

# Computational Linear Algebra, Module 9 (1-10)

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1. Yes, this does draw the function  $g(x) = x - \frac{5}{3}x^3$
2. When more terms are added to the approximation function, we see that it looks like the sine function
3. Errors for interval  $[0, 2\pi]$  :

n=3	44.03945
n=5	38.71829
n=7	18.99292
n=13	0.22859

The difference between  $n = 3$  and  $n = 13$  is  $44.03945 -$

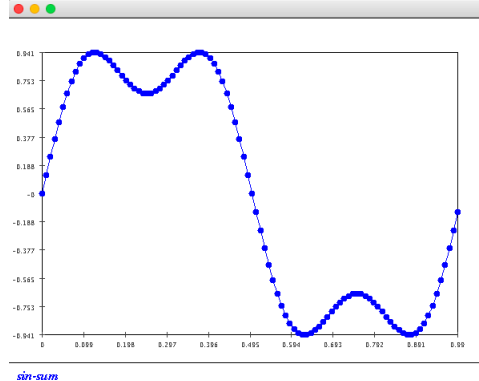
$0.22859 = 43.81086$ . The errors for  $n = 3$  and  $n = 13$  for the interval  $[0, \pi]$  are:  $n = 3 \rightarrow 1.13981$  and  $n = 13 \rightarrow 4.30594 \times 10^{-6}$

For the interval  $[0, \pi/2]$ , the errors are  $n = 3 \rightarrow 0.01836$  and  $n = 13 \rightarrow 4.30594 \times 10^{-11}$

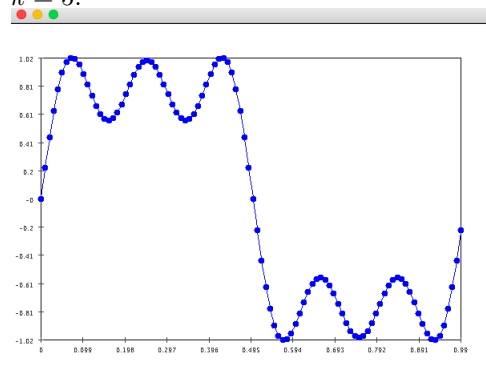
The error at each point is multiplied by deltaX because we are calculating the area between the two curves to find the error.

4. Taylor series expansion:  $\sin x = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^7}{7!} + \frac{x^9}{9!} - \dots$ . The coefficients printed in the alpha array are the same as those we saw in the earlier exercise.

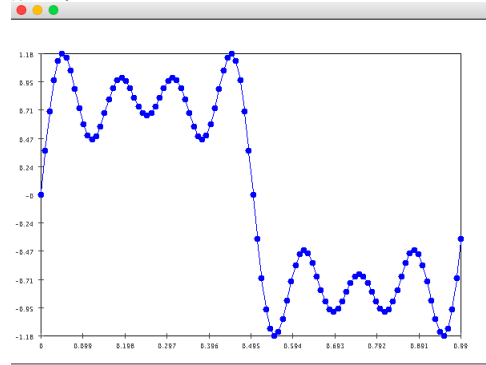
5.  $k = 3$ :



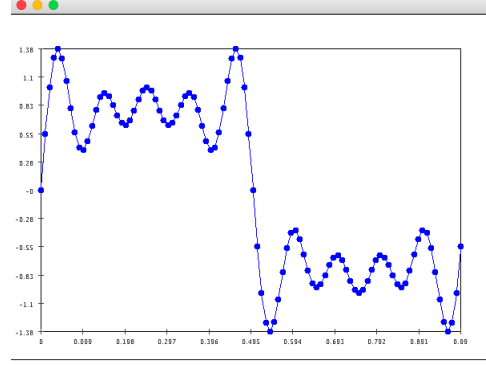
$k = 5$ :



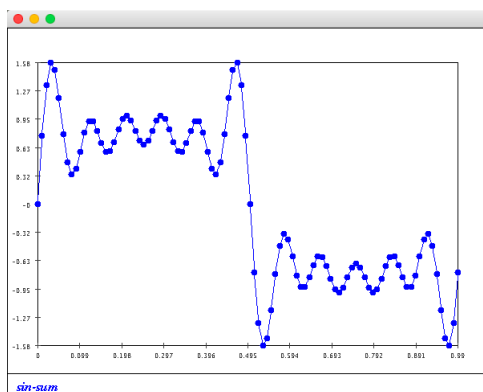
$k = 7$ :



$k = 9$ :



$k = 11$ :



6. Any piecewise function cannot be represented by a linear combination of  $\sin(2\pi kx)$ . For example,

$$h(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & x \leq 0 \\ 3 & 0 \leq x \leq 20 \\ 5 & x > 20 \end{cases}$$

7. The second graph that is output by this program is a subsection of the first graph, and this is a fractal so the subsection looks like the full graph.
8.  $k = 0 \rightarrow$  evaluates to 1  
 $k = 1 \rightarrow$  evaluates to  $n$   
 $k = n - 1 \rightarrow$  evaluates to  $n$ , which is the same as when  $k = 1$   
 $k = n \rightarrow$  evaluates to 1, which is the same as when  $k = 0$

9.  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \rightarrow$  this is derived by taking the total number of combinations possible, and dividing out the repeated combinations.

k	$\binom{n}{k}$
0	1
1	5
2	10
3	10
4	5
5	1

10. We know that  $\binom{n}{k} = \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!}$ ,  $\binom{n-1}{k} = \frac{(n-1)!}{k!(n-1-k)!}$  and  $\binom{n-1}{k-1} = \frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!}$ .

So now we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
\binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1} &= \frac{(n-1)!}{k!(n-1-k)!} + \frac{(n-1)!}{(k-1)!(n-k)!} \\
&= \frac{(n-1)!(n-k) + k(n-1)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\
&= \frac{n! - k(n-1)! + k(n-1)!}{k!(n-k)!} \\
&= \frac{n!}{k!(n-k)!} \\
&= \binom{n}{k}
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,  $\binom{n}{k} = \binom{n-1}{k} + \binom{n-1}{k-1}$  ■

$\binom{n}{k}$  is a symmetric function because of how choosing combinations works.  
Pascal's Triangle:

$$\begin{array}{ccccccc}
& & & 1 & & & \\
& & & & 1 & & 1 \\
& & 1 & & 2 & & 1 \\
& 1 & & 3 & & 3 & & 1 \\
1 & & 4 & & 6 & & 4 & & 1
\end{array}$$

Each row of Pascal's Triangle gives the values of  $\binom{n}{k}$ , where k is the column of the row and n is the row number.