

## Problem 1 - Analysis of the 1D Nodal Basis Functions for Interpolation.

$$u_1 = \begin{cases} 5 & 0 \leq x \leq 0.5 \\ 1 & 0.5 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$u_2 = \begin{cases} e^x & 0 \leq x \leq 0.5 \\ e^{2(x-0.5)} & 0.5 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

$$u_3 = \begin{cases} 5(1-x^2) & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$$

Approx each function using  $v(x) = \sum_{j=1}^N a_j \phi_j(x)$  w/  $N$  equally spaced nodes

$$\phi_j(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < x_{j-1} \\ \frac{x - x_{j-1}}{\Delta x} & x_{j-1} \leq x \leq x_j \\ \frac{x_{j+1} - x}{\Delta x} & x_j \leq x \leq x_{j+1} \\ 0 & x > x_{j+1} \end{cases}$$

$$a_j = u(x_j)$$

$$e(x) = |u(x) - v(x)|$$

With each element use 50 pts to determine error

$$e_{\max} = \max_x |u(x) - v(x)| \quad \text{store max pointwise error for each element, take max of those}$$

$$u_1(x) \approx v_1(x) = a_1 \phi_1(x) + a_2 \phi_2(x) + \dots + a_8 \phi_8(x) \quad a_1 = u_1(x_1) = 5$$

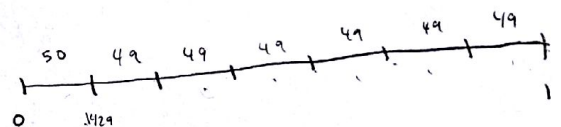
a.)  $N=8$  See Attached Plots

$$\begin{bmatrix} 0 & .1429 & .2857 & \dots & .8571 & 1 \\ x_1 & x_2 & x_3 & & x_7 & x_8 \end{bmatrix}$$

$$\phi_1(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{x}{\Delta x} & 0 \leq x \leq .1429 \\ \frac{.1429 - x}{\Delta x} & .1429 \leq x \leq .2857 \\ 0 & x \geq .2857 \end{cases}$$

$$\phi_2(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x \leq 0 \\ \frac{x}{\Delta x} & 0 \leq x \leq .1429 \\ \frac{.2857 - x}{\Delta x} & .1429 \leq x \leq .2857 \\ 0 & x \geq .2857 \end{cases}$$

$$\phi_3(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < .1429 \\ \frac{x - .1429}{\Delta x} & .1429 \leq x \leq .2857 \\ \frac{.4286 - x}{\Delta x} & .2857 \leq x \leq .4286 \\ 0 & x > .4286 \end{cases}$$



$$\phi_8(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & x < .8571 \\ \frac{x - .8571}{\Delta x} & .8571 \leq x \leq 1 \\ 0 & x > 1 \end{cases}$$

$$\phi = \{ [\phi_1] [\phi_2] [\phi_3] \dots [\phi_8] \}$$

$$e_1 \max = 3$$

$$e_2 \max = 1.7185$$

$$e_3 \max = .0711$$

- b.) For  $e_1 \max$ : The order of convergence is  $p=0$ . Max error scales as  $O(\Delta x^0)$  or 1
- $e_2 \max$ : The order flattens out but as approaches  $\Delta x = 10^0$  scales as  $p=1$  or  $O(\Delta x^1)$
- $e_3 \max$ : The order of convergence is  $p=2$ . scales w/  $O(\Delta x^2)$

See Attached Plot.