

# Numerical Analysis (10th Edition)

Chapter 8.2, Problem 10E

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## Problem

Repeat Exercise 3 using the results of Exercise 7.

**Reference:** Exercise 3

Find the least squares polynomial approximation of degree two to the functions and intervals in Exercise 1.

**Reference:** Exercise 1

Find the linear least squares polynomial approximation to  $f(x)$  on the indicated interval if

a.  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2, \quad [0, 1];$

b.  $f(x) = x^3, \quad [0, 2]$

c.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}, \quad [1, 3];$

d.  $f(x) = e^x, \quad [0, 2]$

e.  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2} \cos x + \frac{1}{3} \sin 2x, \quad [0, 1];$

f.  $f(x) = x \ln x, \quad [1, 2]$

**Reference:** Exercise 7

Use the Gram-Schmidt process to construct  $\phi_0(x)$ ,  $\phi_1(x)$ ,  $\phi_2(x)$ , and  $\phi_3(x)$  for the following intervals.

- a.  $[0, 1]$  b.  $[0, 2]$  c.  $[1, 3]$

## Step-by-step solution

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(a)

Consider the function  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2$  and the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

We know that in the Gram-Schmidt process the set of polynomials  $\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$  defined as

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

And when  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\phi_k(x) = (x - B_k)\phi_{k-1}(x) - C_k\phi_{k-2}(x)$$

where

$$B_k = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}$$

and

$$C_k = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)\phi_{k-1}(x)\phi_{k-2}(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_{k-2}(x)]^2 dx} \text{ for } x \in [a, b]$$

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The given interval is  $[0, 1]$

Let us take  $w(x) = 1$

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 xw(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 x dx}{\int_0^1 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\left[\frac{x^2}{2}\right]_0^1}{\left[x\right]_0^1}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{1}{2}$$

Thus

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

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

Therefore,

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

$$\phi_2(x) = (x - B_2)\phi_1(x) - C_2\phi_0(x)$$

where

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 xw(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 xw(x)\phi_1(x)\phi_0(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

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Now,

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 x \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]^2 dx}{\int_0^1 \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]^2 dx}$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^1 x \left[ x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \right] dx}{\int_0^1 \left[ x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{4} \right] dx}$$

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

$$= \frac{\left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1}{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1}$$

$$= \frac{\left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^1}{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{x}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^1}$$

$$B_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

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And also,

$$C_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 x \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right] dx}{\int_0^1 dx}$$

$$= \frac{\int_0^1 \left[ x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x \right] dx}{\int_0^1 dx}$$

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

$$C_2 = \frac{1}{12}$$

Thus,

$$\phi_2(x) = (x - B_2)\phi_1(x) - C_2\phi_0(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_2(x) = \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) - \frac{1}{12}$$

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

We know that in the Gram-Schmidt process if  $\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$  is an orthogonal set of functions on the interval  $[a, b]$  with respect to the weight function  $w$ , then the least squares

approximation to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  is defined as

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j \phi_j(x), j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where

$$a_j = \frac{\int_a^b w(x)\phi_j(x)f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_j(x)]^2 dx}$$

Now the linear least squares polynomial approximation to  $f(x) = x^2 + 3x + 2$  on  $[0, 1]$  is defined as

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^2 a_j \phi_j(x), j = 0, 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = a_0\phi_0(x) + a_1\phi_1(x)$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_0(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_1(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_2(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_2(x)]^2 dx}$$

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Now,

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_0(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{\int_0^1 (x^2 + 3x + 2) dx}{\int_0^1 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + \frac{3x^2}{2} + 2x \right]_0^1}{\left[ x \right]_0^1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = 3.8333$$

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_1(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 \phi_1(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) (x^2 + 3x + 2) dx}{\int_0^1 \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_0^1 \left( x^3 + \frac{5x^2}{2} + \frac{x}{2} - 1 \right) dx}{\int_0^1 \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{3 \left( \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{5x^3}{6} + \frac{x^2}{4} - x \right)_0^1}{\left( \left[ x - \frac{1}{2} \right]^3 \right)_0^1}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = 4$$

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And

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 w(x)\phi_2(x)f(x) dx}{\int_0^1 w(x)[\phi_2(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 \left( \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{12} \right) (x^2 + 3x + 2) dx}{\int_0^1 \left( \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{12} \right)^2 dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_0^1 \left( x^4 + 2x^3 - \frac{5x^2}{6} - \frac{3x}{2} + \frac{1}{3} \right) dx}{\int_0^1 \left( x^4 + 2x^3 - 2x^2 + \frac{x}{3} + \frac{1}{36} \right) dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\left( \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{x^4}{2} - \frac{5x^3}{18} - \frac{3x^2}{4} + \frac{x}{3} \right)_0^1}{\left( \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{2x^4}{9} - \frac{2x^3}{6} + \frac{x^2}{6} + \frac{x}{36} \right)_0^1}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{5.5555 \times 10^{-3}}{0.1167}$$

$$a_2 = 0.0476$$

Thus the linear least squares polynomial approximation of degree two to the given function is:

$$P(x) = a_0\phi_0(x) + a_1\phi_1(x) + a_2\phi_2(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = 3.8333 + 4 \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 0.0476 \left[ \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{12} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$P(x) = 3.8333 + 4 \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right) + 0.0476 \left[ \left( x - \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 - \frac{1}{12} \right]$$

