Numerical Analysis

<Home Assignment #3>

(**Deadline: June 13, 2025**)

Problem 1. The following data were gathered to determine the relationship between pressure and temperature of nitrogen.

<i>T</i> , ° <i>C</i>	-40	0	40	80	120	160
$p, N/m^2$	6990	8100	9350	10500	11700	12800

Use **least-squares regression** to fit a straight line to the data in the table above. Employ the equation $p = \alpha T + \beta$ to determine α and β on the basis of these data.

Problem 2. The force on a sailboat mast can be represented by the following function:

$$F = \int_0^H 200 \left(\frac{z}{5+z}\right) e^{-z^2/H} dz$$
 (1)

where z = the elevation above the deck and H = the height of the mast. Compute F for the case where H = 30 using the methods below.

- a) The composite trapezoidal rule (n = 2).
- b) The composite Simpson's 1/3 rule (n = 2).
- c) The two-point Gauss-Legendre formula.

Problem 3. Solve the following initial value problem over the interval from t = 0 where y(0) = 1. Display all your results on the same graph.

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = yt^2 - 1.1y$$

- a) Analytically.
- b) Using Euler's method with h = 0.5.
- c) Using the midpoint method with h = 0.5.
- d) Using the fourth-order RK method with h = 0.5.