

# Error Analysis of Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto Quadrature and the Conjugate Gradient Method

David Meadon - David Niemelä - Zhenlu Sun - Usama Zafar

# Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto Quadrature Introduction



Numerical integration tries to solve: Find the integral, UNIVERSITED

$$\Im(f) = \int_a^b f(x) \mathrm{d}x$$

for some function  $f(x) \in C^0([a, b])$ .

Solution: Approximate the integral with

$$I_n(f) = \sum_{i=0}^n \bar{\alpha}_i f(\bar{x}_i)$$

with some weights and nodes,  $\bar{\alpha}_i$  and  $\bar{x}_i$ .

# Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto Quadrature Introduction



#### Some basic methods:

• Midpoint rule:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = f\left(\frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{2}\right)$$

• Trapezoidal rule:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = \frac{f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1})}{2}$$

# Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto Quadrature Introduction



#### Some basic methods:

• Midpoint rule:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = f\left(\frac{x_i - x_{i-1}}{2}\right)$$
 - Piecewise Constant Interpolation

• Trapezoidal rule:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = \frac{f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1})}{2}$$
 - Piecewise Linear Interpolation

## Gauss-Legendre-Lobatto Quadrature Introduction



#### Some basic methods:

- Midpoint rule:  $\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = f\left(\frac{x_i x_{i-1}}{2}\right)$  Piecewise Constant Interpolation
- Trapezoidal rule:  $\bar{\alpha}_i = x_i x_{i-1}, f(\bar{x}_i) = \frac{f(x_i) + f(x_{i-1})}{2}$  Piecewise Linear Interpolation

In this course we have seen we can do better than these interpolations: Orthogonal Polynomials!

Legendre Polynomials



The polynomials we will use:

$$L_k(x) = \frac{1}{2^k} \sum_{l=0}^{\lfloor k/2 \rfloor} (-1)^l \binom{k}{l} \binom{2k-2l}{k} x^{k-2l},$$

Orthogonal polynomials over the interval (-1, 1). We have that

$$(L_i, L_j)_{L^2(-1,1)} = \delta_{ij} \left(i + \frac{1}{2}\right)^{-1}$$

3



UPPSALA

The Integral approximation of f over the interval (-1, 1):

$$\int_{-1}^{1} f(x) dx \approx I_n^{GL}(f) = \sum_{i=0}^{n} \bar{\alpha}_i f(\bar{x}_i)$$

uses the nodes:

 $\bar{x}_0 = -1$ ,  $\bar{x}_n = 1$  and  $\bar{x}_i$ , i = 1, ..., n-1 are the roots of  $L'_n(x)$ , and weights:

$$\bar{\alpha}_i = \frac{2}{n(n+1)} \frac{1}{[L_n(\bar{x}_i)]^2}$$

Convergence Estimate



$$|\Im(f) - \mathbf{I}_n^{\mathsf{GL}}(f)| \le C n^{-s} ||f||_s$$

where

$$||f||_s = \left(\sum_{k=0}^s ||f^{(k)}||_{L^2(-1,1)}^2\right)^{\frac{1}{2}}$$

That is the standard norm on the Sobolev space  $H^s$  (-1, 1), the space of functions which have bounded  $L^2$ -norm on the functions and their weak derivatives up to order s.

Small note:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx = \frac{b-a}{2} \int_{-1}^{1} g(\xi) d\xi, \quad g(\xi) = f(\frac{b-a}{2}\xi + \frac{a+b}{2})$$

5



#### Convergence Estimate - proof

5.4 Legendre Approximations

281 LINIVERSITE

For the Gauss-Lobatto integration, if (5.3.2) holds, then there exists a positive constant C independent of N such that

$$\begin{aligned} |(u,\phi)_w - (u,\phi)_N| &\leq C(\|u - P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &+ \|u - I_Nu\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)})\|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \;. \end{aligned}$$
(5.3.4b)

Actually we have

$$\begin{split} &|(u,\phi)_w - (u,\phi)_N| \\ &= |(u,\phi)_w - (P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w + (P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w - (I_Nu,\phi)_N| \\ &\leq |(u-P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w| + |(P_{N-1}u-I_Nu,\phi)_N| \quad \text{(by (2.2.25))} \\ &\leq C \left(\|u-P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} + \|P_{N-1}u-I_Nu\|_N\right) \|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &\qquad \qquad \text{(by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (5.3.2))} \\ &\leq C \left(2\|u-P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} + \|u-I_Nu\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)}\right) \|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &\qquad \qquad \text{(by (5.3.2))} \ ; \end{split}$$

whence, (5.3.4b) follows.

