

Math 10A

Quiz 6; Tuesday, 7/17/2018

Time: 3 PM

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Circle True or False. (1 point for correct answer, 0 if incorrect)

1. True **FALSE** We can tell whether the midpoint rule approximating is an over or underestimating by looking at the first derivative.

**Solution:** We need to look at the second derivative.

2. **TRUE** False Using Simpson's method will always give the exact answer when integrating a quadratic equation.

**Solution:** For a quadratic equation,  $K_4 = 0$  so there is no error.

Show your work and justify your answers. Please circle or box your final answer.

3. (10 points) (a) (4 points) Approximate  $\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \cos(x) dx$  using the Trapezoid rule with  $n = 4$  trapezoids. (Simplify your answer)

**Solution:** First we find  $\Delta x = \frac{\pi - (-\pi)}{4} = \frac{2\pi}{4} = \frac{\pi}{2}$ . Using the formula, the area using Trapezoid rule is:

$$\frac{\pi/2}{2} (\cos(-\pi) + 2\cos(-\pi/2) + 2\cos(0) + 2\cos(\pi/2) + \cos(\pi)) = \frac{\pi}{4} (-1 + 0 + 2 + 0 + -1) = 0.$$

- (b) (3 points) What is the maximum error in the previous estimation?

**Solution:** The maximum error is  $\frac{K_2(b-a)^3}{12n^2}$ . The second derivative is  $-\cos(x)$  and the maximum of  $|f''(x)| = |-\cos(x)|$  is 1 so  $K_2 = 1$ . So the error is

$$\frac{1 \cdot (\pi - (-\pi))^3}{12 \cdot 4^2} = \frac{8\pi^3}{12 \cdot 16} = \frac{\pi^3}{24}.$$

- (c) (3 points) What is the smallest number of intervals  $n$  you need to use in order to guarantee that the trapezoid approximation of  $\int_0^1 \frac{x^3}{6} dx$  is within  $\frac{1}{12 \cdot 101}$ .

**Solution:** First we need to calculate  $K_2 = \max_{[0,1]} |(\frac{x^3}{6})''|$ . The first derivative is  $\frac{x^2}{2}$  and the second is  $x$  so the maximum of the absolute value is at  $x = 1$  since the function  $x$  is always increasing. Therefore,  $K_2 = 1$ . Thus, we have that

$$\frac{1}{12 \cdot 101} = \frac{1(1-0)^3}{12n^2} \implies n^2 = \frac{12 \cdot 101}{12} = 101.$$

Therefore  $n = \sqrt{101}$ . But, we want the smallest number of intervals and so we need to take the ceiling. The ceiling of  $\sqrt{101}$  is 11 so  $N = 11$ .