

AMSC 460 Homework 5 Part 1

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4.1.23 In Exercise 9 of Section 3.4, data were given describing a car traveling on a straight road.

That problem asked to predict the position and speed of the car when $t = 10$ seconds. Use the following times and positions to predict the speed at each time listed.

Time	0	3	5	8	10	13
Distance	0	225	383	623	742	993

Forward difference:

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0)}{h} - \frac{h}{2}f''(\xi) \quad (1)$$

Backward difference:

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0) - f(x_0 - h)}{h} - \frac{h}{2}f''(\xi) \quad (2)$$

Central difference:

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 - h)}{2h} - \frac{h^2}{6}f^{(3)}(\xi) \quad (3)$$

Three-point endpoint formula

$$f'(x_0) = \frac{-3f(x_0) + 4f(x_0 + h) - f(x_0 + 2h)}{2h} + \frac{h^2}{3}f^{(3)}(\xi) \quad (4)$$

We calculate the approximate speed at each time appropriately:

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{f(3) - f(0)}{3} = \frac{225 - 0}{3} = \frac{225}{3} = \boxed{75} \quad \text{Forward difference } h = 3$$

$$f'(0) \approx \frac{-3f(0) + 4f(3) - f(6)}{2 \cdot 3} = \frac{-3 \cdot 0 + 4 \cdot 225 - f(6)}{6} = \boxed{79} \quad \text{Three-point endpoint formula } h = 3$$

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$$f'(3) \approx \frac{f(5) - f(3)}{2} = \frac{383 - 225}{2} = \frac{158}{2} = \boxed{79} \quad \text{Forward difference } h = 2$$

$$f'(3) \approx \frac{-3f(3) + 4f(5) - f(6)}{2 \cdot 2} = \frac{-3 \cdot 225 + 4 \cdot 383 - f(6)}{4} = \boxed{82.4} \quad \text{Three-point endpoint formula } h = 2$$

$$f'(5) \approx \frac{f(5) - f(3)}{2} = \frac{383 - 225}{2} = \frac{158}{2} = \boxed{79} \quad \text{Backward difference } h = 2$$

$$f'(5) \approx \frac{f(8) - f(5)}{3} = \frac{623 - 383}{3} = \frac{240}{3} = \boxed{80} \quad \text{Forward difference } h = 3$$

$$f'(5) \approx \frac{f(10) - f(0)}{10} = \frac{742 - 0}{10} = \boxed{74.2} \quad \text{Central difference } h = 5$$

$$f'(8) \approx \frac{f(8) - f(5)}{3} = \frac{623 - 383}{3} = \frac{240}{3} = \boxed{80} \quad \text{Backward difference } h = 3$$

$$f'(8) \approx \frac{f(10) - f(8)}{2} = \frac{742 - 623}{2} = \frac{119}{2} = \boxed{59.5} \quad \text{Forward difference } h = 2$$

$$f'(8) \approx \frac{f(13) - f(3)}{10} = \frac{993 - 225}{10} = \frac{768}{10} = \boxed{76.8} \quad \text{Central difference } h = 5$$

$$\begin{aligned}
f'(10) &\approx \frac{f(10) - f(8)}{2} = \frac{742 - 623}{2} = \frac{119}{2} = \boxed{59.5} && \text{Backward difference } h = 2 \\
f'(10) &\approx \frac{f(13) - f(10)}{3} = \frac{993 - 742}{3} = \frac{251}{3} \approx \boxed{83.67} && \text{Forward difference } h = 3 \\
f'(10) &\approx \frac{-3f(10) + 4f(5) - f(0)}{-10} = \boxed{69.4} && \text{Three-point endpoint formula } h = -5 \\
f'(13) &\approx \frac{f(13) - f(10)}{3} = \frac{993 - 742}{3} = \frac{251}{3} \approx \boxed{83.67} && \text{Backward difference } h = 3 \\
f'(13) &\approx \frac{-3f(13) + 4f(8) - f(3)}{-10} = \boxed{71.2} && \text{Three-point endpoint formula } h = -5
\end{aligned}$$

4.1.27 All calculus students know that the derivative of a function f at x can be defined as

$$f'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{f(x+h) - f(x)}{h}.$$

Choose your favorite function f , nonzero number x , and computer or calculator. Generate approximations $f'_n(x)$ to $f'(x)$ by

$$f'_n(x) = \frac{f(x + 10^{-n}) - f(x)}{10^{-n}}$$

for $n = 1, 2, \dots, 20$, and describe what happens.

