Homework 4

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Problem 1

(a)

$$L_1(x) = \frac{(x-0)(x-1)}{(-1-0)(-1-1)} = \frac{x^2 - x}{2}$$

$$L_2(x) = \frac{[x-(-1)](x-1)}{[0-(-1)](0-1)} = 1 - x^2$$

$$L_3(x) = \frac{[x-(-1)](x-0)}{[1-(-1)](1-0)} = \frac{x^2 + x}{2}$$

$$h(x) = P(x) = \sum_{k=0}^{3} f(x_k) L_k(x)$$

$$= \frac{x^2 - x}{2} f(-1) + (1 - x^2) f(0) + \frac{x^2 + x}{2} f(1)$$

(b)

$$E(x) = \frac{f^{(3)}(\xi(x))}{3!} \prod_{i=0}^{2} (x - x_i)$$

(c)

$$\int_{-1}^{1} h(x) \ dx = \int_{-1}^{1} \frac{x^2 - x}{2} f(-1) + (1 - x^2) f(0) + \frac{x^2 + x}{2} f(1) \ dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} (x^2 - x) f(-1) + (2 - 2x^2) f(0) + (x^2 + x) f(1) \ dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} f(-1) \int_{-1}^{1} x^2 - x \ dx + f(0) \int_{-1}^{1} 1 - x^2 \ dx + \frac{1}{2} f(1) \int_{-1}^{1} x^2 + x \ dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} f(-1) \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^{1} + f(0) \left[x - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_{-1}^{1} + \frac{1}{2} f(1) \left[\frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{-1}^{1}$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} f(-1) + \frac{4}{3} f(0) + \frac{1}{3} f(1)$$

(d) Yes. This is because when f is a polynomial of degree less than or equal to 2, the error term stated in part (b) is 0 as $f^{(3)}(\xi(x))$ is 0. This makes $\int_{-1}^{1} h(x) dx = \int_{-1}^{1} f(x) dx$.

$$\left| \int_{-1}^{1} f(x) \ dx - \int_{-1}^{1} h(x) \ dx \right| \le \frac{1}{6} \int_{-1}^{1} (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) f^{(3)}(\xi(x)) \ dx$$

Problem 2

(a)

$$\int_0^4 f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + f(x_2)] - \frac{h^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi)$$

$$\approx \frac{2}{3} [f(0) + 4f(2) + f(4)]$$

$$= \frac{2}{3} [1 + 4 + 1]$$

$$= 4$$

(b)

$$\int_{1}^{4} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [f(a) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{(n/2)-1} f(x_{2j}) + 4 \sum_{j=1}^{(n/2)} f(x_{2j-1}) + f(b)] - \frac{b-a}{180} h^{4} f^{(4)}(\mu)$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{3} [f(0) + 2f(2) + 4(f(1) + f(3)) + f(4)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} [1 + 2 * 1 + 4 * (2 + 2) + 1]$$

$$= \frac{20}{3}$$