MATH 3800 F

Assignment 3

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1. Use Simpson's Rule with 4 subintervals to approximate Z 1 $\int_0^1 \frac{2}{1+x^2} dx$ to 6 decimal places. Compare your result with the true value by calculating the simple error, ie |true-approx|.

$$h = \frac{1-0}{4} = 0.25 \Rightarrow x_0 = 0, x_1 = 0.25, x_2 = 0.5, x_3 = 0.75, x_4 = 1$$

$$\int_0^1 \tfrac{2}{1+x^2} dx \simeq \tfrac{h}{3} \big[\tfrac{2}{1+0^2} + 4 \tfrac{2}{1+0.25^2} + 2 \tfrac{2}{1+0.5^2} + 4 \tfrac{2}{1+0.75^2} + \tfrac{2}{1+1^2} \big] = 1.570784$$

True value of $\int_0^1 \frac{2}{1+x^2} dx = 1.570796$

Error = |true - approx| = |1.570796 - 1.570784| = 0.000012

Very close to 0.

2. Use Gaussian Quadrature with 4 steps to approximate $\int_0^1 \cos^2 x dx$ to 6 decimal places

$$\int_0^1 \cos^2 x dx = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(t+1)) dt \simeq \frac{1}{2} \sum_{j=1}^4 A_j \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(t_j+1)) = \frac{1}{2} [0.3478548451 \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(0.8611363116+1)) + 0.3478548451 \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(-0.8611363116+1)) + 0.6521451549 \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(0.3399810436+1)) + 0.6521451549 \cos^2(\frac{1}{2}(-0.3399810436+1))] = 0.727324318763 \simeq 0.727324318763 = 0.72732418760 = 0.72732418760 = 0.727$$

True value of $\int_{0}^{1} \cos^{2} x dx = 0.727324$

Error = |true - approx| = 0.727324 - 0.727324 = 0. Excellent approximation.

- 3. Use Monte Carlo simulation to approximate the probability of three tails occurring when four fair coins are flipped. Do a sufficient number of trials to have a meaningful result.
- 4. Given the loaded (unfair) dice probabilities below, use Monte Carlo simulation to simulate the results of ten rolls of the dice

result	1	2	3	4	5	6
die 1	0.1	0.1	0.2	0.3	0.2	0.1
die 2	0.3	0.1	0.2	0.1	0.05	0.25