

Problem 1: see attached code and output.

Problem 2: polynomials orthogonal w.r.t inner prod $(f, g) \equiv \int_0^1 fg dx$

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1 = x\phi_0 - \frac{(x\phi_0, \phi_0)}{(\phi_0, \phi_0)} \phi_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1(x) = x - \frac{(x, 1)}{(1, 1)} = x - \frac{(1/2)}{1} = x - \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\phi_2 = x\phi_1 - \frac{(x\phi_1, \phi_1)}{(\phi_1, \phi_1)} \phi_1 - \frac{(x\phi_1, \phi_0)}{(\phi_0, \phi_0)} \phi_0$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_2(x) = x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{(1/24)}{(1/12)}(x - 1/2) = \frac{(1/12)}{1}$$

$$= x^2 - x + \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\phi_3 = x\phi_2 - \frac{(x\phi_2, \phi_2)}{(\phi_2, \phi_2)} \phi_2 - \frac{(x\phi_2, \phi_1)}{(\phi_1, \phi_1)} \phi_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_3(x) = x^3 - x^2 + \frac{x}{6} - \frac{(1/360)}{(1/180)}(x^2 - x + 1/6) - \frac{(1/180)}{(1/12)}(x - 1/2)$$

$$= x^3 - \frac{3}{2}x^2 + \frac{3}{5}x - \frac{1}{20}$$

Problem 3

Using Maclaurin series; for $x \in [-1, 1]$:

$$|\sin x - P_6(x)| \leq E_6$$

where

$$P_6(x) = \frac{x^5}{5!} - \frac{x^3}{3!} + x \quad \text{and} \quad E_6 = \frac{1}{7!} \approx 1.98 \times 10^{-4}$$

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- $P_5 = \text{best approx of } P_6 \text{ in } \Pi_5$

Since $P_6 \in \Pi_5$, $P_5 = P_6$ with 0 error on $[-1, 1]$

- $P_4 = \text{best approx of } P_5 \text{ in } \Pi_4$

$$P_4(x) = P_5(x) - \frac{T_5(x)}{24} \frac{1}{5!} = \frac{-5x^3}{32} + \frac{383}{384}x$$

with

$$\|P_4 - P_5\|_{\infty} \underset{\text{on } [-1, 1]}{\leq} \frac{1}{24} \frac{1}{5!} = E_4 \approx 5.21 \times 10^{-4}$$

Thus:

$$\|\sin x - P_4\|_{\infty} \leq E_6 + E_4 \approx 7.19 \times 10^{-4} < 0.01.$$

- $P_3 = \text{best approx of } P_4 \text{ in } \Pi_3$

Since $P_4 \in \Pi_3$, $P_3 = P_4$ with 0 error on $[-1, 1]$.

- $P_2 = \text{best approx of } P_3 \text{ in } \Pi_2$

$$\begin{aligned} P_2(x) &= P_3(x) - \frac{T_3(x)}{2^2} \frac{5}{32} \\ &= \frac{169}{192}x \end{aligned}$$

with:

$$\|P_2 - P_3\|_{\infty} \leq \frac{1}{2^2} \frac{5}{32} = E_2 \approx 0.039$$

Thus $\|\sin x - P_2\|_{\infty} \leq E_6 + E_4 + E_2 \approx 0.040 > 0.01$

So P_3 is best approx within tolerance.

Problem 4 We need to show:

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$$T_i T_j = \frac{1}{2} [T_{i+j} + T_{i-j}] , \quad i > j \text{ integers.}$$

proof: On $[-1, 1]$ we have.

$$T_n(x) = \cos(n \cos^{-1} x)$$

thus:

$$\begin{aligned} T_i(x) T_j(x) &= \cos(i \cos^{-1} x) \cos(j \cos^{-1} x) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [\cos((i+j) \cos^{-1} x) + \cos((i-j) \cos^{-1} x)] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} [T_{i+j}(x) + T_{i-j}(x)] \end{aligned}$$

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% Problem 1: B&F 8.1.6 a b c
% data points abscissa and ordinates
x = [0.2, 0.3, 0.6, 0.9, 1.1, 1.3, 1.4, 1.6]';
y = [0.050446, 0.098426, 0.33277, 0.72660, 1.0972, 1.5697, 1.8487, 2.5015]';

% best approximation first degree
A = [ ones(size(x)), x];
c1=(A'*A)\(A'*y);
fprintf('Best approximation is %g + %g x\n',c1);
fprintf('error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 1 approx = %g\n',norm(A*c1-y)^2);

% best approximation second degree
A = [ ones(size(x)), x, x.^2];
c2=(A'*A)\(A'*y);
fprintf('Best approximation is %g + %g x + %g x^2 \n',c2);
fprintf('error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 2 approx = %g\n',norm(A*c2-y)^2);

% best approximation third degree
A = [ ones(size(x)), x, x.^2, x.^3];
c3=(A'*A)\(A'*y);
fprintf('Best approximation is %g + %g x + %g x^2 + %g x^3\n',c3);
fprintf('error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 3 approx = %g\n',norm(A*c3-y)^2);

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>> prob1
Best approximation is -0.512457 + 1.66554 x
error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 1 approx = 0.33559
Best approximation is 0.0851439 + -0.311403 x + 1.12942 x^2
error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 2 approx = 0.00241991
Best approximation is -0.0184014 + 0.248386 x + 0.402932 x^2 + 0.266208 x^3
error ||b-A*x||_2^2 for degree 3 approx = 5.07467e-06

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