Let's take the function $f(x) = \sin x$ and try to find approximations to $f'(\pi)$. The following table gives the values of $f'_n(\pi)$ for $n = 1, 2, \dots, 20$.

n	$f(\pi + 10^{-n})$	$f'_n(\pi) = \frac{f(\pi + 10^{-n}) - f(\pi)}{10^{-n}}$
1	-0.09983341664682810000	-0.99833416646828200000
2	-0.0099983333416633000	-0.9998333341664500000
3	-0.0009999983333310900	-0.9999983333323200000
4	-0.000099999983342190	-0.999999833544400000
5	-0.00000999999977633	-0.99999998988400000
6	-0.000001000000001710	-1.000000001396100000
7	-0.00000099999971383	-0.999999983634190000
8	-0.000000099999981671	-0.999999939225290000
9	-0.000000009999996023	-1.000000082740370000
10	-0.000000000999998576	-1.000000082740370000
11	-0.0000000000999987831	-1.000000082740370000
12	-0.0000000000099996639	-1.000088900582340000
13	-0.0000000000009979756	-0.9992007221626410000
14	-0.00000000000001009154	-1.021405182655140000
15	-0.0000000000000076566	-0.8881784197001250000
16	0.0000000000000012251	0.000000000000000000
17	0.0000000000000012251	0.000000000000000000
18	0.0000000000000012251	0.000000000000000000
19	0.0000000000000012251	0.000000000000000000
20	0.0000000000000012251	0.000000000000000000

For $n = 1, \dots, 15$ the value of $f'_n(\pi)$ is approximately -1 which is exactly $\cos \pi$. The error appears to be "curved", as in it becomes more accurate from $n = 1, \dots, 6$ and less accurate

from $n = 7, \dots, 15$. For $n \geq 16$, it appears that the difference was too small to detect, so the calculator used assumed the answer is 0.

4.3.6d Repeat Exercise 2 using Simpson's rule.

$$\int_e^{e+1} \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx$$

Simpson's Rule:

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + f(x_2)] - \frac{h^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi). \quad (5)$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{b-a}{6} \left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right]$$

Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_e^{e+1} \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx &\approx \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{1}{e \ln(e)} + \frac{4}{\frac{2e+1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{2e+1}{2}\right)} + \frac{1}{(e+1) \ln(e+1)} \right] \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \left[\frac{1}{e} + \frac{4}{\frac{2e+1}{2} \ln\left(\frac{2e+1}{2}\right)} + \frac{1}{(e+1) \ln(e+1)} \right] \\ &\approx \boxed{0.2726704523} \end{aligned}$$

4.3.8d Repeat Exercise 4 using Simpson's rule and the results of Exercise 6:

Find a bound for the error in Exercise 2 using the error formula and compare this to the actual error.

The actual answer for the above equation is given by:

$$\int_e^{e+1} \frac{1}{x \ln x} dx = \ln(\ln(e+1)) - \ln(\ln(e)) = \ln(\ln(e+1)) = 0.2725138805$$

Thus, the actual error between the exact integral and the approximate from Simpson's Rule is:

$$\text{error} \approx |0.2725138805 - 0.2726704523| = 0.0001565718$$

The upper bound for the error for Simpson's rule is defined as:

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - (b-a) \frac{f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)}{6} \right| \leq \frac{\max_{x \in [a,b]} f^{(4)}(x)}{24} \frac{(b-a)^5}{32} \frac{4}{15} \quad (6)$$

Thus we need to find the max of $f^{(4)}(x)$ where $e < \xi < e+1$. Thus:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= \frac{\ln(x) + 1}{x^2 (\ln(x))^2} \\ f''(x) &= \frac{2 \ln^2(x) + 3 \ln(x) + 2}{x^3 \ln^3(x)} \\ f^{(3)}(x) &= -\frac{6 + 12 \ln(x) + 11 \ln^2(x) + 6 \ln^3(x)}{x^4 \ln^4(x)} \\ f^{(4)}(x) &= \frac{24 + 60 \ln(x) + 70 \ln^2(x) + 50 \ln^3(x) + 24 \ln^4(x)}{x^5 \ln^5(x)}. \end{aligned}$$

We see that $f^{(4)}(x)$ is a monotonically decreasing function so the max occurs at e . Thus, the upper error bound is:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{\max_{x \in [a,b]} f^{(4)}(x)}{24} \frac{(b-a)^5}{32} \frac{4}{15} &= \frac{(b-a)^5}{2880} f^{(4)}(\xi) \\ &= \frac{1}{2880} f^{(4)}(e) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{2880} * 1.53625 \\ &= \boxed{5.334201389 \times 10^{-4}} \end{aligned}$$

4.4.8c Approximate $\int_0^2 x^2 e^{-x^2} dx$ using $h = 0.25$. Use Composite Midpoint rule.

