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## NUMERICAL METHODS & ALGEBRA

### ASSIGNMENT 1

Q1. To find:  $\sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\dots}}}$

$$\text{let } x = \sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\dots}}} \quad \text{--- (1)}$$

squaring both the sides

$$x^2 = 7 + \sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\dots}} \quad \text{--- (2)}$$

substituting (1) and (2):

$$x^2 = 7 + x$$

$$x^2 - x - 7 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-1) + \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(-7)}}{2(1)}, \frac{-(-1) - \sqrt{(-1)^2 - 4(1)(-7)}}{2(1)}$$

$$= 3.192582404, -2.192582404$$

∴ Since we know that  $x$  has to be positive (greater than 0), the value  $x = -2.1925824$  is invalid

$$\therefore x = 3.192582404$$

$$\therefore \sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\sqrt{7+\dots}}} = 3.192582404$$

Q2.  $7x^2 - 6y^2 = -11x^2 - 4y^2$

$$7x^2 + 11x^2 = 6y^2 - 4y^2$$

$$18x^2 = 2y^2$$

$$9x^2 = y^2$$

$$\frac{x^2}{y^2} = \frac{1}{9}$$

$$\frac{x}{y} = \frac{1}{3}$$

Q3.  $x + 3y = 4, x^2 + y^2 - 4y = 12$

$$x + 3y = 4$$

$$x = 4 - 3y \rightarrow \textcircled{1}$$

substituting  $\textcircled{1}$  in the equation

$$x^2 + y^2 - 4y = 12$$

$$(4 - 3y)^2 + y^2 - 4y = 12$$

$$16 + 9y^2 - 24y + y^2 - 4y = 12$$

$$10y^2 - 28y + 4 = 0$$

$$5y^2 - 14y + 2 = 0$$

$$y = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$y = \frac{-(-14) \pm \sqrt{(-14)^2 - 4(5)(+2)}}{2(5)}$$

$$= \frac{14 \pm \sqrt{196 - 40}}{10} = \frac{14 \pm 2\sqrt{39}}{10}$$

$$y = \frac{14 + 15.36229}{10}, \quad \frac{14 - 15.36229}{10}$$

$$= \frac{2.936229}{10} \quad \text{or} \quad -0.136229$$

$$y = \frac{7 \pm \sqrt{39}}{5}$$

$$= \frac{7 + \sqrt{39}}{5} \quad \text{or} \quad \frac{7 - \sqrt{39}}{5}$$

$$= 2.6489996 \quad \text{or} \quad 0.1510004$$

$$\text{when } y = 2.6489996, \quad x = -3.9469988$$

$$\text{when } y = 0.1510004, \quad x = 3.5469988$$

∴ The ordered pairs that satisfy the system are  $(-3.9469988, 2.6489996)$  and  $(3.5469988, 0.1510004)$

Q4.  $d = 2x^2 - 16x + 34$

$d \rightarrow$  density of smoke

$x \rightarrow$  speed of the engine

a. when  $x = 3.5$ :

$$d = 2(3.5)^2 - 16(3.5) + 34$$

$= 2.5$  million particles per cubic foot

b. For minimum smoke,  $\frac{d}{dx}$  should be greater than 0

$$d = 4x - 16 > 0 \rightarrow 4x > 16$$

$$\therefore x > 4$$

$\therefore$  The no. of revolutions for minimum smoke  
 $= 4$  per minute.

$$\therefore \text{Minimum output} = 2(4)^2 - 16(4) + 34$$

$$= 2$$

c. when  $d = 100$ :

$$100 = 2x^2 - 16x + 34$$

$$2x^2 - 16x - 66 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 8x - 33 = 0$$

$$x^2 - 11x + 3x - 33 = 0$$

$$x(x-11) + 3(x-11) = 0$$

$$(x+3)(x-11) = 0$$

$$x = 11 \quad \text{or} \quad x = -3 \text{ (Invalid)}$$

$\therefore$  Speed of the engine is 100 revolutions per minute.

