

# MATH 231 : Numerical ODEs

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## Question 1: Polynomial Interpolation

- (a) Consider the data  $\{(-1, -5), (0, 1), (1, 3)\}$ . This exercise is to compute by hand the Lagrange interpolant  $f_n(x)$ .

(i) Compute  $f_2(x)$  by hand using Newton basis functions and verify it interpolates the data.

(ii) Suppose a new data point  $(2, 7)$  is added, repeat (i) and verify  $f_3(x)$  interpolates the data.

- (b) Instead, suppose you have derivative information on the data  $\{(-1, -5, 4), (0, 1, 1), (2, 7, 121)\}$ , compute by hand the Hermite interpolant  $H_5(x)$  and verify that it interpolates the data.

- (c) Recall for  $n+1$  data points  $\{(x_i, y_i)\}_{i=0}^n$ , the Lagrange interpolant written in terms of Lagrange basis is given by

$$f_n(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n y_j \ell_j(x), \quad \text{where } \ell_j(x) = \frac{\prod_{i \neq j, i=0}^n (x - x_i)}{\prod_{i \neq j, i=0}^n (x_j - x_i)}. \quad (1)$$

This exercise is about evaluating  $f_n(x)$  more efficiently on many different values of  $x$ , such as when plotting  $f_n(x)$ .

(i) Show that evaluating  $f_n(x)$  at a fixed value of  $x$  using (1) directly involves  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  costs.

(ii) Instead, deduce that 1 can be rewritten as

$$f_n(x) = \ell(x) \sum_{j=0}^n y_j \frac{w_j}{x - x_j}, \quad \text{where } \ell(x) = \prod_{i=0}^n (x - x_i) \text{ and } w_j = (\ell'(x_j))^{-1} = \left( \prod_{i \neq j, i=0}^n (x_j - x_i) \right)^{-1}. \quad (2)$$

- (iii) Show that computing  $\{w_j\}_{j=0}^n$  takes  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  costs but it needs to be done only once for different values  $x$ .

Hint: Unlike the expressions for  $\ell_j(x)$ , notice that  $w_j$  only depends the nodes  $\{x_j\}_{j=0}^n$ .

- (iv) To further remove the need to compute  $\ell(x)$ , use (2) to deduce that (1) can be rewritten as

$$f_n(x) = \left( \sum_{j=0}^n y_j \frac{w_j}{x - x_j} \right) / \left( \sum_{j=0}^n \frac{w_j}{x - x_j} \right) \quad (3)$$

This is also called the barycentric interpolation formula for  $f_n(x)$ .

Hint: Recall  $f_n(x) = f(x)$  for any polynomial function  $f(x)$  up to degree  $n$ , in particular for  $f(x) = 1$ .

- (v) Conclude that once  $\{w_j\}_{j=0}^n$  is computed and stored, evaluating  $f_n(x)$  using (3) takes  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  costs for each  $x$ .

- (vi) Implement a program to interpolate  $f(x) = \sin^3(\pi x)$  on  $[-1, 1]$  using  $n = 5, 10, 15, 20$  uniformly-spaced nodes and plot resulting interpolants  $f_n(x)$  versus  $f(x)$  on 100 uniformly-spaced nodes using (3).

Hint: When evaluating  $f_n(x_i)$  with (3), replace any NaN's in your output with  $f(x_i)$ .

- (a) (i) First we compute the secant slopes as they will give us the coefficients for the Newton Polynomial

1	$f[x_i]$	$f[x_i, x_{i+1}]$	$f[x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}]$
-1	-5		
		6	
0	1		-2
		2	
1	3		

. Therefore, the corresponding Newton Polynomial is :

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_2(x) &= f[x_0] + f[x_0, x_1](x - x_0) + f[x_0, x_1, x_2](x - x_0)(x - x_1) \\
 &= -5 + 6(x + 1) - 2(x + 1)(x) \\
 &= -5 + 6x + 6 - 2x^2 - 2x \\
 &= 1 + 4x - 2x^2.
 \end{aligned}$$

