

# Numerical Methods - Final Assignment (30 Marks)

## Instructions:

- I. All the answers has to be put in a report including (a.) Equations/derivations if any (b.) results (c.) plots as well as (d.) code.
- II. The choice of approach taken or the method used has to be explicitly mentioned. Justification for the choice made has to explicitly mentioned.
- III. In case of issues with the results or bugs in the code, you need to clearly state it and suggest a solution, so I can judge your thinking process.
- IV. The required data are linked in each question as well as in the following [document](#).
- V. Deadline for submission of assignment is 14th of December 2022. Viva will be on 15th or 16th December 2022 over online mode.

# Assignment problem set 1 (10 marks)

1. Fit the following [data](#) and obtain the slope. Comment on the value of slope. Mention the method used to fit the slope. **(3 marks)**.
2. Consider the Cauchy's distribution  $P(x) = 1/(\pi(1 + x^2))$  within the limits  $(-10,10)$ . Obtain the integral of  $P(x)$  in single application of Simpson's  $\frac{3}{8}$  rule and compare with Gauss Quadrature methods. Numerically obtain the  $F(x)$ , the cumulative distribution function using best numerical integral method. Justify the choice **(4 marks)**.
3. Consider  $U(r) = (1/r^{12}) - (1/r^6)$ . Compute the minimum of the function using the parabolic interpolation method (slide 15 in the notes). Compare with the value obtained analytically **(3 marks)**.

## Assignment problem set 2 (10 marks)

4. Consider a simple pendulum consisting of a ball of mass  $m$  hung by a (massless) thread of length  $L$ , on earth. Let  $\theta$  be the angular displacement.
  - a. Write down the equation of motion (without assuming small angle approximation) and solve using RK4 ODE solver. Solve the **simple** pendulum problem using RK4 ODE solver (**3 marks**).
  - b. For a fixed  $L=1$ , for small initial  $\theta_i$  ( $<20^\circ$ ) approximation, compare with analytical solution (i.)  $\theta$  vs. time (ii.) period of oscillation  $T$  (**2 marks**).
  - c. Compare the phase space trajectory ( $\theta$  vs  $d\theta/dt$ ) for  $\theta_i = 10, 20, 50, 90$  (**2 marks**).
  - d. Compare the phase space trajectory for the simple pendulum on sun, moon and mars with earth (for fixed  $\theta_i = 20$ ) (**2 marks**).
  - e. Write the equation of motion for double pendulum problems and discuss implementation (**1 mark**) or Visualize the motion of single pendulum and show the animation (**1 mark**).

## Assignment problem set 3 (10 marks)

5. Read the following [text](#) in matlab and convert all to lowercase (**2 marks**)  
(string manipulation related queries can be discussed with me or TA).

Answer the following

- a. Count the number of letters and words (**1 Marks**)
- b. Obtain the normalised distribution of alphabets (**4 marks**)
- c. The first 5 most frequently found english letter are (e, a, r, i, o). For each of this letter which another letter follows more frequently (eg., In the following words - english, engine, energy, enigma, enter, empire - 'e' is followed by 'n' 6 times, 'r' twice, 'm' once. So n is the most frequently followed letter for e) (**3 marks**)