



**EASTERN UNIVERSITY, SRI LANKA**  
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**MT 207 - NUMERICAL ANALYSIS**  
**(PROPER & REPEAT)**

Answer all Questions

Calculators are provided

Time: Two hours

Q1. (a) Define the term “relative round-off error” in the floating point number system.

Show that

$$|\delta x| \leq \frac{1}{2} \beta^{1-t},$$

where  $\delta x$  represents the relative round-off error obtained by rounding a number in the floating point number system, is held for a  $\beta$ -base computer with  $t$  digits in the mantissa.

Hence, find the absolute value of the error bound for a decimal computer with ten digits in the mantissa.

(b) Compare the results of  $P(2.19)$  and  $Q(2.19)$  using three-digit rounding arithmetic, where

$$P(x) = ((x^3 - 3x^2) + 3x) - 1,$$

$$Q(x) = ((x - 3)x + 3)x - 1,$$

and the true values of  $P(2.19)$  and  $Q(2.19)$  are the same and it is 1.685159. State the significance of this problem.

Q2. Let  $x = g(x)$  be an arrangement of the equation  $f(x) = 0$ , which has a root  $\alpha$  in the interval  $I$ . If  $g'(x)$  exists and continuous in  $I$  satisfying

$$|g'(x)| \leq h < 1, \forall x \in I,$$

prove that, for any given  $x_0$ , the sequence  $\{x_r\}$ ,  $r = 0, 1, 2, \dots$ , defined by

$$x_{r+1} = g(x_r)$$

converges to the root  $\alpha$  and such  $\alpha$  is unique.

Hence, find the condition for the convergence of Newton-Raphson method.

Furthermore, show that the convergence of the method described above depends on the choice of  $g(x)$  by considering the equation

$$f(x) = x - e^{-x}$$

with an approximate root 0.567.

Q3. (a) If  $f \in C^{n+1}[a, b]$  and  $p_n$  is the Lagrange's interpolating polynomial which interpolates the function  $f(x)$  at the distinct points  $x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n$  in  $[a, b]$ , prove that for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , there exists  $\xi \in (a, b)$  such that the error,  $R_n(x)$ , in interpolation is

$$R_n(x) = \frac{\prod_{n+1}(x)}{(n+1)!} f^{n+1}(\xi),$$

where  $a < \xi < b$  and  $\prod_{n+1}(x) = (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \dots (x - x_n)$ .

Hence, if the function  $f(x) = \ln x$  is interpolated by a polynomial of degree two, in the interval  $[2, 3]$  with step length 0.5, show that

$$|R_2(x)| \leq 0.00175,$$

at  $x = 2.7$

(b) With the usual notations, write down the formulas for finding the integral

$$I = \int_{x_0}^{x_n} f(x) dx,$$

truncation error and round-off error for the composite Trapezoidal rule.

Calculate a value for the step length  $h$  which will ensure that the truncation error in the composite Trapezoidal rule approximation to the integral

$$I = \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x} dx$$

is at most  $10^{-2}$  in absolute value. Further, find the round-off error and hence compute an estimation of  $I$  which is correct to this accuracy.

- Q4. (a) What is meant by a linear system of equations  $A\underline{x} = \underline{b}$  is "ill-conditioned" and "well-conditioned"?
- (b) By finding the condition number, check whether the system given below is ill-conditioned

$$\begin{aligned} -0.6x_1 + 0.6x_2 &= 1.25, \\ 0.4x_1 + 0.2x_2 &= 2.75. \end{aligned}$$

You may use an Euclidean norm which is defined by  $\|\cdot\|_2 = \sqrt{\sum_{ij} |a_{ij}|^2}$ .

- (c) Consider the following system of linear equations:

$$\begin{aligned} 83x_1 + 11x_2 - 4x_3 &= 95, \\ 7x_1 + 52x_2 + 13x_3 &= 104, \\ 3x_1 + 8x_2 + 29x_3 &= 71. \end{aligned}$$

Is this system convergent for Gauss-Seidel method? If so, apply this method to carry out three iterations for  $x_1, x_2$  and  $x_3$  correct to four decimal places.