

ADVANCED SUBSIDIARY GCE
MATHEMATICS (MEI)
Numerical Methods

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Candidates answer on the Answer Booklet

OCR Supplied Materials:

- 8 page Answer Booklet
- Graph paper
- MEI Examination Formulae and Tables (MF2)

Other Materials Required:

- Scientific or graphical calculator

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Afternoon

Duration: 1 hour 30 minutes



INSTRUCTIONS TO CANDIDATES

- Write your name clearly in capital letters, your Centre Number and Candidate Number in the spaces provided on the Answer Booklet.
- Use black ink. Pencil may be used for graphs and diagrams only.
- Read each question carefully and make sure that you know what you have to do before starting your answer.
- Answer **all** the questions.
- Do **not** write in the bar codes.
- You are permitted to use a graphical calculator in this paper.
- Final answers should be given to a degree of accuracy appropriate to the context.

INFORMATION FOR CANDIDATES

- The number of marks is given in brackets [] at the end of each question or part question.
- You are advised that an answer may receive **no marks** unless you show sufficient detail of the working to indicate that a correct method is being used.
- The total number of marks for this paper is **72**.
- This document consists of **4** pages. Any blank pages are indicated.

Section A (36 marks)

- 1 (i) Show that the equation

$$\frac{1}{x} = 3 - x^2 \quad (*)$$

has a root, α , between $x = 1$ and $x = 2$.

Show that the iteration

$$x_{r+1} = \frac{1}{3 - x_r^2},$$

with $x_0 = 1.5$, converges, but not to α . [5]

- (ii) By rearranging (*), find another iteration that does converge to α . You should demonstrate the convergence by carrying out several steps of the iteration. [3]

- 2 A function $f(x)$ has the values shown in the table.

x	2.8	3	3.2
$f(x)$	0.9508	0.9854	0.9996

- (i) Taking the values of $f(x)$ to be exact, use the forward difference method and the central difference method to find two estimates of $f'(3)$. State which of these you would expect to be more accurate. [5]

- (ii) Now suppose that the values of $f(x)$ have been rounded to the four significant figures shown. Find, for each method used in part (i), the largest possible value it gives for the estimate of $f'(3)$. [2]

- 3 (i) X is an approximation to the number x such that $X = x(1 + r)$. State what r represents.

Show that, provided r is small, $X^n \approx x^n(1 + nr)$. [4]

- (ii) The number $G = 0.577$ is an approximation to the number g . G is about 0.04% smaller than g . State, in similar terms, relationships between

(A) G^2 and g^2 ,

(B) \sqrt{G} and \sqrt{g} . [3]

- 4 The expression, $\sin x + \tan x$, where x is in radians, can be approximated by $2x$ for values of x close to zero.

- (i) Find the absolute and relative errors in this approximation when $x = 0.2$ and $x = 0.1$. [4]

- (ii) A better approximation is $\sin x + \tan x \approx 2 \left(x + \frac{x^3}{k} \right)$, where k is an integer.

Use your results from part (i) to estimate k . [3]

- 5 A quadratic function, $f(x)$, is to be determined from the values shown in the table.

x	1	3	6
$f(x)$	-10	-12	30

Explain why Newton's forward difference formula would not be useful in this case.

Use Lagrange's interpolation formula to find $f(x)$ in the form $ax^2 + bx + c$. [7]

Section B (36 marks)

- 6 The integral

$$I = \int_1^{1.8} \sqrt{x^3 + 1} \, dx$$

is to be estimated numerically. You are given that, correct to 6 decimal places, the mid-point rule estimate with $h = 0.8$ is 1.547 953 and that the trapezium rule estimate with $h = 0.8$ is 1.611 209.

- (i) Find the mid-point rule and trapezium rule estimates with $h = 0.4$ and $h = 0.2$.

Hence find three Simpson's rule estimates of I . [7]

- (ii) Write down, with a reason, the value of I to the accuracy that appears to be justified. [2]

- (iii) Taking your answer in part (ii) to be exact, show in a table the errors in the mid-point rule and trapezium rule estimates of I .

Explain what these errors show about

(A) the relative accuracy of the mid-point rule and the trapezium rule,

(B) the rates of convergence of the mid-point rule and the trapezium rule. [8]

- 7 (i) Show that the equation

$$x^5 - 8x + 5 = 0 \quad (*)$$

has a root in the interval $(0, 1)$.

Find this root, using the Newton-Raphson method, correct to 6 significant figures.

