

Lecture 22

Numerical Analysis

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Last time:

Numerical Integration

- trapezoidal rule

- special case of Newton-Cotes  
Formulae

Idea: First interpolate  $f$  on  $[a, b]$ , then  
integrate the interpolant:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^b f(x) dx &\approx \int_a^b \sum_{k=0}^n f(x_k) L_k(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n \left( \underbrace{\int_a^b L_k(x) dx}_{\text{quadrature weights}} \right) f(x_k) \\ &= \sum_{k=0}^n w_k f(x_k)\end{aligned}$$

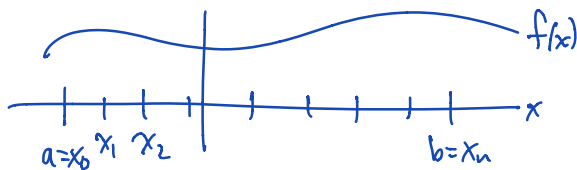
↑ quadrature nodes

- for large  $n$ ,  $w_k$  becomes expensive and the interpolant may suffer from Runge's Effect.
- Instead use lower-order, composite rules

## The composite Trapezoidal Rule

Split the interval  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals:

$$\int_a^b f = \int_{a=x_0}^{x_1} f + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f + \dots + \int_{x_{n-1}}^{b=x_n} f$$



Apply the trapezoidal rule on each subinterval:

(assume equal size)  $x_{j+1} - x_j = \frac{b-a}{n} = h.$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } \int_a^b f(x) dx &\approx T_n(f) \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^n h \cdot \left( \frac{f(x_{j+1}) + f(x_j)}{2} \right) \\ &= h \left( \sum_{j=0}^n f(x_j) - \frac{1}{2} (f(a) + f(b)) \right) \end{aligned}$$

The error can be shown to be  $O(h^2)$ .

In fact a formula exists that characterizes the error explicitly:

## The Euler-Maclaurin Expansion

Thm: Let  $f \in C^{2k}[a,b]$ , and  $[a,b]$  be divided into  $n$  subintervals,  $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ , with

$$x_i = a + ih, \quad h = \frac{b-a}{n}.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= T_n(f) \\ &= \sum_{r=1}^k c_r h^{2r} \left( f^{(2r-1)}(b) - f^{(2r-1)}(a) \right) - d_{2k} \left( \frac{h}{2} \right)^{2k} \\ &= \frac{h^2}{12} (f'(b) - f'(a)) - \frac{h^4}{720} (f^{(3)}(b) - f^{(3)}(a)) + \dots + (-1)^{k-1} \frac{B_{2k}}{(2k)!} h^{2k} f^{(2k)}(\xi) \\ &\quad \xi \in [a, b]. \end{aligned}$$

Fun fact:  $c_r = -\frac{B_{2r}}{(2r)!}$ ,  $B_{2r}$  is a Bernoulli number:

$$\frac{x}{2} \coth\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) = \sum_{r=0}^{\infty} \frac{B_{2r} x^{2r}}{(2r)!}.$$

The calculation of  $B_{2r}$  was the output of arguably the first "computer program", by Ada Lovelace and Charles Babbage's "adding machine".

## Implications of Euler-Maclaurin

If  $f \in C^\infty[a,b]$  and periodic with  $f^{(j)}(a) = f^{(j)}(b)$  (think Fourier series) then the error  $|I - T_n|$  decays superalgebraically as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ .

Def:  $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  superalgebraically if

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\epsilon_n}{h^n} = 0 \quad \text{for any } p > 0.$$

Meaning  $\epsilon_n \rightarrow 0$  faster than any power of  $h$ .

Ex: Show demo for (if time)

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \cos mx \, dx, \quad J_0(x) = \frac{1}{\pi} \int_0^\pi e^{ix \cos \theta}$$

For this reason, the trapezoidal rule is very important in various numerical methods.

(2nd) If time: the E-M formula allows for the application of Richardson extrapolation

Legendre Polynomials are the set of polynomials which are orthogonal on the interval  $[-1, 1]$ .

