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Numerical Analysis

**Read carefully**

1. Calculators may be used in this paper.
2. Candidates should answer all questions.  
Section A assesses the Units Numerical Analysis 1 and 2  
Section B assesses the Unit Mathematics for Applied Mathematics
3. **Full credit will be given only where the solution contains appropriate working.**
4. Numerical Analysis Formulae can be found on pages two and three of this Question Paper.



## NUMERICAL ANALYSIS FORMULAE

### Taylor polynomials

For a function  $f$ , defined and  $n$  times differentiable for values of  $x$  close to  $a$ , the Taylor polynomial of degree  $n$  is

$$f(a) + f'(a)(x-a) + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}(x-a)^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}(x-a)^n$$

$$\text{and } f(a+h) \approx f(a) + f'(a)h + \frac{f''(a)}{2!}h^2 + \dots + \frac{f^{(n)}(a)}{n!}h^n$$

### Newton forward difference interpolation formula

$$f_p = f_0 + \binom{p}{1}\Delta f_0 + \binom{p}{2}\Delta^2 f_0 + \binom{p}{3}\Delta^3 f_0 + \dots$$

### Lagrange interpolation formula

$$p_n(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n L_i(x)y_i$$

$$\text{where } L_i(x) = \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)\dots(x-x_{i-1})(x-x_{i+1})\dots(x-x_n)}{(x_i-x_0)(x_i-x_1)\dots(x_i-x_{i-1})(x_i-x_{i+1})\dots(x_i-x_n)}$$

### Newton-Raphson formula

For an equation  $f(x) = 0$ , with  $x_0$  given,

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{f(x_n)}{f'(x_n)}$$

### Composite trapezium rule

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \frac{h}{2} \{f_0 + f_n + 2(f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_{n-1})\} + E$$

$$\text{with } h = \frac{b-a}{n} \text{ and } f_k = f(a+kh)$$

where  $|E|$  is (approximately) bounded by

$$(i) \quad \frac{b-a}{12} h^2 M \text{ with } |f''(x)| \leq M \text{ for } a \leq x \leq b$$

$$\text{or (ii) } \frac{b-a}{12} D \text{ with } |\Delta^2 f| \leq D \text{ for } a \leq x \leq b$$

### Simpson's composite rule

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \frac{h}{3} \{f_0 + f_{2n} + 4(f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{2n-1}) + 2(f_2 + f_4 + \dots + f_{2n-2})\} + E$$

$$\text{with } h = \frac{b-a}{2n} \text{ and } f_k = f(a+kh)$$

where  $|E|$  is (approximately) bounded by

$$(i) \quad \frac{b-a}{180} h^4 M \text{ with } |f^{(iv)}(x)| \leq M \text{ for } a \leq x \leq b$$

$$\text{or (ii)} \quad \frac{b-a}{180} D \text{ with } |\Delta^4 f| \leq D \text{ for } a \leq x \leq b$$

### Richardson's formula

$$\text{Trapezium rule:} \quad I \approx I_{2n} + \frac{1}{3}(I_{2n} - I_n)$$

$$\text{Simpson's rule:} \quad I \approx I_{2n} + \frac{1}{15}(I_{2n} - I_n)$$

### Euler's method

For an equation  $\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$  with  $(x_0, y_0)$  given,

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

### Predictor-Corrector method: Euler-Trapezium Rule

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + hf(x_n, y_n)$$

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{1}{2}h(f(x_n, y_n) + f(x_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))$$

**[Turn over**

## Section A (Numerical Analysis 1 and 2)

Marks

**Answer all the questions.**

- A1.** In the usual notation for forward differences of function values  $f(x)$  tabulated at equally spaced values of  $x$ ,

$$\Delta f_i = f_{i+1} - f_i$$

where  $f_i = f(x_i)$  and  $i = \dots, -2, -1, 0, 1, 2, \dots$

Show that  $\Delta^3 f_0 = f_3 - 3f_2 + 3f_1 - f_0$ .

