

# NUMERICAL ANALYSIS

Assignment -1 (week 1)

Total Marks - 25

Posted on - 28/7/2017 (Friday);

To be submitted on or before - 6/8/2017 (Sunday), 23.59 hours.

Problems on

- Approximation of  $f(x)$  using Taylor's theorem with Lagrange form of remainder
- Absolute and Relative error

## INSTRUCTIONS

- This is a question paper cum answer booklet.
- Take a print out of this.
- Present the details of the computations of the solution of each problem **which you will have to show** in the space provided at the bottom of the page.
- Fill in the answers in the space provided below each question.
- Scan the booklet and submit it as a pdf file before the deadline for evaluation.

1. Let  $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ . Use the third degree Taylor polynomial  $p_3(x)$  about  $x = 0$  of  $f(x)$  to approximate  $\sqrt{0.75}$ . Find the absolute error.

Fill in the blanks:

- (a) If  $p_3(x) = A + Bx + Cx^2 + Dx^3$ , then

$$A = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$B = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$C = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

$$D = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$$

- (b)  $p_3(-0.25) = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

- (c)  $|\text{error}| = |p_3(-0.25) - \sqrt{0.75}| \simeq \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$ . (6 marks)
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Show your work for the solution of problem 1 in the space provided below.

2. Let  $R_4(x)$  be the remainder term of the Lagrange form in the approximation of  $e^x$  by the Taylor polynomial  $p_4(x)$  of degree 4, about  $x = 0$ . Estimate the error in approximating  $e^{-0.5}$  by  $p_4(-0.5)$ . Use your calculator to determine the actual absolute error for the estimate  $p_4(-0.5)$  of  $e^{-0.5}$ .

Fill in the blanks:

(a)  $|R_4(-0.5)| \leq$  \_\_\_\_\_

(b) the absolute error =  $|p_4(-0.5) - e^{-0.5}| \simeq$  \_\_\_\_\_ . (4 marks)

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Show your work for the solution of problem 2 in the space provided below.

3. A linear interpolation is used to estimate  $f(11.1)$  where  $f(x)$  is known at a set of equally spaced points as given below:

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|-----|----|----|----|
| $x$ | 10 | 11 | 12 |
| $y$ | 64 | 65 | 69 |

Obtain the estimate of  $f(x)$  at  $x = 11.1$ .

Fill in the blank:

$$f(11.1) \simeq p_1(11.1) = \text{_____}.$$

(2 marks)

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Show your work for the solution of problem 3 in the space provided below.

4. Estimate  $\ln(0.54)$  using Newton's forward difference interpolation polynomial  $p_4$  for the data

|        |           |           |           |           |           |
|--------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|-----------|
| $x$    | 0.4       | 0.5       | 0.6       | 0.7       | 0.8       |
| $f(x)$ | -0.916291 | -0.693147 | -0.510826 | -0.356675 | -0.223144 |

Fill in the blanks:

(a) The fourth order forward difference  $\Delta^4 f(x_0) = \text{_____}$ .

(b)  $\ln(0.54) \simeq p_4(0.54) = \text{_____}$ . (8 marks)

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Show your work for the solution of problem 4 in the space provided below.

5. If  $x = 0.3721478693$  and  $y = 0.3720230572$ , what is the relative error in the computation of  $x - y$  using five decimal digits of accuracy.

Fill in the blanks:

(a)  $x - y =$  \_\_\_\_\_.

- (b) If  $x$  and  $y$  are rounded to five decimal digits  $x^*$  and  $y^*$  respectively, then

$x^* =$  \_\_\_\_\_,

$y^* =$  \_\_\_\_\_,

$x^* - y^* =$  \_\_\_\_\_.

(c) Relative error = \_\_\_\_\_.

(5 marks)

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Show your work for the solution of problem 5 in the space provided below.