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1. If $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, X_{(3)}, X_{(4)}, X_{(5)}$ are order statistics from a population with pdf $f(x) = 2e^{-2x}, x > 0$, then what is the density function of $X_{(1)}$?

(a) $10e^{-10X_{(1)}}$

(b) $1 - e^{-2X_{(1)}}$

(c) $1 - e^{-10X_{(1)}}$

(d) $10e^{-2X_{(1)}}$

Consider the following for the next **two (2)** items that follow :

Let $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$ be a random sample from $N(\mu, \sigma^2)$ distribution and

$$S^2 = \frac{1}{n-1} \sum_{i=1}^n (X_i - \bar{X})^2, \quad \bar{X} = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n X_i$$

2. What is the moment-generating function of S^2 ?

(a) $\left(1 - \frac{2(n-1)t}{\sigma^2}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}$

(b) $\left(1 - \frac{(n-1)t}{\sigma^2}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}$

(c) $\left(1 - \frac{2\sigma^2 t}{n-1}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}$

(d) $\left(1 - \frac{\sigma^2 t}{n-1}\right)^{-\frac{n-1}{2}}$

3. If

$$r = \frac{1}{2} \frac{\Gamma\left(\frac{n-3}{2}\right)}{\Gamma\left(\frac{n-1}{2}\right)}; \quad n > 3$$

then what is the value of $E\left(\frac{1}{S^2}\right)$?

(a) $\frac{(n-1)r}{\sigma^2}$

(b) $\frac{nr}{\sigma^2}$

(c) $\frac{2nr}{\sigma^2}$

(d) $\frac{nr}{2\sigma^2}$

Consider the following for the next **three (3)** items that follow :

Let $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n$ be iid $U(0, 1)$ variates and $T = -\ln(X_1 X_2 X_3 \dots X_n)$.

4. What is $E(T)$ equal to?

(a) n

(b) $2n$

(c) $4n$

(d) $n/2$

5. What is $\text{Var}(T)$ equal to?

(a) $4n$

(b) $3n$

(c) $2n$

(d) n

6. What is the moment-generating function of T ?

(a) $(1-2t)^{-2n}$

(b) $(1-t)^{-2n}$

(c) $(1-t)^{-n}$

(d) $(1-2t)^{-n/2}$

Consider the following for the next **four (4)** items that follow :

Let $X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_7$ be iid random variables, each having the $N(0, 1)$ distribution.

7. What is the distribution of the following?

$$\frac{\sqrt{2}(X_5 - X_6 + X_7)}{\sqrt{(X_1 + X_2 + X_3)^2 + 3X_4^2}}$$

(a) $N(0, 1)$

(b) $t_{(2)}$

(c) $t_{(3)}$

(d) $t_{(7)}$

8. What is $E\left(\frac{1}{X_1^2 + X_2^2 + X_3^2 + X_4^2}\right)$ equal to?

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c) $1/2$

(d) $1/9$

9. What is $E\left(\frac{X_1 + X_2 + X_3}{X_4^2 + X_5^2 + X_6^2 + X_7^2}\right)$ equal to?

(a) 0

(b) 1

(c) 2

(d) $\frac{1}{2}$

10. If

$$\lambda \left(\frac{X_3 + X_4 + X_5 + X_6 + X_7}{X_1 + X_2} \right)$$

~ Cauchy (0, 1) distribution

then what is the value of $5\lambda^2$?

(a) 1

(b) 2

(c) 4

(d) 5

11. Consider the following pairs :

I. $x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 + x_2^2; y_1^2 + 2y_1y_2 + y_2^2$

II. $x_1^2 - 2x_1x_2 - x_2^2; 2y_1^2 + y_1y_2 - y_2^2$

III. $x_1^2 + 2x_1x_2 - x_2^2; 2y_1^2 + y_1y_2 + y_2^2$

IV. $x_1^2 + x_1x_2 - x_2^2; y_1^2 + y_1y_2 - y_2^2$

How many of the above are non-orthogonal pairs?

- (a) Only one pair
- (b) Only two pairs
- (c) Only three pairs
- (d) All four pairs

12. Suppose X and Y are zero-mean jointly normally distributed random variables such that $\sigma_X^2 = 4$, $\sigma_Y^2 = \frac{17}{9}$, $E(XY) = 2$.

