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Directions:

- 1. You are only allowed to use a standard scientific calculator.**
- 2. Use four-decimal digits accuracy in your computations.**

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Question # 1:

Assume a function $f = \frac{x^2y}{u^2}$ with the errors in x , y , and u being 1%, -1% and 2%, respectively. Find the approximate percentage relative error in the function f .

Answer:

First find $\frac{\partial f}{\partial x}$, $\frac{\partial f}{\partial y}$ and $\frac{\partial f}{\partial u}$:

$$\frac{\partial f}{\partial x} = \frac{3x^2y}{u^2}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial y} = \frac{x^3}{u^2}, \quad \frac{\partial f}{\partial u} = -\frac{2x^3y}{u^3}.$$

Now write down an expression for δf

$$\delta f \simeq \frac{3x^2y}{u^2}\delta x + \frac{x^3}{u^2}\delta y - \frac{2x^3y}{u^3}\delta u$$

Hence write down an expression for the percentage relative error in f :

$$\frac{\delta f}{f} \times 100 \simeq \frac{3x^2y}{u^2} \times \frac{u^2}{x^3y}\delta x \times 100 + \frac{x^3}{u^2} \times \frac{u^2}{x^3y}\delta y \times 100 - \frac{2x^3y}{u^3} \times \frac{u^2}{x^3y}\delta u \times 100$$

Finally, calculate the value of the percentage relative error:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\delta f}{f} \times 100 &\simeq 3\frac{\delta x}{x} \times 100 + \frac{\delta y}{y} \times 100 - 2\frac{\delta u}{u} \times 100 \\ &= 3(1) - 1 - 2(2) = -2\% \end{aligned}$$

Question # 2:

Find one positive root for the following function using the Newton's method:

$$F(x) = \cos(x) - x^3 = 0$$

Start the iterations with an initial value of $x_0 = 0.5$. Stop the iterations after 4 significant digits are equal between two successive iterations.

Answer:

Newton's Method:

$$x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{f(x_k)}{f'(x_k)}$$

Compute $f'(x) = -\sin x - 3x^2$.

$$\text{Iteration 1. } k=0: x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 0.5 - \frac{\cos(0.5) - (0.5)^3}{-\sin(0.5) - 3(0.5)^2} = 1.1121.$$

$$\text{Iteration 2. } k=1: x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = 0.9097.$$

$$\text{Iteration 3. } k=2: x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = 0.8672.$$

$$\text{Iteration 4. } k=3: x_4 = x_3 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f'(x_3)} = 0.8654.$$

$$\text{Iteration 5. } k=4: x_5 = x_4 - \frac{f(x_4)}{f'(x_4)} = 0.8654.$$

Question # 3:

Determine one initial interval that contains a root of $\tan(x) - 2x + 1 = 0$. Based on the interval you obtain, what is the minimum bisection iterations n required to get this root in this interval with accuracy $\epsilon = 10^{-6}$. Show your work in details.

Answer:

Let $f(x) = \tan x - 2x + 1 = 0$. There are many intervals containing a solution of f . We show here only one of them. Since

$$f(1) = \tan 1 - 2(1) + 1 = 0.55740 > 0 \quad \text{and} \quad f(2) = \tan 2 - 2(2) + 1 = -5.1850 < 0$$

there exists a root of f between 1 and 2. So requested interval is $[1, 2]$.

Since $|p - p_n| \leq \frac{b-a}{2^n}$, then for $a = 1$, $b = 2$ we have

$$\frac{2-1}{2^n} \leq \epsilon = 10^{-6} \Rightarrow 10^6 \leq 2^n \Rightarrow 6 \log 10 \leq n \log 2 \Rightarrow \frac{6}{\log 2} \leq n \Rightarrow \frac{6}{0.30103} \leq n$$

$$\underline{n \geq 20.}$$

Question # 4:

Compute the area under the curve given by $f(x) = \sin(x)$ on the interval $[0, \pi]$ using the Trapezoidal rule with $n = 4$ trapezoids.

Answer:


$$\Delta x = \frac{\pi - 0}{4} = \frac{\pi}{4}$$
$$T = \frac{b-a}{2n} [y_0 + 2y_1 + 2y_2 + 2y_3 + y_4]$$
$$T = \frac{\pi}{4(2)} \left[0 + 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + 2(1) + 2\left(\frac{\sqrt{2}}{2}\right) + 0 \right]$$
$$T = \frac{\pi}{8} [0 + \sqrt{2} + 2 + \sqrt{2} + 0]$$
$$T = \frac{\pi}{8} [2 + 2\sqrt{2}]$$
$$\underline{\underline{T \approx 1.896}}$$