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Q 1. [4 marks] A natural cubic spline S on $[0, 2]$ is defined by

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} S_0(x) = 1 + 2x - x^3, & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ S_1(x) = 2 + b(x-1) + c(x-1)^2 + d(x-1)^3, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$$

Find b, c , and d .

$$\begin{aligned} S'_0(x) &= 2 - 3x^2, & S'_1(x) &= b + 2c(x-1) + 3d(x-1)^2 \\ S''_0(x) &= -6x, & S''_1(x) &= 2c + 6d(x-1) \end{aligned}$$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad S_0(1) = S_1(1) \mapsto 2 = 2 \checkmark$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad S'_0(1) = S'_1(1) \mapsto \boxed{-1 = b}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad S''_0(1) = S''_1(1) \Rightarrow -6 = 2c \mapsto \boxed{c = -3}$$

$$\textcircled{4} \quad \text{natural condition: } S''(2) = 0 \Rightarrow 2c + 6d = 0 \mapsto \boxed{d = 1}$$

Q 2. [10 marks] Use the upper bound for the error in Simpson's 1/3 rule to find the values of n and therefore h required to approximate

$$\int_0^2 \frac{1}{x+4} dx$$

to within 10^{-5} and compute the approximation using composite Simpson's 1/3 rule.

Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{x+4}$. We find the fourth derivative of $f(x)$ first.

$$f'(x) = \frac{-1}{(x+4)^2} \mapsto f''(x) = \frac{2}{(x+4)^3} \mapsto f'''(x) = \frac{-6}{(x+4)^4} \mapsto f^{(4)}(x) = \frac{24}{(x+4)^5}$$

$$M = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 2} |f^{(4)}(x)| = \max_{0 \leq x \leq 2} \frac{24}{|x+4|^5} = \frac{24}{10^5} = 0.02344$$

$$|E_a| \leq \frac{b-a}{180} h^4 M \leq 10^{-5} \Rightarrow \frac{2}{180} h^4 (0.02344) \leq 10^{-5}$$

$$\Rightarrow h^4 \leq 0.0384 \Rightarrow h \leq 0.44266$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{2-0}{n} \leq 0.44266 \Rightarrow n \geq 4.52$$

We choose $n=6$ and therefore $h = \frac{b-a}{n} = 0.333 = \frac{1}{3}$

$$\int_0^2 \frac{1}{x+4} dx = \frac{h}{3} \left[f(0) + 4f\left(\frac{1}{3}\right) + 2f\left(\frac{2}{3}\right) + 4f(1) + 2f\left(\frac{4}{3}\right) + 4f\left(\frac{5}{3}\right) + f(2) \right]$$

$$\approx 0.4055$$

Q 3. [6 marks] Determine constants a, b, c , and d that will produce a quadrature formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = af(-1) + bf(1) + cf'(-1) + df'(1)$$

that has degree of precision 3.

$$f(x) = 1 \mapsto 2 = \int_{-1}^1 1 dx = a + b$$

$$f(x) = x \mapsto 0 = \int_{-1}^1 x dx = -a + b + c + d$$

$$f(x) = x^2 \mapsto \frac{2}{3} = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = a + b - 2c + 2d$$

$$f(x) = x^3 \mapsto 0 = \int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx = -a + b + 3c + 3d$$

$$\begin{cases} a + b = 2 \\ -a + b + c + d = 0 \\ a + b - 2c + 2d = \frac{2}{3} \\ -a + b + 3c + 3d = 0 \end{cases} \mapsto \begin{cases} a = 1 \\ b = 1 \\ c = \frac{1}{3} \\ d = -\frac{1}{3} \end{cases}$$

So,

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = f(-1) + f(1) + \frac{1}{3}f'(-1) - \frac{1}{3}f'(1)$$