

Take Home Final for Math 467/667

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1. Consider the dot product and norm defined by

$$\text{dp}(f, g) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)g(x)e^{-x^2} dx \quad \text{and} \quad \text{nm}(f, f) = \sqrt{\text{dp}(f, f)}.$$

Find the polynomials $H_n(x)$ of degree n for $n = 0, 1, \dots, 5$ that are orthonormal with respect to the above dot product and norm.

2. It is known that the roots x_k of the polynomial $H_5(x)$ from above are given by

k	x_k
0	-2.020182870456086
1	-0.9585724646138185
2	0.0
3	0.9585724646138185
4	2.020182870456086

Find the weights w_k for $k = 0, \dots, 4$ such that the approximation

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x)e^{-x^2} dx \approx \sum_{k=0}^4 w_k f(x_k)$$

is exact when $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree 9.

3. Given $h > 0$ and $t_n = t_0 + hn$, consider the three-stage Runge-Kutta method

$$\begin{aligned} k_1 &= f(t_n, y_n) \\ k_2 &= f(t_n + h/3, y_n + hk_1/3) \\ k_3 &= f(t_n + 2h/3, y_n + 2hk_2/3) \\ y_{n+1} &= y_n + h(k_1 + 3k_3)/4 \end{aligned}$$

for approximating as $y_n \approx y(t_n)$ the exact solution to $y' = f(t, y)$ with $y(t_0) = y_0$. Find the truncation error and the resulting order of the method.

4. Given $h > 0$ and $t_n = t_0 + hn$, consider the implicit trapezoid method

$$y_{n+1} = y_n + \frac{h}{2}(f(t_n, y_n) + f(t_{n+1}, y_{n+1}))$$

for approximating as $y_n \approx y(t_n)$ the exact solution to $y' = f(t, y)$ with $y(t_0) = y_0$. Compute and draw a graph of the linear stability domain for this implicit method.

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