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SMA 330: NUMERICAL ANALYSIS I

DATE: Monday 22nd November, 2010

TIME: 2.00 p.m. – 4.00 p.m.

INSTRUCTIONS

Answer question ONE and any other TWO questions.

Question One

a) Distinguish clearly between the following terms as used in computation:

- i) Absolute error and relative error.
- ii) Inherent and induced numerical instability.
- iii) Interpolation and extrapolation.

[3 marks]

b) If $f(x,y) = xy$, show that

$$\max e_r \text{ in } x * y * = \left| \frac{\varepsilon}{x * } \right| + \left| \frac{\eta}{y * } \right|$$

Where x^* and y^* are the approximate numbers with errors ε and η respectively to the exact number x and y .

Hence or otherwise evaluate as accurately as possible xy if $x = 2.53 \pm 0.01$ and $y = 2.73 \pm 0.02$.

[6 marks]

c) What is the absolute error in approximating $\frac{1}{3}$ by 0.33333? If 0.33333 is the correct representation of a quantity x to the five decimal places shown, what is the range of possible values of x ?

[3 marks]

d) Use Newton Raphson method to estimate the root of $f(x) = e^{-x} - x = 0$ by employing an initial guess of $x_0 = 0$ and stopping criterion

$$|x_{n+1} - x_n| < 0.5 \times 10^{-5}$$

[4 marks]

- e) Construct a difference table for the data below and use it to compute $f(1.3)$

x	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0
f(x)	1.112	1.219	1.636	2.054	2.323	3.011

[5 marks]

- f) Use Lagrange's formula to produce a fourth degree polynomial for the following $(x, f(x))$ values. Evaluate $f(3)$ and $f'(3)$.

x	0	1	2	4	5
f(x)	0	16	48	88	

[5 marks]

- g) Use the three point ($n = 2$) Gaussian quadrature formulae to approximate the definite integral

$$I = \int_0^3 x \sqrt{1+x^2} dx$$

[4 marks]

Question Two

- a) i) Find an approximate value of pi using Trapezoidal and Simpson's rules where

$$\pi = \int_0^1 \frac{4}{1+x^2} dx \text{ with } n = 6$$

- ii) Using five digit arithmetic find the relative error in using each of the above approximations.

[8 marks]

- b) Construct the difference table for the sequence of values $f(x) = (0, 0, 0, \epsilon, 0, 0, 0)$ where ϵ is an error and show that:

- i) the error spreads and increases in magnitude as the order of the difference increases.

- ii) the error in each column has binomial coefficient.

[5 marks]

- c) The table below has one incorrect entry for $f(x)$ locate and correct the wrong value

x	0.0	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.4	0.5	0.6	0.7	0.8	0.9	1.0
F(x)	1.000	1.029	1.060	1.099	1.152	1.225	1.342	1.455	1.624	1.837	2.100

[7 marks]

Question Three

- a) If the first significant digit in an approximation number x^* is K and the number is correct to n significant digits, then show that

$$\max e_r = \frac{1}{K10^{n-1}} \quad [4 \text{ marks}]$$

- b) Consider a table of values of $f(x) \equiv \ln x$ for $1 \leq x \leq 7$, with a spacing of h for the values of x . Bound the error of linear interpolation in this table. How small should h be chosen if the error in this interpolation is to be less than 5×10^{-6} ? [4 marks]

- c) Obtain the Taylor's approximation for $\ln(2+h)$. Hence estimate $\ln 2.3026$ correct to 3.d.p. (Take $\ln 2 = 0.6931$). [4 marks]

- d) Find the approximate value of the integral $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{1+x} dx$ using composite trapezoidal rule with 2, 3, 5 and 9 nodes and Romberg integration. Compare the results with the exact value. [8 marks]

Question Four

- a) i) Use lagrange interpolation process to obtain a polynomial of least degree that assumes these values:

x	0	2	3	4
y	7	11	28	63

[4 marks]

- ii) Construct the divided difference table for the table in (i) above and find the Newton interpolating polynomial. Show that the polynomials obtained in are identical although their forms may differ. [6 marks]
- b) i) Show that the equation $x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$ has a root in the interval $[1, 2]$. Perform five iterations of the bisection method to obtain a positive root to the equation correct to 4 d.p. [6 marks]
- ii) Using Aitken's Δ^2 method, find the root α for $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10 = 0$ [4 marks]

Question Five

- a) Given $f(x) = x^4 - 2x^3 + 3x^2 - x + 1$, the following values are calculated when $x = -4(1) 5$
437, 166, 47, 8, 1, 2, 11, 52, 173, 446

Form a backward difference table upto the 5th difference. Hence find $f(3.12)$. [6 marks]

- b) Using the Newton's forward difference prove that:

i) $hf'(x_0) = \Delta f_0 - \frac{1}{2} \Delta^2 f_0 + \frac{1}{3} \Delta^3 f_0 - \frac{1}{4} \Delta^4 f_0 + \dots$

ii) $hf''(x_0) = \Delta^2 f_0 - \Delta^3 f_0 + \frac{11}{12} \Delta^4 f_0 + \dots$ [5 marks]

- c) i) Derive the Newton Raphson method for solving $f(x) = 0$ and show that it converges quadratically for x_0 if $f'(x_0) \neq 0$ [3 marks]

- ii) Solve the quadratic equation $x^2 - 6x - 3 = 0$. Using 4 digit arithmetic.

By taking an appropriate x_0 use the Newton Raphson method to estimate the positive root of the equation above by performing 3 iterations. Evaluate the absolute error if any.

[6 marks]

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