

As  $h$  gets smaller, the absolute error also gets smaller but only up until a certain point. After which, it starts to increase again - this is the same for both functions. This is because of the equation:

$$2Cf(x)/h + 1/2 hf'(x)$$

From here we see that, as one term gets smaller, the other will get larger. So, basically there will be some value of  $h$  where it is useless to get smaller and smaller.

