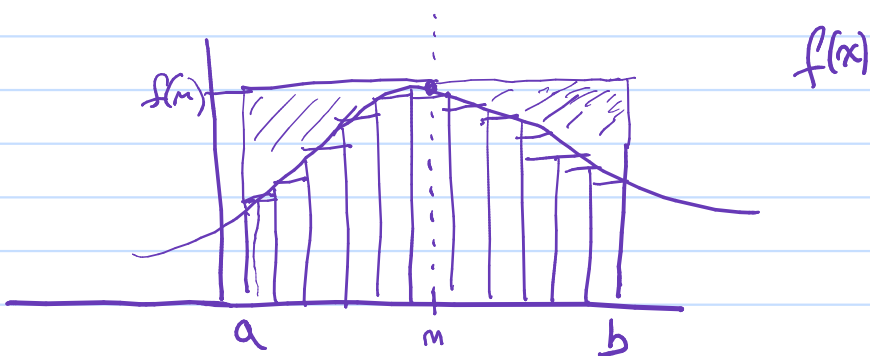


Numerical Integration

$$\int_I f(x) w(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i)$$

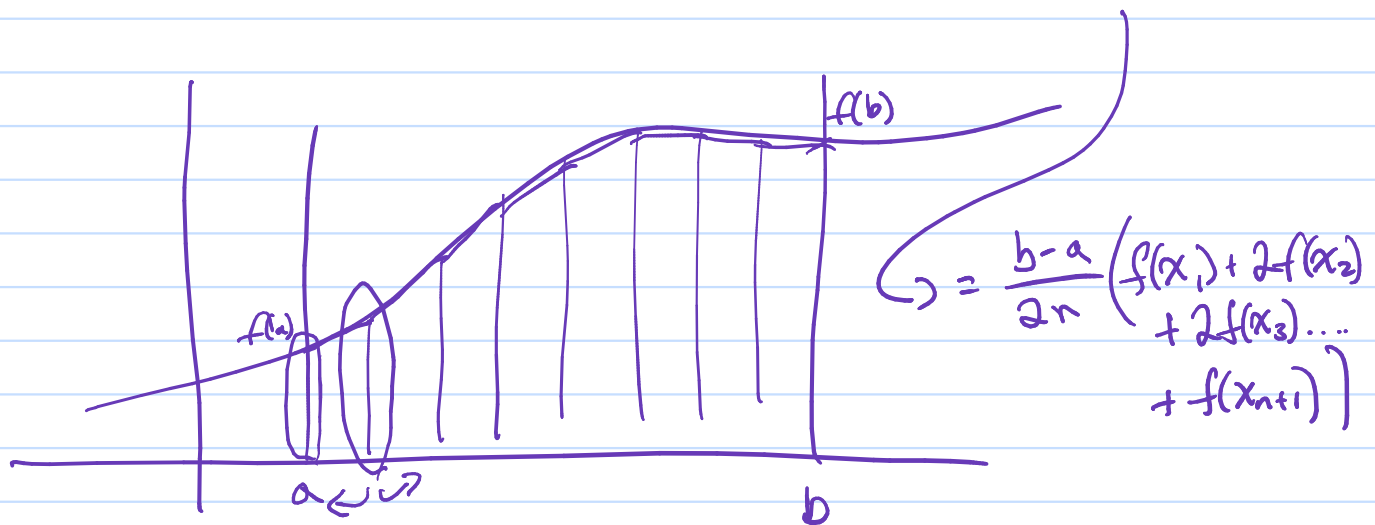
nodes
↑
weights

Midpoint Rule



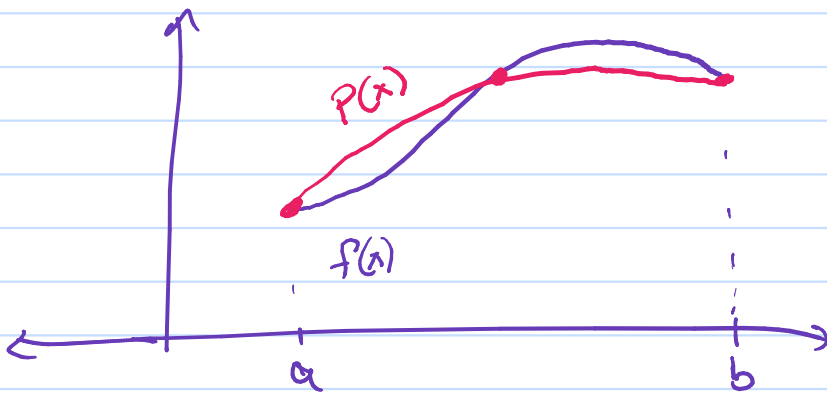
Trapezoid Rule

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \left[\sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i) \right]$$



Simpson's Rule

- evenly spaced nodes



$$\int_a^b P(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} \left[f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right]$$



$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \frac{h}{3} \left[f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \dots + f(x_n) \right]$$

$$h = \frac{b-a}{n} \quad \text{and} \quad x_i = a + ih$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i) \quad \text{where} \quad w_0 = w_n = \frac{h}{3}$$
$$w_i = \frac{4h}{3} \quad \text{if } i = \text{even}$$
$$w_i = \frac{2h}{3} \quad \text{if } i = \text{odd}$$

Exactly compute integral of any
cubic polynomial.

