Faculty of Engineering Electrical Engineering Department 2rd Year

Numerical Methods Sheet 2 Binary System & Error Analysis



Problems are from Numerical Methods by John Mathews and Kurtis Fink (Fourth Edition)

A. Programming Exercises (Matlab)

- 1. Page 62: 2, 3, 4
- 2. Modify Program 2.2 (Page 99) to use a while loop instead of the for loop.
- 3. Modify Program 2.2 (Page 99) to make it receive only the function (f) and tolerance (delta). The function should then try to find *a* and *b* automatically.
- 4. Write a function *findFixedPoint* that uses the function *bisect* to find the fixed point of any function.
- 5. Write a function *findRoot* that uses *fixpt* to find the zeros of any function

B. Paper Homework

- 6. Page 50: 3,5
- 7. Page 51: 9
- 8. Page 61: 1, 8, 9, 12
- 9. Page 62: 13
- 10. Page 37: 1, 2, 3, 8
- 11. We will invent a new root finding algorithm and call it Assiut Adaptive Approximation (Triple A) Algorithm. It works as follows:

First you start with one approximation of the root (a) and finds $f(a_0)$ and $f(a_0 + h)$ where h

is a small positive number. If $f(a_0) * f(a_0 + h) > 0$ then you set $a_1 = a_0 + h$ otherwise you set

 $a_1 = a_0 - h/2$. This process is iterated until a solution is found:

- a. Does this algorithm work? Justify your answer.
- b. What are the minimum condition for the function f for this algorithm to work if any?
- c. Why did we use h/2 in the second case and cannot we just use h?