

1. In class, in the proof of the Euler-Maclaurin formula, we left the following as an exercise.

$$\int_a^b \frac{B_{2m+2}(\{t\})}{(2m+2)!} g^{(2)}(t) dt = \int_a^b \frac{B_{2m}(\{t\})}{(2m)!} g(t) dt + \frac{b_{2m+2}}{(2m+2)!} (g'(b) - g'(a))$$

Use integration by parts to prove the above. Note that  $B_k(x)$  are the Bernoulli polynomials and  $\{t\}$  is the fractional part of  $t$ .

2. In class, we obtained that

$$n! \sim C \sqrt{n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n, \quad (\spadesuit)$$

The notation  $f(n) \sim g(n)$  means that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{f(n)}{g(n)} = 1$ . In this exercise, we will obtain  $C$  by following the sequence of steps.

- Show that

$$I_n = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^n(x) dx = \begin{cases} \frac{\pi}{2^{2k+1}} \binom{2k}{k} & \text{if } n = 2k \\ \frac{2^{2k}}{2k+1} \frac{1}{\binom{2k}{k}} & \text{if } n = 2k+1 \end{cases}$$

- Show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{I_{2n-1}}{I_{2n+1}} = 1$$

- Prove that  $I_n$  is a monotone decreasing sequence, i.e.,

$$I_{2n+1} < I_{2n} < I_{2n-1}$$

- Conclude that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{I_{2n}}{I_{2n+1}} = 1$$

- Hence, conclude that

$$\binom{2n}{n} \sim \frac{4^n}{\sqrt{n\pi}}$$

- Expand the central binomial coefficient and derive that  $C = \sqrt{2\pi}$  using  $(\spadesuit)$ .

3. Let  $I = \int_0^1 \exp(x^2) dx$ . The exact value of the integral accurate upto 16 digits is 1.46265174590718161. Compute the integral using the following methods by sub-dividing  $[0, 1]$  into  $N \in \{2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024\}$  panels. Plot the decay of the absolute error as a function of  $N$  on a log-log plot.

- Midpoint rule
- Trapezoidal rule
- Trapezoidal rule with end point correction using the first derivative
- Trapezoidal rule with end point correction using the first and third derivatives

Repeat the same using Gauss Legendre quadrature with  $N \in \{2, 3, 4, \dots, 51\}$  and plot the absolute error as a function of  $N$  on a log-log plot. For an accuracy of  $10^{-12}$ , report the number of nodes required by

- Midpoint rule
- Trapezoidal rule
- Trapezoidal rule with end point correction using the first derivative
- Trapezoidal rule with end point correction using the first and third derivatives
- Gauss Legendre quadrature

4. Evaluate

$$I = \int_0^2 \frac{e^{-x}}{\sqrt{x}} dx$$

using the following methods

- Use the midpoint rule to avoid the singularity of the integrand at  $x = 0$
- Make a change of variable  $x = t^2$  and again use the midpoint rule to evaluate the resulting integral

Compare the accuracy of the two methods by plotting the error as a function of  $N$  (number of panels) on a log-log scale, where  $N \in \{2, 4, 8, 16, 32, 64, 128, 256, 512, 1024\}$ .

5. Prove that the error due to Hermite interpolation as discussed in class is given by

$$f(x) - p_{2n+1}(x) = \frac{f^{(2n+2)}(\xi_x)}{(2n+2)!} \prod_{j=0}^n (x - x_j)^2$$

for some  $\xi_x$  in the interpolating interval. (**HINT:** The proof is extremely similar to the proof we gave for Lagrange interpolation)

6. **Error estimate of Gaussian quadrature:** Hence, prove that

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx - \sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i) = \frac{f^{(2n)}(\xi)}{(2n)!} \int_{-1}^1 q_n^2(x) dx$$

for some  $\xi \in (-1, 1)$  and  $q_n$  is the monic Legendre polynomial of degree  $n$ .