# **Numerical Integration**

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New toolbox (use it! it's user friendly):

1. Gaussian quadratures (orthogonal functions)

2. Newton's method





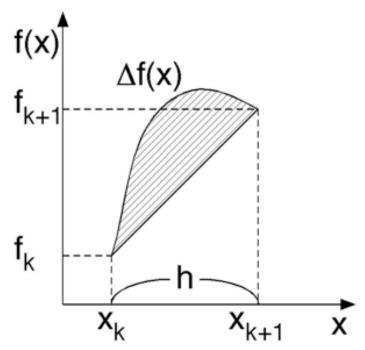
### **Numerical Integration**

• Numerical integration = weighted sum of function values

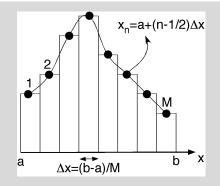
$$S = \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \cong \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} w_k f(x_k)$$

• Trapezoid quadrature: Piecewise linear approximation

$$f(x) \cong f_k + (x - x_k)(f_{k+1} - f_k)/h$$
  $x \in [x_k, x_{k+1}]$ 



**Resulting area:** 
$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} (f_k + f_{k+1}) + O(h^2)$$



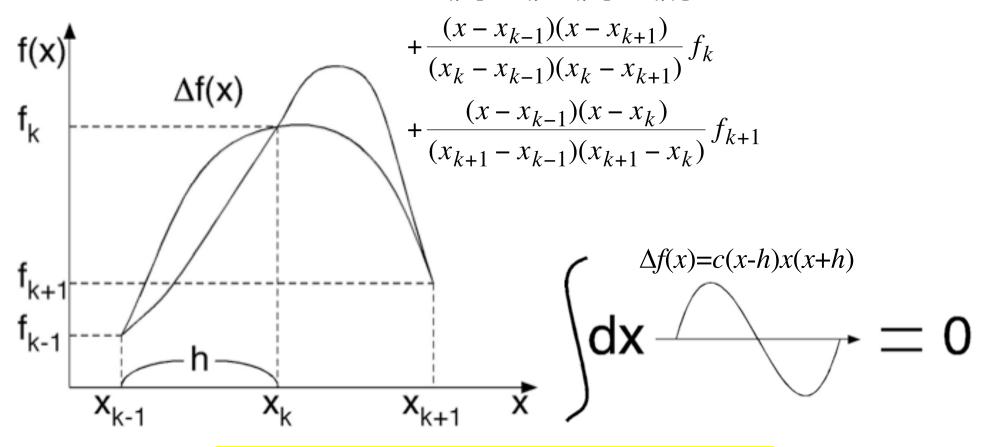
Piecewise constant O(h) approximation

$$\begin{cases} x_k = kh = (b-a)k/n \\ w_k = h \end{cases}$$

### Simpson Rule

• Simpson quadrature: Piecewise quadratic approximation

• Lagrange interpolation: 
$$f(x) = \frac{(x - x_k)(x - x_{k+1})}{(x_{k-1} - x_k)(x_{k-1} - x_{k+1})} f_{k-1}$$



$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx \cong \frac{h}{3} \sum_{l=0}^{n/2-1} (f_{2l} + 4f_{2l+1} + f_{2l+2}) + O(h^{4})$$

#### Gaussian Quadratures

- Idea of Gaussian quadrature: Freedom to choose both weighting coefficients & the location of abscissas to evaluate the function
- Gaussian quadrature: Chooses the weight & abscissas to make the integral exact for a class of integrands "polynomials times some known function W(x)".
  - > Gauss-Legendre: W(x) = 1; -1 < x < 1
  - > Gauss-Chebyshev:  $W(x) = (1 x^2)^{-1/2}$ ; -1 < x < 1

 $\int_{a}^{b} W(x) f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_{k} f(x_{k})$ 

• New toolbox: (1) orthogonal functions (recursive generation via a generating function); (2) Newton method for root finding

See gauleg-driver.c & gauleg.c

W.H. Press, B.P. Flannery, S.A. Teukolsky, & W.T. Vetterling, *Numerical Recipes, 2nd Ed.* (Cambridge U Press, '93), Sec. 4.5

## **Orthogonal Functions**

- Gaussian quadratures are defined through orthogonal functions
- Orthogonal functions are often introduced as solutions to differential equations
- Examples: Legendre, Bessel, Laguerre, Hermite, Chebyshev, ...
- Operationally well-defined to compute the function values & derivatives
- Efficiently computable through recursive relations (more than elementary functions like sin(x), exp(x), ...)

