

1. Solution:

a) According to the Gram-Schmidt algorithm for function on the interval $[-1,1]$,

$$q_0(x) = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}}, q_1(x) = \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}x, q_2(x) = \sqrt{\frac{5}{8}}(3x^2 - 1)$$

Then, we use the interval transform function as below.

$$y = a + \frac{x+1}{2}(b-a) \Rightarrow x = \frac{2(y-a)}{b-a} - 1, \frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{2}{b-a}$$

$$\Rightarrow \hat{q}_i(y) = q_i(x) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{dx}{dy}} = q_i\left[\frac{2(y-a)}{b-a} - 1\right] \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{b-a}} = \sqrt{2} \cdot q_i(2y-1)$$

(Here, $a=0, b=1$.)

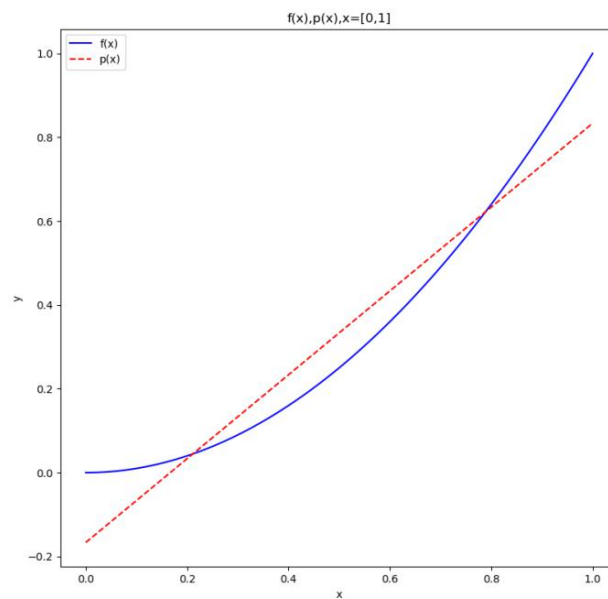
Thus, we can construct the orthogonal polynomials $q_0, q_1 \in P_1$.

$$q_0(x) = \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = 1, q_1(x) = \sqrt{2} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}}(2x-1) = \sqrt{3}(2x-1)$$

$$C_0 = \langle f, q_0 \rangle = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} dx = \frac{1}{3}, C_1 = \langle f, q_1 \rangle = \int_0^1 x^2 \cdot \sqrt{3} \cdot (2x-1) dx = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = C_0 q_0(x) + C_1 q_1(x) = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2}(2x-1) = -\frac{1}{6} + x$$

We can use the “PyPlot” to plot the function $f(x) = x^2$ and its polynomial $p(x)$ which are shown in 1.a. Figure 1.



1.a. Figure 1 (The code is named hw4_zjh_1a.)

b) In a similar way as above, $q_0(x)=1, q_1(x)=\sqrt{3}(2x-1), q_2(x)=6\sqrt{5}(x^2-x+\frac{1}{6})$

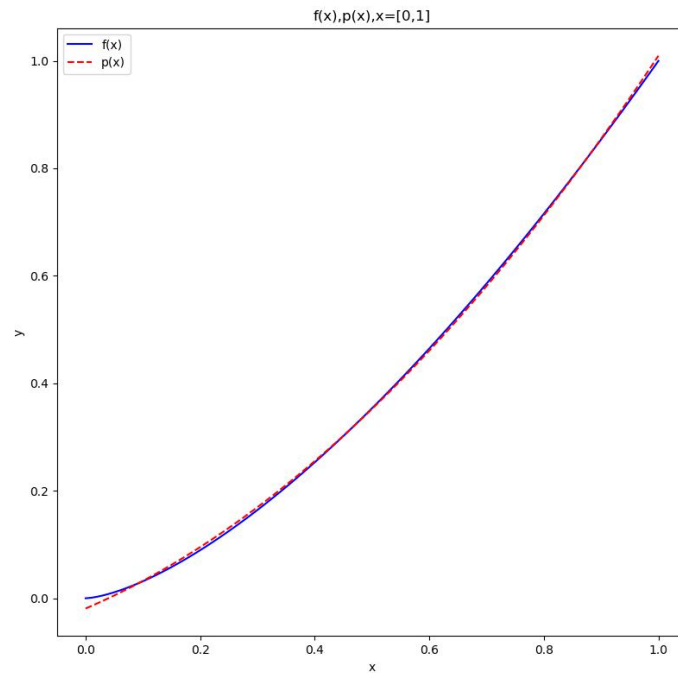
$$C_0 = \langle f, q_0 \rangle = \int_0^1 x^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3}{2}} dx = \frac{2}{5},$$