- Q5. Company 1: 1500 per day plus 25 per km  
 Company 2: 2100 per day plus 22 per km

Let  $n$  be the total no. of km driven in a day

a. Total Cost of renting a car for 1 day from company 1 =  $1500 + 25n$

b. Total Cost of renting a car for 1 day from company 2 =  $2100 + 22n$

c. For it to be less expensive to rent from company 2: Cost of Company 1  $>$  Cost of Company 2.  
 $1500 + 25n > 2100 + 22n$

d.  $1500 + 25n > 2100 + 22n$

$$3n > 600$$

$$n > 200$$

$\therefore$  It is less expensive to rent from company 2 when the no. of km driven in a day is greater than 200.

Q6.  $f(x) = x^3 - 7x^2 + 14x - 6 = 0$

a. Considering  $a = 0, b = 1$ :

$f(a) = f(0) = -6$

$f(b) = f(1) = 2$

Since  $f(a)$  &  $f(b)$  have opposite signs, this interval is appropriate.

| a          | b         | f(a)         | f(b)         | $(a+b)/2$  | $f[(a+b)/2]$ |
|------------|-----------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 0          | 1         | -6           | 2            | 0.5        | -0.625       |
| 0.5        | 1         | -0.625       | 2            | 0.75       | 0.984375     |
| 0.5        | 0.75      | -0.625       | 0.984375     | 0.625      | 0.2597656    |
| 0.5        | 0.259765  | -0.625       | 0.2597656    | 0.5625     | -0.16186523  |
| 0.5625     | 0.625     | -0.161865    | 0.2597656    | 0.59375    | 0.05404663   |
| 0.5625     | 0.59375   | -0.161865    | 0.0540466    | 0.578125   | -0.05262375  |
| 0.578125   | 0.59375   | -0.052238    | 0.0540466    | 0.5859375  | 0.0010313987 |
| 0.578125   | 0.5859375 | -0.052238    | 0.0010313987 | 0.58203125 | -0.025716007 |
| 0.58203125 | 0.5859375 | -0.025716007 | 0.0010313987 | 0.58398437 |              |

$x = 0.58$

Q. Considering  $a=1$ ,  $b=3.2$

$$f(a) = f(1) = 2$$

$$f(b) = f(3.2) = -0.112$$

Since  $f(a)$  &  $f(b)$  have opposite signs, this interval is appropriate.

| a         | b          | $f(a)$       | $f(b)$       | $(a+b)/2$  | $f[(a+b)/2]$ |
|-----------|------------|--------------|--------------|------------|--------------|
| 1         | 3.2        | <del>2</del> | -0.112       | 2.1        | 1.791        |
| 2.1       | 3.2        | 1.791        | -0.112       | 2.65       | 0.552125     |
| 2.65      | 3.2        | 0.552125     | -0.112       | 2.925      | 0.0858283    |
| 2.925     | 3.2        | 0.0858283    | -0.112       | 3.0625     | -0.05444339  |
| 2.925     | 3.0625     | 0.0858283    | -0.05444336  | 2.99375    | 0.00632781   |
| 2.99375   | 3.0625     | 0.006327881  | -0.05444336  | 3.028125   | -0.02652072  |
| 2.99375   | 3.028125   | 0.006327881  | -0.02652072  | 3.0109375  | -0.01069693  |
| 2.99375   | 3.0109375  | 0.006327881  | -0.010696934 | 3.00234375 | -0.00233275  |
| 2.99375   | 3.00234375 | 0.006327881  | -0.00233275  | 2.9991211  | 0.001960747  |
| 2.9991211 | 3.00234375 | 0.001960747  | -0.00233275  | 3.00019531 | -1.95236198  |

$$x = 3.00$$

c. Considering  $a = 3.2$ ,  $b = 4$

$$f(a) = f(3.2) = -0.112$$

$$f(b) = f(4) = 2$$

since  $f(a)$  and  $f(b)$  have opposite signs, this interval is appropriate.

| a      | b       | f(a)        | f(b)        | $(a+b/2)$ | $f[(a+b/2)]$ |
|--------|---------|-------------|-------------|-----------|--------------|
| 3.2    | 4       | -0.112      | 2           | 3.6       | 0.336        |
| 3.2    | 3.6     | -0.112      | 0.336       | 3.4       | -0.016       |
| 3.4    | 3.6     | -0.016      | 0.336       | 3.5       | 0.125        |
| 3.4    | 3.5     | -0.016      | 0.125       | 3.45      | 0.046125     |
| 3.4    | 3.45    | -0.016      | 0.046125    | 3.425     | 0.01301563   |
| 3.4    | 3.425   | -0.016      | 0.01301563  | 3.4125    | -0.00199805  |
| 3.4125 | 3.425   | -0.00199805 | 0.01301563  | 3.41875   | 0.005381592  |
| 3.4125 | 3.41875 | -0.00199805 | 0.005381592 | 3.415625  | 0.001660065  |

$$x = 3.42$$

Q7.