#### **Orthogonal Functions**

• Scalar product:

$$\langle f | g \rangle = \int_{a}^{b} W(x) f(x) g(x) dx$$

Orthonormal set of functions: Mutually orthogonal & normalized

$$\langle p_m | p_n \rangle = \delta_{m,n} = \begin{cases} 1, & m = n \\ 0, & m \neq n \end{cases}$$

Recurrence relation to construct an orthonormal set:

$$p_{-1}(x) \equiv 0$$

$$p_{0}(x) \equiv 1$$

$$p_{j+1}(x) = (x - a_{j})p_{j}(x) - b_{j}p_{j-1}(x) \quad j = 0,1,2,...$$

$$a_{j} = \frac{\langle xp_{j}|p_{j}\rangle}{\langle p_{j}|p_{j}\rangle} \quad j = 0,1,...$$

$$b_{j} = \frac{\langle p_{j}|p_{j}\rangle}{\langle p_{j-1}|p_{j-1}\rangle} \quad j = 1,2,...$$

(Theorem)  $p_j(x)$  has exactly j distinct roots in (a,b), & the roots interleave the j-1 roots of  $p_{j-1}(x)$ 

## Legendre Polynomial

$$W(x) = 1$$
  $-1 < x < 1$ 

Recursive function evaluation

$$(j+1)P_{j+1} = (2j+1)xP_j - jP_{j-1}$$
  $P_0 = 1$   $P_1 = x^2$ 

• Generating function: The recurrence may be obtained through the Taylor expansion of the following function with respect to *t* 

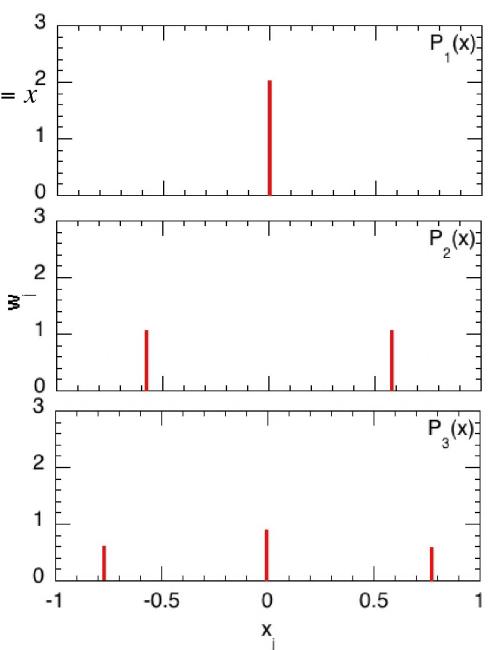
$$g(t,x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 2xt + t^2}} = \sum_{j=0}^{\infty} P_j(x)t^j$$

(Hint) Differentiate both sides by  $t & compare the coefficients of <math>t^j$ 

• Function derivative: A recurrence derived by differentiating g by x

$$(x^2 - 1)P'_j = jxP_j - jP_{j-1}$$

See lecture on fast multipole method & note on recursive formula for Legendre polynomials &



# Gauss-Legendre Quadrature

$$\int_{-1}^{1} W(x) f(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_k f(x_k)$$

• Abscissae from roots,  $x_k$ 

$$P_n(x_k) = 0 \quad k = 1, \dots, n$$

• Weights,  $w_k$ : To reproduce some integrals exactly (linear equation)

#### - l = 1 - l = 2 - l = 3 - l = 4 - l = 5

0 x 0.5

-0.5

Legendre Polynomials

$$\int_{-1}^{1} P_0(x) P_n(x) dx = \frac{2}{2n+1} \delta_{0,n} = \sum_{k=1}^{n} w_k P_n(x_k)$$

or

$$w_k = \frac{2}{nP_{n-1}(x_k)P'_n(x_k)} = \frac{2}{(1-x_k^2)[P'_n(x_k)]^2}$$

#### **Newton's Method for Root Finding**

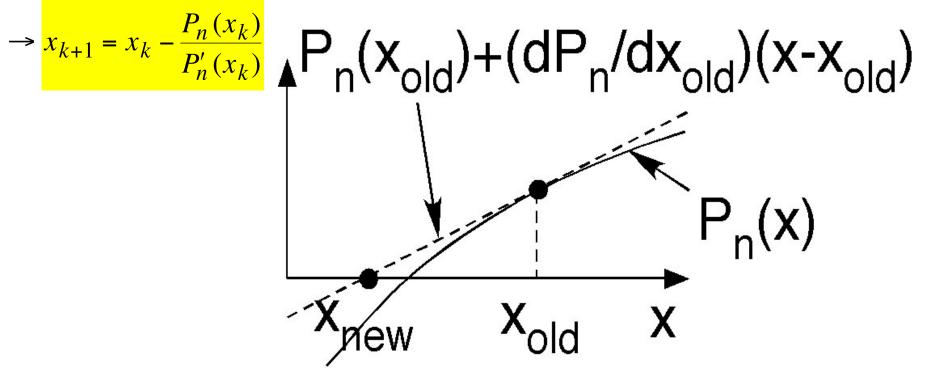
• Problem: Find a root of a function

$$P_n(x) = 0$$

- Newton iteration: Successive linear approximation of the function
  - Start from an initial guess,  $x_0$ , of the root
  - Given the k-th guess,  $x_k$ , obtain a refined guess,  $x_{k+1}$ , from the linear fit:

$$P_n(x) \cong P_n'(x_k)(x - x_k) + P_n(x_k) = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x_{k+1} = x_k - \frac{P_n(x_k)}{P'_n(x_k)}$$



