COSC 343: homework 2

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1 four point Gaussian quadrature rule on [-1, 1]

1.1 defining four point Gaussian quadrature

Define a four point Gaussian Quadrature rule on the interval [-1,1]. To define the four point Gaussian quadrature rule I solved (using sage) the system:

$$w_1 + w_2 + w_3 + w_4 = 2$$

$$w_1x_1 + w_2x_2 + w_3x_3 + w_4x_4 = 0$$

$$w_1x_1^2 + w_2x_2^2 + w_3x_3^2 + w_4x_4^2 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$w_1x_1^3 + w_2x_2^3 + w_3x_3^3 + w_4x_4^3 = 0$$

$$w_1x_1^4 + w_2x_2^4 + w_3x_3^4 + w_4x_4^4 = \frac{2}{5}$$

$$w_1x_1^5 + w_2x_2^5 + w_3x_3^5 + w_4x_4^5 = 0$$

$$w_1x_1^6 + w_2x_2^6 + w_3x_3^6 + w_4x_4^6 = \frac{2}{7}$$

$$w_1x_1^7 + w_2x_2^7 + w_3x_3^7 + w_4x_4^7 = 0$$

I got the solution (rounded to 4 decimal places for readability):

$$\begin{pmatrix} w_1 \\ w_2 \\ w_3 \\ w_4 \\ x_1 \\ x_2 \\ x_3 \\ x_4 \end{pmatrix} \approx \begin{pmatrix} 0.3479 \\ 0.6521 \\ 0.3479 \\ -0.8611 \\ -0.34 \\ 0.8611 \end{pmatrix}$$

To use these points and weights to integrate numerically use the formula:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(x)dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^{4} w_i \times f(x_i)$$

Code:

import numpy as np
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt

def fourPointGaussianQuad(f):
 the points and weighs in this method come from solving the system :
 w1*x1^0 + w2*x2^0 + w3*x3^0 + w4*x4^0 = 2

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 w1*x1^1 + w2*x2^1 + w3*x3^1 + w4*x4^1 = 0 
 w1*x1^2 + w2*x2^2 + w3*x3^2 + w4*x4^2 = 2/3 
 w1*x1^3 + w2*x2^3 + w3*x3^3 + w4*x4^3 = 0 
 w1*x1^4 + w2*x2^4 + w3*x3^4 + w4*x4^4 = 2/5 
 w1*x1^5 + w2*x2^5 + w3*x3^5 + w4*x4^5 = 0 
 w1*x1^6 + w2*x2^6 + w3*x3^6 + w4*x4^6 = 2/7 
 w1*x1^7 + w2*x2^7 + w3*x3^7 + w4*x4^7 = 0 
 w = [0.347854845137454, \quad 0.652145154862546, \quad 0.652145154862546, \quad 0.652145154862546, \quad 0.347854845137454] 
 x = [-0.861136311594053, \quad -0.339981043584856, \quad 0.339981043584856, \quad 0.861136311594053] 
 area = 0 
 for i in range(len(w)): 
 area += w[i]*f(x[i]) 
 return area
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1.2 highest exactly integrable degree polynomial

What is the highest degree polynomial function that your rule can integrate exactly? Gaussian quadrature with n points should be able to integrate all polynomials of degree 2n-1 exactly. This comes from the fact that Gaussian quadrature with n point has 2n unknown variables and needs 2n equations to solve and the last equation in the system

$$w_1 x_1^{2n-1} + \dots + w_n x_n^{2n-1} = \int_{-1}^1 x^{2n-1} dx$$

So a four point Gaussian quadrature routine should be able to integrate all polynomials of degree 7 or less.

1.3 test of four point Gaussian quadrature on [-1,1]

Write code that shows your four point Gaussian Quadrature rule on [-1,1] quadrature rule will in fact integrate polynomial of this degree exactly.

To verify my code works i will be using the polynomial

$$f_1(x) = 2x^7 - 3x^6 + 5x^5 - 4x^4 + x^3 - 2x^2 + 3x - 1$$

and will be using the polynomial

$$f_2(x) = x^6$$

Code:

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def F2(x):
    # antiderivative of f2(x)
    return x**7/7

if    __name__="__main__":
    trueVal_f1 = F1(1) - F1(-1)
    print(trueVal_f1)
    print(fourPointGaussianQuad(f1))

    trueVal_f2 = F2(1) - F2(-1)
    print(trueVal_f2)
    print(fourPointGaussianQuad(f2))
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1.3.1 output:

For the first polynomial's true value I got:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} f_1(x)dx = F_1(1) - F_1(-1) = -5.7904761904761894$$

and using Gaussian quadrature I got a value of -5.790476190476198

For the second polynomial's true value I got:

$$\int_{-1}^{1} f_2(x)dx = F_2(1) - F_2(-1) = 0.2857142857142857$$

and using Gaussian quadrature I got a value of 0.2857142857142867