

2. Numerical Differentiation, Part II

Richardson's Extrapolation

Background.

Numerical differentiation formulas can be derived by first constructing the Lagrange interpolating polynomial $P_2(x)$ through three points, differentiating the Lagrange polynomial, and finally evaluating $P_2'(x)$ at the desired point. The truncation error is to be investigated, but round off error from computer arithmetic using computer numbers will be studied in another lab.

Theorem (Three point rule for $f'(x)$). The central difference formula for the first derivative, based on three points is

$$f'(x) \approx D_{\text{three}}[x, h] = \frac{f[x+h] - f[x-h]}{2h},$$

and the remainder term is

$$R_{\text{three}}[x, h] = \frac{-f^{(3)}[c]}{6} h^2.$$

Together they make the equation $f'(x) = D_{\text{three}}[x, h] + R_{\text{three}}[x, h]$, and the truncation error bound is

$$EB_{\text{three}}[h] = \left| \frac{-f^{(3)}[c]}{6} h^2 \right| \leq \frac{M_3}{6} h^2$$

where $M_3 = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f^{(3)}[x]|$. This gives rise to the **Big "O" notation** for the error term for $f'(x)$:

$$f'(x) = \frac{f[x+h] - f[x-h]}{2h} + O(h^2).$$

Theorem (Five point rule for $f'(x)$). The central difference formula for the first derivative, based on five points is

$$f'(x) \approx D_{\text{five}}[x, h] = \frac{f[x-2h] - 8f[x-h] + 8f[x+h] - f[x+2h]}{12h},$$

and the remainder term is

$$R_{\text{five}}[x, h] = \frac{f^{(5)}[c]}{30} h^4.$$

Together they make the equation $f'[x] = D_{\text{five}}[x, h] + R_{\text{five}}[x, h]$, and the truncation error bound is

$$EB_{\text{five}}[h] = \left| \frac{f^{(5)}[c]}{30} h^4 \right| \leq \frac{M_5}{30} h^4$$

where $M_5 = \max_{a \leq x \leq b} |f^{(5)}[x]|$. This gives rise to the **Big "O" notation** for the error term for $f'[x]$:

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Theorem (Richardson's Extrapolation for $f'[x]$). The central difference formula for the first derivative, based on five points is a linear combination of $D_{\text{three}}[x, h]$ and $D_{\text{three}}[x, 2h]$.

$$f'[x] \approx D_{\text{five}}[x, h] = \frac{4D_{\text{three}}[x, h] - D_{\text{three}}[x, 2h]}{3},$$

where $D_{\text{three}}[x, h] = \frac{f[x+h] - f[x-h]}{2h}$ and $D_{\text{three}}[x, 2h] = \frac{f[x+2h] - f[x-2h]}{4h}$.

Example 1. Consider the function $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$. Find the formula for the third derivative $f^{(3)}[x]$, it will be used in our explorations for the remainder term and the truncation error bound. Graph $f^{(3)}[x]$. Find the bound $M_5 = \max_{0 \leq x \leq \pi} |f^{(5)}[x]|$. Look at it's graph and estimate the value M_5 , be sure to take the absolute value if necessary.

Solution 1.

Example 2. Consider the function $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$. Find the approximations $D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]$, $D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01]$ and then use the extrapolation formula $\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3}$.

Compute $D_{\text{five}}[1.0, 0.01]$ directly. Finally, compare these numerical approximations for the derivative with $f'[1.0]$.

Solution 2.

Various Scenarios for Richardson's Extrapolation and higher derivatives.

Example 3. Given $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f'[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

Solution 3.

Example 4. Given $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f''[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

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Example 5. Given $f(x) = e^{-x} \sin(x)$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f'''[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

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Solution 1.