Show, by considering the differences between successive iterates, that the convergence of the Newton-Raphson iteration is faster than first order. [11]

- (ii) You are now given that equation (*) has a root in the interval $(1.4, 1.5)$. Find this root, correct to 3 significant figures, using the secant method. Determine whether or not the secant method is faster than first order. [8]

Mathematics (MEI)

Advanced GCE 4776

Numerical Methods

Mark Scheme for June 2010

1(i)	x	LHS		RHS						
	1	1	<	2	(Change of sign implies root.)					
	2	0.5	>	-1	(or equivalent)					[M1A1]
	r	0		1	2	3	4	5	6	
	x_r	1.5	1.333333	0.818182	0.429078	0.355127	0.347961	0.347352		[M1A1]
	State or clearly imply convergence outside the interval (1, 2)									[E1]

(ii)	E.g. $x_{r+1} = \sqrt{(3 - 1/x)}$						E.g. $x_{r+1} = 3/x - 1/x^2$		[B1]
	r	0	1	2	3	0	1	2	3
	x_r	1.5	1.527525	1.531452	1.532	1.5	1.555556	1.515306	1.544287
				4	5		4	5	[M1A1]
				1.532077	1.532087		1.523326	1.538438	[TOTAL 8]

2(i)	Forward difference:	$(0.9996 - 0.9854)/0.2 = 0.071$	[M1A1]
	Central difference:	$(0.9996 - 0.9508)/0.4 = 0.122$	[M1A1]
	Central difference expected to be more accurate.		[E1]
(ii)	Forward difference maximum:	$(0.99965 - 0.98535)/0.2 = 0.0715$	[B1]
	Central difference maximum:	$(0.99965 - 0.95075)/0.4 = 0.12225$	[B1]
			[TOTAL 7]

3(i)	r is the relative error (in X as an approximation to x)	[E1]
	$X^n = x^n (1 + r)^n$ $(1 + r)^n = 1 + nr$ (provided r is small)	[M1M1A1]
(ii)	G^2 (= 0.332 929, not required) is about 0.08% smaller than g^2	
	\sqrt{G} (= 0.795 605, not required) is about 0.02% smaller than \sqrt{g}	[M1A1A1]
		[TOTAL 7]

4(i)	x	sin + tan	$2x$	error	rel error	accept:	+ve, +ve	
	0.2	0.401379	0.4	-0.00138	-0.00344		-ve, +ve	[M1A1A1A1]
	0.1	0.200168	0.2	-0.00017	-0.00084		-ve, -ve	
(ii)	$2 \times 0.2^3 / k = 0.00138$ gives $k = 11.59$							[M1A1]
	$2 \times 0.1^3 / k = 0.00017$ gives $k = 11.76$							[B1]
								[TOTAL 7]

5	Data not equally spaced in x	[E1]
	$f(x) = -10(x-3)(x-6) / (1-3)(1-6) - 12(x-1)(x-6) / (3-1)(3-6) + 30(x-1)(x-3) / (6-1)(6-3)$	
	$f(x) = -(x^2 - 9x + 18) + 2(x^2 - 7x + 6) + 2(x^2 - 4x + 3)$	[M1A1A1A1]
	$= 3x^2 - 13x$	[A1]
		[A1]
		[TOTAL 7]

6(i)	<i>h</i>	<i>M</i>	<i>T</i>	<i>S</i>	
	0.8	1.547953	1.611209	1.569038	<i>M</i> : [M1A1A1]
	0.4	1.563639	1.579581	1.568953	<i>T</i> : [M1A1]
	0.2	1.567619	1.571610	1.568949	<i>S</i> : [M1A1]
					[subtotal 7]
(ii)	1.56895 appears justified		Comparison of last two <i>S</i> values, e.g.:		[B1]
	last change in <i>S</i> is -0.000004; next change negligible				[E1]
					[subtotal 2]
(iii)	<i>h</i>	<i>M</i> error	<i>T</i> error		
	0.8	-0.02100	0.04226	<i>accept consistent</i>	
	0.4	-0.00531	0.01063	<i>use of other sign</i>	
	0.2	-0.00133	0.00266	<i>convention</i>	[M1A1A1]
	(A)	<i>M</i> errors are about half the <i>T</i> errors so <i>M</i> is twice as accurate as <i>T</i>			[E1A1]
	(B)	Errors for both <i>T</i> and <i>M</i> reduce by a factor of 4 as <i>h</i> is halved so the rates of convergence are the same, both second order			[E1]
					[A1A1]
					[subtotal 8]
					[TOTAL 17]

7(i)	f(0) = 5, f(1) = -2. (Change of sign implies root.)					[M1A1]
	f'(x) = 5x ⁴ - 8 hence N-R formula					[M1A1]
	<i>r</i>	0	1	2	3	4
	<i>x_r</i>	0.5	0.634146	0.638232	0.638238	0.638238
	differences		0.134146	0.004086	5.98E-06	1.29E-11
	ratios			0.030457	0.001462	2.17E-06
	The ratios of differences are decreasing (fast) so process is faster than first order					[E1]
						[subtotal 11]
(ii)	<i>r</i>	0	1	2	3	4
	<i>x_r</i>	1.4	1.5	1.458054	1.462741	1.46312
	f(<i>x_r</i>)	-0.82176	0.59375	-0.0747	-0.00559	5.99E-05
	root is 1.46 correct to 3 sf					[M1A1A1]
						[A1]
	differences		0.1	-0.04195	0.004687	0.000379
	ratios			-0.41946	-0.11175	0.080876
	The ratios of differences are decreasing (fast) so process is faster than first order					[E1]
					<i>accept 'second order'</i>	[subtotal 8]
						[TOTAL 19]