

Numerical Analysis II

Homework 4

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1. Derive the following two formulas for approximating derivatives and show that they are both $O(h^4)$ by establishing their error terms.

$$f'(x) \approx \frac{1}{12h} [-f(x+2h) + 8f(x+h) - 8f(x-h) + f(x-2h)] \quad (1)$$

$$f''(x) \approx \frac{1}{12h^2} [-f(x+2h) + 16f(x+h) - 30f(x) + 16f(x-h) - f(x-2h)] \quad (2)$$

2. Derive the following two formulas for approximating the third derivative. Find their error terms. Which formula is more accurate?

$$f'''(x) \approx \frac{1}{h^3} [f(x+3h) - 3f(x+2h) + 3f(x+h) - f(x)] \quad (3)$$

$$f'''(x) \approx \frac{1}{2h^3} [f(x+2h) - 2f(x+h) + 2f(x-h) - f(x-2h)] \quad (4)$$

3. Show how to use Richardson extrapolation if

$$L = \varphi(h) + a_1h + a_3h^3 + a_5h^5 + \dots$$

4. Derive a numerical differentiation formula of order $O(h^4)$ by applying Richardson extrapolation to

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2h} [f(x+h) - f(x-h)] - \frac{h^2}{6} f'''(x) - \frac{h^4}{120} f^{(5)}(x) - \dots$$

Give the error term of order $O(h^4)$.
