

Summer Semester: 1998

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Sample Test: Numerical Analysis I

INSTRUCTIONS - Show all work! Merely an answer may not give you credit. When the word *analyze*, *explain*, or *show* are used, you are meant to explain why. In particular, you are to make relevant statements each of which is backed up by *legal* facts. Please do not ask questions about this exam. If you think a problem is incorrect or insufficiently clear, correct and/or clarify the problem explicitly writing down how you have corrected the problem and/or clarified the problem and proceed with answering the question. If I agree with your correction and/or clarification, full credit will be given. Points for each problem part are listed next to the problems. Recall that to calculate with rounded 4-decimal digit arithmetic (abbreviated here as 4-digit arithmetic), for this class, means that numbers that are used are 4-digits long rounded to the nearest fourth significant digit and rounded after each operation. Here is an example of 4-digit arithmetic:

$$\begin{aligned} 4.571 \times 3.99 + 0.8869 &= 18.24 + 0.8869 \\ &= 19.13 \end{aligned}$$

1. Let $y = 70 - \sqrt{4899}$ and $z = \frac{1}{70 + \sqrt{4899}}$. Note that $y = z = 0.00714322161156$ and assume, for the purpose of calculating errors, that this is the exact value.
 - (a) (5 points) Using 4-digit arithmetic (rounding) compute the value of y .
 - (b) (5 points) Calculate the absolute error in your 4-digit result for y .
 - (c) (5 points) Using 4-digit arithmetic (rounding) compute the value of z .
 - (d) (5 points) Calculate the absolute error in your 4-digit result for z .
 - (e) (5 points) Explain why the absolute errors in the 4-digit calculations for y and z are different. Note: Since the roundoff in both calculations are the same (they are both done with 4-digit arithmetic), roundoff is not the reason especially since computing z requires one more operation which would say that z should have more error from a pure roundoff error argument. Be specific and point out exactly where in the calculation of y the problem occurs.

2. (25 points) The following table of numbers is generated from three methods (bisection method, Newton's method and secant method) for solving $f(x) = 0$, where $f(3) = 0$.

	<i>Method 1</i>	<i>Method 2</i>	<i>Method 3</i>
<i>Iteration 1</i>	4	3.75	3.65
<i>Iteration 2</i>	3.690065559342354	3.61875	3.54787330161046
<i>Iteration 3</i>	3.476190476190476	3.42113671875	3.415497356923732
<i>Iteration 4</i>	3.328602647305882	3.195091749467468	3.265597005554780
<i>Iteration 5</i>	3.226757369614512	3.041866869781306	3.128755624981744
<i>Iteration 6</i>	3.15647745109804	3.001928118263814	3.039899197162600
<i>Iteration 7</i>	3.107979699816434	3.000004089404044	3.005993839918846
<i>Iteration 8</i>	3.074513071951448	3.000000000018396	3.000279025611330

Determine whether method 1, 2, and 3 is the bisection, Newton or secant method solely based on respective rates of convergence. You cannot assume that if you are able to determine two of the methods that the third is the missing method since two or all three of the methods may be the same.

- (a) Method 1 is because
- Method 2 is because
- Method 3 is because

3. Consider solving the following equation (the associated graph is given below).

$$f(x) = x^4 - 7x^3 + 15x^2 - 13x + 4 = 0$$
$$x \in [0, 5]$$

Note that, $f(x) = (x - 4.0)(x - 1.0)^3$.

- (a) (5 points) To find the root at $x = 1$, pick a correct starting interval $[a, b]$ for the bisection method. Explain why the a and b you have chosen will converge to the solution $x = 1$.
- (b) (5 points) Suppose the starting interval $[a, b]$ for the bisection method to find the root at $x = 4$ is $[3.5, 4.25]$, how many iterations of the bisection method are required to guarantee an accuracy of 10^{-8} ?
- (c) (5 points) In applying Newton's method to find $f(x) = 0$, suppose the starting point is $x_0 = 3.24$, to what root (if any) will the Newton's method converge? Explain.
- (d) (5 points) In applying Newton's method to find $f(x) = 0$, suppose the starting point is $x_0 = 3.25$, to what root (if any) will the Newton's method converge? Explain.
- (e) (5 points) In applying Newton's method to find $f(x) = 0$, suppose the starting point is $x_0 = 3.26$, to what root (if any) will the Newton's method converge? Explain.

4. Suppose we have the following data set:

$$D_3 = \{(0, 1), (1, 4), (2, 8)\}.$$

- (a) (5 points) Verify that the following are the correct $L_{2,j}(x)$ for the D_3 above. You don't have to compute these but just verify the appropriate associated properties.

$$\begin{aligned} L_{2,0}(x) &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{3}{2}x + 1 \\ L_{2,1}(x) &= -x^2 + 2x \\ L_{3,1}(x) &= \frac{1}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x \end{aligned}$$

- (b) (5 points) Compute the Lagrange interpolating polynomial, $p_2(x)$, associated with D_3 .
- (c) (5 points) The table associated with the Newton form of the interpolating polynomial associated with D_3 is:

x	y		
0	1		
		$\frac{4-1}{1-0} = 3$	
1	4		$\frac{4-3}{2-0} = \frac{1}{2}$
		$\frac{8-4}{2-1} = 4$	
2	8		

so that the degree two interpolating polynomial $q_2(x)$ is:

$$q_2(x) = 1 + 3(x - 0) + \frac{1}{2}(x - 0)(x - 1).$$

Show that $q_2(x)$ above is in fact the interpolating polynomial for D_3 .

- (d) (5 points) Suppose now that we add one point to D_3 to obtain $D_4 = \{(0, 1), (1, 4), (2, 8), (3, 9)\}$ and we have the Newton form table:

x	y			
0	1			
		$\frac{4-1}{1-0} = 3$		
1	4		$\frac{4-3}{2-0} = \frac{1}{2}$	
		$\frac{8-4}{2-1} = 4$	
2	8		
			
3	9			

Complete this table.

5. Let

$$f(x) = 3x^2 - 4x.$$

- (a) (10 points) Below is MATLAB's computation of the numerical derivative using $(f(x+h) - f(x))/h$ at $x = 1$ for various values of h . Recall that MATLAB has 17 digit precision.

h	$(f(1+h) - f(1))/h$
1e-001	2.3000000000000008

1e-002	2.0299999999999976
1e-003	2.0029999999998867
1e-004	2.0002999999997956
1e-005	2.0000300000059994
1e-006	2.000002999658079
1e-007	2.000000303148396
1e-008	1.999999943436137
1e-009	2.000000609569952
1e-010	2.000000165480742
1e-011	2.000000165480742
1e-012	2.000621890374532
1e-013	1.993960552226781
1e-014	1.998401444325282
1e-015	2.664535259100376
1e-016	-4.440892098500626
1e-017	0

Explain why the derivative improves until $h = 10^{-8}$ and then gets worse. Why is the derivative negative (the sign is wrong) for $h=10^{-16}$? Why is the derivative zero for $h=10^{-17}$?

- (b) (10 points) Compute the derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ using forward automatic differentiation.
- (c) (10 points) Compute the derivative of $f(x)$ at $x = 1$ using backward automatic differentiation.