Gram-Schmidt rewritten slightly:

$$\hat{P}_0 = \frac{1}{\int \int 1^2 dx}$$

For  $n = 1, 2, \dots$

$$\textcircled{1} \quad P_n(x) = x \hat{P}_{n-1}(x) - \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} (x \hat{P}_{n-1}(x), \hat{P}_j(x)) \hat{P}_j(x)$$

increments degree  
by one

$$\text{And } (x \hat{P}_{n-1}(x), \hat{P}_j(x)) = \int x \hat{P}_{n-1}(x) \hat{P}_j(x) dx$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad \hat{P}_n(x) = \frac{P_n(x)}{\|P_n(x)\|}$$

But by construction,  $P_{n-1}$  is orthogonal to all polynomials of degree  $\leq n-2$ .

$$\Rightarrow (x \hat{P}_{n-1}, \hat{P}_j) = (\hat{P}_{n-1}, x \hat{P}_j) = 0 \quad \text{if } j \leq n-3.$$

$$\Rightarrow P_n(x) = x \hat{P}_{n-1}(x) - (x \hat{P}_{n-1}, \hat{P}_{n-1}) \hat{P}_{n-1} - (x \hat{P}_{n-1}, \hat{P}_{n-2}) \hat{P}_{n-2}$$

Three term recurrence  $\Rightarrow P_n$  can be calculated using  $P_{n-1}, P_{n-2}$

For Legendre polynomials, this recurrence takes the form:

$$P_{n+1}(x) = \frac{2n+1}{n+1} x P_n(x) - \frac{n}{n+1} P_{n-1}(x)$$

(Just like for Chebyshev polynomials earlier.)

Why do we care about orthogonal polynomials?

It turns out that they are used to calculate the nodes for Gaussian Quadratures:

Thm: If  $x_1, \dots, x_n$  are the zeros (roots) of  $P_n(x)$ , then the  $n^{\text{th}}$  orthogonal polynomial on  $\frac{[-1,1]}{[a,b]}$ , then the

formula: 
$$\int_a^b f(x) \approx \sum_{j=1}^n w_j f(x_j)$$

where 
$$w_j = \int_a^b \varphi_j(x) dx \quad \varphi_j(x) = \prod_{l \neq j} \frac{x - x_l}{x_j - x_l}$$

is exact for polynomials of degree  $2n-1$  or less.

=> Exact for  $2n$  linearly independent functions!

## Proof

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Assume  $f$  is a polynomial,  $\deg(f) \leq 2n-1$ .

This implies that  $f = qP_n + r$

$$\deg(q) \leq n-1$$

$$\deg(r) \leq n-1$$

by polynomial  
long division

If  $x_j$  are the roots of  $P_n$ , then  $f(x_j) = r(x_j)$ . Integrating

we have:  $(q, P_n) = 0$  since  $\deg(q) \leq n-1$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b \overbrace{q(x) P_n(x)} dx + \int_a^b r(x) dx$$

$$= 0 + \int_a^b r(x) dx$$

And given the choice of weights  $w_j$ ,

$$\int_a^b r(x) dx = \sum w_j r(x_j) = \sum w_j f(x_j). \quad \triangleright$$

To summarize: for an interval  $[a, b]$ , the  $n$ -point Gaussian Quadrature integrates  $1, x, \dots, x^{2n-1}$  exactly by

~~the~~ the rule  $\sum w_j f(x_j)$  with

$x_j$  the roots of  $P_n$ , the degree- $n$  orthogonal polynomial on the interval.  $w_j$  can be solved for.

## Another Example Chebyshev Polynomials

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Chebyshev polynomials are orthogonal on  $[-1, 1]$  with a weight function  $w(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ ;

$$\int_{-1}^1 T_n(x) T_m(x) \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} = 0 \quad \text{if } n \neq m.$$

What is the analogue of Gaussian Quadrature here:

Let  $x_j$  be the roots of  $T_n(x)$ .

~~Then we need weights~~ Calculate weights  $w_j$

as

$$w_j = \int_{-1}^1 \varphi_j(x) w(x) dx \quad \varphi_j = \prod_{k \neq j} \frac{x - x_k}{x_j - x_k}$$

then the quadrature rule:

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \sum w_j f(x_j) \quad \text{is exact for}$$

$f$  a polynomial of  $\text{deg} \leq 2n-1$ .

$\Rightarrow$  This procedure works for any positive weight function  $w(x)$ . ( $w(x)$  can be zero at a countable set of points.)