$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

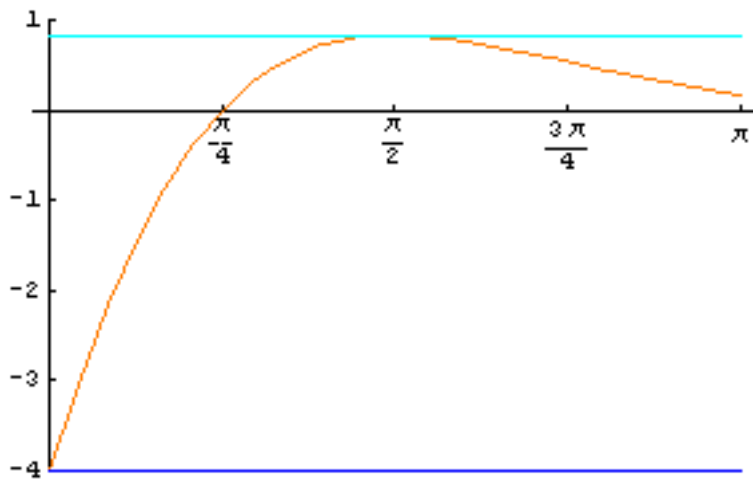
$$f'[x] = e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f''[x] = -2e^{-x} \cos[x]$$

$$f^{(3)}[x] = 2e^{-x} \cos[x] + 2e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f^{(4)}[x] = -4e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f^{(5)}[x] = -4e^{-x} \cos[x] + 4e^{-x} \sin[x]$$



$$y = f^{(5)}[x] = -4e^{-x} \cos[x] + 4e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

The minimum occurs at $x = 0$, and the maximum occurs at $x = \frac{\pi}{2}$.

$$\text{Extrema of } f^{(5)}[x]: \{-4, 4e^{-\pi/2}\}$$

$$|f^{(5)}[c]| \leq 4$$

The absolute value of the remainder term:

$$|R[x, h]| = \left| \frac{f^{(5)}[c]}{30} h^4 \right| \leq \frac{2h^4}{15}$$

The error bound is:

$$EB_{\text{five}}[h] \leq \frac{2h^4}{15}$$

Example 2. Consider the function $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$. Find the approximations

$D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]$, $D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01]$ and then use the extrapolation formula

$$\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3}.$$

Compute $D_{\text{five}}[1.0, 0.01]$ directly. Finally, compare these numerical approximations for the derivative with $f'[1.0]$.

Solution 2.

$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02] = -0.110726$$

$$D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] = -0.110777$$

$$\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3} = (4(-0.110777) - (-0.110726))/3$$

$$\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3} = ((-0.443107) - (-0.110726))/3$$

$$\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3} = (-0.332381)/3$$

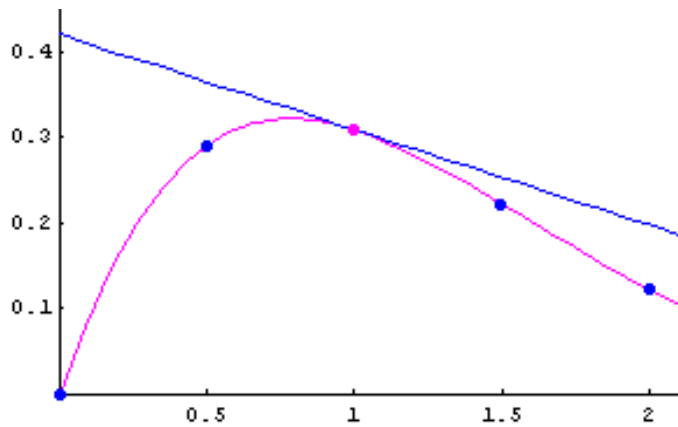
$$\frac{4D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.01] - D_{\text{three}}[1.0, 0.02]}{3} = -0.110794$$

$$D_{\text{five}}[1.0, 0.01] = -0.110794$$

$$f'[1.0] = -0.110794$$

Example 3. Given $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f'[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

Solution 3.