2

If each value of  $f_i$  is subject to an error whose magnitude is less than or equal to  $\varepsilon$ , determine the magnitude of the maximum possible rounding error in  $\Delta^3 f_0$ .

1

- A2.** The following data (accurate to the degree implied) and difference table are available for a function  $f$ .

$i$	$x_i$	$f(x_i)$	$\Delta f$	$\Delta^2 f$	$\Delta^3 f$
0	0.5	1.078	207	21	-3
1	0.6	1.285	228	18	2
2	0.7	1.513	246	20	-3
3	0.8	1.759	266	17	
4	0.9	2.025	283		
5	1.0	2.308			

- (a) Identify the value of  $\Delta^2 f_2$  in this table.

1

- (b) State a feature of the table which suggests that a polynomial of degree two would be a suitable approximation to  $f$ .

2

- (c) Using the Newton forward difference formula of degree **two**, and working to three decimal places, estimate  $f(0.73)$ .

2

- A3.** The following data are available for a function  $f$ .

$x$	1	2	4
$f(x)$	0.717	1.342	0.972

Use the Lagrange interpolation formula to obtain a quadratic approximation to  $f(x)$ , simplifying your answer.

3

- A4.** Obtain the Taylor polynomial of degree two for the function  $\cos x$  near  $x = \pi/4$ .

2

Estimate the value of  $\cos 46^\circ$  using the first degree approximation. State your answer to the number of figures you would expect to be correct, giving a reason for your choice.

3

- A5.** The sequence  $\{a_r\}$  is defined by the recurrence relation

$$7a_{n+1} + 4a_n = 3, \quad \text{with } a_0 = 2.5.$$

Trace the sequence as far as the term  $a_4$ . (Work to two decimal places where appropriate.)

2

Display the convergence of the sequence using a cobweb diagram, ie a sketch based on drawing the line segments between the points with coordinates  $(a_0, a_0)$ ,  $(a_0, a_1)$ ,  $(a_1, a_1)$ ,  $(a_1, a_2)$ ,  $(a_2, a_2)$ , etc.

3

Determine the fixed point of the sequence.

1

- A6.** Use synthetic division to obtain (without rounding) the quotient  $Q(x)$  and remainder  $R$  when the polynomial  $f(x) = x^3 + 2x^2 - 5x + 2.3$  is divided by  $g(x) = x - 0.7$ .

3

It is given that  $f$  is decreasing in the neighbourhood of  $x = 0.7$  and that all coefficients are exact except for the constant terms in  $f(x)$  and  $g(x)$ , which are rounded to the degree of accuracy implied. Determine to three decimal places the maximum possible value of  $R$ .

2

- A7.** Derive Euler's method for the approximate solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y)$$

subject to the initial condition  $y(x_0) = y_0$  and show that the global truncation error in the process is of first order.

4

The solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \ln(x + y), \quad y(1) = 1$$

is required at  $x = 1.2$ . Obtain an approximation to this solution using Euler's method with step size 0.1. Perform the calculation using four decimal place accuracy.

2

**[Turn over]**

- A8.** (a) Using a Taylor polynomial of degree two, or otherwise, derive the trapezium rule over a single strip and the corresponding principal error term. 5

Use the composite trapezium rule with two strips and with four strips to obtain two estimates  $I_1$  and  $I_2$  respectively for the integral  $I = \int_1^2 \sqrt{x} e^{-x} dx$ . Perform the calculations using five decimal places. 3

Use Richardson extrapolation to obtain an improved estimate  $I_3$  for  $I$  based on the values of  $I_1$  and  $I_2$ . 1

- (b) Values of a function  $f$  at five points  $x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4$ , such that  $x_{i+1} = x_i + h$  ( $0 \leq i \leq 3$ ), and spanning an interval, are  $f_0, f_1, f_2, f_3, f_4$ . Using Richardson extrapolation on the approximations obtained with the trapezium rule with two and four strips, obtain an estimate of the integral of  $f$  on this interval. Show that this result is the same as that obtained using Simpson's rule with four strips. 3

