

1. (15 points) Derive a formula for the Newton's method for the equation

$$\frac{f(x)}{f'(x)} = 0.$$

Show that the convergence of the method to any zero of  $f(x)$  is of second order, even if the zero is not simple.

2. (15 points) Consider the equation

$$f(x) = \sin x - x^3 - 1 = g(x) - h(x)$$

where  $g(x) = \sin x$  and  $h(x) = x^3 + 1$ . Which of the following two methods will converge to the root near  $x = -1$ : a)  $h(x_{n+1}) = g(x_n)$ , b)  $g(x_{n+1}) = h(x_n)$ ?

3. (15 points) Use  $f(x)$ ,  $f(x+h)$ ,  $f(x+2h)$ , and the method of undetermined coefficients to approximate  $f'(x)$ .
4. (15 points) Suppose that the experimental data  $(x_i, y_i)$ ,  $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$ , behave like  $y = \alpha \exp(\beta x)$ . Derive a least-square method based on this assumption.
5. (15 points) Find a rational function of the form  $r(x) = (ax + b)/(cx + d)$  to approximate the function  $f(x) = \sqrt{1+x}$ ,  $0 \leq x \leq 1$ , where  $a$ ,  $b$ ,  $c$ , and  $d$  are constants to be determined.
6. (25 points) Consider

$$A = \begin{bmatrix} 3 & 2 & -1 \\ 6 & 6 & 2 \\ -1 & 1 & 3 \end{bmatrix}.$$

Use Gauss elimination in exact arithmetic with scaled row pivoting to obtain the factorization

$$PA = LDU$$

where  $P$  is a permutation matrix,  $L$  is a unit lower triangular matrix,  $U$  is a unit upper triangular matrix,  $D$  is a diagonal matrix.