

UNIVERSITY OF SWAZILAND

SUPPLEMENTARY EXAMINATIONS 2008

BSc. / BEd. / B.A.S.S. III

TITLE OF PAPER : NUMERICAL ANALYSIS I

COURSE NUMBER : M 311

TIME ALLOWED : THREE (3) HOURS

INSTRUCTIONS : 1. THIS PAPER CONSISTS OF
SEVEN QUESTIONS.
2. ANSWER ANY FIVE QUESTIONS

SPECIAL REQUIREMENTS : NONE

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PERMISSION HAS BEEN GRANTED BY THE INVIGILATOR.

QUESTION 1

1. (a) Convert the following decimal numbers to their binary equivalent

i. 0.6 [5 Marks]

ii. $\frac{17}{16}$ [5 Marks]

- (b) Convert the following binary numbers to their decimal equivalent

i. $(11011.01)_2$ [5 Marks]

ii. $(0.00011)_2$ [5 Marks]

QUESTION 2

2. (a) Given that

$$f(x) = \frac{e^x - 1 - x}{x^2}$$

find a suitable function $g(x)$ that has been reformulated to be algebraically equivalent to $f(x)$ with the aim of avoiding loss of significance error. [5 marks]

- (b) Compare the results of calculating $f(0.01)$ and $g(0.01)$ using six digits and rounding. [5 marks]

- (c) For the scheme $x_{n+1} = x_n + c(x_n^2 - 7)$, find the range of values of c for which convergence to the positive fixed point is guaranteed. For what value of c is convergence quadratic? [10 marks]

QUESTION 3

3. (a) Find the LU factorization of matrix A

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & -2 \\ 1 & 3 & -1 \\ 1 & 5 & 1 \end{pmatrix}$$

[10 marks]

- (b) Show that the Newton's iteration for finding the reciprocal of a real number c , is

$x_{n+1} = x_n(2 - cx_n)$ and show that the iteration converges for $x_0 \in [1/2c, 3/2c]$ [10 marks]

QUESTION 4

4. (a) Use the two-point Gaussian Quadrature rule,

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx \approx f\left(\frac{-\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right),$$

to approximate the integral

$$\int_0^1 x^2 e^{-x} dx$$

and compare your result against the exact value of the integral. [10 marks]

- (b) Evaluate the integral $\int_0^1 x e^{-x} dx$ analytically correct to four decimal places. Use the trapezoidal rule with $h = 0.2$ and the Simpson's rule with $h = 0.25$ to compute the same integral. Compare the errors. [10 marks]

QUESTION 5

5. Given the points $(-2,-1), (-1,3), (0,1), (1,-1)$ and $(2,3)$

- (a) Construct a forward difference table. [10 marks]
(b) Prove that the polynomial of degree ≤ 4 that goes through the points in Newton form is

$$x^3 - 3x + 1$$

[10 marks]

QUESTION 6

6. Consider the function $f(x) = x^3 + 4x^2 - 10$.

- (a) Show that $f(x)$ has exactly one root in $[1, 2]$. [6 marks]
(b) By performing 4 iterations of the bisection method, show that this root lies in the interval $[1.3125, 1.375]$. [8 marks]
(c) How many iterations would be required to locate this zero to a tolerance of 10^{-5} ? [6 marks]

QUESTION 7

7. (a) Show that the iteration scheme

$$\alpha_{n+1} = \frac{\alpha_n^2 - a\alpha_n + a^2 + 5a}{\alpha_n + 5}$$

converges to the fixed point a quadratically (i.e order of convergence is 2) for all $a \neq -5$.

[10 marks]

(b) A certain 3×3 matrix A has an LU decomposition with

$$L = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 0 \\ \frac{2}{3} & -\frac{1}{3} & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad U = \begin{pmatrix} 3 & 2 & 5 \\ 0 & -2 & 1 \\ 0 & 0 & -5 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solve the system $Ax = b$ where $b = [5, 15, 10]^T$.

[10 marks]