# Gauss-Legendre Program

• Given the lower & upper limits  $(x_1 \& x_2)$  of integration & n, returns the abscissas & weights of the Gauss-Legendre n-point quadrature in x[1:n] & w[1:n].

```
void gauleg(float x1,float x2,float x[],float w[],int n) {
  int m, j, i;
  double z1, z, xm, x1, pp, p3, p2, p1;
  m=(n+1)/2; // Find only half the roots because of symmetry
  xm=0.5*(x2+x1);
                                                     \begin{cases} P_{-1} = 0 \\ P_0 = 1 \end{cases}
  x1=0.5*(x2-x1);
  for (i=1;i<=m;i++) {
    z=cos(3.141592654*(i-0.25)/(n+0.5));
                                                     jP_i = (2j-1)zP_{j-1} - (j-1)P_{j-2}
    do {
       p1=1.0; p2=0.0;
       for (j=1;j<=n;j++) { // Recurrence relation
         p3=p2; p2=p1;
         p1=((2.0*j-1.0)*z*p2-(j-1.0)*p3)/j;
                                                    (z^2 - 1)P'_j = jzP_j - jP_{j-1}
       pp=n*(z*p1-p2)/(z*z-1.0); // Derivative
                                                    z \leftarrow z - \frac{P_n(z)}{P'_n(z)}
       z1=z;
       z=z1-p1/pp; // Newton's method
    } while (fabs(z-z1) > EPS); // EPS=3.0e-11
    x[i]=xm-xl*z;
    x[n+1-i]=xm+xl*z;
                                            w_i = \frac{2}{(1 - x_i^2)[P_n'(x_i)]^2}
    w[i]=2.0*x1/((1.0-z*z)*pp*pp);
    w[n+1-i]=w[i];
}
```

#### How to Use the Gauss-Legendre Program

\$ cc -o gauleg-driver gauleg-driver.c gauleg.c -lm

```
//gauleg-driver.c
#include <stdio.h>
#include <math.h>
double *dvector(int, int);
void gauleg(double, double, double *, double *, int);
int main() {
  double *x, *w;
  double x1 = -1.0, x2 = 1.0, sum;
  int N,i;
  printf("Input the number of quadrature points\n");
  scanf("%d",&N);
  x = dvector(1, N); // Allocate & use array elements x[1], ..., x[N]
  w = dvector(1,N); // It's Numerical Recipe's utility function (in gauleg.c)
  gauleg(x1,x2,x,w,N);
  sum=0.0;
  for (i=1; i<=N; i++)
    sum += w[i]*2.0/(1.0 + x[i]*x[i]);
  printf("Integration = %f\n", sum);
}
```

$$\pi = \int_{-1}^{1} dx \frac{2}{x^2 + 1} \cong \sum_{k=1}^{N} w_k \frac{1}{x_k^2 + 1}$$

#### **Recursive Function Evaluation**

Legendre function

```
\begin{array}{ll} & \\ \text{p1=1.0; p2=0.0;} \\ \text{for (j=1;j<=n;j++) } \{ \text{ // Recurrence relation } \\ \text{p3=p2;} \\ \text{p2=p1;} \\ \text{p1=((2.0*j-1.0)*z*p2-(j-1.0)*p3)/j;} \\ \text{pp=n*(z*p1-p2)/(z*z-1.0); // Derivative} \end{array} \\ & \begin{cases} P_{-1} = 0 \\ P_{0} = 1 \\ jP_{j} = (2j-1)zP_{j-1} - (j-1)P_{j-2} \\ (z^{2}-1)P_{j}' = jzP_{j} - jP_{j-1} \end{cases} \\ \\ \text{pp=n*(z*p1-p2)/(z*z-1.0); // Derivative} \end{array}
```

Compare it with a (low-accuracy) square-root function

```
#define C0 0.188030699
#define C1 1.48359853
#define C2 (-1.0979059)
#define C3 0.430357353

fs = C0+x*(C1+x*(C2+x*C3)); // Polynomial approximation
sr = fs+0.5*(x/fs-fs); // Newton correction
```

