

Figure 1: Problem 1

Math 340/611 - Homework Solutions 1

Basics, Error

1. (a). For $f(x) = \sin(x)$, we have

$$P_1(x) = x,$$

$$P_3(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!},$$

$$P_5(x) = x - \frac{x^3}{3!} + \frac{x^5}{5!}$$

Table 1: Problem 1, parts c,d, and e

| x | P_1 | | | P_3 | | | P_5 | | |
|-----|-------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | Val | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. | Value | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. | Value | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. |
| 0.1 | 0.1 | .000167 | .001669 | .099833 | .000000 | .000001 | .099833 | .000000 | .000000 |
| 0.5 | 0.5 | .020574 | .042915 | .479167 | .000259 | .000540 | .479427 | .000002 | .000003 |
| 1.0 | 1.0 | .158529 | .188395 | .833333 | .008138 | .009671 | .841667 | .000196 | .000233 |

- (b). See Figure
- (c). See Table
- (d). See Table
- (e). See Table

2. (a). For $f(x) = \ln(1+x)$, we have

$$P_1(x) = x,$$

$$P_2(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2!},$$

$$P_3(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2!} + 2\frac{x^3}{3!}$$

$$P_4(x) = x - \frac{x^2}{2!} + 2\frac{x^3}{3!} - 6\frac{x^4}{4!}$$

- (b). See Figure
- (c). See Table
- (d). See Table
- (e). See Table

3. $e^{-x} = 1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2} - \dots$ with error term $\frac{1}{(n+1)!}x^{n+1}f^{(n+1)}(\xi)$. So for error to be less than 10^{-3} and knowing the n th derivative of $e^{-x} = (-1)^n e^{-x}$ gives the largest value of $f^{(n+1)}(\xi) = 1$ on $[0,1]$. We have error $\leq \frac{1}{(n+1)!} \leq 10^{-3}$. So $n = 6$ and the Taylor polynomial desired is: $1 - x + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^3}{6} + \frac{x^4}{24} - \frac{x^5}{120} + \frac{x^6}{720}$. Also, we have by the MVT $|f(x_1) - f(x_2)| \leq 1|x_1 - x_2|$ since $f'(x) \leq 1$ on $[0,1]$.

ln(1+x) vs Taylor polynomials

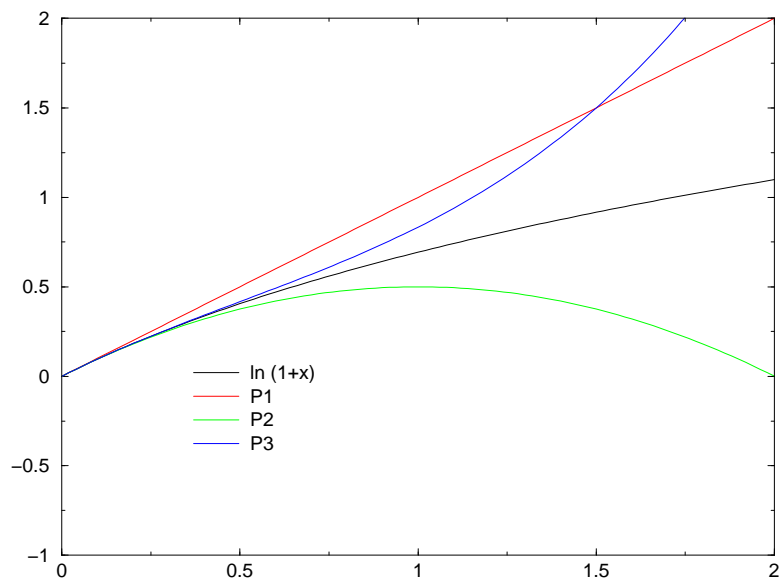


Figure 2: Problem 2

Table 2: Problem 2, parts c,d, and e

| x | P_1 | | | P_2 | | | P_3 | | |
|-----|-------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|---------|-----------|-----------|
| | Val | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. | Value | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. | Value | Abs. Err. | Rel. Err. |
| 0.1 | 0.1 | .004690 | .049208 | .095000 | .000310 | .003253 | .095333 | .000023 | .000241 |
| 0.5 | 0.5 | .094535 | .233152 | .375000 | .030465 | .075136 | .416667 | .011202 | .027628 |
| 1.0 | 1.0 | .306853 | .442695 | .500000 | .193147 | .278652 | .833333 | .140186 | .202246 |

