

Be sure to show all your work.

1. (30pts) Consider the function given by

$$f(x) = e^{-2x} + 2\sin(x) - 1.$$

a. Write a Taylor polynomial of degree 3,  $P_3(x)$ , and the remainder term  $R_3(x)$  about  $x_0 = 0$ .

$$f(x) = \left(1 - 2x + \frac{4x^2}{2} - \frac{8x^3}{6}\right) + 2\left(x - \frac{x^3}{6}\right) - 1 + R_3(x)$$

$$4 \quad = 2x^2 - \frac{5}{3}x^3 + R_3(x), \quad \text{so} \quad P_3(x) = 2x^2 - \frac{5}{3}x^3$$

$$3 \quad R_3(x) = \frac{f^{(4)}(\xi(x))}{4!} x^4 = \frac{16e^{-2\xi(x)} + 2\sin(\xi(x))}{24} x^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\xi(x) \in [a, b] \\ &\text{with } 0 \in [a, b] \\ &x \in [a, b] \end{aligned}$$

b. Use the remainder term to get an upper bound on the error in the approximation,  $P_3(x)$ , for  $x \in [0, 1]$ . Briefly explain how you selected your upper bound. Find the absolute and relative error between  $f(1)$  and  $P_3(1)$ .

$$4 \quad |R_3(x)| = \left| \frac{16e^{-2\xi(x)} + 2\sin(\xi(x))}{24} x^4 \right| \leq \frac{18}{24} = \frac{3}{4} \quad \text{for } x \in [0, 1]$$

*← Bounds of 1 for both  $e^{-2x}$  and  $\sin(x)$ .*

(optimal is  $\frac{16}{24} = \frac{2}{3}$  as  $f^{(4)}(x)$  monotonic.)

$$f(1) = 0.81828 \quad P_3(1) = \frac{1}{3} = 0.33333$$

$$2 \quad |f(1) - P_3(1)| \approx 0.48494 \quad \text{abs. error}$$

$$2 \quad \frac{|f(1) - P_3(1)|}{|f(1)|} = 0.59264 \quad \text{rel. error}$$

c. One method to find the roots of  $f(x)$  (solve  $f(x) = 0$ ) is the application of Newton's method. Explicitly write the formula with the appropriate trigonometric and exponential functions, including  $x_n$ .

$$3 \quad x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n - \frac{e^{-2x_n} + 2\sin(x_n) - 1}{-2e^{-2x_n} + 2\cos(x_n)}}{1}$$

1. d. Continuing from the first page with

$$f(x) = e^{-2x} + 2 \sin(x) - 1,$$

we see that one root of  $f(x)$  is  $x_* = 0$ . If we let  $x_0 = 0.2$  and apply Newton's method, then the convergence to  $x_*$  is (circle one):

2

Sublinear   Linear   Superlinear   Quadratic   Other

Without actually performing any iterations we know that Newton's method will take approximately:

2

15 iterations to converge to  $x_*$  to a tolerance of  $10^{-5}$ . Explain.

2

*0 is a double root, so Newton convergence is linear, taking ~3.3 iterations/decimal pt.*

e. Another root is near  $x_0 = 2.5$ , and it is a simple root. Applying Newton's method we obtain  $x_* = 2.62104491$ . In this case, the convergence to  $x_*$  is (circle one):

2

Sublinear   Linear   Superlinear   Quadratic   Other

Without actually performing any iterations we know that Newton's method will take approximately:

2

4 iterations to converge to  $x_*$  to a tolerance of  $10^{-8}$ . Explain.

2

*$x_*$  is a simple root, so Newton convergence is quadratic, doubling the number of digits of accuracy w/ each iteration.*

2. (15pts) Consider the second order difference equation that satisfies :

$$y_n = y_{n-1} + 2y_{n-2}, \quad n \geq 2.$$

a. Assume  $y_0 = -1$ ,  $y_1 = 2$ , and find  $y_2$ ,  $y_3$ , and  $y_4$ .

