## Problem Set 6 - ECON 880

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## Question 1

• The trapezoid is given by:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \frac{h}{2} \left[ f_0 + 2f_1 + \dots + 2f_{n-1} + f_n \right] - \frac{h^2(b-a)}{12} f''(\xi)$$

• The Gauss-Chebyshev is given by:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(y)dy \doteq \frac{\pi(b-a)}{2n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f\left(\frac{(x_{i}+1)(b-a)}{2} + a\right) (1-x_{i}^{2})^{1/2}$$

where the  $x_i$  are the Gauss-Chebyshev quadrature nodes over [-1,1]. Where the quadrature nodes are

 $x_i = \cos\left(\frac{2i-1}{2n}\pi\right), \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$ 

• The Gauss-Legendre is given by: A linear change of variables is necessary to apply Gauss-Legendre quadrature to general integrals. In general.

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \doteq \frac{b-a}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \omega_{i} f\left(\frac{(x_{i}+1)(b-a)}{2} + a\right),$$

where the w i and xiq are the Gauss-Legendre quadrature weights and nodes over [-1,1]

• True value of the integral = 0.7500

The errors for three methods			
	n=3	n=5	n = 11
Trapezoid	0.081359	0.041771	0.01481
Gauss-Chebyshev	0.036964	0.012382	0.0024208
Gauss-Legendre	0.0051406	0.0015098	0.00020904

## Question 2

• True value of the integral = 34.920804

- It is clear that the pseudo-random error does not converge to zero, however it is bounded by 0.08. The ) uniformly spaced grid method converges to zero, however if the number of nodes are less than 3000, the pseudo-random method does better the uniformly spaced grid since the lower bound of the uniformly spaced grid method is 0.1.
- The pseudo-random is easier to implement than the uniformly spaced grid method

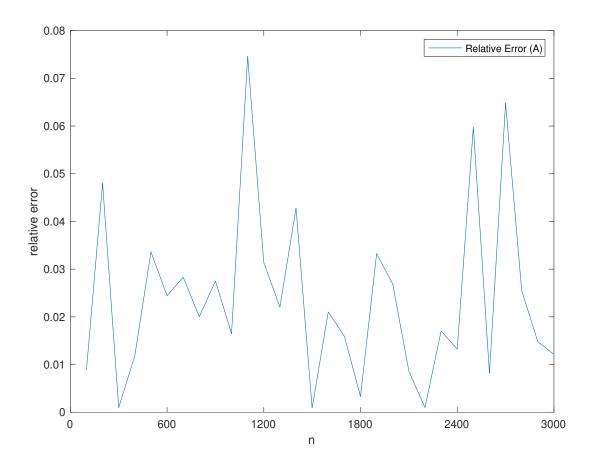


Figure 1: Pseudo-random error

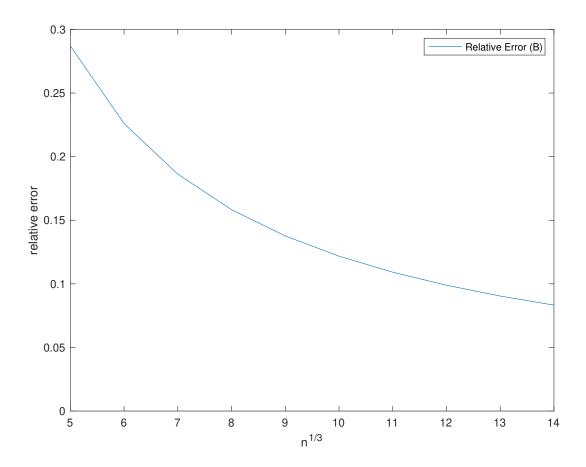


Figure 2: Uniformly spaced grid error