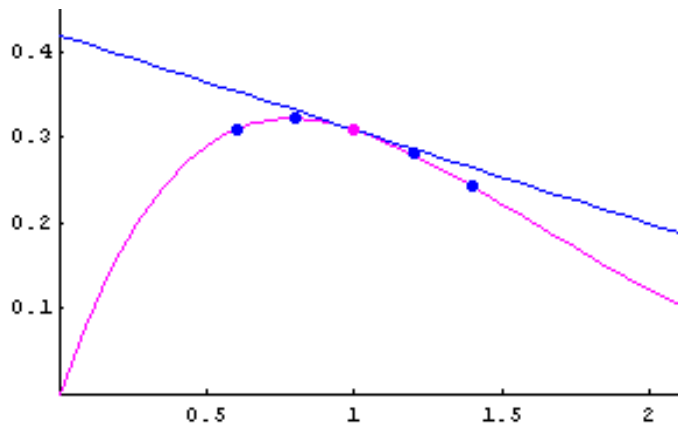
$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[x] = e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[1.] = -0.110793765$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$f'[1.] \approx (f[1.-1.] - 8f[1.-0.5] + 8f[1.+0.5] - f[1.+1.]) / (6.) = -0.111463434$$



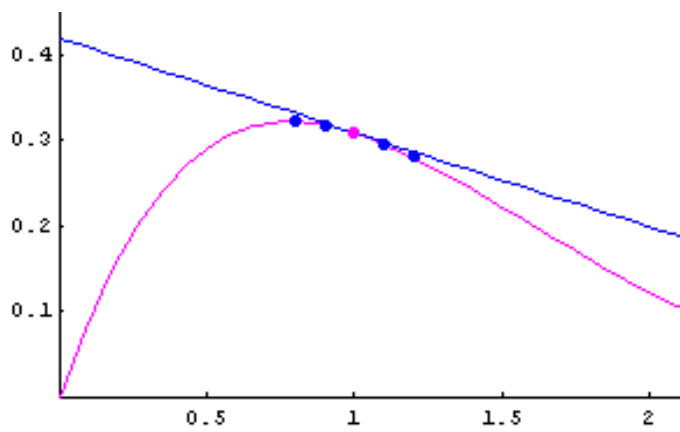
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$$f'[1.] \approx (f[1.-0.4] - 8f[1.-0.2] + 8f[1.+0.2] - f[1.+0.4]) / (2.4) = -0.110816367$$



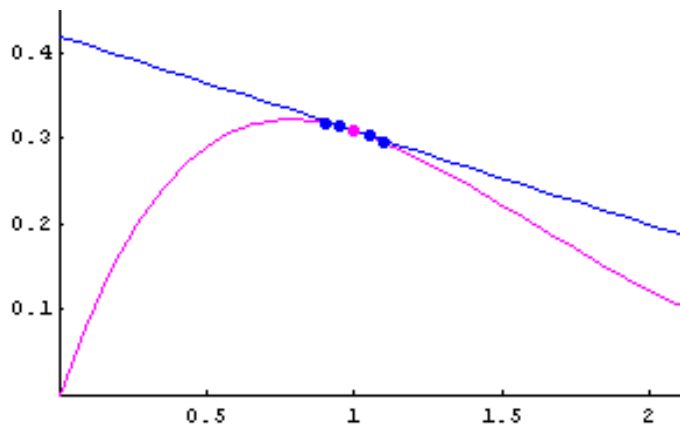
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$$f'[1.] = -0.110793765$$

$$h = 0.1$$

$$f'[1.] \approx (f[1.-0.2] - 8f[1.-0.1] + 8f[1.+0.1] - f[1.+0.2]) / (1.2) = -0.110795226$$



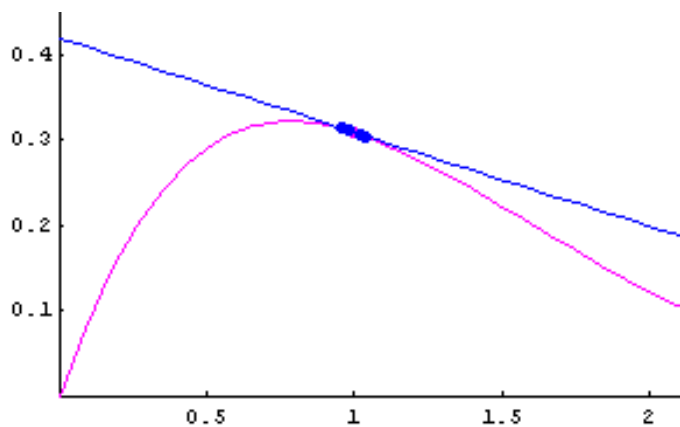
$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[x] = e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[1.] = -0.110793765$$

