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COURSE CODE: PHY314

COURSE TITLE: NUMERICAL COMPUTATION

TIME: 2 Hours 30 Minutes

CREDIT UNIT:2

INSTRUCTION: Answer Any four questions.

1.

- a) Use the intermediate value theorem to show that $f(x) = x^5 - 2x^3 + x^2 - 1$ has a root in the interval $[-1, 0]$ (6 Marks)
- b) Convert the following machine numbers to their decimal equivalent
 - i. 0 1000010 10010000100000000000000000000000
 - ii. 1 1111010 10010000100000000000000000000000 (7.5 Marks)
- c) Evaluate $f(x) = x^3 - 6x^2 + 3x - 0.149$ at $x=4.71$ using three digit
 - i. Chopping and
 - ii. Rounding arithmetic (4 Marks)

2.

- a) The polynomial $x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 3 = 0$ has root at $-\sqrt{3}, 1, \sqrt{3}$, beginning with two suitable value that bracket the $-\sqrt{3}$ root, show the bisection method converges to that root. (8 Marks)
- b) With the polynomial given in (a), start with $x = -1.5$ and $x = -1.7$ using the secant method and determine how many iterations are required to estimate the root correct to four decimals ii) with the starting values $x = -1.5$ and $x = -1.1$ which root is obtained by the secant method? iii) what will the root be when the starting values are $x = 1.5$ and $x = -1.25$. (9.5 Marks)

3.

For the functions given in question 5, evaluate the integral using Simpson's rule $\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)$ with (a) $h=0.1$ (b) $h=0.2$ (c) $h=0.4$ determine the errors in computations. (17 ½ marks)

4.

Consider the function $y = f(x) = \cos(x)$ over $[0.0, 1.2]$

- a) Use the nodes $x_0 = 0.0$, and $x_1 = 1.2$ to construct a linear Interpolation polynomial $P_1(x)$. (8.5 Marks)
- b) Use the three nodes $x_0 = 0.0$, $x_1 = 0.6$ and $x_2 = 1.2$ to construct a quadratic interpolation polynomial $P_2(x)$. (9 Marks)

5. The following values of a function are given

x	1.0	1.1	1.2	1.3	1.4	1.5	1.6	1.7	1.8
$f(x)$	1.543	1.668	1.811	1.971	2.151	2.352	2.577	2.828	3.107

Find $\int_{1.0}^{1.8} f(x)dx$, using the trapezoidal rule with (a) $h=0.1$ (b) $h=0.2$ and (c) $h=0.4$. The function $\int x = \cos h x$ determine the error in the computations. (17 ½ Marks)