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(b)

Consider the function  $f(x) = x^3$  and the interval  $[0, 2]$ .

We know that in the Gram-Schmidt process the set of polynomials  $\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$  defined as

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

And when  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\phi_k(x) = (x - B_k)\phi_{k-1}(x) - C_k\phi_{k-2}(x)$$

where

$$B_k = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}$$

and

$$C_k = \frac{\int_a^b xw(x)\phi_{k-1}(x)\phi_{k-2}(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x)[\phi_{k-2}(x)]^2 dx} \text{ for } x \in [a, b]$$

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$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

And when  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\phi_k(x) = (x - B_k)\phi_{k-1}(x) - C_k\phi_{k-2}(x)$$

where

$$B_k = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}$$

and

$$C_k = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)\phi_{k-1}(x)\phi_{k-2}(x) dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_{k-2}(x)]^2 dx} \text{ for } x \in [a, b]$$

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The given interval is  $[0, 2]$

Let us take  $w(x) = 1$

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\int_0^2 x dx}{\int_0^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_0^2}{\left[ x \right]_0^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = 1$$

Thus

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1(x) = x - 1$$

Therefore

$$\phi_1(x) = x - 1$$

$$\phi_2(x) = (x - B_2)\phi_1(x) - C_2\phi_0(x)$$

where

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\int_0^2 xw(x)\phi_1(x)\phi_0(x) dx}{\int_0^2 w(x)[\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

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Now

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_0^2 x \left[ x - 1 \right]^2 dx}{\int_0^2 \left[ x - 1 \right]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\int_0^2 x \left[ x^2 - 2x + 1 \right] dx}{\int_0^2 \left[ x^2 - 2x + 1 \right] dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\int_0^2 \left[ x^3 + x - 2x^2 \right] dx}{\int_0^2 \left[ x^2 + 1 - 2x \right] dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{2x^3}{3} \right]_0^2}{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + x - x^2 \right]_0^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{x^2}{8} - \frac{x^3}{3} \right]_0^2}{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + x - x^2 \right]_0^2}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\left( \frac{2^4}{4} + \frac{2^2}{8} - \frac{2^3}{3} \right)}{\left( \frac{2^3}{3} + 2 - 2^2 \right)}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = 1$$

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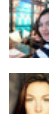

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$$a_2 = \frac{0.1667}{0.11667} \left[ (0.05391) \right] + \frac{1}{0.11667} \left[ (0.84592) - 2(0.43807 + 0.041667) \right]$$

$$a_2 = \frac{-0.05964}{0.11667}$$

$$a_2 = -0.51122$$

Thus the linear least squares polynomial approximation to the given function is:

$$P(x) = a_0\phi_0(x) + a_1\phi_1(x) + a_2\phi_2(x)$$
$$\Rightarrow P(x) = 0.65676 + 0.09103\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) - 0.51122\left[\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{12}\right]$$

Therefore

$$P(x) = 0.65676 + 0.09103\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right) - 0.51122\left[\left(x - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{12}\right]$$

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(f)

Consider the function  $f(x) = x \ln x$  and the interval  $[1, 3]$ .

We know that in the Gram-Schmidt process the set of polynomials  $\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$  defined as

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

And when  $k \geq 2$ ,

$$\phi_k(x) = (x - B_k)\phi_{k-1}(x) - C_k\phi_{k-2}(x)$$

where

$$B_k = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_{k-1}(x)]^2 dx}$$

and

$$C_k = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_{k-1}(x) \phi_{k-2}(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_{k-2}(x)]^2 dx} \quad \text{for } x \in [a, b]$$

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The given interval is  $[1, 3]$

Let us take  $w(x) = 1$

$$\phi_0(x) = 1$$

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

where

$$B_1 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\int_1^3 x dx}{\int_1^3 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_1^3}{\left[ x \right]_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_1 = 2$$

Thus

$$\phi_1(x) = x - B_1$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_1(x) = x - 2$$

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Therefore,

$$\phi_1(x) = x - 2$$

$$\phi_2(x) = (x - B_2)\phi_1(x) - C_2\phi_0(x)$$

where

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_1(x) \phi_0(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

