

SOLUTIONS SHEET 8

Exercise 1. The source code can be found in listing 1.

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1  format long;
2  f = @(x) exp(-x.^2./2);
3  a = 0;
4  b = 2;
5  h1 = 1;
6  h2 = .5;
7  exact = 1.196288013322608;
8  %Simpson
9  I1 = composite_simpson(f,a,b,h1);
10 I2 = composite_simpson(f,a,b,h2);
11 IR = I2 + (I2 - I1)/(2^4 - 1);
12 disp(abs(I1 - exact));disp(abs(I2 - exact));disp(abs(IR - exact));
13 %Gauss
14 I1 = composite_gaussian_quadrature(f,a,b,h1);
15 I2 = composite_gaussian_quadrature(f,a,b,h2);
16 IR = I2 + (I2 - I1)/(2^4 - 1);
17 disp(abs(I1 - exact));disp(abs(I2 - exact));disp(abs(IR - exact));

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LISTING 1. src/ex_1.m

Let $I^* := 1.196288013322608$. As one can see in table 1 I_R is more accurate than I_1 and I_2 in both cases.

Exercise 2. a. By the Lagrange interpolation formula for the two nodes $x_0 := 0$ and $x_1 := b$ we get on the interval $[0, b]$ the approximation

$$(1) \quad \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{x}} \approx \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(f(0) \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} + f(b) \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0} \right)$$

for the function $f(x)$. Definite integration from 0 to b yields

	$ I_1 - I^* $	$ I_2 - I^* $	$ I_R - I^* $
Simpson	$1.223329169979248 \cdot 10^{-4}$	$6.279754676263849 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.457122811743261 \cdot 10^{-6}$
Gauss-Legendre	$8.284213132592200 \cdot 10^{-5}$	$4.204645835725884 \cdot 10^{-6}$	$1.037853196939054 \cdot 10^{-6}$

TABLE 1. Table of errors of discretized integration.

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^b \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{x}} dx &\approx \int_0^b \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(f(0) \frac{x-x_1}{x_0-x_1} + f(b) \frac{x-x_0}{x_1-x_0} \right) dx \\
&= \frac{f(0)}{x_0-x_1} \left(\int_0^b \sqrt{x} dx - x_1 \int_0^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \right) + \frac{f(b)}{x_1-x_0} \left(\int_0^b \sqrt{x} dx - x_0 \int_0^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \\
&= \frac{f(b)}{b} \int_0^b \sqrt{x} dx - \frac{f(0)}{b} \left(\int_0^b \sqrt{x} dx - b \int_0^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \\
&= \frac{2\sqrt{b}}{3} f(b) - \left(\frac{2\sqrt{b}}{3} - 2\sqrt{b} \right) f(0) \\
&= \frac{4\sqrt{b}}{3} f(0) + \frac{2\sqrt{b}}{3} f(b)
\end{aligned}$$

For $\alpha x + \beta \in \mathbb{R}[x]$ we have

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^b \frac{\alpha x + \beta}{\sqrt{x}} dx &= \alpha \int_0^b \sqrt{x} dx + \beta \int_0^b \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \\
&= \frac{2\alpha b^{3/2}}{3} + 2\beta\sqrt{b} \\
&= \frac{4\beta\sqrt{b}}{3} + \frac{2\sqrt{b}}{3}(\alpha b + \beta) \\
&= \frac{4\sqrt{b}}{3} f(0) + \frac{2\sqrt{b}}{3} f(b)
\end{aligned}$$

Hence the integration formula is exact for polynomials of degree one.