- (ii) We update our previous secant table by adding the point:

1	$f[x_i]$	$f[x_i, x_{i+1}]$	$f[x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}]$	$f[x_i, x_{i+1}, x_{i+2}, x_{i+3}]$
-1	-5			
		6		
0	1		-2	
		2		1
1	3		1	
		4		
2	7			

. Therefore the corresponding Newton polynomial is,

$$\begin{aligned}
 f_3(x) &= f_2(x) + f[x_0, x_1, x_2, x_3](x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) \\
 &= 1 + 4x - 2x^2 + (x + 1)x(x - 1) \\
 &= 1 + 4x - 2x^2 + x^3 - x \\
 &= 1 + 3x - 2x^2 + x^3
 \end{aligned}$$

(b)

(c)

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**Algorithm 1:** Richardson Iteration

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1 function NaivePolynomialEval(a,x,y):  
    Input:  
    a: The array of coefficients  
    x: Point of evaluation  
    Output:  
    sum: Polynomial evaluation  
  
2 s = 0  
3 n = len(a)  
4 for j=0 ... n:  
5     li=1  
6     for j= 1...n:  
7         if i ≠ j:  
8             li = li ·  $\frac{x-x_j}{x_i-x_j}$   
9     sum = yi · li  
10 return sum
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From the above we can see that it takes  $\mathcal{O}(n^2)$  to evaluate a polynomial.

**Question 2: Spline Interpolation**

- (a) Compute the constant, linear, natural cubic spline by hand for the data  $\{(1,2), (2,3), (3,5)\}$ .
- (b) Implement an  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  program to interpolate  $f(x) = \cos(x^2)$  with a clamped cubic spline  $S(x)$  using  $n = 5, 10, 15, 20$  uniformly-spaced nodes on  $[0, 2\sqrt{\pi}]$  and plot resulting interpolants  $S_n(\overline{x})$  versus  $f(x)$  on 100 uniformly-spaced nodes. Hint: Use your  $\mathcal{O}(n)$  algorithm from **A0** to solve the tridiagonal system for the coefficients  $c_i$  and use Horner's method to evaluate the piecewise cubic polynomials for plotting.
- (c) Consider interpolating  $f$  using a not-a-knot cubic spline on  $a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$  (not necessarily uniformly spaced). Write down the linear system for determining the coefficients  $c_i$  in the form

$$Ac = f$$

where  $A$  is a tridiagonal matrix of  $(n-1) \times (n-1)$ ,  $c \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  is the vector of  $c_i$  coefficients, and  $f \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}$  is the vector involving divided difference of  $f$ .

Hint: Show that the not-a-knot boundary condition implies  $d_0 = d_1$  and  $d_{n-1} = d_{n-2}$ . Use these relations to deduce relations for  $c_0$  and  $c_n$  by substituting them into the boxed formula on Lecture 15-page 12.

**Solution**

- (a) The constant spline is,

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} 2, & x \in [1, 2) \\ 3, & x \in [2, 3) \\ 5, & x = 3 \end{cases}.$$

The linear spline is,

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} y_0 + f[x_0, x_1](x - 1), & x \in [1, 2) \\ y_1 + f[x_1, x_2](x - 1), & x \in [2, 3] \end{cases} = \begin{cases} 2 + (x - 1), & x \in [1, 2) \\ 3 + 2(x - 2), & x \in [2, 3] \end{cases}.$$

The cubic spline has the following form ,

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} a_i + b_i(x - x_i) + c_i(x - x_i)^2 + d_i(x - x_i)^3, & x \in [x_i, x_{i+1}) \\ a_{n-1} + b_{n-1}(x - x_{n-1}) + c_{n-1}(x - x_{n-1})^2 + d_{n-1}(x - x_{n-1})^3, & x \in [x_{n-1}, x_n] \end{cases}.$$

