

Computations of Definite Integral

Recall Computation techniques last time:

-) Algebraic Properties
- i) Riemann Sums: Definition
- ii) FT of calculus (I)

More efficient ways of computing definite integrals:

- Change of Var
- Integration by Parts

Change of var.

Recall FT of calculus:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

We can view x as a fn of u : $x = g(u)$, then if $\begin{cases} a = u(i) \\ b = u(j) \end{cases}$

$$\int_{g(i)}^{g(j)} f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_i^j f(g(u)) dg(u) = \int_i^j f(g(u)) g'(u) du$$

Integration by Parts : "Reverse" of Product Rule

$$\text{Since } [f(x)g(x)]' = f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)$$

By FT of calculus

$$\int_a^b [f'(x)g(x) + f(x)g'(x)] dx = f(x)g(x) \Big|_a^b$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) \Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x)g(x) dx$$

Discontinuities

A. Removeable:

If \tilde{f} & f differ at finitely many pts. then

$$\int_a^b \tilde{f}(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

B. Jump

Suppose f has a jump continuity at $c \in [a, b]$ and everywhere else is cts, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$$

Note: Can be generalized to finite case. *How? Try to formulate.*

Numerical Integration:

1 Midpoint Approximation

Evenly partition $[a, b]$ into n subintervals

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^n \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f(c_k) \cdot h, \quad c_k = \frac{x_{k-1} + x_k}{2}$$

Error Bound:

By Taylor Exp'n: if $f(x)$, $f'(x)$ cts, $f''(x)$ diff'ble

$$\exists \xi \text{ s.t. } f(x) = f(c_k) + f'(c_k)(x - c_k) + \frac{f''(\xi)}{2}(x - c_k)^2$$

If $|f''(\xi)|$ bdd by M , then

$$\begin{aligned} \left| \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} f(x) dx - f(c_k) \cdot h \right| &= \left| 0 + \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} (x - c_k)^2 dx \right| \\ &\leq \int_{x_{k-1}}^{x_k} \left| \frac{M}{2} (x - c_k)^2 \right| dx \\ &= \frac{M}{24} \frac{(b-a)^3}{n^3} \end{aligned}$$

$$|E_M| \leq \left(\frac{M}{24} \frac{(b-a)^3}{n^3} \right) \cdot n = \frac{M}{24} \frac{(b-a)^3}{n^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \text{ Trapezoidal Approx} \quad |E_T| &\leq \frac{M(b-a)^3}{12n^2} \\ 3 \text{ Parabola Approx} \quad |E_S| &\leq \frac{M(b-a)^5}{180n^4} \\ &\text{(Simpson's Method)} \end{aligned}$$

Remark

- From the denominator, we observe:
the finer the partition ($n \uparrow$), the better the approximation (\downarrow)
- When $n \rightarrow \infty$, they are basically equivalent with Riemann sums.
- 1 2 are using (piecewise)-linear approximation of f .
3 is using (piecewise)-quadratic approximation of f .
- 1 2 has slower rate of convergence: $O(\frac{1}{n^2})$
3 has faster rate of convergence: $O(\frac{1}{n^4})$
- 1 2 has weaker requirements on the derivatives
3 requires much more.

Prob 2

$$x = \int_0^y \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+4t^2}} dt$$

Observation: x is a function of y

It is tempting for us to use FT.

$$\frac{dx}{dy} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+4y^2}}$$

We aim to establish y as a fkn of x . So we take the reciprocal.

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \sqrt{1+4y^2} \quad \dots (1)$$

Caveat: y on the RHS is still implicit.

Note: Equations in form (2) is what we usually call Ordinary Differential Equation (ODE), in which we are interested in find $y = f(x)$.

For our purpose now, we only want to find y''

$$\begin{aligned}\frac{d^2y}{dx^2} &= \frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{dy}{dx} \right) = 8y \cdot \underbrace{y'}_{\text{Plug in (1)}} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+4y^2}} \\ &= 8y \cdot \sqrt{1+4y^2} \cdot \frac{1}{2\sqrt{1+4y^2}} \\ &= 4y\end{aligned}$$

\therefore The constant of proportionality is 4.

Note that in the whole solution, we didn't find the explicit formula of y .

Problem 3 (Change of Var)

$$\bullet \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^3 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}\text{Observation: } \sin x &= (-\cos x)' = -d\cos x \\ \sin^2 x &= 1 - \cos^2 x\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin x \cdot \sin^2 x \cos^4 x \, dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} (1 - \cos^2 x) \cos^4 x \, d\cos x$$

$$= - \int_1^0 (1 - t^2) t^4 \, dt$$

$$= \left(\frac{1}{5} t^5 - \frac{1}{7} t^7 \right) \Big|_0^1$$

$$= \frac{2}{35}$$

$$\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x(1+x^4)} dx$$

How do we deal with this big thing?

One attempt: Factorize $(1+x^4)$ into quadratic terms.

Too much computation,

$$\text{Observation: } \frac{1}{x} dx = \frac{x^3}{x^4} dx = \frac{1}{x^4} d\left(\frac{1}{4}x^4\right) = \frac{1}{4x^4} dx^4$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x(1+x^4)} dx &= \int_1^2 \frac{1}{4x^4(1+x^4)} dx^4 \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u(1+u)} du \\ &= \frac{1}{4} [\ln u - \ln(u+1)]_1^{16} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln \frac{32}{17} \end{aligned}$$

Prob 4 : Find $f(4)$

$$a) \int_0^{x^2} f(t) dt = x \cos \pi x \quad (\text{FALSE PROBLEM})$$

Whenever seeing variable at the upper/lower limit of an integral
A natural thought is FT of Calculus

Take the derivatives wrt x in both sides:

$$\frac{d}{dx} \int_0^{x^2} f(t) dt = \frac{d}{dx} (x \cos \pi x)$$

$$2x \cdot f(x^2) = \cos \pi x - \pi x \sin \pi x$$

• We want $f(4)$, so we plug in $x=2$ (-2 yields the same result?)

$$4 \cdot f(2^2) = 1$$

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b)

$$\int_0^{f(x)} t^2 dt = x \cos \pi x$$

Note that in this part, we can evaluate $\int t^2 dt$ explicitly
This is done by the other part of FT of Calculus: N-L formula.

$$\left. \frac{t^3}{3} \right|_0^{f(x)} = x \cos \pi x$$

$$[f(x)]^3 = 3x \cos \pi x$$

$$f(x) = \sqrt[3]{3x \cos \pi x}$$

$$\text{Plug in } x=4, \quad f(4) = \sqrt[3]{12}$$