3

$$y_2 = 0 \quad y_3 = 4 \quad y_4 = 4$$

b. You want to design a MatLab function using a while statement that accepts two initial conditions,  $s_0$  and  $s_1$ , and finds the first iteration when  $y_n$  exceeds  $M$ . Below is the outline of a MatLab code, and you fill in the few lines needed to find  $n$  and  $y_n$ .

```

1 function [n,yn] = deqn(s0,s1,M)
2 % Outline for Problem 2b
3 y0 = s0; y1 = s1;
4 n = 2;
5 yn = y1 + 2*y0;
6 while % Fill in the details
7     % Several lines of code
8 end
9 fprintf('n = %d, yn = %d \n',n,yn)
10 end

```

6

```

while (yn <= M)
    y0 = y1;
    y1 = yn;
    fprintf('n = %d, yn = %d \n', n, yn);
    yn = y1 + 2*y0;
    n = n + 1;

```

c. This MatLab function accepts an arbitrary number of iterations  $N$  and uses an `if` statement and the `mod` function to add together any values  $y_n$  that are divisible by 4. (Note that `mod(y, m)` returns the remainder after division of  $y$  by  $m$ .) Below is the outline of a MatLab code, and you fill in the few lines needed to find the sum, `sum`, of the values of  $y_n$ , which are divisible by 4.

```

1 function sum = deqn2(N)
2 % Outline for Problem 2c
3 y0 = -1; y1 = 2;
4 sum = 0;
5 for n = 2:N
6     yn = y1 + 2*y0;
7     % Insert a few lines of code
8     % Hint: Use an if statement with the mod function
9 end
10 end

```

6

```

if (mod(yn, 4) == 0)
    sum = sum + yn;
end
y0 = y1;
y1 = yn;

```

3. (30pts) Consider the function:

$$f(x) = x^3 - 41.$$

a. Let  $a = 3$  and  $b = 4$ . Perform **3** steps of the bisection method to approximate the positive root of  $f(x)$ . (Note:  $m_0 = 3.5$ , and you must iterate to  $m_3$ .) Clearly, show how you arrive at each of the steps using this technique, *i.e.*, provide any function evaluations needed in the procedure.

$$\begin{array}{llll}
 f(3) = -14 & f(4) = 23 & m_0 = 3.5 & f(m_0) = 1.875 \\
 1. \quad a = 3 & b = 3.5 & m_1 = 3.25 & f(m_1) = -6.672 \\
 2. \quad a = 3.25 & b = 3.5 & m_2 = 3.375 & f(m_2) = -2.557 \\
 3. \quad a = 3.375 & b = 3.5 & m_3 = 3.4375 & f(m_3) = -0.3811
 \end{array}$$

b. Write the secant method formula using this  $f(x)$  for finding its root. (Do **NOT** just write  $f(x_n)$ .) Let  $x_0 = 3$  and  $x_1 = 4$ . Iterate your formula twice with the secant method to approximate the positive root of  $f(x)$ . Clearly, show your calculations.

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{(x_n^3 - 41)(x_n - x_{n-1})}{(x_n^3 - 41) - (x_{n-1}^3 - 41)}$$

$$x_2 = 4 - \frac{(64 - 41)(1)}{(64 - 41) - (27 - 41)} = 3.378378$$

$$x_3 = 3.378378 - \frac{(x_2^3 - 41)(3.378378 - 4)}{(x_2^3 - 41) - (64 - 41)} = 3.438023$$

### 3. Continued

c. Write the Newton's method formula using this  $f(x)$  for finding its root. (Do **NOT** just write  $f(x_n)$ .) Let  $x_0 = 3$  and iterate your formula twice with the Newton's method to approximate the positive root of  $f(x)$ . Clearly, show your calculations.

$$x_{n+1} = x_n - \frac{x_n^3 - 41}{3x_n^2}$$

$$x_1 = 3 - \frac{27 - 41}{27} = 3.51852$$

$$x_2 = 3.51852 - \frac{x_1^3 - 41}{3x_1^2} = 3.44961$$

d. Briefly discuss the rate of convergence for each of the three methods using your knowledge about the theoretical convergence of these methods. Find the exact positive root of  $f(x)$  and determine which iteration above comes closest to the root. Give the absolute error of the best approximation for each method.

$$x_* = 41^{1/3} = 3.448217$$

Bisection has linear convergence  $|m_3 - x_*| \approx 0.0107$

Secant has superlinear convergence  $|x_3 - x_*| = 0.0102$

Newton's has quadratic convergence  $|x_2 - x_*| = 0.0014$

Clearly Newton's method is closest with 2 iterations.