MATH 428/CISC 411, Spring 2007 Exam 1

Write all solutions on these sheets. Please clearly erase or cross out irrelevant work; otherwise it will be part of the graded material. You must justify answers to receive full credit. You may not use calculators or the computer.

1. Suppose that

$$c_1 + c_2 \cos(\pi x) + c_3 \sin(\pi x)$$

is used to interpolate the function f(x) = 1 - 4x at the nodes $x_0 = 0$, $x_1 = 1/2$, and $x_2 = 1$. Find c_1 , c_2 , and c_3 .

- 2. Suppose in the barycentric interpolation formulas for n = 2 you are given that $x_0 = 0$, $x_2 = 1$, $w_0 = 4$, $w_2 = 4/3$. Find x_1 and w_1 .
- 3. Find the constant C and order p in the error term for this finite difference formula:

$$f'(x) = \frac{-2f(0) - 3f(h) + 6f(2h) - f(3h)}{6h} + Cf^{(p+1)}(\xi)h^{p}.$$

- 4. Derive the 2-point "half-open" Newton-Cotes formula that results from interpolation of the values f(0) and f(h), followed by integration from -h/2 to h.
- 5. Verify that $P_3(x) = x^3 \frac{3}{5}x$ is the monic degree-3 Legendre polynomial. (Hint: What condition has to be checked?)