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FOR THE DEGREE OF BACHELOR OF SCIENCE

COURSE CODE: MAT 252

COURSE TITLE: ENGINEERING MATHEMATICS

DATE: 4/10/2021

TIME: 9:00 AM - 11:00 AM

INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

Answer Question One and Any other TWO Questions

TIME: 2 Hours

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QUESTION ONE (30 MARKS)

- (a) Using the convergence test, show whether at $x_1 = 5$, the iterative formula will converge or not.

(i) $x_{n+1} = \frac{x_n^2 + 3}{5}$ (4 marks)

(ii) $x_{n+1} = 5 - \frac{3}{x_n}$ (4 marks)

- (b) Use Newton-Raphson method to form an iterative formula that can be used to solve the equation $\sin x - 1 + x^2 = 0$ (9 marks)

(c) Evaluate $\nabla^2(2^x)$ (7 marks)

- (d) Prepare a divided difference table for the data below

x	3	7	9	10
f(x)	168	120	72	63

(6 marks)

QUESTION TWO (20 MARKS)

- (a) Given that x_n is an approximation of the root of the equation $x^3 + 2x - 1 = 0$

- (i) Use Newton-Raphson method to show that a better approximation, x_{n+1} , is given

by $x_{n+1} = \frac{2x^3 + 1}{3x^2 + 2}$ (6 marks)

- (ii) Taking $x_1 = 0.3$, determine the root to four decimal places. (6 marks)

- (b) Show that the equation $e^x - 3x = 0$ has a root between 0 and 1 (3 marks)

- (c) Use Simpson's one-third rule to evaluate $\int_0^3 \frac{1}{1+x^5} dx$, taking $n=6$ (5 marks)

QUESTION THREE**(20 MARKS)**

- (a) Given the data below

x	-1	0	1	2	3	4	5
f(x)	-6	-3	0	9	30	69	132

- (i) Construct a finite difference table (3 marks)

- (ii) Use the finite difference table constructed in (i) above to evaluate $f(-0.4)$ and $f(3.5)$ (8 marks)

- (b) Find the polynomial that fits the data

x	1	2	3	4
f(x)	-1	-2	-1	2

Hence use it to find $f(1.7)$

(6 marks)

- (c.) Find the equation that can be solved using the iterative formula

$$x_{n+1} = \frac{2x_n}{3} + \frac{4}{x_n^2}$$

(3 marks)

QUESTION FOUR (20 MARKS)

- (a) Find (i) $f^1(x)$ (ii) $f^{11}(x)$ at the point $x=1.1$ using the table below

x	1.0	1.2	1.4	1.6	1.8	2.0
f(x)	0	0.1	0.5	1.25	1.40	3.90

(8 marks)

- (b) Find using the method of Regula falsi the solution of the equation

$$x^3 + x^2 - 3x - 3 = 0 \text{ near } 1 \text{ taking two steps correct to 3 decimal places}$$

(8 marks)

- (c.) Evaluate $E^2(2^x)$

(4 marks)

QUESTION FIVE (20 MARKS)

- (a) Use Euler's method to approximate the value of $\frac{dy}{dx} = y - 2x$ given $y(0)=1$

in $0 \leq x \leq 2$ taking $h=0.4$

(8 marks)

- (b) In the table below, one of the entries for $f(x)$ is wrongly recorded, use finite differences to locate this error and correct it

x	0	1	2	3	4
f(x)	3	6	13	18	24

(9 marks)

- (c.) Define $\Delta f(x)$

(3 marks)