$$C_1 = \langle f, q_1 \rangle = \int_0^1 x^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot \sqrt{3}(2x-1) dx = \frac{6\sqrt{3}}{35},$$

$$C_2 = \langle f, q_2 \rangle = \int_0^1 x^{\frac{3}{2}} \cdot 6\sqrt{5}(x^2-x+\frac{1}{6}) dx = \frac{2\sqrt{5}}{105},$$

$$\Rightarrow p(x) = C_0 q_0(x) + C_1 q_1(x) = \frac{4}{7}x^2 + \frac{16}{35}x - \frac{2}{105}$$

Then, we can use the “PyPlot” to plot the function $f(x) = x^{\frac{3}{2}}$ and its polynomial $p(x)$ which are shown in 1.b. Figure 2.



1.b. Figure 2 (The code is named hw4_zjh_1b.)

b) We use the interval transform function again.

$$\hat{q}_i(y) = q_i(x) \cdot \sqrt{\frac{dx}{dy}} = q_i\left[\frac{2(y-a)}{b-a} - 1\right] \cdot \sqrt{\frac{2}{b-a}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{5}} \cdot q_i\left(\frac{1}{5}y\right)$$

(Here, $a = -5, b = 5$.)

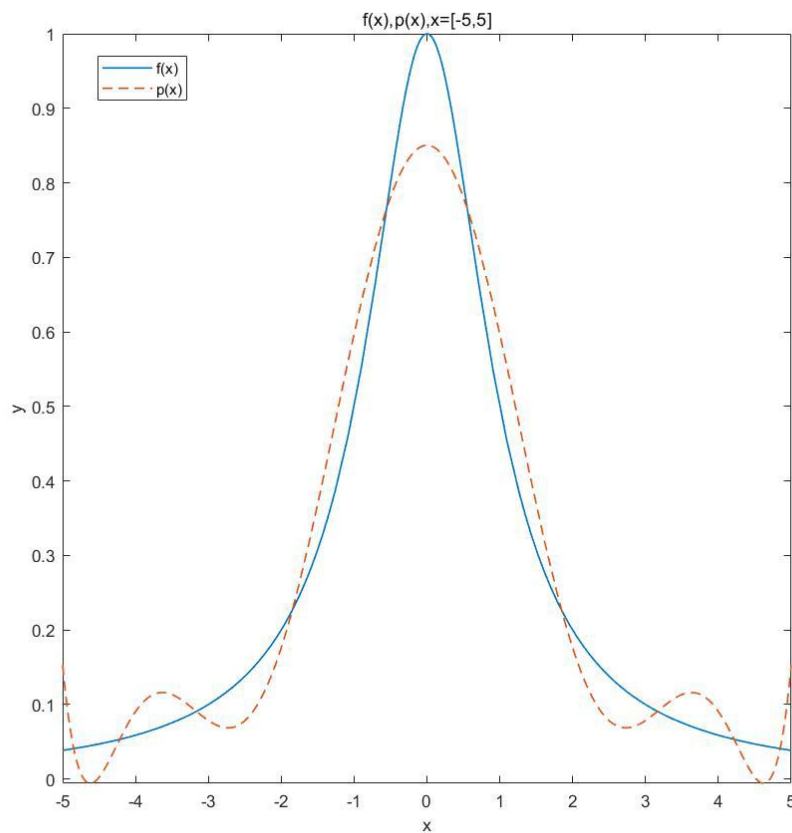
The Legendre polynomials is $L_n(x) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} (x^2 - 1)^n \Rightarrow L_n(y) = \frac{1}{2^n n!} \frac{\partial^n}{\partial x^n} \left(\frac{y^2}{25} - 1\right)^n$,

