

Solution to Assignment #2

#1

Here: $f(x) = e^{+x} + e^{-x}$

(a) Taylor expansion of $e^{\pm x} = 1 \pm x + \frac{x^2}{2!} \pm \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \dots$

$$\therefore f(x) = 2\left(1 + \frac{x^2}{2} + \frac{x^4}{4!} + \frac{x^6}{6!} + \dots\right) \quad \checkmark$$

(b) Comparing to: $P_4(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3 + a_4x^4$, we

$$\text{find: } a_0 = 2; a_1 = 0; a_2 = 1; a_3 = 0; a_4 = \frac{1}{12} \quad \checkmark$$

$$(c) f(0.1) = e^{0.1} + e^{-0.1} \Rightarrow f(0.1) = 2.010008 \quad \checkmark$$

$$\text{and } P_4(0.1) = 2 + 2(0.1)^2 + \frac{1}{12}(0.1)^4 \Rightarrow P_4(0.1) = 2.010008 \quad \checkmark$$

$$(d) \boxed{\% \text{ Error} = 0\%} \quad (\text{within 7 sig fig}). \quad \checkmark$$

#2

Here $x_0 = -1$, $x_1 = 0$ & $x_2 = 1 \Rightarrow$ So V is a 3×3 matrix

$$(a) V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & x_0 & x_0^2 \\ 1 & x_1 & x_1^2 \\ 1 & x_2 & x_2^2 \end{pmatrix} \Rightarrow V = \begin{pmatrix} 1 & -1 & 1 \\ 1 & 0 & 0 \\ 1 & 1 & 1 \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$(b) \det V = 1(0-0) - (-1)(1-0) + (1-0) \Rightarrow \boxed{\det V = 2} \quad \checkmark$$

(c) $V^{-1} = \frac{1}{\det V} (\text{Adj } V)$; using MAPLE to compute the inverse of V , we find.

$$V^{-1} = \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \quad \checkmark$$

$$(d) \begin{pmatrix} a_0 \\ a_1 \\ a_2 \end{pmatrix} = V^{-1} \begin{pmatrix} f(x_0) \\ f(x_1) \\ f(x_2) \end{pmatrix} \quad \text{Here } f(x_0) = e^{-1} + e^1 = 3.08616$$

$$f(x_1) = e^0 + e^0 = 2$$

$$\& f(x_2) = e^1 + e^{-1} = 3.08616$$

$$= \begin{pmatrix} 0 & 1 & 0 \\ -\frac{1}{2} & 0 & \frac{1}{2} \\ \frac{1}{2} & -1 & \frac{1}{2} \end{pmatrix} \begin{pmatrix} 3.08616 \\ 2 \\ 3.08616 \end{pmatrix} = \begin{pmatrix} 2 \\ 0 \\ 1.08616 \end{pmatrix}$$

Comparing $\Rightarrow a_0 = 2$; $a_1 = 1$ and $a_2 = 1.08616$ ✓

Therefore: $p_2(x) = 1.08616 x^2 + 2$ ✓

(e) $p_2(0.1) = (1.08616)(0.1)^2 + 2 \Rightarrow p_2(0.1) = 2.01086$ ✓

& $f(0.1) = e^{0.1} + e^{-0.1} \Rightarrow f(0.1) = \cancel{2.01000} 2.01001$ ✓

(f) % Error = $\frac{|p_2(0.1) - f(0.1)|}{f(0.1)} \times 100\%$

= $\frac{2.01086 - 2.01001}{2.01001} \times 100\%$

\Rightarrow % Error $\approx 0.04229\%$ ✓