If $Z = 2X - 3Y$, then what is the pdf of Z ?

(a) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{12\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{12}}$

(b) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{18\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{18}}$

(c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{6\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{9}}$

(d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{8\pi}} e^{-\frac{z^2}{8}}$

13. If X is a normally distributed random variable with $\mu = 1$ and $\sigma^2 = 2$, then the asymptotic distribution of sample median for $n = 20$ is

(a) $N(1, 1/10)$

(b) $N(1, \pi/20)$

(c) $N(1, \pi/10)$

(d) $N(1, \pi/2)$

14. Suppose X and Y are independent random variables having chi-square distributions with m and n degrees of freedom. Which of the following statements is/are correct?

I. $\frac{nX}{mY}$ follows $F_{m, n}$.

II. $\frac{mY}{nX}$ follows $F_{n, m}$.

Select the answer using the code given below.

(a) I only

(b) II only

(c) Both I and II

(d) Neither I nor II

15. It is known that $8X - 10Y + 66 = 0$ and $40X - 18Y = 214$ are two regression equations. Consider the following statements :

- I. The regression coefficient of X on Y is 0.8.
- II. The correlation coefficient is 0.6.
- III. The most probable value of Y , when $X = 30$, is 30.6.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

16. The moment-generating function of X , when X follows $\chi^2(10)$, is

- (a) $(1-t)^{-5}$
- (b) $(1-t)^{-10}$
- (c) $(1-2t)^{-5}$
- (d) $(1-2t)^{-10}$

17. The pdf $g_n(x)$ of $X_{(n)}$ in a random sample of size n from the exponential distribution with pdf $f(x) = e^{-x}$, $x \geq 0$, is

- (a) $(1 - e^{-x})^{n-1}$
- (b) $n(1 - e^{-x})^{n-1}e^{-x}$
- (c) $(1 - e^{-x})^n$
- (d) $n(1 - e^{-x})^{n-1}$

18. If $4\sigma_x^2 = 9\sigma_y^2 = 25$, where x and y are independently distributed, then what is the value of $\text{Var}\left(\frac{2x+3y}{\sqrt{2}}\right)$?

- (a) 25
- (b) 50
- (c) 62.5
- (d) 75

19. If $\text{Cov}(2x, y) = 4$, $\text{Var}(x/4) = 1$ and $\text{Var}(y/9) = 7$, then what is the value of $(18r(x, y))^2$ equal to?

- (a) 7
- (b) $1/7$
- (c) 4
- (d) $1/4$

20. If $X_{(1)}, X_{(2)}, X_{(3)}, X_{(4)}, X_{(5)}$ are order statistics from $U[0, 2]$, then what is the value of the pdf $f_{X_{(1)}}(1)$?

- (a) $1/16$
- (b) $5/16$
- (c) $1/32$
- (d) $5/32$

21. A point (x, y) is to be selected from the square S containing all points (x, y) such that $0 \leq x \leq 1$ and $0 \leq y \leq 1$. What is the probability that the selected point belongs to subset of points such that $0.5 < (x + y) < 1.5$?

- (a) 0.15
- (b) 0.25
- (c) 0.45
- (d) 0.75

22. Let $(X_1, X_2, X_3, \dots, X_n)$ be a random sample from $U(0, 1)$ distribution. $\ln X$ follows

- (a) gamma distribution
- (b) negative exponential distribution
- (c) half-normal distribution
- (d) None of the above

23. If X, Y and Z are iid $N(0, 1)$ variates, then the characteristic function of $\frac{X + YZ}{\sqrt{1 + Z^2}}$ is

- (a) $e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}$
- (b) e^{-2t^2}
- (c) $\frac{1}{1+t^2}$
- (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$

24. Two random variables X and Y are such that $P(X = \pm 1) = 0.5$ and $Y \sim N(0, 1)$. What is the characteristic function of $2XY$?

- (a) $e^{-\frac{t^2}{2}}$
- (b) e^{-2t^2}
- (c) $\frac{1}{4+t^2}$
- (d) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{4+t^2}}$

25. If X_1 and X_2 are iid $N(0, 1)$ variates, then the characteristic function of $X_1 X_2$ is

- (a) e^{-t^2}
- (b) $\frac{1}{1+t^2}$
- (c) $\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+t^2}}$
- (d) $e^{-2|t|}$

26. Let $U(t)$ and $V(t)$ be the moment-generating functions of two random variables X and Y respectively, and $V(t) = U(\log U(t))$. If $E(X) = 2$, then what is the value of $E(Y)$?

