

Solution to Prob 1, HW 6

$$f(x) = e^{x/2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right)$$

By the product rule

$$f'(x) = \frac{1}{2} e^{x/2} \sin\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + e^{x/2} \frac{1}{2} \cos\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = e^{x/2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos\frac{x}{2} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} f''(x) &= \frac{1}{2} e^{x/2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos\frac{x}{2} \right) + e^{x/2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \cos\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \sin\frac{x}{2} \right) \\ &= e^{x/2} \left(\frac{1}{4} \cancel{\sin\frac{x}{2}} + \frac{1}{4} \cos\frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \cos\frac{x}{2} - \frac{1}{4} \cancel{\sin\frac{x}{2}} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} e^{x/2} \cos\frac{x}{2} \end{aligned}$$

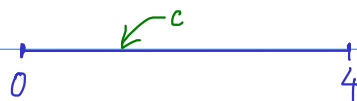
We see that

$$|f'(x)| \leq e^{x/2} \left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{2} |\sin\frac{x}{2}|}_{\leq 1} + \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} |\cos\frac{x}{2}|}_{\leq 1} \right) \leq e^{x/2}$$

$$|f''(x)| \leq \frac{1}{2} e^{x/2} |\cos\frac{x}{2}| \leq \frac{1}{2} e^{x/2} \leq e^{x/2}$$

Lagrange's theorem says that there exists c between 0 and 4 such that

$$f(4) - T_n(4) = R_n(4) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(c)}{(n+1)!} \underbrace{(4-0)^{n+1}}_4$$



Estimate $R_n(4)$:

$$\begin{aligned} |R_n(4)| &\leq \frac{|f^{(n+1)}(c)|}{(n+1)!} 4^{n+1} \\ &\leq \frac{e^{c/2}}{(n+1)!} 4^{n+1} \leq \frac{e^2}{(n+1)!} 4^{n+1} \leq \frac{8(4^{n+1})}{(n+1)!} \end{aligned}$$

To guarantee that $|R_n(4)| < 10^{-2}$, one only needs n such that

$$\frac{8 \binom{n+1}{4}}{(n+1)!} < 10^{-2}$$

By trying $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots$ we see that $n = 14$ will do it.