

## Homework 5 due April 3rd Numerical Analysis, Spring 2019

Please show your work. Whenever needed, also hand in your MATLAB codes and outputs. (You can use the MATLAB function *diary* to copy your command window output.)

1. Let  $f(x) = \sin x$  and use the forward difference formula  $f'(x) \approx (f(x+h) - f(x))/h$  to approximate  $f'(\pi/6) = \sqrt{3}/2$ . In MATLAB, produce a table with columns  $h$ ,  $(\sin(\pi/6+h) - \sin(\pi/6))/h$ , and the error of approximation,  $|(\sin(\pi/6+h) - \sin(\pi/6))/h - \sqrt{3}/2|$ , for  $h = 10^{-k}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 16$ . You can use *fprintf* with appropriate options to display 15 places in your error values. Draw a log-log scale plot of the error (log error vs log  $h$ ). (Recall: the best accuracy is achieved when  $h \approx \sqrt{\epsilon_{\text{machine}}} \approx 10^{-8}$ .)
2. Let  $f(x) = \sin x$  and use the centered difference formula  $f'(x) \approx (f(x+h) - f(x-h))/(2h)$  to approximate  $f'(\pi/6) = \sqrt{3}/2$ . In MATLAB, produce a table with columns  $h$ ,  $(\sin(\pi/6+h) - \sin(\pi/6-h))/(2h)$ , and the error of approximation,  $|(\sin(\pi/6+h) - \sin(\pi/6-h))/(2h) - \sqrt{3}/2|$ , for  $h = 10^{-k}$ ,  $k = 1, 2, \dots, 16$ . Draw a log-log scale plot of the error (log error vs log  $h$ ). (Recall: the best accuracy is achieved when  $h \approx \sqrt[3]{\epsilon_{\text{machine}}} \approx 10^{-5}$ .)
3. Use the same function as in Exercises 1 and 2 above and approximate  $f''(\pi/6) = -\sin(\pi/6) = -1/2$  using  $f''(x) \approx (f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h))/(h^2)$  and the same range for  $h$ . Draw a log-log scale plot of the error vs  $h$ . Discuss the results. (We expect to see that the smallest error will occur when  $h \approx \sqrt[4]{\epsilon_{\text{machine}}} \approx 10^{-4}$ .)
4. Using *chebfun*.

(a) Define the Runge function in *chebfun* by typing

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f = chebfun('1./(1+x.^2)', [-5, 5])
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Next, differentiate  $f$  by typing:

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fp = diff(f)
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fpp = diff(f, 2) % we can differentiate up to any order k: diff(f, k)
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Check the lengths of  $f$ ,  $fp$ , and  $fpp$  to see the degrees of the polynomials representing  $f$ ,  $fp$  and  $fpp$ .

Plot  $f$ ,  $fp$ , and  $fpp$  in one figure, using *legend* to annotate the graph.

- (b) Use *chebfun* to evaluate  $f''(x)$  for  $f(x) = \sin x$  and  $x = \pi/6$ . What is the degree of the interpolation polynomial that it produces for  $f$  and  $f''$ , and what is the error in its approximation to  $f''(\pi/6)$ ?

5. Chapter 9, Exercise 2.

6. *MTH 464* student also does Exercise 5 from Chapter 9. This can be a bonus problem for the other students.