- (a) 1
- (b) 2
- (c) 4
- (d) $\ln 2$

Consider the following for the next **two (2)** items that follow :

Gambles are independent and each one results in the player being equally likely to win or lose 1 unit. Let W denote the net winnings of a gambler whose strategy is to stop gambling immediately after his first win.

27. If the first win is on trial N , then the winnings is

- (a) $2/N$ (b) $2 - N$
(c) $2N$ (d) $(2 - N)/N$

28. What is $P(W < 0)$ equal to?

- (a) $1/2$
(b) $1/4$
(c) $3/4$
(d) 0

Consider the following for the next **two (2)** items that follow :

Suppose that a balanced, six-faced dice is rolled repeatedly until the same number appears on two successive rolls and let X denote the number of rolls that are required.

29. What is the value of $P(X = 10)$?

- (a) $\frac{5^8}{6^9}$ (b) $\frac{5^9}{6^{10}}$
(c) $\frac{5^{10}}{6^{10}}$ (d) $\frac{5^{11}}{6^{12}}$

30. What is the value of $E(X)$?

- (a) 17
(b) 7
(c) $18/35$
(d) $17/25$

31. Two events A and B are such that $P(A) = 1/3$, $P(B) = 1/5$ and $P(A|B) + P(B|A) = 2/3$. What is the value of $12P(\bar{A} \cup \bar{B})$?

- (a) $23/2$
(b) 11
(c) 7
(d) 5

32. Let the joint distribution of X and Y be given by

$$f(x, y) = \begin{cases} cxye^{-(x^2+y^2)}; & x > 0, y > 0 \\ 0 & ; \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

With reference to the above, consider the following statements :

- I. The value of c for $f(x, y)$ to be a proper pdf is 4.
- II. The probability $P(X^2 > 2Y^2)$ is $1/3$.
- III. X and Y are independently distributed.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
(b) II and III only
(c) I and III only
(d) I, II and III

33. Let X and Y have joint probability mass function

$$P(X = x, Y = y) = \frac{e^{-2}}{x!(y-x)!};$$

$$x = 0, 1, 2, \dots, y \text{ and } y = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

With reference to the above, consider the following statements :

- I. Y follows Poisson distribution with parameter $1/2$.

II. $E(X) = 1$

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only
(b) II only
(c) Both I and II
(d) Neither I nor II

34. The probability mass function of a random variable X is given by

$$P(X = n) = 2^{-n}; n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$$

Define a random variable

$$Y = \begin{cases} -1, & \text{if } X \text{ is odd} \\ +1, & \text{if } X \text{ is even} \end{cases}$$

With reference to the above, consider the following statements :

- I. $P(Y = 1) = 2/3$
II. $E(Y) = -1/3$
III. $V(Y) = 8/9$

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
(b) II and III only
(c) I and III only
(d) I, II and III

35. Let X and Y be jointly distributed with joint probability mass function

$$P(x, y) = \frac{1}{2^{y+2}(y+1)} \left(\frac{2y+1}{2y+2} \right)^x; x, y = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

With reference to the above, consider the following statements :

- I. The marginal distribution of Y is geometric distribution.

II. $\text{Var}(Y) = 1$

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only
(b) II only
(c) Both I and II
(d) Neither I nor II

36. Let X and Y be jointly distributed as $BN(1, 0, 36, 16, 1/2)$. Consider the following statements :

- I. $E(Y | X = 7) = 2$
II. $\text{Cov}(X + Y, Y - X) = -20$
III. $V(X | Y = 1) = 27$

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
(b) II and III only
(c) I and III only
(d) I, II and III

37. Let X and Y be two independent random variables having moment-generating functions

$$M_X(t) = \left(\frac{3}{4} + \frac{1}{4}e^t\right)^3 \text{ and } M_Y(t) = e^{2(e^t - 1)}$$

What is $P[(X+Y) < 2]$ equal to?