To solve for the natural cubic spline we have to solve the following equation first,

$$\begin{aligned} (2(h_0 + h_1)) (c_1) &= 3 (f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]) \\ (4) (c_1) &= 3 (f[x_1, x_2] - f[x_0, x_1]) \\ 4c_1 &= 3(2 - 1) \\ c_1 &= \frac{3}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

So we have,  $c_0 = c_2 = 0$  and  $c_1 = \frac{3}{4}$ . The corresponding  $d_i$  are,

$$\begin{aligned} d_0 &= \frac{c_1 - c_0}{3h_0} = \frac{\frac{3}{4}}{3} = \frac{1}{4} \\ d_1 &= \frac{c_2 - c_1}{3h_1} = \frac{-\frac{3}{4}}{1} = -\frac{1}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

Next we compute the  $b_i$ ,

$$\begin{aligned} b_0 &= f[x_0, x_1] - \frac{h_0}{3} (c_1 + 2c_0) = 1 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{3}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{4} \\ b_1 &= f[x_1, x_2] - \frac{h_1}{3} (c_2 + 2c_1) = 2 - \frac{1}{3} \left( \frac{6}{4} \right) = \frac{3}{2}. \end{aligned}$$

So the corresponding natural cubic spline is,

$$S(x) = \begin{cases} 2 + \frac{3}{4}(x - 1) + \frac{3}{4}(x - 1)^3, & x \in [1, 2) \\ 3 + \frac{3}{2}(x - 2) + \frac{3}{4}(x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{4}(x - 2)^3, & x \in [2, 3] \end{cases}.$$

(b) In jupyter notebook.

(c) The **not-a-knot** cubic spline condition is,

$$p_0'''(x_0) = p_1'''(x_1) \quad \text{and} \quad p_{n-2}'''(x_{n-1}) = p_{n-1}'''(x_{n-1})$$

$$p_0'''(x_0) = d_0 = d_1 = p_1'''(x_1) \quad \text{and} \quad p_{n-1}'''(x_{n-1}) = d_{n-1} = d_{n-2} = p_{n-2}'''(x_{n-1}).$$

Using the above in the relations derived between  $c_i$  and  $d_i$ , we get

$$d_0 = \frac{c_1 - c_0}{3h_0} = \frac{c_2 - c_1}{3h_1} = d_1.$$

Simplifying gives,

$$-c_0h_1 + (h_0 + h_1)c_1 - c_2h_1 = 0.$$

On the other hand,

$$d_{n-1} = \frac{c_n - c_{n-1}}{3h_{n-1}} = \frac{c_{n-2} - c_{n-1}}{3h_{n-2}} = d_{n-2}.$$

Simplifying the above gives,

$$-c_{n-2}h_{n-1} + (h_{n-1} + h_{n-2})c_{n-1} - c_n h_{n-2} = 0.$$

Which gives the following linear system,

$$A = \begin{pmatrix} -h_1 & (h_0 + h_1) & h_0 & & & 0 \\ h_0 & (h_0 + h_1) & h_1 & & & \\ & & & \ddots & & \\ & & & & h_{n-2} & 2(h_{n-2} + h_{n-1}) & h_{n-1} \\ & & & & -h_{n-1} & 2(h_{n-2} + h_{n-1}) & h_{n-2} \end{pmatrix}.$$

$$\vec{c} = \begin{pmatrix} c_0 \\ \vdots \\ c_n \end{pmatrix}.$$

### Question 3: Trigonometric interpolation and Discrete Fourier Transform

Denote the vectors  $\mathbf{f} = (f_0, f_1, \dots, f_{N-1})^T$  and  $\hat{\mathbf{f}} = (\hat{f}_0, \hat{f}_1, \dots, \hat{f}_{N-1})^T$ . Recall that the Discrete Fourier Transform (DFT) of  $\mathbf{f}$  is  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  and the inverse Discrete Fourier Transform of  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  is  $\mathbf{f}$  given by in components

$$\hat{f}_k = \sum_{j=0}^{N-1} f_j \omega_N^{-jk}, \quad f_j = \frac{1}{N} \sum_{k=0}^{N-1} \hat{f}_k \omega_N^{jk}, \quad \text{where } \omega_N := e^{\frac{2\pi i}{N}}, \text{ for } 0 \leq k \leq N-1 \quad (4)$$

