

**Solution 1.**

**a.** Using three point difference formula we are asked to approximate  $f'(0)$ ,  $f(x) = \cos(x)$ ,  $h = 0.01$

Start with writing three point difference formula for second derivative approximation with error term included:

$$f''(x) = \frac{f(x-h) - 2f(x) + f(x+h)}{h^2} - \underbrace{\frac{h^2}{12}f^{iv}(c)}_{\text{Error Term}} \quad (1)$$

where we know that  $c$  in the interval of  $x-h < c < x+h$  and continue with substituting values to the formula (1) without error term included:

$$\begin{aligned} f''(0) &= \frac{f(-0.01) - 2f(0) + f(0.01)}{(0.01)^2} \\ &= \frac{\cos(-0.01) - 2\cos(0) + \cos(0.01)}{(0.01)^2} \\ &= -0.999991666 \end{aligned}$$

for  $c$  we can say  $-0.01 < c < 0.01$  and error is

$$\frac{(0.01)^2}{12}\cos(c)$$

**b.** We are asked to find the error term for the approximation formula:

$$f'(x) = \frac{4f(x+h) - 3f(x) - f(x-2h)}{6h}$$

Using Taylor's Theorem we can make two expansion to reach our goal approximation:

$$f(x+h) = f(x) + hf'(x) + \frac{h^2}{2}f''(x) + \frac{h^3}{6}f'''(c_1) \quad (2)$$

$$f(x-2h) = f(x) - 2hf'(x) + 2h^2f''(x) - \frac{4}{3}h^3f'''(c_2) \quad (3)$$

applying Generalized Intermediate Value Theorem we can combine  $c_1 = c_2 = c$  and  $x-2h < c < x+h$  and continue with multiplying (2) equation with 4:

$$4f(x+h) = 4f(x) + 4hf'(x) + 2h^2f''(x) + \frac{2}{3}h^3f'''(c_1) \quad (4)$$

end subtracting equation (4)(3) we obtain:

$$\begin{aligned} 4f(x+h) &= 4f(x) + 4hf'(x) + 2h^2f''(x) + \frac{2}{3}h^3f'''(c_1) \\ f(x-2h) &= f(x) - 2hf'(x) + 2h^2f''(x) - \frac{4}{3}h^3f'''(c_2) \end{aligned}$$

result is:

$$\begin{aligned}
 4f(x+h) - f(x-2h) &= 3f(x) + 6hf'(x) + 2h^3f'''(c) \\
 6hf'(x) &= 4f(x+h) - 3f(x) - f(x+2h) - 2h^3f'''(c) \\
 f'(x) &= \frac{4f(x+h) - 3f(x) - f(x+2h)}{6h} - \underbrace{\frac{h^2}{3}f'''(c)}_{\text{Error Term}}
 \end{aligned}$$

We obtained the error term as

$$\frac{h^2}{3}f'''(c)$$

where  $c$  in the interval of  $x - 2h < c < x + h$

**Solution 2.a** For the composite Trapezoid Rule,  $h$  is equal to  $\frac{(b-a)}{m}$  and  $a < c < b$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \frac{h}{2}(y_0 + y_m) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} y_i - \frac{(b-a)h^2}{12}f''(c)$$

Taking  $m = 1$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{2}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{4}(1 + 0 + 2[0]) \approx 0,785$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2})^3}{12} |-1| = 0.322982$$

where the exact value is 1.

Taking  $m = 2$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{4}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{8}(1 + 0 + 2[0.7071]) \approx 0,948$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{4})^2}{12} |-1| = 0.080746$$

where the exact value is 1.

Taking  $m = 4$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{8}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{16}(1 + 0 + 2[0.9238 + 0.7071 + 0.3826]) \approx 0,987$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{8})^2}{12} |-1| = 0.020187$$

where the exact value is 1.

**Solution 2.b** For the composite Simpson's Rule,  $h$  is equal to  $\frac{(b-a)}{2m}$  and  $a < c < b$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \frac{h}{3}(y_0 + y_{2m} + 4 \sum_{i=1}^m y_{2i-1} + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{m-1} y_{2i}) - \frac{(b-a)h^4}{180} f'''(c)$$

Taking  $m = 1$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{4}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{12}(1 + 0 + 4[0.7071] + 2[0]) \approx 1.002273$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{4})^4}{180} |-1| = 0.003321$$

where the exact value is 1.

Taking  $m = 2$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{8}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{24}(1 + 0 + 4[0.9238 + 0.3826] + 2[0.7071]) \approx 1.000126$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{8})^4}{180} |-1| = 0.0002075$$

where the exact value is 1.

Taking  $m = 4$  and  $h = \frac{\pi}{16}$  the approximation is

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x dx \approx \frac{\pi}{48}(1 + 0 + 4[0.9807 + 0.8314 + 0.5555 + 0.1950] + 2[0.9238 + 0.7071 + 0.3826]) \approx 1.0000081$$

The error is at most

$$\frac{(\frac{\pi}{2}) \cdot (\frac{\pi}{16})^4}{180} |-1| = 0.000013$$

where the exact value is 1.

**Solution 2.c** Approximating the integral using Trapezoid Rule with

m = 32 results 6.89456

m = 64 results 6.88927

m = 128 results 6.88795

**Solution 2.d** Approximating the integral using Simpson's Rule with

m = 32 results 6.88750936

m = 64 results 6.88751044

m = 128 results 6.88751058