

# Exam II Math 2335 sec. 51

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**INSTRUCTIONS:** There are 6 problems worth 16 points each. You may use your text book (Atkinson & Han), one 8.5" by 11" page of written notes and a calculator. To use an e-version of the book, you must disable your wifi or 4G (3G) access. **NO use of internet access devices is permitted. Illicit use of such items will result in a grade of zero on this exam and a formal allegation of academic misconduct.** To receive full credit, you must follow the directions given and clearly justify your answer.

(1) Determine all possible values of the numbers  $A$  and  $B$  such that the given function is a cubic spline on the interval  $[1, 3]$ . (Hint: Consider the continuity conditions for a cubic spline.)

$$s(x) = \begin{cases} x^3 - 3x^2 + 2x + A, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ -x^3 + 9x^2 + Bx + 4, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \end{cases}$$

By continuity of  $s(x)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} s(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} s(x)$$

$$\text{So } 2^3 - 3 \cdot 2^2 + 2 \cdot 2 + A = -2^3 + 9 \cdot 2^2 + B(2) + 4$$

$$8 - 12 + 4 + A = -8 + 36 + 2B + 4$$

$$A = 32 + 2B$$

By continuity of  $s'(x)$

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 2^+} s'(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 2^-} s'(x)$$

$$s'(x) = \begin{cases} 3x^2 - 6x + 2, & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \\ -3x^2 + 18x + B, & 2 \leq x \leq 3 \end{cases}$$

$$3 \cdot 2^2 - 6 \cdot 2 + 2 = -3 \cdot 2^2 + 18 \cdot 2 + B$$

$$12 - 12 + 2 = -12 + 36 + B \Rightarrow B = 2 - 24 = -22$$

$$\text{Then } A = 32 + 2B = 32 - 44 = -12$$

There is one solution  $A = -12$ ,  $B = -22$ .

(2) Consider the integral  $\int_0^4 \sqrt{1+x^2} dx$

(a) Approximate the integral with the trapezoid rule\*  $T_4(f)$ . Give 5 digits to the right of the decimal. Do not give your answer in scientific notation.

$$h = \frac{4-0}{4} = 1 \quad x_0 = 0, x_1 = 1, x_2 = 2, x_3 = 3, x_4 = 4$$

$$f(0) = \sqrt{1} = 1, f(1) = \sqrt{2}, f(2) = \sqrt{5}, f(3) = \sqrt{10}, f(4) = \sqrt{17}$$

$$T_4(f) = \frac{h}{2} [f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + 2f(x_3) + f(x_4)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [1 + 2\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{5} + 2\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{17}]$$

$$\doteq 9.37411$$

(b) Approximate the integral with Simpson's rule  $S_4(f)$ . Give 5 digits to the right of the decimal. Do not give your answer in scientific notation.

The same  $h$ ,  $x_i$ , and function values are used.

$$S_4 = \frac{h}{3} [f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + 4f(x_3) + f(x_4)]$$

$$= \frac{1}{3} [1 + 4\sqrt{2} + 2\sqrt{5} + 4\sqrt{10} + \sqrt{17}]$$

$$\doteq 9.30040$$

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\*To receive credit, the set up details must be shown for both (a) and (b).

(3) Suppose we wish to interpolate  $f$  with  $P_3(x)$  on the interval  $[-1, 1]$  where

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} \frac{\sin x}{x}, & x \neq 0 \\ 1, & x = 0 \end{cases}.$$

(a) It can be shown that  $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq \frac{1}{5}$  when  $-1 \leq x \leq 1$ . Find a bound on the error  $|f(x) - P_3(x)|$  if the optimal error reducing nodes are used. Express the bound exactly or give 5 decimal digits.

For the Chebyshev nodes

$$|f(x) - P_3(x)| \leq \frac{L}{2^3} \quad \text{where} \quad L = \max_{[-1,1]} \left| \frac{f^{(4)}(x)}{4!} \right|$$

$$\text{Given } |f^{(4)}(x)| \leq \frac{1}{5}, \quad L = \frac{1/5}{4!} = \frac{1}{5 \cdot 24} = \frac{1}{120}$$

$$\text{So } |f(x) - P_3(x)| \leq \frac{\frac{1}{120}}{8} = \frac{1}{960} \doteq 0.00104$$