Figure: Excerpt from [1]

Convergence Estimate - proof



#### Remarks:

$$\phi$$
 is some polynomial  $P_N$ ,  $w = 1$   
Inner-product  $(u, \phi)_N = \sum_{i=0}^N \alpha_i u(x_i) = (I_N u, \phi)_N$  (2.2.25) in [1] exact:  $(u, v)_N = (u, v)_W$   $uv \in P_{2N-1}$ 

Tools and "tricks" used:

Adding nothing, to get something we know more about. Equivalence of norms,  $C_1 \|\phi\|_{L^2} \le \|\phi\|_N \le C_2 \|\phi\|_{L^2}$ , (5.3.2) in [1]



#### Convergence Estimate - proof

5.4 Legendre Approximations

281 LINIVERSITE

For the Gauss-Lobatto integration, if (5.3.2) holds, then there exists a positive constant C independent of N such that

$$\begin{aligned} |(u,\phi)_w - (u,\phi)_N| &\leq C(\|u - P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &+ \|u - I_Nu\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)})\|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \;. \end{aligned}$$
(5.3.4b)

Actually we have

$$\begin{split} &|(u,\phi)_w - (u,\phi)_N| \\ &= |(u,\phi)_w - (P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w + (P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w - (I_Nu,\phi)_N| \\ &\leq |(u-P_{N-1}u,\phi)_w| + |(P_{N-1}u-I_Nu,\phi)_N| \quad \text{(by (2.2.25))} \\ &\leq C \left(\|u-P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} + \|P_{N-1}u-I_Nu\|_N\right) \|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &\qquad \qquad \text{(by the Cauchy-Schwarz inequality and (5.3.2))} \\ &\leq C \left(2\|u-P_{N-1}u\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} + \|u-I_Nu\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)}\right) \|\phi\|_{L^2_w(-1,1)} \\ &\qquad \qquad \text{(by (5.3.2))} \ ; \end{split}$$

whence, (5.3.4b) follows.

Figure: Excerpt from [1]



Convergence Estimate - proof

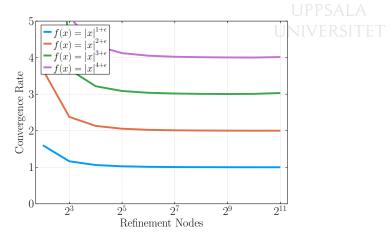


Figure: Convergence plot of differently smooth functions,  $\epsilon = 10^{-5}$ 

Introduction



Conjugate Gradient Method is an iterative method for solving linear system of equation of the form:

$$Ax = b$$

or equivalently, the following optimisation problem:

$$\min_{x} f(x) := \frac{1}{2} x^{\mathsf{T}} A x - b^{\mathsf{T}} x$$

where, A is a symmetric and positive definite matrix.

Solution: Existence and Uniqueness



We know from elementary Linear Algebra that a linear system of equations Ax = b:

- Has unique solution if A is non-singular.
- Has infinite number of solutions if under-determined system.
- Has no solution if over-determined system (can have solution under certain conditions).

Conjugate Gradient Method by design assumes that A is symmetric and positive definite. i.e. the existence and uniqueness is guaranteed by design.

**Error Estimate** 



UPPSALA UNIVERSITET

The error estimate for CG method is bound at iteration *k* as follows:

$$\left\| e^{(k)} \right\|_{A} \le \frac{2C^{k}}{1 + C^{2k}} \left\| e^{(0)} \right\|_{A} \quad \text{where } C = \frac{\sqrt{K_{2}(A)} - 1}{\sqrt{K_{2}(A)} + 1}$$

Here  $K_2(A) = \frac{\lambda_{\max}(A)}{\lambda_{\min}(A)}$  is the condition number of matrix A.

 $\lambda_{\text{max}}(A)$  and  $\lambda_{\text{min}}(A)$  are the largest and smallest eigenvalues of matrix A respectively.

Convergence Rate



UPPSALA

From the error estimate of CG method at step *k* we have NIVERSITE

$$\left\| e^{(k)} \right\|_{A} \le \frac{2C^{k}}{1 + C^{2k}} \left\| e^{(0)} \right\|_{A}$$

$$\implies \frac{\left\| e^{(k+1)} \right\|_{A}}{\left\| e^{(k)} \right\|_{A}} \le \frac{C^{k+1}}{1 + C^{2(k+1)}} \frac{1 + C^{2k}}{C^{k}} = C \underbrace{\frac{1 + C^{2k}}{1 + C^{2(k+1)}}}_{\text{goes to 1}}$$

$$\implies \lim_{k \to \infty} \frac{\left\| e^{(k+1)} \right\|_{A}}{\left\| e^{(k)} \right\|_{A}} \le C$$

Hence the rate of convergence of CG method is C.

Convergence Rate - CG vs. GD



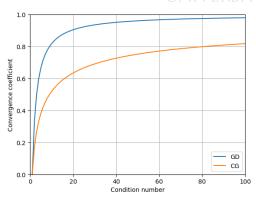
#### UPPSALA UNIVERSITET

For CG method:

$$w \leq \frac{\sqrt{K_2(A)} - 1}{\sqrt{K_2(A)} + 1}$$

For GD method:

$$w \le \frac{K_2(A) - 1}{K_2(A) + 1}$$



Convergence Rate - Discussion



The convergence rate derived in previous slide is the worst case analysis. In practice we have faster convergence because (after some messy derivations):

$$\left\|e^{(k)}\right\|_A^2 = \min_{P_k} \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i [1 + \lambda_i P_k(\lambda_i)]^2 \xi_i^2$$

Here  $\lambda_i$ 's are the Eigenvalues of matrix A, and  $\xi_i$  are coefficients such that  $x_0 - x^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i v_i$ , where  $v_i$  are eigenvectors corresponding to eigenvalues of A.

