

1. [8pt] You are given m data points $\{(x_1, y_1), (x_2, y_2), \dots, (x_m, y_m)\}$. Let $p(x) = a_n x^n + a_{n-1} x^{n-1} + \dots + a_1 x + a_0$ be a polynomial of order n , the coefficients of which are to be determined.
 - (a) Construct a linear system that determines the coefficients of $p(x)$ so that $p(x)$ interpolates the data points. (Do not worry about whether the system is underdetermined or overdetermined.)
 - (b) Construct a linear system that determines the least-squares fit $p(x)$. When is the least-squares fit uniquely determined?

2. [8 pts] Consider a 2π -periodic function and its Fourier series:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{for } -\pi \leq x \leq 0, \\ x & \text{for } 0 \leq x < \pi, \end{cases} \quad (1)$$

$$f(x) \sim \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{2}{\pi} \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{(2n-1)^2} \cos(2n-1)x + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{n+1}}{n} \sin nx \quad (2)$$

- (a) Write down the function $\tilde{f}(x)$ to which the partial sum $S_N(x)$ of the Fourier series converges pointwise.
 - (b) Does $S_N(x)$ converge to $f(x)$ (i) pointwise, (ii) in L^2 norm, and/or (iii) uniformly?
 - (c) Sketch a typical plot of $S_N(x)$ for a large value of N . What is the name of this phenomenon?
3. [8 pts] Consider the following Hermite–Gauss quadrature:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) e^{-x^2} \approx \sum_{i=1}^3 w_i f(x_i), \quad (3)$$

where $x_1 = -\sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$, $x_2 = 0$, $x_3 = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}$, $w_1 = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{6}$, $w_2 = \frac{2\sqrt{\pi}}{3}$, $w_3 = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{6}$.

- (a) Estimate the integral

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} (x^2 + x) e^{-x^2} dx. \quad (4)$$
 - (b) State when the quadrature (3) becomes exact.
4. [8 pts]
 - (a) Write the Lagrange polynomial $F(x)$ that interpolates $f(x)$ at three points x_0 and $x_0 \pm \Delta x$.
 - (b) Using $F(x)$, obtain the second-order central finite difference for $f''(x_0)$.

5. [8 pts] Using Simpson's rule

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \Delta x \left(\frac{1}{3} f_0 + \frac{4}{3} f_1 + \frac{1}{3} f_2 \right) - \frac{1}{90} \Delta x^5 f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad (5)$$

- (a) construct its composite rule for $\int_a^b f(x) dx$.
 - (b) Obtain an error bound for the composite rule.

6. [8 pts] Apply Richardson extrapolation technique to the backward finite difference of order Δx to obtain the backward finite difference of order Δx^2 .

7. [8 pts] Write a MATLAB function

function [tvals,uvals] = Euler(F,t0,T,u0,n)
that computes the solution $u(t)$ ($t_0 \leq t \leq T$) to the initial value problem

$$u'(t) = F(t, u(t)), \quad u(t_0) = u_0. \quad (6)$$

using the forward Euler method. Note that `tvals` contains points $t_k = t_0 + k\Delta t$ ($k = 0, 1, \dots, n$) with $\Delta t = (T - t_0)/n$ and `uvals` contains the values of the approximate solution at these points.

8. Consider the initial value problem (6).

- For a one-step scheme $u_{k+1} = u_k + \Delta t A(t_k, u_k, \Delta t)$, define the local truncation error τ_{k+1} at timestep t_{k+1} .
- For the forward Euler scheme, compute the local truncation error τ_{k+1} .

9. [8 pts] For the initial value problem (6),

- write down the backward Euler scheme.
- Write down the leapfrog scheme.
- Write down the explicit trapezoid scheme.

10. [8 pts] Fill out the blanks.

(a) For $f(x) \sim \frac{a_0}{2} + \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (a_n \cos nx + b_n \sin nx)$, $b_n = \frac{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} f(x) \sin nx dx}{\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \sin^2 nx dx}$

(write an expression not a number)

(b) $f''(x) = \frac{f(x+\Delta x) - 2f(x) + f(x-\Delta x)}{\square} + O(\square)$

(c) $\int_{x_0}^{x_4} f(x)dx \approx \Delta x \left[\frac{8}{3}f(x_1) + \boxed{} f(x_2) + \frac{8}{3}f(x_3) \right]$ where $x_i = x_0 + i\Delta x$, $i = 1, 2, 3, 4$

- (d) The implicit midpoint scheme is a -order method. That is, the local truncation error is $O(\text{)}$ and the global truncation error is $O(\text{)}$.