- Compute explicitly the DFT  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  of  $\mathbf{f} = (5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1)^T$  using (4). Sketch the associated truncated Fourier series  $\hat{f}_N(x)$  on  $[0, 2\pi]$  ?
- Set all frequency components  $\hat{f}_4, \dots, \hat{f}_7$  of  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$  to zero and call this vector  $\tilde{\mathbf{f}}$ . Now compute the inverse DFT of  $\tilde{\mathbf{f}}$  and sketch the new truncated Fourier series  $\tilde{f}_N(x)$  ? Explain why this result is expected. Remark: This is an example of a "low-pass" filter and has applications in signal processing.
- The following exercise outlines the main idea behind the Fast Fourier Transform (FFT) algorithm introduced by Cooley and Tukey in 1965. For simplicity, we assume  $N = 2^m$  for some integer  $m$ .
  - For  $0 \leq k \leq N-1$ , show that the sum in (4) of the DFT can be written in terms of even/odd components as

$$\hat{f}_k = \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} f_{2j} \left( \omega_{\frac{N}{2}} \right)^{-jk} + \omega_N^{-k} \sum_{j=0}^{\frac{N}{2}-1} f_{2j+1} \left( \omega_{\frac{N}{2}} \right)^{-jk}$$

Hint: Express  $\omega_{\frac{N}{2}}$  in terms of  $\omega_N$ .

- Denote  $FFT(\mathbf{f}, N)$  as the DFT of  $\mathbf{f}$  with  $N$  components and define  $\boldsymbol{\omega} := (1, \omega_N^{-1}, \omega_N^{-2}, \dots, \omega_N^{-(N-1)})^T$ . By writing out the  $N$  equations from part (i), deduce that  $FFT(\mathbf{f}, N)$  can be written recursively as

$$FFT(\mathbf{f}, N) = \begin{pmatrix} FFT(\mathbf{f}_{\text{even}}, \frac{N}{2}) \\ FFT(\mathbf{f}_{\text{even}}, \frac{N}{2}) \end{pmatrix} + \boldsymbol{\omega} \odot \begin{pmatrix} FFT(\mathbf{f}_{\text{odd}}, \frac{N}{2}) \\ FFT(\mathbf{f}_{\text{odd}}, \frac{N}{2}) \end{pmatrix}$$

where  $\odot$  denotes element-wise multiplication and  $\mathbf{f}_{\text{even}}/\mathbf{f}_{\text{odd}}$  denotes the even/odd components of  $\mathbf{f}$ . Using this, write a recursive pseudocode for the function  $FFT$  to compute the DFT of  $\mathbf{f}$ .

- (iii) Let  $T(N)$  be the FLOPs to compute  $FFT(\mathbf{f}, N)$  and assume  $T(1)$  is a constant  $C$ . Express  $T(N)$  as a recursive function of  $T(N/2)$  and show that the overall computational cost to compute  $FFT(\mathbf{f}, N)$  is  $\mathcal{O}(N \log_2 N)$ . How much faster is FFT compared to DFT using direct matrix-to-vector multiplication for  $m = 5, 10, 15, 20$  ?

Remark: FFT was considered one of top 10 most impactful algorithm of 20<sup>th</sup> century - see <https://archive.siam.org/pdf/news/637.pdf>.