b. Define $x_0 := \frac{1}{7} \left(3 - 2\sqrt{\frac{6}{5}} \right)$ and $x_1 := \frac{1}{7} \left(3 + 2\sqrt{\frac{6}{5}} \right)$. By **a.** we get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{x}} dx &\approx \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \left(f(x_0) \frac{x-x_1}{x_0-x_1} + f(x_1) \frac{x-x_0}{x_1-x_0} \right) dx \\
&= \frac{f(x_0)}{x_0-x_1} \left(\int_0^1 \sqrt{x} dx - x_1 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \right) + \frac{f(x_1)}{x_1-x_0} \left(\int_0^1 \sqrt{x} dx - x_0 \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{\sqrt{x}} \right) \\
&= \frac{f(x_0)}{x_0-x_1} \left(\frac{2}{3} - 2x_1 \right) + \frac{f(x_1)}{x_1-x_0} \left(\frac{2}{3} - 2x_0 \right) \\
&= \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} \right) f(x_0) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} \right) f(x_1)
\end{aligned}$$

Since only verification is requested and not explicitly verification by hand I use **MAPLE** for that task. Consider the ansatz $f(x) := \alpha x^3 + \beta x^2 + \gamma x + \delta \in \mathbb{R}_3[x]$. We get

$$(2) \quad \int_0^1 \frac{f(x)}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \frac{2}{7}\alpha + \frac{2}{5}\beta + \frac{2}{3}\gamma + 2\delta = \left(1 + \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} \right) f(x_0) + \left(1 - \frac{1}{3}\sqrt{\frac{5}{6}} \right) f(x_1)$$

as can be seen in the file `ex_2_b.mw`.

Exercise 3. Define $I_C^* := 1.80904847580054$ and $I_S^* := 0.62053660344676$. For the error decay assume $\varepsilon = Ch^b$.

a. The code can be found in listing 2.

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1  function [ I ] = composite_midpoint( f,a,b,h )
2  xi = a:h:b;
3  M = 1/2 * (xi(1:(end-1)) + xi(2:end));
4  I = h * sum(f(M));
5  end

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LISTING 2. `src/composite_midpoint.m`

b. We have

h	$ I_C - I_C^* $	$ I_S - I_S^* $
0.2	0.0096277	0.0013432
0.1	0.0061012	0.00057142
0.05	0.0042499	0.00021392
0.025	0.0030092	0.000077517

For I_C we get the rates

$$(3) \quad 0.658116078264471 \quad 0.521645128395790 \quad 0.498037439756502$$

and for I_S

$$(4) \quad 1.233022241755271 \quad 1.417502784497086 \quad 1.464478005457666$$

Thus the convergence rate is remarkably lower than the theoretical one of $O(h^2)$. This is due to the singularity at $x = 0$.

c. The integrals are given by $2 \int_0^1 \cos(t^2) dt$ and $2 \int_0^1 \sin(t^2) dt$ respectively. We have

h	$ I_C - I_C^* $	$ I_S - I_S^* $
0.2	0.0056101	0.0036584
0.1	0.0014025	0.00090401
0.05	0.00035062	0.00022535
0.025	0.000087653	0.000056295

For I_C we get the rates

$$(5) \quad 2.000024781741962 \quad 2.000036571814530 \quad 2.000011012369889$$

and for I_S

$$(6) \quad 2.016811827544148 \quad 2.004209444877414 \quad 2.001052724560917$$

Hence the experimental computed rate is approximately $O(h^2)$ which agrees quite well with the theoretical convergence rate.

d. We have

$$(7) \quad |I_C - I_C^*| = 0.00043208 \quad |I_S - I_S^*| = 0.00020559$$

Hence the discretizations obtained by the weighted Gauss rule are quite accurate.

Conclusions: We see that it is better to transform an integral with singularity to an integral without singularity (if possible). This is due to the behaviour of the function at that point: it can be that the function goes up to infinity (or down) and hence is badly approximated by a discretization since it is a limit (thus infinite) process. Thus strategy **c.** is here clearly more efficient than strategy **b.**. Further we see that the integral I_C behaves much worse than I_S . However this is clear by considering the graphs of the functions: I_C goes up to infinity at $x = 0$ whereas I_S goes to zero. In terms of errors and calculation complexity (number of function evaluations and operations) strategy **d.** is the most efficient. This is due to the high order and non-compositedness. With strategy **b.** one never reaches the exactness of **d.** for I_C and for I_S one needs more than 20 subintervals. In strategy **c.** also around 20 subintervals are needed to reach the accuracy of **d.**.