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SECOND YEAR, SECOND SEMESTER EXAMINATIONS FOR THE DEGREE OF
BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN STATISTICS AND THIRD YEAR, FIRST SEMESTER
FOR BACHELOR OF SCIENCE IN MATHEMATICS AND COMPUTER SCIENCE

SMA 2321: NUMERICAL ANALYSIS 1

DATE: DECEMBER 2012

TIME: 2 HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS: Answer question *one* and any other *two* questions

QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- a) i) Determine second Taylor polynomial for $f(x) = \cos x$ about $x_0 = 0$ and use this polynomial to approximate $\cos(0.01)$. Find also the error bound if this approximation is used for the value of $\cos(0.01)$. (6 Marks)
- b) ii) Suppose p^* must approximate p with relative error of at most 10^{-3} . Find the largest interval in which p^* must lie if $P=150$. (3 Marks)
- c) i) Let $f(x) = -x^3 - \cos x$ and $x_0 = -1$. Use Newton – Raphson’s method to find x_3 . (4 Marks)
- ii) Divide $3x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 4$ by $x - 3$. Using synthetic division. Write answer in the form $(q(x) + \frac{r(x)}{d(x)})$. (5 Marks)
- d) Applying Newton’s forward interpolation formula, compute the value of $\sqrt{5.5}$ given that $\sqrt{5} = 2.236, \sqrt{6} = 2.449, \sqrt{7} = 2.646$ and $\sqrt{8} = 2.828$ correct to 3 places of decimal. (6 Marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- a) i) Derive Newton – Raphson method of finding the zeros of polynomials. (6 Marks)
- ii) State the intermediate value theorem. (2 Marks)
- iii) Show that the equation $x \cos x - 2x^2 + 3x + 1 = 0$ has at least one root between $[0.2, 0.3]$. (2 Marks)
- b) Using Newton-Raphson method, evaluate to 3.dp
- i. $\sqrt{12}$ (3 Marks)
- ii. $\sqrt[3]{17}$ (3 Marks)

- c) Use the Bisection method upto the 3rd iteration to find the root of $\sqrt{x} - \cos x = 0$ on $[0,1]$. (4 Marks)

QUESTION THREE (20 MARKS)

- a) The table below gives values of a function at various points.

x	$f(x)$
1.0	0.7651977
1.3	0.6200860
1.6	0.4554022
1.9	0.2818186
2.2	0.1103623

Find the approximation to $f(1.5)$ using

- i. Second – degree lagrange polynomial (7 Marks)
 - ii. Fourth – degree lagrange polynomial (7 Marks)
- b) i) State the approximate interpolation formula which is to be used to calculate the value of $e^{1.75}$ from the following data and hence evaluate it from the given data.

x	1.7	1.8	1.9	2.0
e^x	5.474	6.050	6.686	7.389

(6 Marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- a) values for $f(x) = \ln x$ are given in the table

x	$f(x)$
2.0	0.69315
2.2	0.78846
2.6	0.95551

Find the approximate value of;

- i. $f'(2.0)$ using linear interpolation. (4 Marks)
 - ii. $f''(2.0)$ using quadratic interpolation. (6 Marks)
- b) Using the forward difference formula find the first and second derivatives of $x^{1/2}$ at $x = 15$ from the table below

x	15	17	19	21	23	25
$x^{1/2}$	3.873	4.123	4.359	4.583	4.796	5.000

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- i. Using the general quadrature formula derive Simpson’s one third rule. (6 Marks)
- ii. Using Simpson’s one – third rule find

$$\int_0^6 \frac{dx}{(1+x)^2}$$

(4 Marks)

- iii. A river is 80m wide. The depth y of the river at a distance 'x' from one bank is given by the following table

x	0	10	20	30	40	50	60	70	80
y	0	4	7	9	12	15	14	8	3

Find the approximate area of cross-section of the river using Simpson's $3/8$ rule.

(5 Marks)

- iv. Using Euler – Maclaurin formula evaluate

(5 Marks)

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$$