Now

$$B_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 x [x - 2]^2 dx}{\int_1^3 [x - 2]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 x [x^2 + 4 - 4x] dx}{\int_1^3 [x^2 + 4 - 4x] dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 [x^3 + 4x - 4x^2] dx}{\int_1^3 [x^2 + 4 - 4x] dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + 2x^2 - \frac{4x^3}{3} \right]_1^3}{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} + 4x - 2x^2 \right]_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = \frac{1.333}{0.666}$$

$$\Rightarrow B_2 = 2$$

$$C_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 x [x - 2] dx}{\int_1^3 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 [x^2 - 2x] dx}{\int_1^3 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{\left[ \frac{x^3}{3} - x^2 \right]_1^3}{\left[ x \right]_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow C_2 = \frac{1}{3}$$

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Thus

$$\phi_2(x) = (x - B_2)\phi_1(x) - C_2\phi_0(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_2(x) = (x - 2)(x - 2) - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \phi_2(x) = (x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{3}$$

We know that in the Gram-Schmidt process if  $\{\phi_0, \phi_1, \phi_2, \dots, \phi_n\}$  is an orthogonal set of functions on the interval  $[a, b]$  with respect to the weight function  $w$ , then the least squares

approximation to  $f$  on  $[a, b]$  is defined as

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^n a_j \phi_j(x), j = 0, 1, 2, \dots, n$$

where

$$a_j = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_j(x) f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_j(x)]^2 dx}$$

Now the linear least squares polynomial approximation to  $f(x) = x \ln x$  on  $[1, 3]$  is defined as

$$P(x) = \sum_{j=0}^2 a_j \phi_j(x), j = 0, 1$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = a_0\phi_0(x) + a_1\phi_1(x)$$

where

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_0(x) f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_1(x) f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_2(x) f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_2(x)]^2 dx}$$

Now

$$a_0 = \frac{\int_1^3 w(x) \phi_0(x) f(x) dx}{\int_1^3 w(x) [\phi_0(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{\int_1^3 (x \ln x) dx}{\int_1^3 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{\left[ \ln x \times \frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right]_1^3}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^3 (x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = 1.47188$$

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And also,

$$a_1 = \frac{\int_1^3 w(x) \phi_1(x) f(x) dx}{\int_1^3 w(x) [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_1^3 \phi_1(x) f(x) dx}{\int_1^3 [\phi_1(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_1^3 (x - 2)(x \ln x) dx}{\int_1^3 [x - 2]^2 dx}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{\int_1^3 (x^2 - 2x) \ln x dx}{\left[ (x - 2)^2 \right]_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{3 \times \frac{\left( \left( \frac{x^3}{3} - x^2 \right) \ln x \right)_1^3 - \int_1^3 \left( \frac{x^3}{3} - x \right) dx}{\left( [x - 2]^2 \right)_1^3}}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{-3 \times \left( \left( \frac{x^3}{9} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right) \right)_1^3}{\left( [x - 2]^2 \right)_1^3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{5}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = 1.6667$$

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Now,

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_a^b w(x) \phi_2(x) f(x) dx}{\int_a^b w(x) [\phi_2(x)]^2 dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 \left[ (x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right] (x \ln x) dx}{\int_1^3 \left[ (x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right] dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\int_1^3 \left[ x^3 + \frac{11}{3}x - 4x^2 \right] (\ln x) dx}{\int_1^3 \left[ x^2 + \frac{11}{3} - 4x \right] dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{\left( \left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{11x^2}{6} - 4 \frac{x^3}{3} \right] (\ln x) \right)_1^3 - \int_1^3 \left[ \frac{x^4}{4} + \frac{11x}{6} - 4 \frac{x^2}{3} \right] dx}{\int_1^3 \left[ x^4 + 70x^2 - 8x^3 - \frac{88x}{3} + 13.444x \right] dx}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{(0.82396) - \left[ \frac{x^4}{16} + \frac{11x^2}{12} - 4 \frac{x^3}{9} \right]_1^3}{\left[ \frac{x^5}{5} + \frac{70x^3}{9} - \frac{8x^4}{4} - \frac{44x^2}{3} + 13.444x \right]_1^3}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{(0.82396) - [1.3125 - 0.53472]}{0.17688}$$

$$a_2 = \frac{0.04618}{0.17688}$$

$$a_2 = 0.26108$$

Thus the linear least squares polynomial approximation to the given function is:

$$P(x) = a_0\phi_0(x) + a_1\phi_1(x) + a_2\phi_2(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow P(x) = 1.47188 + 1.6667(x - 2) + 0.26108 \left[ (x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

Therefore,

$$P(x) = 1.47188 + 1.6667(x - 2) + 0.26108 \left[ (x - 2)^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right]$$

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