

### Problem 5: Error orders.

① Order of error w/ respect to sine approximation:

$$\sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \dots$$

Approximation:  $\sin(1/n) \approx 1/n.$

Finding the error: (Approx. - Actual)

$$\begin{aligned} [1/n] - [1/n - 1/n^3 3! + 1/n^5 5! - 1/n^7 7! + \dots] \\ = 1/n^3 3! - 1/n^5 5! + 1/n^7 7! - \dots \end{aligned}$$

As  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , the denominators get larger and larger. Thus, the terms get smaller and become less significant.

$$1/n^3 3! > 1/n^5 5! > 1/n^7 7! > \dots \quad (\text{Terms get smaller})$$

we can observe that the greatest term is  $1/n^3 3!$ , given that it has the smallest denominator. Therefore, we can conclude that the greatest error comes from this term. This means that all other errors are bounded above by  $1/n^3 3!$ .

$$\therefore \text{Error of } \sin(1/n) = O(1/n^3), \text{ for } n > 1.$$

Next up:  $\cos(x)$ .



② order of error w/ respect to the cosine approx.:

$$\cos(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} - \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots$$

Approximation:  $\cos(1/n) \approx 1 - 1/2n^2$ .

Finding the error: (Actual - Approx.)

$$\left[ 1 - \frac{1}{n^2 2!} + \frac{1}{n^4 4!} - \frac{1}{n^6 6!} + \dots \right] - \left[ 1 - \frac{1}{n^2 2!} \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^4 4!} - \frac{1}{n^6 6!} + \frac{1}{n^8 8!} - \dots$$

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Therefore, we can conclude that the greatest error comes from this term. This means that all other errors are bounded above by  $\frac{1}{n^4 4!}$ .

$$\therefore \text{Error of } \cos(1/n) = O\left(\frac{1}{n^4}\right),$$

for  $n > 1$ .

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