

- (iii) Use the Newton-Raphson method to determine the root of the equation $2 \cos x = 3x$ to an accuracy of 6 decimal places.

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- (b) Consider the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y} \quad (x \geq 0)$$

with initial condition $y(1) = 0.5$. Use the Taylor series method of order 2 with step size $h = 0.1$ to find an approximation to $y(1.2)$, where y is the solution to the equation with the given initial condition. Give your answer to six decimal places.

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Question 3 (Unit 19)

Note that the total number of marks available for this question is 13.

This question is concerned, once again, with the solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{x} - \sqrt{y}$$

with the initial condition $y(1) = 0.5$.

- (i) Starting from the general form of the recurrence relations for the predictor-corrector (Euler-trapezoidal) method, write down the recurrence relations for finding a numerical solution to the above differential equation using this method. Use your calculator to find an approximation to $y(1.2)$, where y is the solution satisfying the given initial condition, using a step size $h = 0.1$. Give your answer to six decimal places.
- (ii) The values shown in the table below were obtained for the approximations to $y(2)$ given by the predictor-corrector (Euler-trapezoidal) method with various step lengths h , by using a computer. Plot a graph of these approximations to $y(2)$ against h^2 .

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| Step length h | Approximation to $y(2)$ |
|-----------------|-------------------------|
| 0.01 | 0.895 212 72 |
| 0.02 | 0.895 215 33 |
| 0.025 | 0.895 217 29 |
| 0.04 | 0.895 225 84 |
| 0.05 | 0.895 233 78 |

What does your graph indicate to be the relationship between the predictor-corrector (Euler-trapezoidal) approximations to $y(2)$ and the step length h for small h ? Use your graph to estimate the true value of $y(2)$ to seven decimal places.

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- (iii) By using one of the entries in the above table and the estimate for the true value of $y(2)$ you obtained in part (ii), calculate the maximum value of the step length h which you would have to use in the predictor-corrector (Euler-trapezoidal) method to ensure an accuracy of eight decimal places in the approximation to $y(2)$.

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Question 4 (Unit 21)

Note that the total number of marks available for this question is 12.

Find the eigenvalues and corresponding eigenvectors for the matrix

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & 3 & 0 \\ -2 & 8 & -2 \\ 1 & 2 & 1 \end{bmatrix}.$$

[12]