

8. Recurrence in reverse:

In [16]:

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from scipy import integrate
import numpy as np
import math

y_new = 0 #to be used as y_n
y_old = 0 #to be used as y_(n+1)
n = 32 #starting from y_32 as we found that taking N = 32 would yield the desired y_20

for i in range(n,20,-1): #the loop is till i=21 as we want to find y_20
    y_new = (math.exp(1) - y_old)/i #the reverse recurrence.
    y_old = y_new
print(y_old)
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0.12380383076256993

Trying the definite integral using Scipy's inbuilt integrate.quad routine.

In [17]:

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n = 20 #as we want y_20
f = lambda x: (x**n)*np.exp(x) #defining our function
integrate.quad(f, 0, 1)
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Out[17]:

(0.12380383076256998, 1.6808102031436923e-11)

Therefore, the value from our algorithm and the inbuilt routine are as follows:

(i) $\text{Value}_{\text{algo}} = 0.12380383076256998$ (ii) $\text{Value}_{\text{scipy}} = 0.12380383076256993$

Relative error = $(\text{Value}_{\text{algo}} - \text{Value}_{\text{scipy}})/\text{Value}_{\text{scipy}} = 4.483799159471622\text{e-}16$

This is what we wanted in our problem, ie, an error in y_{20} of 2^{-52} or 10^{-16} . Thus, starting from $N=32$ without knowing the value of y_{32} but approximating it to be 0, we have converged to a highly accurate value of y_{20} .