$$h = 0.05$$

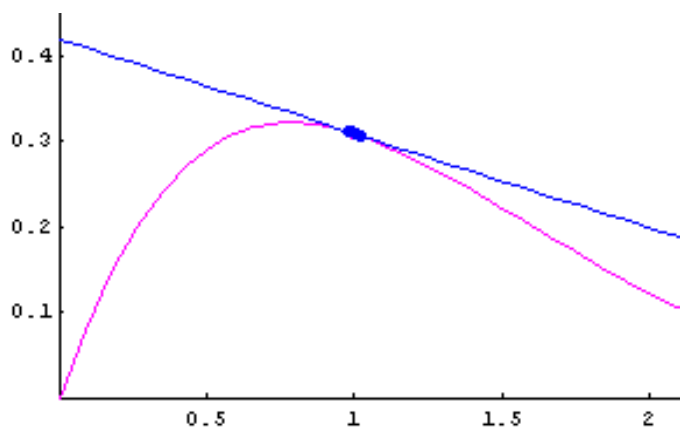
$$f'[1.] \approx (f[1.-0.1] - 8f[1.-0.05] + 8f[1.+0.05] - f[1.+0.1]) / (0.6) = -0.110793857$$



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f[x] = e-x Sin[x]
f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f'[1.] = -0.110793765
h = 0.02
f'[1.] ≈ (f[1.-0.04] - 8f[1.-0.02] + 8f[1.+0.02] - f[1.+0.04])/(0.24) = -0.110793768

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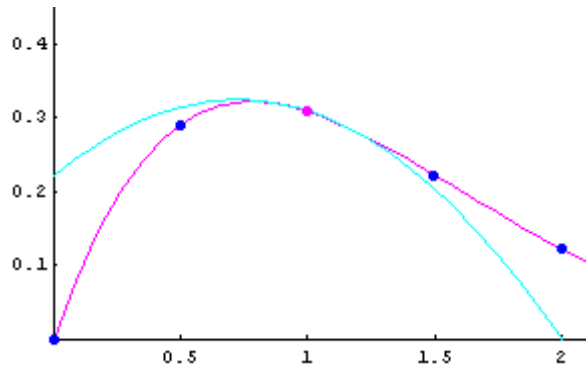
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f[x] = e-x Sin[x]
f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f'[1.] = -0.110793765
h = 0.01
f'[1.] ≈ (f[1.-0.02] - 8f[1.-0.01] + 8f[1.+0.01] - f[1.+0.02])/(0.12) = -0.110793765

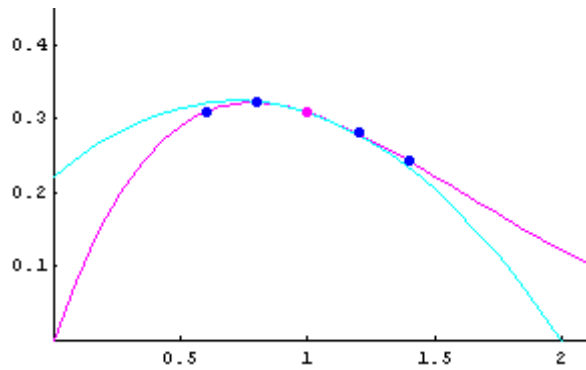
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Example 4. Given $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f''[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

