  are step sizes along  $x$  and  $t$  axes respectively.

[6 Marks]