Let $f \in C^2[a, b]$, n be even, $h = (b-a)/(n+2)$, and $x_j = a + (j+1)h$ for each $j = -1, 0, \dots, n+1$. There exists a $\mu \in (a, b)$ for which the Composite Midpoint rule for $n+2$ subintervals can be written with its error term as

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = 2h \sum_{j=0}^{n/2} f(x_{2j}) + \frac{b-a}{6} h^2 f''(\mu) \quad (7)$$

Thus:

$$0.25 = \frac{2}{n+2} \implies 0.25n + 0.5 = 2 \implies 0.25n = 1.5 \implies n = 6$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^2 x^2 e^{-x^2} dx &\approx 2 \cdot 0.25 \sum_{j=0}^{6/2} x_{2j}^2 e^{-x_{2j}^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^3 x_{2j}^2 e^{-x_{2j}^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=0}^3 ((2j+1) \cdot 0.25)^2 e^{-((2j+1) \cdot 0.25)^2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{7}{4}\right) \right) \\ &\approx \frac{1}{2} (0.058713316 + 0.320502838 + 0.327517792 + 0.143235031) \\ &= \boxed{0.424984488} \end{aligned}$$

4.4.11c Determine the values of n and h required to approximate

$$\int_0^2 e^{2x} \sin 3x dx$$

to within 10^{-4} . Use Composite Midpoint rule.

From the definition of the Composite Midpoint rule, we know that the error is:

$$\left| \frac{b-a}{6} h^2 f''(\mu) \right| \quad \mu \in (a, b)$$

Thus we need to find the max of the 2nd derivative:

$$\begin{aligned} f'(x) &= e^{2x} (2 \sin(3x) + 3 \cos(3x)) \\ f''(x) &= -e^{2x} (5 \sin(3x) - 12 \cos(3x)) \\ f'''(x) &= -e^{2x} (46 \sin(3x) - 9 \cos(3x)) \end{aligned}$$

From a graphing calculator, we see that the max for $f''(x)$ in $[0, 2]$ occurs at $x = 2$, thus:

$$|f''(\mu)| \leq e^4(12 \cos(6) - 5 \sin(6)) \approx 705.3601029, \quad \forall \mu \in [0, 2]$$

The error can be bounded by

$$\left| \frac{b-a}{6} h^2 f''(\mu) \right| = \left| \frac{2-0}{6} h^2 f''(\mu) \right| = \left| \frac{1}{3} h^2 f''(\mu) \right| \leq \frac{705.3601029}{3} h^2 < 10^{-4}$$

Thus, to find h:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{705.3601029}{3} h^2 &< 10^{-4} \\ h^2 &< \frac{3 \cdot 10^{-4}}{705.3601029} \\ h &< \sqrt{\frac{3 \cdot 10^{-4}}{705.3601029}} \approx \boxed{6.251615374 \times 10^{-4}} \end{aligned}$$

To find n:

$$\begin{aligned} h &= \frac{b-a}{n+2} = \frac{2-0}{n+2} \\ n+2 &= \frac{2}{h} \implies n = \frac{2}{h} - 2 \approx 3064.724861 \\ \implies n &\geq \boxed{3065} \end{aligned}$$

4.7.6b Repeat Exercise 2 with $n = 4$.

$$\int_1^{1.6} \frac{2x}{x^2 - 4} dx$$

Theorem 4.17: Suppose that x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are the roots of the n th Legendre polynomial $P_n(x)$ and that for each $i = 1, 2, \dots, n$, the numbers c_i are defined by

$$c_i = \int_{-1}^1 \prod_{\substack{j=1 \\ j \neq i}}^n \frac{x - x_j}{x_i - x_j} dx \quad (8)$$

If $P(x)$ is any polynomial of degree less than $2n$, then

$$\int_{-1}^1 P(x) dx = \sum_{i=1}^n c_i P(x_i). \quad (9)$$

n	Roots $r_{n,i}$	Coefficients $c_{n,i}$
2	0.5773502692	1.0000000000
	-0.5773502692	1.0000000000
3	0.7745966692	0.5555555556
	0.0000000000	0.8888888889
	-0.7745966692	0.5555555556
4	0.8611363116	0.3478548451
	0.3399810436	0.6521451549
	-0.3399810436	0.6521451549
	-0.8611363116	0.3478548451
5	0.9061798459	0.2369268850
	0.5384693101	0.4786286705
	0.0000000000	0.5688888889
	-0.5384693101	0.4786286705
	-0.9061798459	0.2369268850

