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Numerical Analysis Qualifying Exam, January 2018

Note:

1. No books and no notes in this test. Calculators are allowed.
2. There are 4 problems in this exam.
3. Show necessary intermediate steps of your work. no credit otherwise.

1. Consider the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dt} = \cos(ty) + 1, \quad y\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = 1.$$

Derive a third-order Taylor-series method for computing $y\left(\frac{\pi}{2} + h\right)$, where h is the step size.

2. Determine the Gaussian quadrature formula of the form

$$\int_0^\infty e^{-x} f(x) dx \approx A_0 f(x_0) + A_1 f(x_1), \quad x_0 \leq x_1. \quad (1)$$

3. Prove the relation

$$\begin{aligned} f(x) = & f[x_0] + f[x_0, x_1](x - x_0) + f[x_0, x_1, x_2](x - x_0)(x - x_1) + \dots \\ & + f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n](x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1}) \\ & + f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, x](x - x_0)(x - x_1) \dots (x - x_{n-1})(x - x_n), \end{aligned}$$

where x_i ($0 \leq i \leq n$) are a set of distinct points.

4. Suppose $f(x)$ has continuous second derivative and r is a simple root of $f(x)$ and $f''(r) \neq 0$. Consider the Newton's method for computing r .
 - (a) Derive the error relation for the Newton's method.
 - (b) Based on the error relation, show that the Newton's method is locally convergent for computing r , and that its convergence rate is quadratic.