

PHYS 512

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1. a) we have 4 Taylor expansions

$$f(x+\delta) = f + f'\delta + \frac{1}{2}f''\delta^2 + \frac{1}{6}f'''\delta^3 + \dots$$

$$f(x-\delta) = f - f'\delta + \frac{1}{2}f''\delta^2 - \frac{1}{6}f'''\delta^3 + \dots$$

$$f(x+2\delta) = f + 2f'\delta + 2f''\delta^2 + \frac{4}{3}f'''\delta^3 + \dots$$

$$f(x-2\delta) = f - 2f'\delta + 2f''\delta^2 - \frac{4}{3}f'''\delta^3 + \dots$$

We desire to use a linear combination of $f(x\pm\delta)$ and $f(x\pm 2\delta)$ to define $f'\delta$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow f'\delta &= c_1 f(x+\delta) + c_2 f(x-\delta) + c_3 f(x+2\delta) + c_4 f(x-2\delta) \\ &= (c_1 + c_2 + c_3 + c_4)f + (c_1 - c_2 + 2c_3 - 2c_4)f'\delta \\ &\quad + \left(\frac{1}{2}c_1 + \frac{1}{2}c_2 + 2c_3 + 2c_4\right)f''\delta^2 + \left(\frac{1}{6}c_1 - \frac{1}{6}c_2 + \frac{4}{3}c_3 - \frac{4}{3}c_4\right)f'''\delta^3 \end{aligned}$$

We need:

$$\begin{pmatrix} 1 & 1 & 1 & 1 \\ 1 & -1 & 2 & -2 \\ \frac{1}{2} & \frac{1}{2} & 2 & 2 \\ \frac{1}{6} & -\frac{1}{6} & \frac{4}{3} & -\frac{4}{3} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} c_1 \\ c_2 \\ c_3 \\ c_4 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 \\ 1 \\ 0 \\ 0 \end{pmatrix}$$

Solving for c_i gives $c_1 = \frac{2}{3}$, $c_2 = -\frac{2}{3}$, $c_3 = \frac{1}{12}$, $c_4 = \frac{1}{12}$

$$\Rightarrow f' = \frac{2}{3} [f(x+\delta) - f(x-\delta)] + \frac{1}{12} [f(x-2\delta) - f(x+2\delta)]$$

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76) The error in our estimation can be seen as

$$\begin{aligned}
 f' &= f'_{\text{true}} + \frac{2}{3} \left[\frac{1}{24} (f^{(4)} \delta^3 - f^{(4)} \delta^3) \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{12} \left[\frac{8}{24} (f^{(4)} \delta^3 - f^{(4)} \delta^3) \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{2}{3} \left[\frac{2}{120} f^{(5)} \delta^4 \right] \\
 &\quad + \frac{1}{12} \left[\frac{2 \cdot 16}{120} f^{(5)} \delta^4 \right] + g \epsilon \frac{f}{\delta} \\
 &= f'_{\text{true}} + \frac{1}{30} f^{(5)} \delta^4 + g \epsilon \frac{f}{\delta}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dF}{d\delta} = \frac{4}{30} f^{(5)} \delta^3 - g \epsilon \frac{f}{\delta^2} = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta^5 = \frac{15}{2} g \epsilon \frac{f}{f^{(5)}}$$

$$\Rightarrow \delta \approx \sqrt[5]{\frac{15}{2} \epsilon \frac{f}{f^{(5)}}}$$

Therefore, for single precision $\delta \approx 1.5 \cdot 10^{-8/5}$
 $\approx 10^{-2}$

double $\Rightarrow \delta \approx 1.5 \cdot 10^{-16/5}$
 $\approx 10^{-3}$

For $\exp(0.01x)$:

$$\text{single: } \delta \approx 1.5 \left(10^{-8} \cdot 10^{10} \right)^{1/5} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{2/5} \approx 3.8$$

$$\text{double: } \delta \approx 1.5 \left(10^{-16} \cdot 10^{10} \right)^{1/5} = 1.5 \cdot 10^{-4/5} \approx 10^{-1}$$