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**MA2213 Numerical Analysis I**

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**INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES**

1. This is a closed book examination. Each student is allowed to bring one piece of A4-sized two-sided help sheet into the examination room.
2. This examination paper contains a total of **SIX (6)** questions and comprises **FOUR (4)** printed pages.
3. Answer **ALL** questions in **Section A**. Each question in Section A carries 20 marks.
4. Answer not more than **TWO (2)** questions from **Section B**. Each question in Section B carries 20 marks.
5. Candidates may use calculators. However, they should lay out systematically the various steps in the calculations.

**SECTION A**

Answer **all** the questions in this section. Section A carries a total of 60 marks.

**Question 1.** [ 20 marks ]

- (a) Given the equation  $x^2 - 40x + 1 = 0$  and the quadratic formula

$$x_{1,2} = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a},$$

find the two roots (in decimal form) as accurately as possible using five-digit rounding arithmetic. (Do NOT use iterative methods.)

- (b) Consider the linear system

$$\begin{aligned} 6x_1 + 2x_2 + 2x_3 &= -2 \\ 2x_1 + \frac{2}{3}x_2 + \frac{1}{3}x_3 &= 1 \\ x_1 + 2x_2 - x_3 &= 0. \end{aligned}$$

Solve the system by Gaussian elimination with partial pivoting and four-digit rounding arithmetic.

**Question 2.** [ 20 marks ]

- (a) The following data are taken from a polynomial of degree  $\leq 5$ . What is the degree of the polynomial?

|        |    |    |   |   |   |    |
|--------|----|----|---|---|---|----|
| $x$    | -2 | -1 | 0 | 1 | 2 | 3  |
| $p(x)$ | -5 | 1  | 1 | 1 | 7 | 25 |

- (b) Find the least squares polynomial approximation of degree one and degree two, respectively, for the function

$$f(x) = x^2 - 2x + 3$$

over the interval  $[-1, 1]$ .

**Question 3.** [ 20 marks ]

- (i) If  $f(x)$  is a continuously differentiable function over the interval  $[0, 1]$ , then the length of the curve is given by

$$\int_0^1 (1 + |f'(x)|^2)^{1/2} dx.$$

Given

|         |   |      |      |      |      |
|---------|---|------|------|------|------|
| $x$     | 0 | 0.25 | 0.5  | 0.75 | 1    |
| $f'(x)$ | 0 | 0.26 | 0.55 | 0.93 | 1.56 |

use Composite Trapezoidal rule with 4 subintervals to approximate the length of the graph of  $f(x)$  over the interval  $[0, 1]$ . Then find an upper bound for the error in the approximation assuming  $f(x) = -\ln(\cos x)$ .

- (ii) Use the table of data in part (i) and Romberg integration to obtain a better approximation for the length of the curve.

**SECTION B**

*Answer not more than **two** questions from this section. Section B carries a total of 40 marks.*

**Question 4.** [ 20 marks ]

- (a) How should  $c$  be chosen in order that the iteration

$$x_{n+1} = -c^2 + c^2 x_n + \sqrt{x_n}$$

converges to  $\alpha = 1$  for any  $x_0 \in [1, 2]$ ?

- (b) In applying Newton's method for the root-finding problem  $f(x) = 0$ , we may not wish to compute the derivative at each step. Thus we could define an iteration formula by

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

Suppose the sequence  $\{x_n\}$  converges to the root  $\alpha$  and  $f(x)$  is three times differentiable and  $f'(\alpha) \neq 0$ . Show that the order of convergence of  $\{x_n\}$  to  $\alpha$  is at least 3.

**Question 5.** [ 20 marks ]

- (i) Gaussian quadrature on
- $[-1, 1]$
- with three node points is given by

$$G_3(f) = \frac{5}{9}f\left(\frac{-\sqrt{15}}{5}\right) + af(0) + \frac{5}{9}f\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{5}\right).$$

Determine the value of constant  $a$  and then use this quadrature formula to approximate

$$\int_0^1 [\ln x^2 + 2009(2x - 1)^2 \tan(2x - 1)] dx.$$

- (ii) The three-point quadrature rule with error term is given by

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx = \frac{5}{9}f\left(\frac{-\sqrt{15}}{5}\right) + af(0) + \frac{5}{9}f\left(\frac{\sqrt{15}}{5}\right) + kf^{(6)}(\xi)$$

with the constant  $a$  found in part (i). Determine the constant  $k$ .

**Question 6.** [ 20 marks ]

An experiment was conducted to measure the saturation values of dissolved oxygen concentration (mg/L) as a function of temperature ( $^{\circ}\text{C}$ ). The saturation values at different temperatures were measured to obtain the following table.

|       |       |       |          |          |
|-------|-------|-------|----------|----------|
| $T$   | 0     | 5     | 10       | 15       |
| $S_T$ | $S_0$ | $S_5$ | $S_{10}$ | $S_{15}$ |

To approximate the saturation value at  $T = 12$ , an interpolation polynomial  $P(x)$  of degree three was constructed. It gave an approximation  $S_{12} \approx P(12) = 10$ . The experimental data were then discarded.

However, it was discovered later that the value  $S_{10}$  was understated by 0.5 and the value  $S_{15}$  was overstated by 0.2 due to experimental mistakes.

If a new interpolation polynomial  $H(x)$  is constructed using the data in the table with the revised values for  $S_{10}$  and  $S_{15}$ , what is the value of  $H(12)$ ?

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