- (a) $\frac{27}{64}e^{-2}$ (b) $\frac{27}{16}e^{-2}$
(c) $\frac{81}{32}e^{-2}$ (d) $\frac{27}{32}e^{-2}$

38. Let $x_1, x_2, \dots, x_{10}$ be a sample of size 10 from an exponential distribution with mean θ . The lower bound to the probability $P(0 < \bar{X} < 2\theta)$, where

$$\bar{X} = \frac{1}{10} \sum_{i=1}^{10} X_i$$

is

- (a) 0.01 (b) 0.09
(c) 0.1 (d) 0.9

39. Suppose $Y = X^2$ and $f(x) = 1, 0 < x < 1$. What is the pdf of Y ?

- (a) $\sqrt{y}, 0 < y < 1$ (b) $\frac{\sqrt{y}}{2}, 0 < y < 1$
(c) $\frac{1}{2\sqrt{y}}, 0 < y < 1$ (d) $y, 0 < y < 1$

40. If the moment-generating function of a distribution is

$$M_X(t) = \frac{\lambda}{\lambda - t} \text{ for } t < \lambda$$

then what are mean and variance of the distribution respectively?

- (a) $\frac{-1}{\lambda - t}, \frac{\lambda^2}{(\lambda - t)^2}$ (b) $\frac{1}{\lambda}, \frac{1}{\lambda^2}$
(c) λ, λ^2 (d) $1, \lambda^2$

41. Consider the following statements in respect of debugger :

- I. Debugger is a program used to detect errors and bugs in a program.
- II. In order to debug the program, a debugger helps us perform step-by-step execution of a program.
- III. In order to debug the program, a debugger helps us perform stopping the execution of the program until the errors are corrected.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
(b) II and III only
(c) I and III only
(d) I, II and III

42. Consider the following statements in respect of Operating System :

- I. It is the principal component of system software.
- II. It is responsible for overall management of the computer resources.
- III. It provides an interface between the computer and user and helps in implementing the application programs.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
(b) II and III only
(c) I and III only
(d) I, II and III

43. Consider the following tasks :

- I. Search and replace
- II. Encryption
- III. Virus scanner
- IV. Backup
- V. Data recovery

How many of the above are tasks of Utility Programs?

- (a) Only two
- (b) Only three
- (c) Only four
- (d) All five

44. Which of the following security services prevents either sender or receiver from denying a transmitted message?

- (a) Authentication
- (b) Confidentiality
- (c) Non-repudiation
- (d) Integrity

45. At which layer of TCP/IP do ICMP and ARP function?

- (a) Network layer
- (b) Application layer
- (c) Transport layer
- (d) Physical layer

46. What is the representation of - 59 in the 2's complement system?

- (a) 11000101
- (b) 11000100
- (c) 10000101
- (d) 11000001

47. Consider the following statements :

- I. Both compiler and interpreter can translate the program written in high-level language into machine-level instructions.
- II. The interpreter translates the whole program into machine language program before executing any of the instructions.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only
- (b) II only
- (c) Both I and II
- (d) Neither I nor II

48. Consider the following statements in respect of Webcam :

- I. It is an input device.
- II. The quality of the video taken through the Webcam largely depends on frame rate and resolution.
- III. For a video to be smooth and clear, the frame rate is maximum and resolution is minimum.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) II only
- (b) I and II only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

49. Which of the following are main operations of CPU?

- I. Fetching instructions from the memory
- II. Decoding the instructions
- III. Executing the instructions
- IV. Storing the results back in the memory

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) I, III and IV only
- (b) I, II and IV only
- (c) II and III only
- (d) I, II, III and IV

50. In an e-mail service, the protocols used are SMTP, POP3 and IMAP. What are the port numbers in sequence?

- (a) 110, 143, 25
- (b) 25, 143, 110
- (c) 143, 110, 25
- (d) 25, 110, 143

51. What are the functions of BIOS in computer system?

- I. It performs power-on self-test.
- II. It boots the computer system.
- III. It provides hardware-independent access to the physical devices.

