

Math 338 Final Exam Fall 2008

100 points total

Name: _____

All computations should be computed using Matlab. Any commands that you use as well as the output should be included in a word document named yourname_final.doc. All m-files that you write yourself or modify for the test should be turned in.

1. The seven point Newton-Cote quadrature method has the form

$$Q_7(f, a, b) = \sum_{i=1}^7 a_i f(x_i) \approx \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$$

- What are the values of the weights a_i ? Use **format rat** while finding the weights.
 - If $f(x)$ is a polynomial then what is the highest degree of a polynomial for which $Q_7(f, a, b)$ will calculate $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$ exactly?
2. Each of the following matrices is the augmented form $[A \mid b]$ of a corresponding system of equations $Ax = b$ (x and b are column vectors).

Determine if each of the systems of equations is consistent or inconsistent using the **rref** command. If a system is consistent then either give a unique solution for x or give a general solution for x which will represent all of its solutions.

a.
$$\left[\begin{array}{cc|c} 2 & -1 & 2 \\ 1 & 1 & 7 \\ -3 & 2 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

b.
$$\left[\begin{array}{ccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ -1 & 1 & 5 & 1 \\ 2 & -1 & -7 & -1 \end{array} \right]$$

c.
$$\left[\begin{array}{cccc|c} 1 & 1 & 1 & 0 & -1 \\ 2 & 2 & -1 & 3 & 4 \\ -1 & -1 & -2 & 1 & 4 \end{array} \right]$$

3. Consider the following data:

x	1	2	3	4
y	8	12	16	21

We would like to fit this data with a function of the form $F(x) = \frac{c_1}{x} + c_2x$ in a least squares sense.

- Set up a system of equations $Ac = y$ where $c = (c_1, c_2)^T$ such that the backslash command in Matlab can find the best choice of c . What is A ? What is y ?
 - Find c using backslash with the normal equations.
 - Find c using polyfit.
 - Plot the function $F(x)$ over the time interval $[0.2, 5]$ using a stepsize of $h = 0.2$. On the same plot show the original data using circles that are not connected by any lines. Give the plot a title of "Plot: nonlinear data fit".
4. The following m-file gauss4quad is supposed to approximate the integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ using a 4-point Gaussian quadrature method.

```
function intvalue = gauss4quad(funname, a, b)
% gauss4quad.m
% a 4 point gaussian quadrature rule for approximating
% int(f, a, b)

ti = gnodes(4);
ai = gweights(4);

fi = feval(funname, ti);

intvalue = sum(ai.*fi);
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Unfortunately, gauss4quad is coded incorrectly so that it will only give approximations of the integral $\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx$.

- Fix this m-file so that it will correctly approximate the integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$. Call this fixed m-file mygauss4quad.
- Use mygauss4quad to approximate the integral $\int_0^5 xe^{-\frac{x}{2}}dx$. What is the exact value of this integral? What is the error in using mygauss4quad? (Hint: use format long and double as needed).

5. The following method attributed to Ralston (1962) is a three-stage Runge-Kutta method (i.e. it uses three slope calculations) for approximating the solution of the

$$\text{IVP } \begin{aligned} y' &= f(t,y) \\ y(t_0) &= y_0 \end{aligned}$$

Ralston Method

$$y_i = y_{i-1} + h \left(\frac{2}{9}s_1 + \frac{1}{3}s_2 + \frac{4}{9}s_3 \right)$$

where

$$s_1 = f(t_{i-1}, y_{i-1})$$

$$s_2 = f(t_{i-1} + (h/2), y_{i-1} + (h/2)s_1)$$

$$s_3 = f(t_{i-1} + (3h/4), y_{i-1} + (3h/4)s_2)$$

- a. Write an m-file myralston which will calculate the numerical solution of the IVP, $y' = f(t,y)$ on the interval $[t_0, t_f]$ with step-size of h. The m-file should be called with the command

$$\gg [t,y] = \text{myralston}(\text{funname}, y_0, t_0, t_f, h)$$

(Hint: you may want to modify the file myheun).

- b. Calculate the numerical solution for the initial value problem $y' = y - t$ on the interval $[1,2]$ using step-size of $h = 0.2$. What is the approximate value of $y(2)$ that you computed?

6. Consider the IVP

$$u'' + 2u' + 3u = 0$$

$$u(0) = 2$$

$$u'(0) = 0$$

- a. Write this IVP as a system of first order differential equations $\bar{y}' = f(t, \bar{y})$ with initial condition $\bar{y}(0) = \bar{y}_0$ where \bar{y} is a 2×1 column vector. Be sure to specify what the initial condition is.

- b. Use `plane7` to plot the solution. Be sure to use *keyboard input* under the *solutions* menu to specify the initial conditions.