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Assignment 1

Ans 1. Given $\epsilon = 10^{-2}$, we can use Taylor's expansion for a_n and b_n . Assume $f(n) = \frac{1}{n+2}$ and $g(n) = \frac{1}{n^2}$. For some $n = N_0$, we can write

$$f(n) = f(N_0) + \frac{f'(N_0)(n - N_0)}{1!} + \frac{f''(N_0)(n - N_0)^2}{2!} + \dots$$
$$a_n = \frac{1}{N_a + 2} + \frac{-(n - N_a)}{(n - N_a)^2 1!}$$

Ans 4. For f(x) - x = 0 in the interval [0,1], if we take x = 0, it is simple to observe that f(0) - 0 = 0. Hence, x = 0 is the solution of the given equation in the interval [0,1]. f(0) = 0 also means that 0 is the root of f(x).

Ans 6. Taylor's expansion of f(x) at x_0 is

$$f(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{n} \frac{f^{(k)}(x_0)(x - x_0)^k}{k!}$$

where $k \in \mathbb{Z}^+$. For $x_0 = 0$ and n = 3, we can write

$$sin(x) = sin(0) + cos(0)x - sin(0)\frac{x^2}{2!} - cos(0)\frac{x^3}{3!}$$
$$sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{6}$$

Error term will be

$$E = \frac{x^4}{24} sin(\xi(x))$$

where $0 < \xi(x) < x$, for n = 8 we have

$$sin(x) = sin(0) + cos(0)x - sin(0)\frac{x^2}{2!} - cos(0)\frac{x^3}{3!} + sin(0)\frac{x^4}{24} + cos(0)\frac{x^5}{120}$$
$$- sin(0)\frac{x^6}{720} - cos(0)\frac{x^7}{7!} + sin(0)\frac{x^8}{8!}$$
$$sin(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^5}{120} - \frac{x^7}{7!}$$

Error term will be

$$E = \frac{x^9}{9!}cos(\xi(x))$$

where $0 < \xi(x) < x$

Ans 7. For f(x) = cos(x) and n = 3, Taylor's expansion at $x_0 = 0$ will look like

$$cos(x) = cos(0) - sin(0)x - cos(0)\frac{x^2}{2} + sin(0)\frac{x^3}{6}$$
$$cos(x) = 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$$

$$\int_0^{0.4} f(x)dx \approx \int_0^{0.4} \left(1 - \frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx$$
$$\approx \left[x - \frac{x^3}{6}\right]_0^{0.4}$$
$$\approx 0.4 - \frac{(0.4)^3}{6}$$
$$\approx 0.389333...$$

(b) Error function will look like for $0 < cos(\xi(x)) \le 1$

$$E = \left| \cos(\xi(x)) \frac{x^4}{24} \right| \le \left| \frac{x^4}{24} \right|$$

Hence, the upper bound of the error is $\frac{x^4}{24}$.

Ans 8. Taylor's expansion of e^x around $x_0 = 0$ with polynomial degree n = 4 will be

$$e^x = 1 + x + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24}$$

Putting x = 1

$$e = 1 + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{6} + \frac{1}{24}$$
$$e = 2.70833$$

Error term will be

$$error = \left| \frac{e^{\xi(x)} x^{n+1}}{(n+1)!} \right| \le 10^{-6}$$

Putting x = 1

$$error = \left| \frac{e^{\xi(1)}}{(n+1)!} \right|$$

Since $0 < \xi(x) < x = 1$ and e^x is the increasing function, we have $0 < e^{\xi(x)} < e^{\xi(x)}$

$$\left| \frac{e^{\xi(1)}}{(n+1)!} \right| \le \left| \frac{e}{(n+1)!} \right| \le 10^{-6}$$
$$(n+1)! \ge \frac{e}{10^{-6}}$$
$$(n+1)! > e \times 10^{6}$$

Ans 9. Second degree Taylor's approximation for $f(x) = \sqrt{x+1}$ at $x_0 = 0$ is

$$\sqrt{x+1} = 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x+1}} + \frac{-1}{4(x+1)^{3/2}}$$
$$= 1 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{2}} - \frac{x^2}{8}$$

Remainder term is

$$R = \frac{x^3}{16(\xi(x)+1)^{5/2}}$$

where $x_0 = 0 < \xi(x) < x$. We can obtain a bound for this term if we choose $x \in [0, \infty]$.