An integral $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ over an arbitrary $[a, b]$ can be transformed into an integral over $[-1, 1]$ by using the change of variables (see Figure 4.17):

$$t = \frac{2x - a - b}{b - a} \iff x = \frac{1}{2}[(b - a)t + a + b]. \quad (10)$$

This permits Gaussian quadrature to be applied to any interval $[a, b]$ because

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{-1}^1 f\left(\frac{(b - a)t + (a + b)}{2}\right) \frac{(b - a)}{2} dt \quad (11)$$

From the information given above, we can rewrite the integral for this problem as:

$$\begin{aligned}
x &= \frac{1}{2}[(1.6 - 1)t + (1.6 + 1)] = \frac{1}{2}[0.6t + 2.6] = 0.3t + 1.3 \\
\int_1^{1.6} \frac{2x}{x^2 - 4} dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{2(0.3t + 1.3)}{(0.3t + 1.3)^2 - 4} dt = 0.3 \int_{-1}^1 \frac{0.6t + 2.6}{(0.3t + 1.3)^2 - 4} dt \\
\text{where: } \int_{-1}^1 \frac{0.6t + 2.6}{(0.3t + 1.3)^2 - 4} dt & \\
&\approx 0.3478548451 \cdot f(x) + 0.6521451549 \cdot f(x) + 0.6521451549 \cdot f(x) + 0.3478548451 \cdot f(x) \\
&= 0.3478548451 \cdot f(0.3t + 1.3) + 0.6521451549 \cdot f(0.3t + 1.3) + \\
&0.6521451549 \cdot f(0.3t + 1.3) + 0.3478548451 \cdot f(0.3t + 1.3) \\
&= 0.3478548451 \cdot f(0.3(0.8611363116) + 1.3) + 0.6521451549 \cdot f(0.3(0.3399810436) + 1.3) + \\
&0.6521451549 \cdot f(0.3(-0.3399810436) + 1.3) + 0.3478548451 \cdot f(0.3(-0.8611363116) + 1.3) \\
&= 0.3478548451 \cdot f(1.55834089348) + 0.6521451549 \cdot f(1.40199431308) + \\
&0.6521451549 \cdot f(1.19800568692) + 0.3478548451 \cdot f(1.04165910652) \\
&= 0.3478548451 \cdot -1.98315985236 + 0.6521451549 \cdot -1.37827967022 + \\
&0.6521451549 \cdot -0.93419675604 + 0.3478548451 \cdot -0.71470208864 \\
&= -2.44653464479
\end{aligned}$$

If we multiply by 0.3 we get $\boxed{-0.73396039343}$

4.7.11 Determine constants a, b, c , and d that will produce a quadrature formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx = af(-1) + bf(1) + cf'(-1) + df'(1)$$

that has degree of precision three.

We want the formula above to hold for polynomials $1, x, x^2, \dots$. Plugging these into the formula, we obtain:

$$f(x) = x^0 \quad \int_{-1}^1 1dx = x \Big|_{-1}^1 = 2 = a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 1 + c \cdot 0 + d \cdot 0$$

$$f(x) = x^1 \quad \int_{-1}^1 xdx = \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{-1}^1 = 0 = a \cdot (-1) + b \cdot 1 + c \cdot 1 + d \cdot 1$$

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad \int_{-1}^1 x^2dx = \frac{x^3}{3} \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{2}{3} = a \cdot 1 + b \cdot 1 + c \cdot (-2) + d \cdot 2$$

$$f(x) = x^3 \quad \int_{-1}^1 x^3dx = \frac{x^4}{4} \Big|_{-1}^1 = 0 = a \cdot (-1) + b \cdot 1 + c \cdot 3 + d \cdot 3$$

Thus:

$$a + b = 2$$

$$-a + b + c + d = 0$$

$$a + b - 2c + 2d = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$-a + b + 3c + 3d = 0$$

Solving this system, we obtain:

$$\boxed{a = 1, b = 1, c = \frac{1}{3}, d = -\frac{1}{3}}$$

Thus, the quadrature formula with accuracy $n = 3$ is:

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x)dx = f(-1) + f(1) + \frac{1}{3}f'(-1) - \frac{1}{3}f'(1)$$