## Solution

(a) Given that  $\mathbf{f} = (5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1, 5, 1)$  we want to compute  $\hat{\mathbf{f}}$

$$\hat{f}_0 = \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{7}} \right)^0 = 24$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_1 &= \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{8}} \right)^{-j} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{2\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{4\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{6\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{8\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{10\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{12\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{14\pi i}{8}} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} + e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} - 5 - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} - 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} - e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_2 &= \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{8}} \right)^{-2j} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{4\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{8\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{12\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{16\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{20\pi i}{8}} + 5e^{-\frac{24\pi i}{8}} + e^{-\frac{28\pi i}{8}} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} + 5e^{-\pi i} + e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{2}} + 5 + e^{-\frac{5\pi i}{2}} + 5e^{-3\pi i} + e^{-\frac{7\pi i}{2}} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} - 5 - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} + 5 + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} - 5 - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_3 &= \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{8}} \right)^{-3j} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{6\pi i}{4}} + e^{-\frac{9\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{12\pi i}{4}} + e^{-\frac{15\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{18\pi i}{4}} + e^{-\frac{21\pi i}{4}} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} - 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} - 5 - e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_4 &= \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{8}} \right)^{-4j} \\ &= 5 + e^{1\pi i} + 5e^{2\pi i} + e^{3\pi i} + 5e^{4\pi i} + e^{5\pi i} + 5e^{6\pi i} + e^{7\pi i} \\ &= 5 - 1 + 5 - 1 + 5 - 1 + 5 - 1 \\ &= 16 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \hat{f}_5 &= \sum_{j=0}^7 f_j \left( e^{\frac{2\pi i}{8}} \right)^{-5j} \\ &= 5 + e^{-\frac{5\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{5\pi i}{2}} + e^{-\frac{15\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-5\pi i} + e^{-\frac{25\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{15\pi i}{2}} + e^{-\frac{35\pi i}{4}} \\ &= 5 - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} + e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} - 5 - e^{-\frac{3\pi i}{4}} + 5e^{-\frac{\pi i}{2}} - e^{-\frac{\pi i}{4}} \\ &= 0 \end{aligned}$$

## Question 4: Numerical Differentiation and Integration

(a) In solving boundary value problems with Neumann boundary conditions, derivative values at the boundary need to be approximated from one side of the boundary. For some constants  $a, b, c$ , design an one-sided finite difference approximation for  $f'(x)$  of the form,

$$D_h f(x) = a f(x) + b f(x+h) + c f(x+2h),$$

with the highest degree of accuracy. Derive its error term and find the highest  $p$  so that the error is bounded by  $\mathcal{O}(h^p)$ .

- (b) Consider integrating  $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$  which often arises in probability and statistics for computing the cumulative distribution function of the Gaussian distribution.
- (i) Write down the quadrature formulas involving  $h$  and  $n$  for  $I(f) = \int_a^b f(x)dx$  using the composite midpoint, trapezoidal and Simpson's method. State their degree of accuracy.
- (ii) Recall the error for each of the composite rules is bounded by  $\frac{M_2}{24}(b-a)h^2$ ,  $\frac{M_2}{12}(b-a)h^2$ , and  $\frac{M_4}{180}(b-a)h^4$  respectively, where  $M_n := \max_{x \in [a,b]} |f^{(n)}(x)|$ . Estimate the number of subintervals  $n$  needed for each method in order to guarantee an error tolerance of  $10^{-6}$  for  $I(f)$  on  $[0, 1]$ . How do these estimates compare to part (iv)?
- (iii) The 4-point Gauss Quadrature has Gauss points on  $\left\{ \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{7} - \frac{2}{7}\sqrt{\frac{6}{5}}}, \pm\sqrt{\frac{3}{7} + \frac{2}{7}\sqrt{\frac{6}{5}}} \right\}$  with respective weights  $\left\{ \frac{18+\sqrt{30}}{36}, \frac{18+\sqrt{30}}{36}, \frac{18-\sqrt{30}}{36}, \frac{18-\sqrt{30}}{36} \right\}$ . Write down the 4-point Gauss Quadrature of  $I(f)$  on  $[0, 1]$ .
- (iv) Using parts (i)-(iii), implement a program to generate a table of values for the four quadrature methods to reach the tolerance criterion of  $10^{-5}$ . Using the exact value of  $I(f)$  on  $[0, 1]$  is  $0.7468241328\dots$ , verify the three composite methods have the expected error of order  $\mathcal{O}(h^p)$ , i.e. graph a log-log plot of error versus  $h$  to verify the order  $p$ . Rank their computational costs based on their number of function evaluations.
- (c) Recall the composite Trapezoidal rule has the error  $I(f) = I_h(f) + \mathcal{O}(h^2)$ .
- (i) Apply Richardson's extrapolation to the composite Trapezoidal rule to derive a more accurate quadrature formula. What is the expected improved order?
- (ii) Demonstrate the improved convergence with your new quadrature rule for the integral from part (b) by graphing a log-log plot of error versus  $h$  to verify the order  $p$ . Explain briefly if you do not get the expected order.