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

52. Sending messages using IPSEC protocol on the internet between two IPSEC compliant router servers is also termed as

- (a) tunneling
- (b) leased line
- (c) packet filtering
- (d) message switching

53. Which one of the following methods is used for interprocess communication in distributed systems?

- (a) Shared cache memory
- (b) Message passing
- (c) Shared region
- (d) Cache memory

54. Consider the following statements :

- I. The hexadecimal equivalent of $(1101010101)_2$ is 355.
- II. The complement of $(47)_{10}$ is $(53)_{10}$.

Which of the statements given above is/are correct?

- (a) I only
- (b) II only
- (c) Both I and II
- (d) Neither I nor II

55. Which of the following are network layer protocols?

- I. HTTP
- II. FTP
- III. NMP
- IV. SMTP

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) I, II and III
- (b) I, II and IV
- (c) I, III and IV
- (d) II, III and IV

56. Which of the following are network connecting devices?

- I. Repeater
- II. Bridge
- III. Hub
- IV. Bluetooth

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) I, II and III
- (b) I, II and IV
- (c) I, III and IV
- (d) II, III and IV

57. Consider the following statements regarding Database Management System (DBMS) :

- I. It helps the user in maintaining data integrity while performing the various operations on the database values.
- II. It helps the user in maintaining consistency in the information stored in the database.
- III. It allows the user to maintain the security of the confidential information by password-protecting the database.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

58. Consider the following statements :

- I. Light pen is an electro-optical pointing device which is generally connected to the Visual Display Unit (VDU) of the computer.
- II. Touchscreen is a pointing device that enables us to enter data such as text, pictures and images by directly touching the screen.
- III. Joystick is a pointing device which controls the movement of the cursor on the screen by pointing in a particular direction only.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

59. Which of the following are looping statements in general of a computer programming language?

- I. While II. Break
- III. For IV. Continue
- V. Do while

Select the correct answer using the code given below.

- (a) I and II
- (b) II and IV only
- (c) II, III and IV
- (d) I, III and V

60. In which of the following data models are the records arranged in the form of a tree?

- (a) Entity model
- (b) Relational model
- (c) Hierarchical model
- (d) Network model

61. If y satisfies the initial value problem

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = 1 + xy; \quad y(2) = 0$$

then what is the approximation of y at $x = 3$? (Use second approximation of Picard's method)

- (a) 3.0
- (b) 2.33
- (c) 1.33
- (d) 0

62. Consider the following statements :

- I. Forward Euler method and backward Euler method for initial value problem have same order.
- II. Classical fourth order Runge-Kutta method for initial value problem has higher order than forward Euler method.
- III. Classical fourth order Runge-Kutta method for initial value problem has higher order than backward Euler method.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

63. Use Simpson's one-third rule to evaluate

$$\int_1^3 x^4 dx \text{ by dividing } [1, 3] \text{ into two parts.}$$

What is the value of the error?

- (a) 0.12
- (b) 0.19
- (c) 0.27
- (d) 0.33

64. Runge-Kutta method of order four is used to find the solution of the differential equation

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = f(x); \quad y(0) = 0$$

with step size h . If the solution is

$$y(h) = h \left[af(0) + bf\left(\frac{h}{2}\right) + cf(h) \right]$$

then what are the values of a , b , c respectively?

- (a) $1/6, 2/3, 2/3$
 (b) $2/3, 2/3, 1/6$
 (c) $2/3, 1/6, 1/6$
 (d) $1/6, 2/3, 1/6$
65. $y = x^2 + 2x + 3$ and y_0, y_1, y_2 are the values of y for $x = a, a+h, a+2h$ respectively. What is the value of $\int_a^{a+2h} y dx$? (Use trapezoidal rule)

- (a) $\frac{h}{2}(y_0 + 2y_1 + y_2)$
 (b) $\frac{h}{2}(2y_0 + y_1 + 2y_2)$
 (c) $\frac{h}{2}(y_0 + 2y_1 + 2y_2)$
 (d) $\frac{h}{2}(y_0 + y_1 + y_2)$

66. What is the value of the following?

$$4y_0 + 6\Delta y_0 + 4\Delta^2 y_0 + \Delta^3 y_0$$

- (a) $y_0 - y_1 + y_2 - y_3$
 (b) $y_0 + y_1 + y_2 + y_3$
 (c) $y_0 + y_1 - y_2 - y_3$
 (d) $y_0 - y_1 - y_2 + y_3$