Method Discussion



CG method works by generating a set of conjugate vectors. A set of vectors  $\{p_0, p_1, \dots, p_k\}$  is conjugate with respect to matrix A if:

$$p_i^{\mathsf{T}} A p_j = 0 \quad \forall i \neq j$$

At step k: CG method first finds a search direction  $p_k$  to optimize along by computing a conjugate vector. Then uses the residual information  $r_k$  at this step to compute the update along this particular direction.

**Discussion Subspace and Norms** 



Each search direction  $p_k$  and residual  $r_k$  generated by CG method is contained in *Krylov subspace of degree k for*  $r_0$ , defined as:

$$\mathcal{K}(r_0;k) := \operatorname{span}\{r_0, Ar_0, \ldots, A^k r_0\}$$

This piece of information is crucial and needed to prove the convergence rate of Conjugate Gradient Method.



Convergence Proof

From the update rule of CG method we have vector x at step k + 1 as follows:

$$x_{k+1} = x_0 + \alpha_0 p_0 + \alpha_1 p_1 + \cdots + \alpha_k p_k$$

If  $x_{k+1} \neq x^*$  then the following property holds (why?):

$$span\{p_0, p_1, ..., p_k\} = span\{r_0, Ar_0, ..., A^k r_0\}$$

Consequently, we have:

$$x_{k+1} = x_0 + \gamma_0 r_0 + \gamma_1 A r_0 + \dots + \gamma_k A^k r_0$$
  
=  $x_0 + \underbrace{(\gamma_0 \mathbb{I} + \gamma_1 A + \dots + \gamma_k A^k)}_{P_k^*(A)} r_0 = x_0 + P_k^*(A) r_0$ 



Convergence Proof - continued

Before we proceed further we first state a theorem (and leave out the proof).

**Theorem:** Let  $x_0 \in \mathbb{R}^n$  be the initial guess and  $\{x_k\}$  then  $x_k$  is the minimizer of  $f(x) = \frac{1}{2}x^TAx + b^Tx$  over the set

$$\{x|x = x_0 + \text{span}\{p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}\}\}$$

From the definition of A-norm, the function f(x) and the fact that  $x^*$  minimizes f(x) it can be shown that:

$$||x-x^*||_A^2 = \frac{1}{2}(x-x^*)^T A(x-x^*) = f(x) - f(x^*)$$

Convergence Proof - continued



Since  $x_{k+1}$  minimizes function f(x), hence it also minimizes

 $||x - x^*||_A^2$  over the set  $x_0 + \text{span}\{p_0, p_1, \dots, p_{k-1}\}$  which is the same as  $x_0 + \text{span}\{r_0, Ar_0, \dots, A^k r_0\}$ .

It follows from  $x_{k+1} = x_0 + P_k^*(A)r_0$  that the polynomial  $P_k^*$  solves the following problem in which minimum is taken over the space of all possible polynomials of degree k:

$$\min_{P_k} ||x_0 + P_k(A)r_0 - x^*||_A$$

Convergence Proof - continued





UNIVERSITET

$$r_0 = Ax_0 - b = Ax_0 - Ax^* = A(x_0 - x^*)$$

Consequently,

$$x_{k+1} - x^* = x_0 + P_k(A)r_0 - x^* = [I + P_k(A)A](x_0 - x^*)$$

Eigendecomposition of symmetric matrix A gives us  $A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \lambda_i v_i v_i^T$ . Since the eigenvectors span the whole space  $\mathbb{R}^n$ , we can write:

$$x_0 - x^* = \sum_{i=1}^n \xi_i v_i$$

Convergence Proof - continued



UPPSALA

Eigenvectors of matrix A are also eigenvectors of the polynomial of matrix A i.e.  $P_k(A)v_i = P_k(\lambda_i)v_i$ ,  $\forall i = 1, 2, ..., n$ . As a result we get:

$$x_{k+1} - x^* = \sum_{i=1}^{n} [1 + \lambda_i P_k^* (\lambda_i)] \xi_i v_i$$

Since  $||z||_A^2 = z^T A z = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i (v_i^T z)^2$ , we have

$$||x_{k+1} - x^*||_A^2 = \sum_{i=1}^n \lambda_i [1 + \lambda_i P_k^* (\lambda_i)]^2 \xi_i^2$$

#### References

- [1] Canuto, C., Hussaini, M. Y., Quarteroni, A., and Zang, T. A. Spectral Methods. Springer Berlin Heidelberg, 2006.
- [2] Nocedal, J., and Wright, S. J. Numerical Optimization, 2nd ed. Springer, New York, NY, USA, 2006.
- [3] Quarteroni, A., Sacco, R., and Saleri, F. Numerical Mathematics. Springer New York, 2007.





## Thank you for your attention!