- A9.** In the solution of a problem, the following two systems of linear equations,  $\mathbf{A}_1 \mathbf{x}_1 = \mathbf{B}_1$  and  $\mathbf{A}_2 \mathbf{x}_2 = \mathbf{B}_2$  have arisen:

$$\text{System } S_1 : \quad \mathbf{A}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 1.9 & 3.2 & -1.5 \\ 4.1 & 6.7 & -2.9 \\ 0.0 & 2.1 & 0.6 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}_1 = \begin{pmatrix} 5.6 \\ 10.7 \\ 7.2 \end{pmatrix}$$

$$\text{System } S_2 : \quad \mathbf{A}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} 0.5 & 6.6 & -0.2 \\ 5.1 & -0.4 & 0.0 \\ 0.2 & 0.0 & 3.8 \end{pmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{B}_2 = \begin{pmatrix} -2.8 \\ 7.3 \\ 10.3 \end{pmatrix}$$

- (a) Use Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting to solve System  $S_1$ . Incorporate a row check, show three decimal places in the calculation and round your answer to one decimal place. 6
- (b) Use the Gauss-Seidel iterative method with initial values  $x_1 = x_2 = x_3 = 0$  to solve System  $S_2$ , correct to two decimal places. Show three decimal places in the calculation. 4
- (c) State, with a brief explanation, whether there is evidence that either system is ill-conditioned. 2

- A10.** The equation  $x = g(x)$  has a root at  $x = a$  in an interval  $I$  and  $g'(x)$  satisfies  $0 < g'(x) < 1$  for  $x \in I$ . An iterative process is defined by  $x_{n+1} = g(x_n)$  with a suitable starting value. Explain with the aid of a diagram whether the process will converge when an initial approximation  $x = x_0$  within  $I$  is chosen.

3

Explain briefly how the process would differ for the case where  $g'(x) > 1$  near  $x = a$ .

1

The positive roots of the equation  $x^3 - 7x + 3 = 0$  are known to lie within the intervals  $[0, 1]$  and  $[2, 2.5]$ . For this equation an iterative scheme of the form

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{(x_n^3 + 3)}{7}$$

is proposed for use. Show that this scheme is definitely unsuitable on  $[2, 2.5]$ , but that it *may* be suitable on  $[0, 1]$ .

2

Using  $x = 0.5$  as a starting value and recording successive iterates to three decimal places, use Simple Iteration to determine this root to three decimal places.

2

Use three applications of the bisection method to determine a more accurate estimate of the interval containing the larger positive root.

3

[END OF SECTION A]

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**Section B (Mathematics for Applied Mathematics)***Marks***Answer all the questions.**

- B1.** Differentiate, and simplify as appropriate,
- (a)  $f(x) = \exp(\tan \frac{1}{2}x)$ , where  $-\pi < x < \pi$ , **3**
- (b)  $g(x) = (x^3 + 1) \ln (x^3 + 1)$ , where  $x > 0$ . **3**
- B2.** Given that  $A = \begin{pmatrix} 2 & 1 \\ 0 & -1 \end{pmatrix}$ , show that  $A^2 - A = kI$  for a suitable value of  $k$ , where  $I$  is the  $2 \times 2$  unit matrix. **3**
- B3.** A curve is defined by the parametric equations  $x = 5t^2 - 5$ ,  $y = 3t^3$ .  
Find the value of  $t$  corresponding to the point  $(0, -3)$  and calculate the gradient of the curve at this point. **2, 3**
- B4.** Expand and simplify  $\left(2a - \frac{3}{a}\right)^4$ . **3**
- B5.** Express  $\frac{x^2 + 3}{x(1 + x^2)}$  in partial fractions. **3**
- Hence obtain  $\int_{1/2}^1 \frac{x^2 + 3}{x(1 + x^2)} dx$ . **3**
- B6.** (a) Given the differential equation
- $$\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cos x = 0,$$
- find the general solution, expressing  $y$  explicitly in terms of  $x$ . **4**
- (b) Find the general solution of
- $$\sin x \frac{dy}{dx} - 2y \cos x = 3 \sin^3 x.$$
- 5**

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