

**Graduate Preliminary Examination**  
**Numerical Analysis II**  
**Duration: 3 Hours**

1. Determine all values of  $a, b, c, d, e$  and  $f$  for which the following function  $S(x)$  is a cubic spline

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} ax^2 + b(x-1)^3, & x \in (-\infty, 1], \\ cx^2 + d, & x \in [1, 2], \\ ex^2 + f(x-2)^3, & x \in [2, \infty). \end{cases}$$

2. (a) Derive a quadrature formula for

$$\int_{-1}^1 x^2 f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=0}^1 A_i f(x_i)$$

which is exact for polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$ .

- (b) Give an upper bound for the error made in the formula found in part (a).

- (c) Evaluate  $\int_0^2 (x-1)^2 e^x dx$  by using the quadrature formula found in part (a).

3. (a) Use a suitable interpolating polynomial and its error term to derive the differentiation formula

$$f'(x_1) = \frac{f(x_1+h) - f(x_1-h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6} f'''(\xi), \quad \xi \in (x_1-h, x_1+h).$$

- (b) Let  $f(x) = e^{2x+1}$ . Approximate  $f'(1.4)$  by using the numerical differentiation formula obtained in part(a) and the values  $f(1.3)$ ,  $f(1.5)$ , then approximate the error.

- (c) The formula in part (a) can be written as

$$f'(x_1) = \frac{f(x_1+h) - f(x_1-h)}{2h} + K_1 h^2 + O(h^4)$$

where the constant  $K_1 = -\frac{f'''(\xi)}{6}$ . Use extrapolation to derive an  $O(h^4)$  formula for  $f'(x_1)$ .

4. Given the polynomial  $p(z) = z^4 + 2z^3 - 3z^2 + 2$ .

(a) Locate the roots of  $p(z)$  in the complex plane.

(b) Construct the synthetic division table for  $p(z)$  for  $z_0 = 2$ ; that is, write  $p(z)$  as

$$p(z) = q_3(z)(z - 2) + r_0,$$

$$q_3(z) = q_2(z)(z - 2) + r_1$$

$$q_2(z) = q_1(z)(z - 2) + r_2,$$

$$q_1(z) = q_0(z)(z - 2) + r_3.$$

(c) Write  $p(z)$  in Taylor series expansion around  $z_0 = 2$  using part (b).

(d) If  $x_0 = 2$  is an initial estimate to one of the real zeros of  $p(z)$ , carry out one iteration in Newton's method to approximate the root  $x_1$  by using part (c).