

Numerical Analysis

Assignment One

Deadline October 11

Question 1. Perform the following computations (i) exactly, (ii) using three-digit chopping arithmetic, and (iii) using three-digit rounding arithmetic. (iv) Compute the relative errors in (ii) and (iii).

$$\text{a. } \left(\frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{11}\right) + \frac{3}{20}; \quad \text{b. } \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{3}{11}\right) + \frac{3}{20}.$$

Question 2. Show that using k -digit rounding, a number will keep k significant digits.

Question 3. Count the numbers of operations for

$$f(x) = 2x^4 - x^3 + 4x^2 - 12x + 1.2$$

and its nested form

$$f(x) = 2 * (((x - 0.5)x + 2)x - 6)x + 1.2.$$

Question 4. Find root(s) accurate to 10^{-5} for the function $f(x) = x^3 + \cos(x) + 1$.

a. Verify that there exists a zero of $f(x)$ on the interval $[-2, 0]$.

b. How many iterations would it take when we apply the bisection method?

c. Use Newton's method with a initial approximation $p_0 = -1$. Could $p_0 = 0$ be used?

Why?

Question 5. Let $f(x) = 10 \cos(x) - x$. Verify that the interval $[0, 3]$ contains a zero of $f(x)$. Then give a solution of $f(x) = 0$ of six significant digit accuracy using (i) Newton's method with $p_0 = 1.5$, (ii) the Secant method with $p_0 = 1.5$ and $p_1 = 2$, respectively. Please also provide your Matlab codes.

Question 6. Consider a fixed-point problem $x = g(x)$. We have shown the existence of the fixed point provided that $|g'(x)| \leq k < 1$ for $a \leq x \leq b$ in the lecture. However, this is just a sufficient condition.

(i). Please give an example of the existence of fixed point of $g(x)$ that does not fulfil that condition.

(ii). Assume p is a fixed point of $g(x)$ and $|g'(p)| > 1$. Show that the sequence $\{p_n\}_{n=0}^{\infty}$ generated by

$$p_n = g(p_{n-1})$$

doesnot converge to p for any given p_0 .