4. $f(1) = 2$; $f'(x) = 3x^2 + 1$; $f'(1) = 4$; $f''(x) = 6x$; $f''(1) = 6$; $f'''(x) = 6$; $f'''(1) = 6$. So the order 2 polynomial is $p(x) = 2 + 4(x-1) + \frac{6(x-1)^2}{2}$ or $3x^2 - 2x + 1$ and the order 3 polynomial is $p(x) = 2 + 4(x-1) + \frac{6(x-1)^2}{2} + \frac{6(x-1)^3}{6} = x^3 + x$
5. (a). If $f(x) = x - 3^{-x}$, then $f(0) = -3 < 0$ and $f(1) = \frac{2}{3} > 0 \Rightarrow \exists$ a root on $[0,1]$.
 (b). If $f(x) = 4x^2 - e^x$, then $f(0) = -1 < 0$ and $f(1) = 4 - e > 0 \Rightarrow \exists$ a root on $[0,1]$.

| | a | b | c | d | e |
|------------|------|--------|------|------|-----|
| 6. Chopped | 12.3 | -.0319 | 12.2 | -288 | 130 |
| Rounded | 12.3 | -.0320 | 12.3 | -289 | 130 |

7. (a). $2.75*1.07 = 2.94$; $2.94*1.07=3.14$; $3.14*1.07=3.35$;
 $2.95*1.07=3.15$; $3.15*1.07 = 3.37$; $3.16*1.07=3.38$;
 So we get $3.35 - 3.37 + 3.38 - 4.67 = -1.31$; (b). $1.07*1.07 = 1.14$;
 $1.14*2.95 = 3.36$;
 $1.07*1.07 = 1.14$; $1.14*1.07 = 1.21$; $1.21*2.75 = 3.32$
 So we get $-4.67 + 3.38 - 3.36 + 3.32 = -1.33$; (c). $((2.94-2.95)*1.07 + 3.16)*1.07 - 4.67$
 $= (-0.0107 * 1.07 + 3.16)*1.07 - 4.67$
 $= 3.14 * 1.07 - 4.67 = 3.36 - 4.67 = -1.31$;
 The true answer is -1.297...
8. $p(x) = 5x^6 + x^5 + 3x^4 + 3x^3 - x^2 + 1 = (((((5x + 1)x + 3)x + 3)x - 1)x + 0)x + 1$
9. (a). Error should less than $0.001*150 = 0.15$ implies $149.85 < p < 150.15$;
 (b). Error should less than $0.001*1500 = 1.5$ implies $1498.5 < p < 1501.5$;
10. $N = 6$. The correct value chopped to 3 digits is 2.45 (which is exact), while the partial sums (chopped to 3 digits) are 1, 1.5, 1.83, 2.08, 2.28, 2.44
 The absolute error is 0.01 and the relative error is $0.01/2.45 = 0.00408...$

11. (a). $\sum_{n=0}^5 \frac{1}{n!} \approx 2.70$ with absolute error 0.01828 and relative error 0.0067.
 (b). $\sum_{n=0}^5 \frac{1}{(5-n)!} \approx 2.71$ with absolute error 0.00828 and relative error 0.0030.
12. Not assigned.
13. a. $f(x) = \frac{\sqrt{x+9}-3}{x} \rightarrow \frac{0}{0}$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. So rationalize the numerator to get $\frac{\sqrt{x+9}-3}{x} \frac{\sqrt{x+9}+3}{\sqrt{x+9}+3} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x+9}+3} \rightarrow \frac{1}{6}$.
 b. $f(x) = \frac{1-\cos x}{x}$ goes to $\frac{0}{0}$ as $x \rightarrow 0$. Expand the numerator in Taylor series and factor out x to get $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x + \dots \rightarrow 0$ as $x \rightarrow 0$.
14. (a). $p_{n+1} = \frac{1}{4}p_n$ leads to $r - \frac{1}{4} = 0$ so $r = \frac{1}{4}$ and $p_n = C(\frac{1}{4})^n$. Plugging in the initial condition gives $C = 1$ so $p_n = (\frac{1}{4})^n$.
 $p_{n+2} = \frac{21}{4}p_{n+1} - \frac{5}{4}p_n$ leads to $r^2 - \frac{21}{4}r + \frac{5}{4} = 0$. So, $r = \frac{1}{4}$ or $r = 5$ yielding $p_n = C_1(\frac{1}{4})^n + C_25^n$. Plugging in the initial conditions gives $p_n = 0.999998 (\frac{1}{4})^n + 0.000002 5^n$.