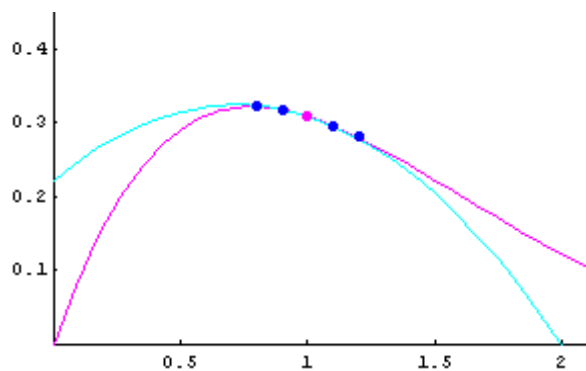
Solution 4.



$$\begin{aligned} f[x] &= e^{-x} \sin[x] \\ f'[x] &= e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x] \\ f''[x] &= -2e^{-x} \cos[x] \\ f''[1.] &= -0.397532221 \\ h &= 0.5 \\ f''[1.] &\approx (-f[1.-1.] + 16f[1.-0.5] - 30f[1.] + 16f[1.+0.5] - f[1.+1.]) / (3.) = -0.398712075 \end{aligned}$$



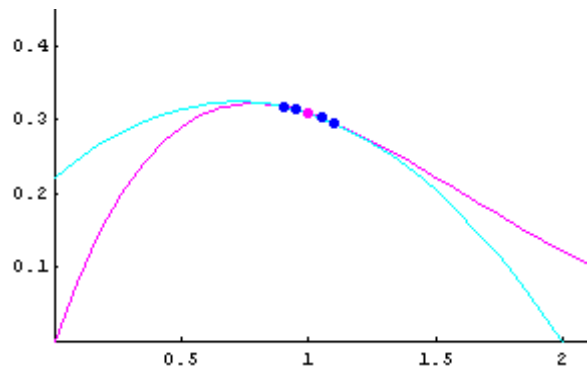
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f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f''[x] = -2 e-x Cos[x]
f''[1.] = -0.397532221
h = 0.1
f''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.2] + 16f[1.-0.1] - 30f[1.] + 16f[1.+0.1] - f[1.+0.2]) / (0.12) = -0.397533992

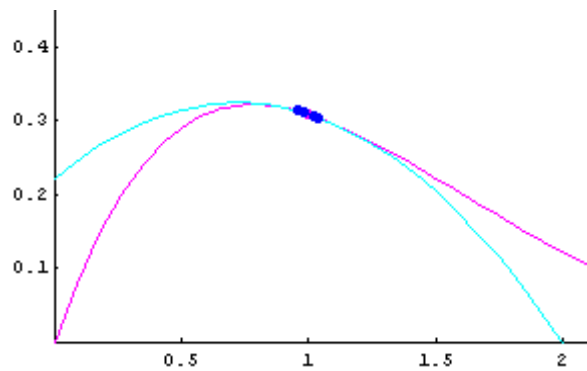
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f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f''[x] = -2 e-x Cos[x]
f''[1.] = -0.397532221
h = 0.05
f''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.1] + 16f[1.-0.05] - 30f[1.] + 16f[1.+0.05] - f[1.+0.1]) / (0.03) = -0.397532331

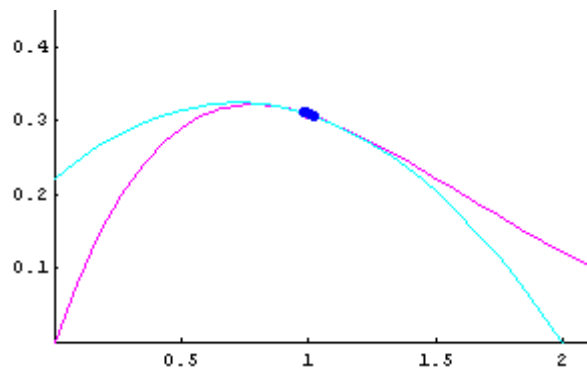
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f[x] = e-x Sin[x]
f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f''[x] = -2 e-x Cos[x]
f''[1.] = -0.397532221
h = 0.02
f''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.04] + 16f[1.-0.02] - 30f[1.] + 16f[1.+0.02] - f[1.+0.04]) / (0.0048) = -0.397532224