$$f(x) = 230x^4 + 18x^3 + 9x^2 - 221x - 9$$

$$f'(x) = 920x^3 + 54x^2 + 18x - 221$$

Since  $f(x)$  has a real zero in  $[-1, 0]$ , we consider the midpoint  $-0.5$  as  $x_0$

$$\therefore x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = -0.5 - \frac{f(-0.5)}{f'(-0.5)} = -0.1504524887$$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = -0.041816814$$

$$x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = -0.0406593435$$

$$x_4 = x_3 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f'(x_3)} = -0.04065928832$$

Since  $f(x)$  has a real zero in  $[0, 1]$ , we consider the midpoint  $0.5$  as  $x_0$

$$x_1 = x_0 - \frac{f(x_0)}{f'(x_0)} = 0.5 - \frac{f(0.5)}{f'(0.5)} = -0.7050898204$$

$$x_2 = x_1 - \frac{f(x_1)}{f'(x_1)} = -0.3237911142$$

$$x_3 = x_2 - \frac{f(x_2)}{f'(x_2)} = -0.06460313103$$

$$x_4 = x_3 - \frac{f(x_3)}{f'(x_3)} = -0.04068615115$$

$$x_5 = x_4 - \frac{f(x_4)}{f'(x_4)} = -0.04065928835$$

Q8. Grades of four exams: 70, 86, 81, 83  
Grade on the final exam:  $x$ .

a. Converse average =  $\frac{70+86+81+83+x}{5} = \frac{320+x}{5}$

b. Since you score a B if the average is greater than or equal to 80 and less than 90:

$$80 \leq \frac{320+x}{5} < 90$$

c.  $80 \leq \frac{320+x}{5} < 90$

$$400 \leq 320+x < 450$$

$$80 \leq x < 130$$

If we assume that all marks are out of 100:  
 $80 \leq x < 130$

~~If we assume~~

$\therefore$  The grade on final exam should be greater than or equal to 80 and less than or equal to 100 to obtain a B.

Q9.  $x_1 = 8.54$

$x_2 = -11.81$

$x = 0$

$y_1 = 4\% = 0.04$

$y_2 = 20\% = 0.20$

using linear interpolation.

$$y - y_1 = \frac{y_2 - y_1}{x_2 - x_1} (x - x_1)$$

$$(y - 0.04) = \frac{(0.20 - 0.04)}{(-11.81 - 8.54)} (0 - 8.54)$$

$$y - 0.04 = 0.06714496314$$

$$y = 0.10714496314$$

$$= 10.7174496314\%$$

$$IRR = 10.7174496314\%$$

Q10. Revenue =  $R(x) = 32x - 0.21x^2$   
 Cost =  $C(x) = 195 + 12x$ .

To remain profitable, the revenues must exceed the cost:

$$R(x) > C(x)$$

$$32x - 0.21x^2 > 195 + 12x$$

$$20x - 0.21x^2 - 195 > 0$$

$$0.21x^2 - 20x + 195 < 0$$

Equating the inequality to 0:

$$0.21x^2 - 20x + 195 = 0$$

$$\therefore x = \frac{-b \pm \sqrt{b^2 - 4ac}}{2a}$$

$$= \frac{-(-20) \pm \sqrt{(-20)^2 - 4(0.21)(195)}}{2(0.21)}$$

$$= 84.21142753 \text{ or } 11.02666771$$

Since  $x < 11.02666771$  and  $x > 84.211428$  do not satisfy the original inequality:

$$11.02666771 < x < 84.2114275 \rightarrow \text{satisfies the original inequality.}$$

$$12 \leq x \leq 84$$

The no. of orders needed for the app to remain profitable should be greater than 12 and less than 84, with the minimum number being 12 orders.