67. What is the value of $\nabla^5 y_n$?

- (a) $\nabla^5 y_{n-5}$ (b) $\nabla^4 \Delta y_{n-5}$
 (c) $\Delta^5 y_n$ (d) $\Delta^5 y_{n-5}$

68. To find the approximate value of $\int_a^b y dx$, where $b = a + 8h$, which of the following rules can be applied?

- (a) Trapezoidal rule and Simpson's three-eighths rule
 (b) Trapezoidal rule and Simpson's one-third rule
 (c) Simpson's one-third rule and Weddle rule
 (d) Simpson's three-eighths rule and Weddle rule

69. The value of the integral $\int_1^3 f(x) dx$ is 5 by using trapezoidal rule and 3 by using Simpson's one-third rule dividing $[1, 3]$ into minimum number of intervals. What is the value of $f(2)$?

- (a) $1/2$
 (b) 1
 (c) $3/2$
 (d) 2

70. The third divided difference of a cubic polynomial is

- (a) always constant but not necessarily zero
 (b) always zero
 (c) equal to sum of arguments
 (d) equal to product of arguments

71. If $\Delta^2(ab^x) = \alpha b^x$, the interval of differencing being 1, then what is the value of α ?

(a) $a(b-1)^2$

(b) a

(c) $(b-1)^2$

(d) $a(b-1)$

72. If $\left(\frac{\Delta^2}{E}\right)x^3 = \alpha x + \beta$, the interval of differencing being 1, then what are the values of α and β respectively?

(a) 6, 6

(b) 6, 0

(c) 0, 6

(d) 3, 3

73. If $\delta = \alpha \nabla E^n$, the interval of differencing being 1, then what are the values of α and n respectively?

(a) 1, $-1/2$

(b) 1, $1/2$

(c) $1/2$, $-1/2$

(d) $-1/2$, $1/2$

74. Which one of the following is the best possible choice for the step size h to tabulate $f(x) = \sin x$ on $[0, \pi/4]$ that results in truncation error for the linear interpolation at most 10^{-5} ?

(a) $\pi/520$

(b) $\pi/320$

(c) $\pi/120$

(d) $\pi/92$

75. The roots of the least degree polynomial satisfied by (0, 1), (1/2, 3/2) and (1, 3) are

(a) real and distinct

(b) complex with real part zero

(c) real and repeated

(d) complex with non-zero real part

76. The bound on the truncation error of Lagrange linear interpolating polynomial $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$ is ϵ . What is the bound on the truncation error of Newton forward interpolating polynomial of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$?

(a) $\epsilon/2$

(b) ϵ

(c) 2ϵ

(d) 4ϵ

77. If the formula

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \alpha f(x_0) + \beta f(x_0 + h) + \gamma f(x_0 + 2h)$$

is exact for polynomial of as high order as possible for any $h > 0$, then what are the values of α , β , γ respectively?

(a) $\frac{h}{3}, \frac{4h}{3}, \frac{h}{3}$

(b) $\frac{4h}{3}, \frac{h}{3}, \frac{h}{3}$

(c) $h, \frac{h}{2}, h$

(d) $\frac{h}{2}, h, \frac{h}{2}$

78. For $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$, where $f(x)$ is cubic polynomial, consider the following statements :

- I. Trapezoidal rule will give the exact value of the integral.
- II. Simpson's one-third rule will give the exact value of the integral.
- III. Simpson's three-eighths rule will give the exact value of the integral.

Which of the statements given above are correct?

- (a) I and II only
- (b) II and III only
- (c) I and III only
- (d) I, II and III

79. Consider the following data with regard to depth (y) at a distance (x) of a river 40 m wide :

Distance from one
of the sides (x) : 0 10 20 30 40

Depth (y) at a
distance (x) in metre : 0 4 7 9 12

What is the approximate area of cross-section of the river? (Use Simpson's one-third rule)

- (a) 780 square metre
- (b) 390 square metre
- (c) 260 square metre
- (d) 195 square metre

80. Consider the initial value problem $\frac{dy}{dx} = -8y$; $y(0) = 1$. What is the largest interval for step size h so that the forward Euler method to solve the initial value problem is absolutely stable?

- (a) $(0, 1/8)$
- (b) $(0, 1/4)$
- (c) $(0, 1/3)$
- (d) $(0, 1/2)$

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