Mathematical Methods

Spring Term 2019

Problem Sheet 9

1. Using the trapezium rule, evaluate

i)
$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$$
 ii) $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{1+x^4}$

correct to 2 decimal places. (The error may be estimated by halving the mesh size and observing the resultant change in value given by the trapezium rule).

2. Using Simpson's rule, evaluate

i)
$$\int_0^{\pi} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx$$
 ii) $\int_0^1 \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx$

correct to 3 decimal places. For ii) compare your result with the exact answer.

- 3. Show graphically that the equation $e^{-x} = \ln x$ has a solution with 1 < x < 2. Hence solve the equation to 4 decimal places by the Newton-Raphson method.
- 4. Show graphically that the equation $e^{-x} = 2x^2 + \frac{1}{2}$ has three solutions which lie between -3 and 1. Solve the equation to 2 decimal places by the Newton-Raphson method.
- 5. Use the simple Runge-Kutta process

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}(k_1 + k_2), \quad k_1 = f(x_n, y_n), \quad k_2 = f(x_{n+1}, y_n + hk_1)$$

to find y(1) for the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x, y) = y$$

subject to y(0) = 1, choosing h = 0.5. Compare your answer with the exact solution. Repeat the calculation with h = 0.25. Work to three decimal places.

6. Use Runga-Kutta to find y(0.2) for the equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x,y) = 10x^2 + y$$

subject to y(0) = 2, choosing the interval h = 0.1. Work to 4 decimal places. Compare your answer with the exact solution.

7. i) Solve the following set of equations by Gaussian elimination

$$\begin{array}{rcl}
x + 2y - z &=& 4\\
2x + y + z &=& 5\\
2x - y + 2z &=& 2.
\end{array}$$

ii) Use the Gauss-Jordan technique to find the inverse of the matrix

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & 2 & -1 \\ 2 & 1 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & 2 \end{pmatrix}.$$