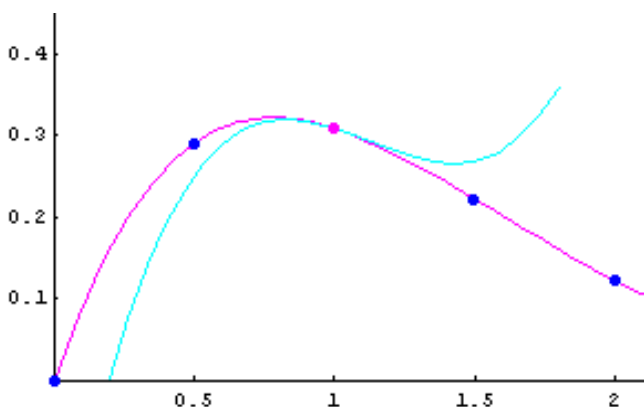
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f'[x] = e-x Cos[x] - e-x Sin[x]
f''[x] = -2 e-x Cos[x]
f''[1.] = -0.397532221
h = 0.01
f''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.02] + 16f[1.-0.01] - 30f[1.] + 16f[1.+0.01] - f[1.+0.02]) / (0.0012) = -0.397532221
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Example 5. Given $f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$, find numerical approximations to the derivative $f'''[1.0]$, using five points and the central difference formula.

Solution 5.



$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[x] = e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

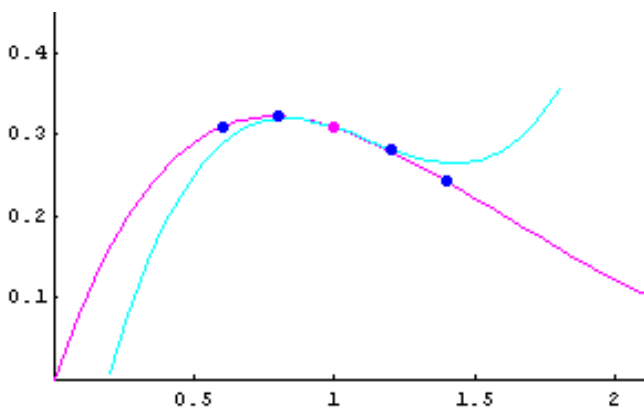
$$f''[x] = -2e^{-x} \cos[x]$$

$$f'''[x] = 2e^{-x} \cos[x] + 2e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'''[1.] = 1.01665197$$

$$h = 0.5$$

$$f'''[1.] \approx (-f[1.-1.] + 2f[1.-0.5] - 2f[1.+0.5] + f[1.+1.]) / (0.25) = 1.03796068$$



$$f[x] = e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

$$f'[x] = e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x]$$

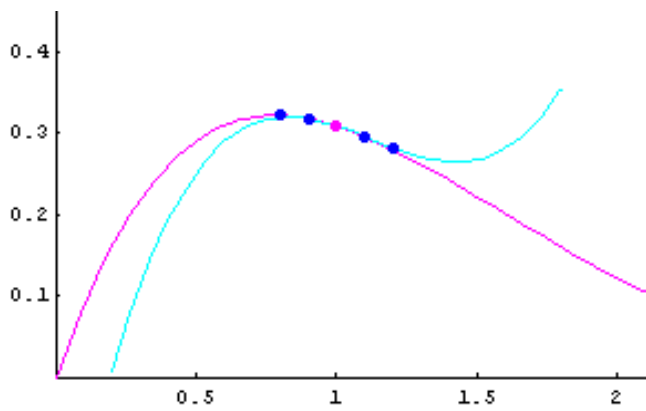
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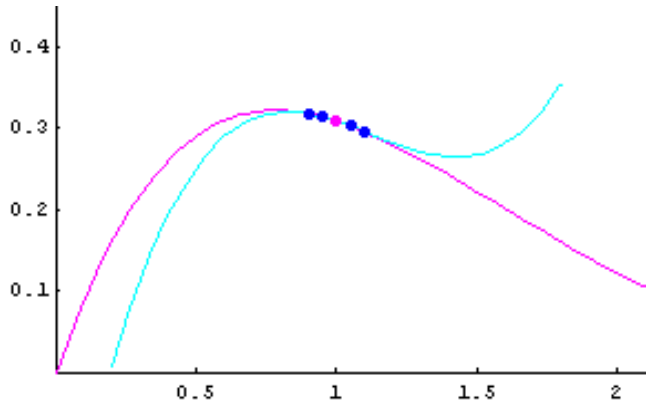
$$f'''[1.] = 1.01665197$$

