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Total Marks: 100

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INSTRUCTIONS

Answer **ALL** questions in Section A and **ANY THREE** questions in Section B

ADDITIONAL REQUIREMENTS

Scientific calculator

SECTION A(40 marks)

A1. Define the following terms as they are used in Numerical methods

- (a) Truncation error [2]
- (b) Optimization [2]
- (c) Upper triangular matrix [2]
- (d) Linear programming problem [2]

A2. (a) Outline the steps followed when solving a non-linear equation using the bisection method. [4]

(b) Use the Bisection Method to find the root of $f(x) = \cos x - \sqrt{x}$ lying between $[0, 1]$. Use a tolerance of $\epsilon = 0.001$ and give your answer correct to 5 decimal places. [6]

A3. Evaluate $\int_0^1 e^{2x} dx$ using Simpson's rule. Use $N=10$ giving your answers correct to 5 decimal places. [6]

A4. Let $f(x)$ be given by the table below

x	1.2	1.4	1.45	1.5	1.55	1.6	1.7
$f(x)$	4.77009	5.67728	6.1152	6.18152	7.30278	7.92485	8.20577

Find an approximation to

- (a) $f'(1.4)$ using the forward difference method [3]
- (b) $f'(1.4)$ using the central difference method [3]
- (c) $f'(1.5)$ using the backward difference method using $h = 0.1$ [3]
- (d) $f''(1.6)$ [3]
- (e) $f'(1.5)$ using the central difference method and compare it with the true value $f'(1.5) = 11.2042$ [4]

SECTION B (60 marks)

- A5.** (a) Write down a Matlab code to solve an initial value problem $y' = \frac{x-y}{2}$ on $[0; 100]$ using $h=0.1$ [8]
- (b) Estimate the natural logarithm of 2 using linear interpolation. First, perform the computation by interpolating between $\ln 1 = 0$ and $\ln 6 = 1.791759$. Then repeat the procedure, but use a smaller interval, $\ln 1$ to $\ln 4 = 1.386294$. Compare the two estimates with the exact value of $\ln 2$ and give a comment. Note that the true value of $\ln 2$ is 0.6931472. [7]
- (c) Discuss the application of interpolation in a mine setup. [5]
- A6.** (a) What is a matrix? [2]
- (b) State any 3 methods that can be used to solve systems of linear equations. [3]
- (c) Consider the following system of equations
- $$\begin{aligned}x_1 + x_2 + 3x_4 &= 4 \\2x_1 + x_2 - x_3 + x_4 &= 1 \\3x_1 - x_2 - x_3 + 2x_4 &= -3 \\-x_1 + 2x_2 + 3x_3 - x_4 &= 4\end{aligned}$$
- (i) Write down the system in the form $\mathbf{A}\bar{x} = \mathbf{b}$ [3]
- (ii) Find the inverse of the matrix \mathbf{A} using elementary row operations [8]
- (iii) Hence use the inverse to solve the above systems of equations. [4]
- A7.** A company manufactures two products of A and B. These products are processed in the same machine. It takes 10 minutes to process one unit of product A and 2 minutes for each unit of product B and the machine operates for a maximum of 35 hours in a week. Product A requires 1 kg and B requires 0.5 kg of raw material per unit, the supply of which is 600 kg per week. Market constraint on product B is known to be minimum of 800 units every week. Product A cost \$5 per unit and sold at \$10. Product B costs \$6 per unit and can be sold in the market at a unit price of \$8.
- (a) Formulate a Linear programming problem for the above scenario. [4]
- (b) Find the dual of the above Linear programming model [3]
- (c) Solve the primal problem using the simplex algorithm. [13]
- A8.** (a) Solve the initial value problem $y' = \frac{x-y}{2}$, $y(0) = 1$ on $[0, 2]$ with $h = 1$ using the Modified-Euler's method. [6]
- Hence compute the error if $y(x) = 3e^{-\frac{x}{2}} + x - 2$. [2]
- (b) Apply Runge-Kutta method of order four (RK_4) to solve an initial-value problem $y' = -2xy^2$, $y(0) = 1$ from $x = 0$ to $x = 0.4$ using $h = 0.2$. [12]

END OF QUESTION PAPER

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there is no appeal"*