$$q_i(y) = \sqrt{\frac{2n+1}{b-a}} L_n(y), c_i = \langle f, q_i \rangle = \int_a^b f(y) q_i(y) dy$$

Thus, we can use the Matlab to compute the $p(y)$ and plot the function

$f(y) = \frac{1}{1+y^2}$ and its polynomial $p(y)$ which are shown in 1.c. Figure 3.

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p(y) = atan(5)/5-((1949411013750059779*atan(5))/1407374883553280000-1350
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/25-1)^2)/87960930222080000+(5137978566494111*y^6*(y^2/25-1))/439804651110
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*(y^2/25-1)^4)/9007199254740992)-(2^(1/2)*((14*2^(1/2)*atan(5))/25-(3*2^(1/2))/1
0)*((12*y^2)/25 - 4))/16
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1.c. Figure 3 (The code is named hw4_zjh_1c.m.)

2. Solution:

Firstly, we can calculate the integrals as below.

$$\int_0^1 x^3 dx = \frac{1}{4}, \int_0^1 e^x dx = e - 1, \int_0^{10} e^x dx = e^{10} - 1, \int_0^\pi \sin(x) dx = 2$$

According to the Simpson's rule,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{H}{3} \left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right], H = \frac{b-a}{2}$$

Then, we use the Julia to program the numerical approximations of the integrals.
(see the code in file hw4_zjh_2.)

- The numerical integration error is 0.
- The numerical integration error is $0.5793234175479611 \times 10^{-3}$.
- The numerical integration error is $1.5676398257221656 \times 10^4$.
- The numerical integration error is $0.9439510239319526 \times 10^{-1}$.

3. Solution:

$$\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx - \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx, \int_0^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} \Rightarrow \int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} - \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$$

According to the Simpson's rule,

$$\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx = \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} - \int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx \approx \frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \left[1 + 4e^{-\frac{1}{4}} + e^{-1} \right] = 0.13904649654324763$$

When $f(x) = e^{-x^2}$, we can use Simpson's rule to get the numerical integration error.

$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx - \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \partial_i \right) = \int_0^1 f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, x] \prod_{j=0}^n (x - x_j) dx$$

The error of Simpson's formula is bounded by:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 f[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n, x] \prod_{j=0}^n (x - x_j) dx &= \int_0^1 f\left[0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, x\right] (x-0)\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)(x-1) dx \\ &= \int_0^1 \frac{f\left[0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, x\right] - f\left[0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right]}{x - \frac{1}{2}} \underbrace{(x-0)\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)(x-1)}_{\leq 0} dx + f\left[0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{1}{2}\right] \underbrace{\int_0^1 (x-0)\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)(x-1) dx}_{=0} \\ &\leq \frac{\max_{x \in [0,1]} |f^{(4)}(x)|}{4!} \underbrace{\left| \int_0^1 (x-0)\left(x-\frac{1}{2}\right)(x-1) dx \right|}_{=\frac{1}{120}} \end{aligned}$$

Thus, the numerical integration error's bound of $\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ is as below (see the code in file hw4_zjh_3.m.).

$$\frac{\max_{x \in [0,1]} |f^{(4)}(x)|}{2880} = \frac{12}{2880} = 4.16666667 \times 10^{-3}$$