

Estimation Practice

1. Find the value of n which will give an estimate of the definite integral below to within 0.001 of the actual value using the indicated method.

$$\int_0^5 \sin(x^2) dx$$

You can use:

$$f(x) = \sin(x^2)$$

$$f'(x) = 2x \cos(x^2)$$

$$f''(x) = 2 \cos(x^2) - 4x^2 \sin(x^2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(3)}(x) &= -4x \sin(x^2) - 8x \sin(x^2) - 8x^3 \cos(x^2) \\ &= -12x \sin(x^2) - 8x^3 \cos(x^2) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(4)}(x) &= -12 \sin(x^2) - 24x^2 \cos(x^2) - 24x^2 \cos(x^2) + 16x^4 \sin(x^2) \\ &= -12 \sin(x^2) - 48x^2 \cos(x^2) + 16x^4 \sin(x^2) \end{aligned}$$

a. Trapezoidal

Note that for all x in $[0, 5]$, $|f''(x)| \leq 2 + 4(5^2) = 102$. We want

$$|E_T| \leq \frac{102(5-0)^3}{12n^2} \leq 0.001$$

$$\frac{102(5-0)^3}{12(0.001)} \leq n^2 \implies n = 1031$$

b. Midpoint

We can use the same K value of 102 from part a. We want

$$|E_M| \leq \frac{102(5-0)^3}{24n^2} \leq 0.001$$

$$\frac{102(5-0)^3}{24(0.001)} \leq n^2 \implies n = 729$$

c. Simpson's Rule

Note that for all x in $[0, 5]$, $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 12 + 48(5^2) + 16(5^4) = 11212$. We want

$$|E_S| \leq \frac{11212(5-0)^5}{180n^4} \leq 0.001$$

$$\frac{11212(5-0)^5}{180(0.001)} \leq n^4 \implies n = 120$$

(Remember that for Simpson's Rule, n has to be even)

2. Use integrals to estimate the series below to within 0.001 of the actual value.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^5}$$

From the integral test, we have that

$$s_n + \int_{n+1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^5} \leq s_n + \int_n^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx$$

The difference in the upper and lower bound is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_n^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx - \int_{n+1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx &= \int_n^{n+1} \frac{1}{x^5} dx = \left[-\frac{1}{4x^4} \right]_n^{n+1} \\ &= -\frac{1}{4(n+1)^4} - \left(-\frac{1}{4n^4} \right) = \frac{(n+1)^4 - n^4}{4(n+1)^4 n^4} \end{aligned}$$

Note that

$$\frac{(n+1)^4 - n^4}{4(n+1)^4 n^4} < 0.001 \text{ for } n = 4$$

a few calculations:

$$s_4 = 1 + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{243} + \frac{1}{1024}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_4^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[\int_4^b \frac{1}{x^5} dx \right] = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4x^4} \right]_4^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4b^4} - \left(-\frac{1}{4(4^4)} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{1024} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_5^{+\infty} \frac{1}{x^5} dx &= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[\int_5^b \frac{1}{x^5} dx \right] = \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4x^4} \right]_5^b \\ &= \lim_{b \rightarrow +\infty} \left[-\frac{1}{4b^4} - \left(-\frac{1}{4(5^4)} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2500} \end{aligned}$$

So

$$1 + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{243} + \frac{1}{1024} + \frac{1}{2500} \leq \sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{1}{n^5} \leq 1 + \frac{1}{32} + \frac{1}{243} + \frac{1}{1024} + \frac{1}{1024}$$

3. Show that the following series converges by the Alternating Series Test. Then estimate the value of the series within 0.001 of the actual value.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^5}$$

Converges by Alternating Series Test:

1. $\lim_{n \rightarrow +\infty} \frac{1}{n^5} = 0$

2. $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{x^5} \right] = \frac{-5}{x^6} < 0$ for all $x > 0$,

so $\left\{ \frac{1}{n^5} \right\}_{n=1}^{+\infty}$ is a strictly decreasing sequence.

Note that $1/4^5 < 0.001$ - so we can stop adding up terms at $n = 4$.

$$\sum_{n=1}^{+\infty} \frac{(-1)^n}{n^5} \simeq -1 + \frac{1}{32} - \frac{1}{243} + \frac{1}{1024} = -\frac{241837}{248832}$$

4. Estimate the given indefinite integral using the indicated method . . .

$$\int_0^4 x^2 dx$$

(a) Using Trapezoidal Rule with $n = 2$.

$$S_{T,2} = 2 \left[\frac{f(0) + f(2)}{2} \right] + 2 \left[\frac{f(2) + f(4)}{2} \right] =$$

$$S_{T,2} = 2 \left[\frac{0 + 4}{2} \right] + 2 \left[\frac{4 + 16}{2} \right] = 24$$

(b) Using Midpoint Rule with $n = 2$.

$$S_{M,2} = 2f(1) + 2f(3) =$$

$$S_{M,2} = 2 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 9 = 20$$

(c) Using Simpson's Rule with $n = 4$.

$$S_{S,4} = \frac{1}{3} [f(0) + 4f(1) + 2f(2) + 4f(3) + f(4)] =$$

$$S_{S,4} = \frac{1}{3} [0 + 4 \cdot 1 + 2 \cdot 4 + 4 \cdot 9 + 16] = \frac{64}{3}$$

also calculate it this way:

$$S_{S,4} = \frac{1}{3} S_{T,2} + \frac{2}{3} S_{M,2} =$$

$$S_{S,4} = \frac{1}{3} (24) + \frac{2}{3} (20) = \frac{64}{3}$$

(d) Now just calculate the value directly:

$$\int_0^4 x^2 dx = \left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_0^4 = \frac{64}{3}$$