

Some review problems for Final

1. Find the polynomial that fits the following points by Lagrange and Newton methods
 - (a) $(-1, 1), (0, -1), (1, 1), (2, 0)$.
 - (b) $(-1, 0), (0, -1), (1, 0), (0, 1)$.
2. Let $f(x) = \frac{1}{2+3x}$. For evenly spaced sample points $1 = x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = 2$, let P_n be the corresponding interpolation polynomial. Find n such that the integral $\int_1^2 P_n(x) dx$ approximates the integral $\int_1^2 f(x) dx$ with error not exceeding 10^{-4} .
3. We want to find an approximate value of the integral $I = \int_2^4 \frac{1}{x^3+1} dx$. Let n be the number of equal subintervals of the interval $[2, 4]$.
 - (a) For $n = 5$, use right-point rule to approximate I .
 - (b) For $n = 5$, use midpoint rule to approximate I .
 - (c) For $n = 5$, use trapezoid rule to approximate I .
 - (d) For $n = 5$, use Simpson rule to approximate I .
 - (e) How big should n be such that the approximate value of I by midpoint rule is under 10^{-4} ?
 - (f) The same question as Part (e) but for Simpson rule.