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You must do the first problem. You must pick **only** two of the remaining problems. Each problem is 15 points; there are 45 points total.

1. Quadrature Consider a quadrature of the form

$$\int_{-h}^h f(x)dx \approx h(af(-h) + bf(0) + cf(h)) + dh^2 f'(0).$$

- (a) Find coefficients so that the quadrature integrates all cubic polynomials exactly.
- (b) The above quadrature is equivalent to using Hermite interpolation with the available data, and the quadrature error is therefore

$$\int_{-h}^h f(x)dx - h(af(-h) + bf(0) + cf(h)) - dh^2 f'(0) = \int_{-h}^h \frac{(x^2 - h^2)x^2}{4!} f^{(4)}(\xi(x))dx.$$

Use this to find an asymptotic formula for the error in the limit $h \rightarrow 0$.

- (c) Consider a composite quadrature for integrals on $[a, b]$ based on repeated use of the above formula. Use the asymptotic error estimate derived above to form a ‘corrected’ composite quadrature similar to the corrected Trapezoid Rule, assuming you know the values of $f^{(3)}(a)$ and $f^{(3)}(b)$.

2. Linear Systems Suppose that the LU factorization of \mathbf{A} can be computed without pivoting. Let

$$\mathbf{A} = \begin{bmatrix} \hat{\mathbf{A}} & \mathbf{d} \\ \mathbf{c}^T & \alpha \end{bmatrix}, \quad \mathbf{c}, \mathbf{d} \in \mathbb{R}^{n-1}, \quad \alpha \in \mathbb{R}$$

and assume that $\hat{\mathbf{A}} = \hat{\mathbf{L}}\hat{\mathbf{U}}$, the LU-factorization of $\hat{\mathbf{A}}$, has already been computed. Explain how to use this to compute the LU factorization of \mathbf{A} . (Note that this can be used to recursively compute an LU factorization by computing LU factorizations of the upper-left $k \times k$ blocks with increasing k .)

3. Rootfinding/Nonlinear Equations Consider the fixed-point iteration $x_{k+1} = 2^{x_k - 1}$. (Recall $2^x = e^{x \ln(2)}$.)

- (a) What are the fixed points?
- (b) Which fixed points are stable, i.e. locally convergent?
- (c) For each fixed point, what is the order of convergence (i.e. linear, quadratic, etc)?
- (d) Formulate Newton’s method for $f(x) = x - 2^{x-1}$. What is the order of convergence for each root?

4. Interpolation

- (a) Let x_1, \dots, x_n be n distinct points, and suppose that $p_{n-1}(x)$ interpolates $f(x)$ at x_1, \dots, x_{n-1} while $q_{n-1}(x)$ interpolates $f(x)$ at x_2, \dots, x_n (p and q are polynomials of degree $\leq n-1$). Show that

$$p_n(x) = \frac{(x - x_1)q_{n-1}(x) - (x - x_n)p_{n-1}(x)}{x_n - x_1}$$

is a polynomial of degree $\leq n$ that interpolates $f(x)$ at x_1, \dots, x_n .

- (b) The above fact can be used to develop a recursive algorithm for finding an interpolating polynomial. Consider the following table

$$\begin{array}{cc|cc} x_1 & f_1 & & \\ x_2 & f_2 & P_{1,2}(x) & \\ x_3 & f_3 & P_{2,3}(x) & P_{1,2,3}(x) \end{array}$$

where $P_{1,2}(x)$ interpolates $f(x)$ at points x_1 and x_2 , $P_{2,3}(x)$ interpolates at x_2 and x_3 , and $P_{1,2,3}(x)$ interpolates at all the points. Assume that the nodes are $-1, 0, 1$ and values are $f(-1) = -1$, $f(0) = 0$, $f(1) = 1$, and give explicit expressions for all 3 P polynomials in the table above using the recursion from (a).

- (c) The above table can also be used to compute *values* of the interpolating polynomial. Add another point $x_4 = 2$ with value $f_4 = f(2) = 8$. Without computing the new interpolating polynomial, use the table to compute the *value* of the interpolating polynomial at $x = 1/2$.

5. Approximation

- (a) Find the coefficients a_j and b_j to minimize

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\cos((n+1)x) - \left[a_0 + \sum_{j=1}^n a_j \cos(jx) + b_j \sin(jx) \right] \right)^2 dx.$$

- (b) Let $p(x)$ be the trig polynomial of degree at most n that minimizes $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f(x) - p(x))^2 dx$ for some periodic, continuously-differentiable f . Show that $q(x) = p'(x)$ is the trig polynomial of degree at most n that minimizes $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} (f'(x) - q(x))^2 dx$.
- (c) Let $p(x)$ be the polynomial of degree at most $n \geq 1$ that minimizes $\int_{-1}^1 (f(x) - p(x))^2 dx$ for some continuously-differentiable f . Show by example that the polynomial $q(x)$ of degree at most $n-1$ that minimizes $\int_{-1}^1 (f'(x) - q(x))^2 dx$ is not necessarily $p'(x)$.