Monte Carlo Methods

SLLN

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) = \mathbb{E}f(\tilde{X})$$

$$\Rightarrow \mathbb{E}f(\tilde{X}) \approx \left[\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \right]$$

random draws from
underlying pdf
from \mathbb{E}

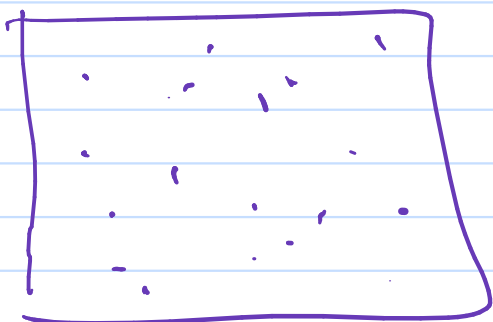
Suppose \tilde{X} has cdf $F(x) = \Pr(\tilde{X} \leq x)$
and F^{-1} well defined.

If $\tilde{U} \sim U[0,1]$ then $F^{-1}(\tilde{U})$ has the
same dist as \tilde{X}

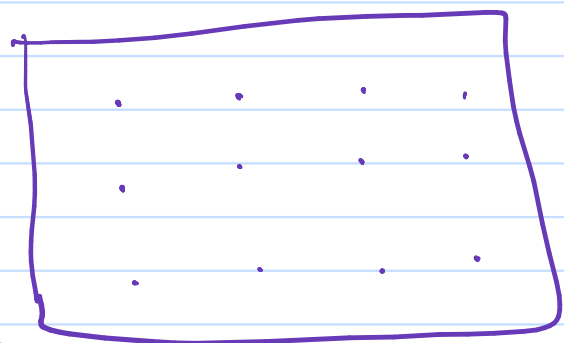
$$\rightarrow F^{-1}(\tilde{U}) \sim F(x)$$

Quasi Monte Carlo Methods

MC



Q-MC



1. Halton sequences

2. anti-thetic acceleration \rightarrow if draw x_1 then also
use $-x_1$

Gaussian Quadrature

In the case of Simpson's/Trapezoid the nodes (x_i) were equally spaced. $w_i = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

In the case of MC, x_i was "randomly" spaced. $w_i = 1/n$

Quasi Mont Carlo \rightarrow equally spaced nodes with $w_i = \underline{\hspace{1cm}}$

Can we choose nodes and weights "efficiently"?

\hookrightarrow approximate the integral with fewest nodes possible?

\rightarrow $\left[\begin{array}{l} \text{can we choose } \boxed{x_i} \text{ and } \boxed{w_i} \text{ so that} \\ \text{the approximation is } \underline{\text{exact}} \text{ with} \\ n \text{ nodes if } f \text{ is } P_{n-1}. \end{array} \right]$

Matlab \rightarrow `gnwnorm()`

Gaussian Quad Example

Choose $x_1 \dots x_n$ and $w_1 \dots w_n$ to exactly match the $2n$ moments of $g(x)$

$$2n \text{ eqns } \left\{ \int_a^b x^k g(x) dx = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^k \quad k=0 \dots 2n-1 \right.$$

if $g(x)$ is a density then the k equations are the k uncentered moments of a cont. random var.

$$k=0 \quad E(x^0) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i$$

$$k=1 \quad E(x^1) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i$$

\vdots

$$k=2n-1 \quad E(x^{2n-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i x_i^{2n-1}$$

Example: $x \sim N(0,1)$ and $\phi(x)$ is the pdf (weights)

first 6 moments

$$E(x^0) = 1 = \sum_{i=1}^3 w_i$$

$$E(x^1) = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^3 w_i x_i$$

$$E(x^2) = 1 = \sum_{i=1}^3 w_i x_i^2$$

\vdots

$$E(x^5) = 0 = \sum_{i=1}^3 w_i x_i^5$$

solve 6 non-linear eqns for 6 unknowns

x	w
$x_1 = -1.732$	0.166
$x_2 = 0$	0.667
$x_3 = 1.732$	0.166

so if you want to find $E(x^2) = \text{var}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \phi(x) dx \Rightarrow$

$$E(x^2) = \text{var}(x) = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^2 \phi(x) dx$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^3 x_i^2 \omega_i$$

$$= (-1.732)^2(0.166) + (0)^2(0.667) + (1.732)^2(0.166)$$

