

**Mathematics 527 Test 3 Name:** \_\_\_\_\_

*You will need a calculator. You may use one page (both sides) of notes during the test.*

1. (25 points.) Let

$$\int_0^3 f(x) dx \approx w_0 f(x_0) + w_1 f(x_1) + w_2 f(x_2) + w_3 f(x_3)$$

be the Gaussian quadrature method using four nodes in the interval  $[0, 3]$ .

(a) Explain carefully what this means. That is how are the nodes and weights chosen and for what class of functions is the formula exact.

(b) What is the sum  $w_0 + w_1 + w_2 + w_3$ ? Prove your answer is correct using the properties Gaussian quadrature.

2. (10 points) Let  $f(x, y)$  be a function so that

$$\begin{aligned} f(1, 2) &= 1, & f_x(1, 2) &= 2, & f_y(1, 2) &= 3, \\ f_{xx}(1, 2) &= 4, & f_{xy}(1, 2) &= 5, & f_{yy}(1, 2) &= 6. \end{aligned}$$

Then give an approximation to  $f(1.2, 1.9)$  using Taylor's theorem.

3. (15 points) Let  $x(t)$  satisfy the differential equation  $\dot{x}(t) = f(t, x(t))$ . The give formula's for  $\ddot{x}(t)$  and  $\ddot{x}(t)$  that only involve  $f(t, x)$  and its partial derivatives.

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4. (20 points)

(a) Apply 2 steps of the four order Runge-Kutta method to the initial value problem

$$\dot{x}(t) = f(t), \quad x(0) = 0$$

to give a formula for an approximation to  $x(1)$ .

(b) Explain why this gives an approximation to  $\int_0^1 f(s) ds$ .