

Midterm 01

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1. Consider a particular format to store floating point numbers of the form $\pm 1.a_1a_2 \cdots a_7 \times 2^e$ using 4 bits for the exponent and 7 bits for the mantissa.
 - (a) (5 pts) Suppose 110001100000 corresponds to -3.5 , what would be the floating point representation of 0.625 ?
 - (b) (10 pts) Derive a relative error bound resulted from chopping with this floating point format (That is, ϵ_M).
2. (5 pts) Find first 15 digits of $(100002)^{\frac{1}{3}} - (100001)^{\frac{1}{3}}$. Write down your answer on the answer sheet and Explain. **Note:** Need 15 correct digits to get credit. No credit for using 'calculator'.
3. (10 pts) Consider the following recursive equation $p_0 = 1/3, p_1 = 1/6, p_2 = 1/12, p_n = \frac{7}{2}p_{n-1} - \frac{7}{2}p_{n-2} + p_{n-3}$. What is the exact solution? Is it stable? Explain mathematically. If you can't do it, do $q_0 = 1/3, q_1 = 1/6, q_n = \frac{5}{2}q_{n-1} - q_{n-2}$ for partial credit.

4. (a) (10 pts) Derive formula for the approximation of $f'(x)$ and $f''(x)$ respectively using $f(x-h), f(x)$, and $f(x+2h)$.
 - (b) (10 pts) Derive an error identity for the approximation of $f'(x)$.
 - (c) (15 pts) Derive an error identity for the approximation of $f''(x)$

$$f''(x) - f''(x)_{\text{approx}} = C_1 f^{(n)}(\xi) h^{n+k}. \quad (1)$$

Hint: multiply by h^2 and apply the trick (fundamental Theorem of calculus) that we used to derive error identity for trapezoidal rule. If you still can't do it, derive an error bound of the form $|f''(x) - f''(x)_{\text{approx}}| \leq C_2 |f^{(n)}|_{\infty} h^{n+k}$ and find n, k (to get partial credit). Then assume (1) holds and try to find C_1 (to get more partial credit, but still not full credit)

5. (15 pts) Find Gaussian quadrature points x_1, \cdots, x_n for $\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx$ with $n = 3$ (need not find c_i). You can either take the "maximal degree of precision" approach or the Legendre polynomial approach. If you can't do " $n = 3$ ", do " $n = 2$ " to get partial credit. If you can't do this either, derive Simpson's rule (formula only, no error term) for minimal partial credit.
6. (a) (10 pts) Implement $N_1(h) =$ composite midpoint rule for $I = \int_0^1 \sqrt{x} dx$ and find the order of convergence p_1 numerically.
 - (b) (10 pts) Based on the p_1 you find, apply Richardson extrapolation to get the quadrature formula for $N_2(h)$.
 - (c) (15 pts) Show that $C_1 h^{p_1} \leq |I - N_1(h)| \leq C_2 h^{p_1}$. Hint: treat \int_0^h and \int_h^1 separately and use the trick for the proof of "integral test".