$$h = 0.2$$

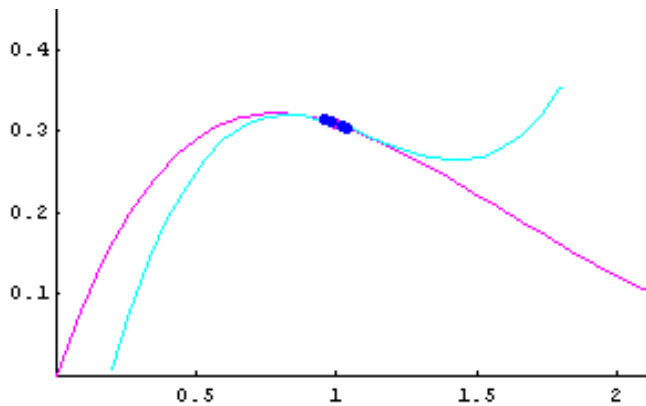
$$f'''[1.] \approx (-f[1.-0.4] + 2f[1.-0.2] - 2f[1.+0.2] + f[1.+0.4]) / (0.016) = 1.0209209$$



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 f[x] &= e^{-x} \sin[x] \\
 f'[x] &= e^{-x} \cos[x] - e^{-x} \sin[x] \\
 f''[x] &= -2e^{-x} \cos[x] \\
 f'''[x] &= 2e^{-x} \cos[x] + 2e^{-x} \sin[x] \\
 f'''[1.] &= 1.01665197 \\
 h &= 0.1 \\
 f'''[1.] &\approx (-f[1.-0.2] + 2f[1.-0.1] - 2f[1.+0.1] + f[1.+0.2]) / (0.002) = 1.01774974
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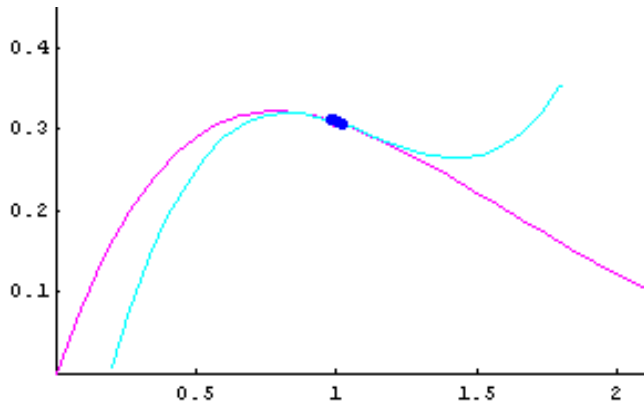
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 f'''[1.] &= 1.01665197 \\
 h &= 0.05 \\
 f'''[1.] &\approx (-f[1.-0.1] + 2f[1.-0.05] - 2f[1.+0.05] + f[1.+0.1]) / (0.00025) = 1.01692832
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f''[x] = -2e-x Cos[x]
f'''[x] = 2e-x Cos[x] + 2e-x Sin[x]
f'''[1.] = 1.01665197
h = 0.02
f'''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.04] + 2f[1.-0.02] - 2f[1.+0.02] + f[1.+0.04]) / (0.000016) = 1.01669627

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f''[x] = -2e-x Cos[x]
f'''[x] = 2e-x Cos[x] + 2e-x Sin[x]
f'''[1.] = 1.01665197
h = 0.01
f'''[1.] ≈ (-f[1.-0.02] + 2f[1.-0.01] - 2f[1.+0.01] + f[1.+0.02]) / (2. × 10-6) = 1.01666305

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