### Solution

- (a) Because we have three unknowns  $a, b, c$  we can have 3 equations and hence highest degree of accuracy we can achieve is 2. Therefore consider,

If  $f(x) = 1$ ,

$$D_h f(x) = f'(x) = 0 = a + b + c.$$

If  $f(x) = x$

$$D_h f(x) = f'(x) = 1 = ax + b(x+h) + c(x+2h).$$

$$\implies 1 = (a+b+c)x + (b+2c)h = (b+2c)h \implies \frac{1}{h} = b+2c.$$

If  $f(x) = x^2$

$$D_h f(x) = f'(x) = 2x = ax^2 + b(x+h)^2 + c(x+2h)^2.$$

$$\implies 2x = (a + b + c)x^2 + 2(b + 2c)xh + (b + 4c)h^2 = 2x + (b + 4c)h^2.$$

$$\implies 0 = b + 4c = \frac{1}{h} + 2c \implies \frac{-1}{2h} = c.$$

Also,

$$0 = b + 4c = \frac{2}{h} - b \implies b = \frac{2}{h}.$$

Combining gives,

$$a = \frac{-3}{2h}.$$

Therefore,

$$D_h f(x) = \frac{-3f(x) + 4f(x+h) - f(x+2h)}{2h}.$$

Which has degree order of accuracy of 2.

Using the Taylor Remainder Theorem around  $x$  gives,

$$\begin{aligned} D_h f(x) &= \frac{1}{2h} \left( -3f(x) + 4f(x+h) + 4f'(x)h + 2f''(x)h^2 + \frac{2f'''(\xi_1)h^3}{3} \right. \\ &\quad \left. - f(x) - 2f'(x)h - 2f''(x)h^2 - \frac{4f'''(\xi_2)h^3}{3} + O(h^4) \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2h} \left( 2f'(x)h - \frac{2}{3} (f'''(\xi_1) - 2f'''(\xi_2)) h^3 + O(h^4) \right) \\ |D_h f(x) - f'(x)| &= \left| \frac{1}{3} (f'''(\xi_1) - f'''(\xi_2)) h^2 + O(h^3) \right| \leq \frac{2}{3} \max_{\xi \in [x, x+2h]} f'''(\xi) h^2 + O(h^3). \end{aligned}$$

(b) (i) Doing the integral using the mid-point rule we get,

$$I(f) \approx I_{\text{mid-point}}(f) = \sum_{i=1}^n f\left(a + ih - \frac{h}{2}\right) h.$$

$$I(f) \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \exp\left(\left(a + ih - \frac{h}{2}\right)^2\right) h$$

Doing the integral using the trapezoidal rule we get,

$$I(f) \approx I_{\text{trapezoidal}}(f) = h \left( \frac{f(a)}{2} + \sum_{i=1}^n f(a + ih) + \frac{f(b)}{2} \right).$$

Doing the integral using the simpsons rule we get,

$$I(f) \approx I_{\text{simpson}}(f) = \frac{h}{3} \left( \frac{f(a)}{2} + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} f(a + (2i-1)h) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{\frac{n}{2}-1} f(a + 2ih) + \frac{f(b)}{2} \right).$$

(ii)