(b) Suppose instead that equally spaced nodes are used. Find a bound on the error in this case<sup>†</sup>. (Again, exact or with 5 decimal digits.)

$$\text{For equally spaced nodes } h = \frac{1 - (-1)}{3} = \frac{2}{3}$$

and

$$|f(x) - P_3(x)| = \left| \Psi_3(x) \frac{f^{(4)}(c)}{4!} \right| \quad \text{for some } c \text{ in } [-1, 1].$$

$$|\Psi_3(x)| \leq h^4 = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right)^4 = \frac{16}{81} \quad \text{and} \quad \left| \frac{f^{(4)}(c)}{4!} \right| \leq \frac{1}{120} \quad \text{from (a)}$$

So

$$|f(x) - P_3(x)| \leq \frac{16}{81} \cdot \frac{1}{120} = \frac{2}{1215} \doteq 0.00165$$

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<sup>†</sup>Recall  $|\Psi_3(x)| \leq h^4$  for equally spaced nodes  $h$  units apart.

(4) Consider the data given in the table.

$x$	0.1	0.2	0.3
$f(x)$	-0.23	-0.32	-0.36

Find  $P_2(x)$  using the Newton divided differences formulation.

$$f[0.1, 0.2] = \frac{-0.32 - (-0.23)}{0.2 - 0.1} = 10(-0.09) = -0.9$$

$$f[0.2, 0.3] = \frac{-0.36 - (-0.32)}{0.3 - 0.2} = 10(-0.04) = -0.4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{so } f[0.1, 0.2, 0.3] &= \frac{f[0.2, 0.3] - f[0.1, 0.2]}{0.3 - 0.1} \\ &= 5(-0.4 - (-0.9)) = 2.5 \end{aligned}$$

$$P_2(x) = f(0.1) + f[0.1, 0.2](x - 0.1) + f[0.1, 0.2, 0.3](x - 0.1)(x - 0.2)$$

$$P_2(x) = -0.23 - 0.9(x - 0.1) + 2.5(x - 0.1)(x - 0.2)$$

(5) The integral  $I(f) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$  was approximated using the trapezoid and Simpson's rule for several choices of equally spaced partitions. The results were recorded in the following tables.

$T_2(f)$	0.697996
$T_4(f)$	0.704834
$T_8(f)$	0.706539

$S_2(f)$	0.707201
$S_4(f)$	0.707113
$S_8(f)$	0.707107

(a) Compute the Richardson Extrapolation approximation  $R_4$  for the Trapezoid rule.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_4 &= \frac{1}{3} (4T_4 - T_2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} (4 \cdot 0.704834 - 0.697996) \\
 &\doteq 0.707113
 \end{aligned}$$

(b) Compute the Richardson Extrapolation approximation  $R_4$  for Simpson's rule.

$$\begin{aligned}
 R_4 &= \frac{1}{15} (16S_4 - S_2) \\
 &= \frac{1}{15} (16 \cdot 0.707113 - 0.702201) \\
 &\doteq 0.707107
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) The Midpoint rule can be defined as  $M_n = \frac{1}{2} (3S_{2n} - T_n)$ . Compute  $M_4$ .

$$\begin{aligned}
 &\text{If } n=4, \text{ then } 2n=8. \\
 M_4 &= \frac{1}{2} (3S_8 - T_4) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (3 \cdot 0.707107 - 0.704834) \\
 &\doteq 0.708244
 \end{aligned}$$

(6) Suppose we wish to approximate the improper (but convergent) integral  $\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{1-x^2}} dx$ .

(a) Explain clearly (and in plain English) why it is not possible to compute  $S_n$  for any even number  $n = 2, 4, \dots$  (Hint: Consider why the integral is improper.)

For any  $n$ ,  $x_0 = -1$  and  $x_n = 1$ . With

$$f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{1-x^2}}, \text{ neither } f(1) \text{ nor } f(-1)$$

are defined. Hence  $S_n$  can not be computed as it requires these values.

(Code written to do this with crash.)

(b) Evaluate the integral using Gaussian quadrature  $I_2(f)$ . Give your answer with 5 digits to the right of the decimal.

$$w_1 = w_2 = 1 \text{ and } -x_1 = x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$$

$$\text{with } f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{1-x^2}}$$

$$I_2(f) = f\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{1-\left(\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{1-\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)^2}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2/3}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt[4]{2/3}} = 2 \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^{1/4} \doteq 2.21336$$