(b).

| Iterate | First Method | Second Method |
|---------|-----------------|---------------|
| 0 | 1.000000 | 1.000000 |
| 1 | 0.250010 | 0.250010 |
| 2 | 0.0625025 | 0.0625526 |
| 3 | 0.0156256 | 0.0158885 |
| 4 | 0.00390641 | 0.00522382 |
| 5 | 0.000976602 | 0.00756444 |
| 6 | 0.00024415 | 0.0331835 |
| 7 | $6.10376e - 05$ | 0.164758 |
| 8 | $1.52594e - 05$ | 0.8235 |
| 9 | $3.81485e - 06$ | 4.11743 |
| 10 | $9.53713e - 07$ | 20.5871 |
| 11 | $2.38428e - 07$ | 102.936 |
| 12 | $5.9607e - 08$ | 514.678 |
| 13 | $1.49018e - 08$ | 2573.39 |
| 14 | $3.72544e - 09$ | 12867 |
| 15 | $9.3136e - 10$ | 64334.8 |

The answers are not the same since the 5^n term grows very rapidly and eventually outweighs the solution we were looking for. A very small change in the initial data (e.g., from roundoff) leads to very large changes at later steps.

15. Of course, the exact value of $f'(x)$ is e^x and so $f'(1) = 2.71828\dots$

| h | Approximation | |
|--------|---------------|--------------------------------|
| 1.0000 | 4.671 | $\frac{7.389 - 2.718}{1}$ |
| 0.1000 | 2.860 | $\frac{3.004 - 2.718}{0.1}$ |
| 0.0500 | 2.780 | $\frac{2.857 - 2.718}{0.05}$ |
| 0.0200 | 2.750 | $\frac{2.773 - 2.718}{0.02}$ |
| 0.0100 | 2.700 | $\frac{2.745 - 2.718}{0.01}$ |
| 0.0050 | 2.600 | $\frac{2.731 - 2.718}{0.005}$ |
| 0.0010 | 3.000 | $\frac{2.721 - 2.718}{0.001}$ |
| 0.0001 | 0.00 | $\frac{2.718 - 2.718}{0.0001}$ |

16. Not assigned.

17. (a). Goes to zero like $\frac{1}{n}$
 (b). Goes to zero like $\frac{1}{n^2}$
 (c). The expression is equivalent to $\ln(1 + \frac{1}{n})$ and, using $\ln(1 + x) \approx x - \frac{1}{2}x^2 + \dots$ the expression goes to zero like $\frac{1}{n}$
18. (a). $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin h - h \cos h}{h} = \frac{h - h^3/6 + \dots - h(1 - h^2/2 + \dots)}{h} = \frac{h^3}{3h} + \dots \rightarrow 0$ like h^2 .
 (b). $\lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^h}{h} = \frac{1 - (1 + h + h^2/2 + \dots)}{h} \rightarrow -1$ like h .
19. $\sum_{i=1}^n \sum_{j=1}^i a_i b_j = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i (\sum_{j=1}^i b_j)$. The first has $\frac{n(n+1)}{2}$ multiplications and $\frac{n(n+1)}{2} - 1$ additions, $(a_1 b_1 + a_2 b_1 + a_2 b_2 + a_3 b_1 + a_3 b_2 + a_3 b_3 + \dots)$ while the second has only n multiplications and $2(n - 1)$ additions – assuming the partial sum of the b s is saved. $(a_1 b_1 + a_2(b_1 + b_2) + a_3(b_1 + b_2 + b_3) + \dots)$
20. The first method can lead to problems due to subtractive cancellation since the terms alternate in sign. The second method is better since as you take more terms the denominator grows and so the quotient shrinks toward the correct value.
21. The linear approximation of $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ on $[1/2, 1]$ is: $p(x) = \frac{x-1/2}{1-1/2} 1 + \frac{x-1}{1/2-1} 2 = -2x + 3$. Notice that this line goes through the points.
 Error $\leq \frac{1}{8} M (1 - 1/2)^2 = \frac{1}{8} (16) \frac{1}{2^2} = 1/2$. The maximum value of the second derivative of $\frac{1}{x}$ on $[1/2, 1]$ is 16.
22. $\int_0^1 x^3 dx = \frac{1}{4}$. The Trapezoidal rule gives: $\frac{h}{2} [f(0) + 2f(\frac{1}{4}) + 2f(\frac{1}{2}) + 2f(\frac{3}{4}) + f(1)] = \frac{17}{64}$ so the error is $\frac{1}{64}$. Since the error is proportional to h^2 , we have Error $\simeq Ch^2 \simeq \frac{1}{64}$ when $h = \frac{1}{4}$. Thus, $C \simeq \frac{1}{4}$. Then find h such that $\frac{1}{4} h^2 \leq 10^{-3}$ which gives $h < 0.0632$. For error $< 10^{-6}$ we have $h = 0.002$.