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### Math 4641: Numerical Methods

Programmable calculators are not allowed. Do not write anything on the question paper.

Answer all 3 (three) questions. Figures in the right margin indicate full marks of questions with corresponding COs and POs in parentheses.

1. a) Explain how numerical approaches differ from analytical approaches to solving a problem. 4  
(CO4)  
(PO1)
- b) Derive the formula for the Secant method geometrically. 6  
(CO4)  
(PO1)
- c) Figure 1 portrays the orbital geometry of planet Earth around the Sun, where  $S$  denotes the position of the Sun and  $E$  denotes the position of planet Earth.



**Figure 1:** Geometry of the planetary orbit of Earth around the Sun for Question 1.c

Let  $\theta$  denote the angle defined by  $\angle E'OA$ , measured in radians. The dotted circle is concentric to the ellipse and has a diameter equal to the major axis of the ellipse. Let  $T$  be the total period of planet Earth, and let  $t$  be the time it takes for Earth to go from  $A$  to  $E$ . The relationship between  $\theta$  and  $t$  is dictated by Kepler's equation from orbital mechanics,

$$\theta - \epsilon \sin(\theta) = \frac{2\pi t}{T} \quad (1)$$

Here  $\epsilon$  is the eccentricity of the elliptical orbit. In the case of planet Earth, the conventional value is  $\epsilon = 0.017$ .

- i. Formulate a function  $f(\theta)$  such that its root will yield the value of the angle  $\theta$  for a given value of  $t$ . 2.5  
(CO1)  
(PO2)
- ii. Apply the Newton-Raphson method to estimate the value of  $\theta$  corresponding to  $t = \frac{T}{8}$ . The initial guess is  $\theta_0 = \pi$ . Demonstrating the step-by-step mathematical procedure, conduct 4 iterations, and find the relative approximate error ( $|e_a|$ %) and the number of significant digits that are at least correct ( $m$ ) at the end of each iteration. Draw Table 1 and fill it out after performing the necessary calculations. 11.5  
(CO2)  
(PO1)

**Table 1:** The relevant values obtained in the answer of Question 1.c

Iteration	$\theta_i$	$f(\theta_i)$	$f'(\theta_i)$	$\theta_{i+1}$	$ e_a $ %	$m$
1	$\pi$					
2						
3						
4						

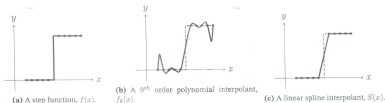
2. a) Define Truncation Error. What are the different avenues through which Truncation Error can be introduced? Explain with proper examples. 5  
(CO4)  
(PO1)
- b) The Taylor series for a function  $f(x)$  is — 18  
(CO4)  
(PO1)
- $$f(x+h) = f(x) + f'(x)\frac{h}{1!} + f''(x)\frac{h^2}{2!} + f'''(x)\frac{h^3}{3!} + f^{(4)}(x)\frac{h^4}{4!} + f^{(5)}(x)\frac{h^5}{5!} + \dots$$
- Using the Taylor series (with at least the first 5 terms), derive the Maclaurin series of —
- i.  $\ln(1+x)$       ii.  $\ln(1-x)$       iii.  $\ln\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$       iv.  $\log_{(1-x)}(1+x)$
3. a) Compare and contrast the following interpolation methods: Direct method, Newton's Divided Difference method, and Lagrangian method. 4  
(CO3)  
(PO1)
- b) Suppose, there is an unknown function  $f(x)$  and you are given 3 points  $(x_0, f(x_0))$ ,  $(x_1, f(x_1))$ , and  $(x_2, f(x_2))$  through which  $f(x)$  passes. Now, to approximate  $f(x)$ , you decide to use Newton's Divided Difference method of interpolation and obtain a quadratic interpolant  $f_2(x)$ . Derive the representation of 2<sup>nd</sup> order Newton's Divided Difference polynomial  $f_2(x)$ . 9  
(CO4)  
(PO1)
- c) The specific heat capacity  $C$  of a substance is defined as the amount of heat that is required to raise the temperature of unit mass of that particular substance by 1 degree. Suppose, you are conducting an experiment to determine how much heat is required to bring some volume of water to its boiling point. The values of specific heat capacity  $C$  of water that you have calculated at different temperature values  $T$  are shown in Table 2. 6  
(CO2)  
(PO1)

**Table 2:** Specific heat  $C$  of water as a function of temperature  $T$  for Question 3.c

Temperature, $T$ ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ )	Specific Heat, $C$ ( $\text{Jkg}^{-1}\text{C}^{-1}$ )
22	4181
42	4179
52	4186
82	4199
100	4217

Determine the value of the specific heat at  $T = 61^{\circ}\text{C}$  using the Direct method of interpolation and a second order polynomial.

- d) i. Why is  $f_3(x)$  in Figure 2(b) demonstrably worse at capturing the pattern of  $f(x)$  compared to  $S(x)$  in Figure 2(c)? Explain with necessary illustration(s). 4  
(CO3)  
(PO1)
- ii. Suppose you want to perform Spline Interpolation on  $n+1$  data points  $(x_0, f(x_0))$ ,  $(x_1, f(x_1))$ , ..., and  $(x_n, f(x_n))$  using Cubic splines of the form  $f(x) = ax^3 + bx^2 + cx + d$ . How many unknowns and how many equations would you have to deal with? Mention how you would obtain those equations and derive them. 5  
(CO4)  
(PO1)



**Figure 2:** Predicting the nature of  $f(x)$  for Question 3.d)