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Abstract Determining the ground state correlation energy between two electrons in a helium atom can be done by evaluating a certain six- dimensional integral assuming that the electrons can be modelled separately, as two, single- particle wave functions of an electron in the hydrogen atom Problem<sub>s</sub>et<sub>3</sub>. Tosolvethisintegral, twodifferent Carlointegrationareused. Introduction The purpose of this article is to apply different versions of Gaussian quadrature and Carlointegration in solving as ix-dimensional integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \exp\left(-4\left(\sqrt{x_1^2+y_1^2+z_1^2}+\sqrt{x_2^2+y_2^2+z_2^2}\right)\right)\sqrt{(x_1-x_2)^2+(x_1-x_$ 

Monte Carlo Integration A different approach to solving integrals numerically is the use of Monte Carlo integration, where properties of probability distribution functions (PDFs) are used to approximate the solution. For any integral  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ , one can find a PDF p(x) that fulfills  $\int_a^b p(x)dx = 1$  that is nonzero  $\forall x \in [a, b]$  Then by the law of large numbers devore2012modern,

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = \int_{a}^{b} p(x)f(x)p(x)dx = E[f(x)p(x)] \approx 1N \sum_{i=1}^{N} f(x_{i})p(x_{i})$$

where N is a very large number and  $x_i$  are random samples from the given PDF.

Implementation Legendre polynomials The first approach to solving the integral is to use Legendre polynomials. As Legendre polynomials cannot be properly mapped to  $(-\infty, \infty)$ , it is necessary to define a threshold  $\lambda$  where the function is "sufficiently" zero. Thus, the integral is only evaluated for  $(-\lambda, \lambda)$  As can be seen in FIGURE XXX, the function approaches zero rather quickly, and  $\lambda=2$  seems to be an appropriate choice. The integration limit is then changed to [-2,2] for all 6 integrands. Numerical recipe's gauleg-function press1992numerical then maps the weights from [-1,1] to [-2,2]. Because any all the 6 variables in the integral are freely interchangeable, the the approximation then reads,

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2) dx_1 dx_2 dy_1 dy_2 dz_1 dz_2$$

$$\approx \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} f(x_1, x_2, y_1, y_2, z_1, z_2) dx_1 dx_2 dy_1 dy_2 dz_1 dz_2$$

$$\approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \omega_i \omega_j \omega_k \omega_l \omega_m \omega_n f(x_i, x_j, x_k, x_l, x_m, x_n)$$

where  $x_i$  and  $\omega_i$  where created using the gauleg-function. Computationally, this will lead to a total of  $N^6$  function evaluations. A possible problem to face is that one will end up dividing by zero  $N^3$  times. This problem can be faced by ignoring all function evaluations where the function's denominator is lower than a threshold, which was chosen to be  $10^{-8}$ . Laguerre and Legendre polynomials When transferred into spherical coordinates, the integral reads

$$\int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{\infty} r_1^2 r_2^2 sin(\theta_1) sin(\theta_2) e^{-4(r_1+r_2)} \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 cos(\beta)} dr_1 dr_2 d\phi_1 d\phi_2 d\theta_1 d\theta_2$$

with

$$cos(\beta) = cos(\theta_1)cos(\theta_2) + sin(\theta_1)sin(\theta_2)cos(\phi_1 - \phi_2)$$

This has the advantage that infinity only has to be faced twice, and Laguerre-Polynomials can be used for that. Laguerre-polynomials are defined for  $[0,\infty)$  and have a weight function  $W(x)=e^{-x}$ . This is relevant for  $r_1$  and  $r_2$ , as the integration limits go from 0 to  $\infty$ . The angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  lie in  $[0,\pi]$ , and the angles  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  lie in  $[0,2\pi]$ . Here, Lagrange-Polynomials can be used again. Because each of the  $\theta$ ,  $\phi$  and r are interchangeable, it is necessary to create 3 types of mesh points and weights: One using the Laguerre polynomials  $(\omega_r, x_r)$ , one using Lagrange polynomials for the angle  $\theta$   $(\omega_\theta, x_\theta)$  and one using Lagrange polynomials for the angle  $\phi$   $(\omega_\phi, x_\phi)$ . The function to be evaluated changes slightly due to the Laguerre-polynomials weight function, the exponent goes from -4 to -3, leading to

$$g(r_1, r_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \phi_1, \phi_2) = r_1^2 r_2^2 sin(\theta_1) sin(\theta_2) e^{-3(r_1 + r_2)} \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 cos(\beta)}$$

$$\int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} \int_{0}^{\infty} g(r_{1}, r_{2}, \theta_{1}, \theta_{2}, \phi_{1}, \phi_{2}) dr_{1} dr_{2} d\phi_{1} d\phi_{2} d\theta_{1} d\theta_{2}$$

This integral is then approximated by the following sum:

$$\approx \sum_{i=1}^{N} \sum_{j=1}^{N} \sum_{k=1}^{N} \sum_{l=1}^{N} \sum_{m=1}^{N} \sum_{n=1}^{N} \omega_{r,i} \omega_{r,j} \omega_{\theta,k} \omega_{\theta,l} \omega_{\phi,m} \omega_{\phi,n} g(x_{r,i}, x_{r,j}, x_{\theta,k}, x_{\theta,l}, x_{\phi,m}, x_{\phi,n})$$

Again, the risk of dividing by zero is averted when the denominator is lower than a threshold, which was chosen to be  $10^{-8}$ . Monte Carlo integration without importance sampling The first approach is to use Monte Carlo with uniformely distributed values for each dimension in the range  $[-\lambda, \lambda]$ , as no uniform distributions for  $(-\infty, \infty)$  exist. As for the Lagrange polynomials, the integration limits were changed to [-2, 2] for all 6 integrands. Using the PDF p(x)=0.25 for  $x \in [-2, 2]$ , otherwise zero, the integral reads (BY FUNCTION XXX in the theory part)

$$\int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} \int_{-2}^{2} 0.25^{6} 4^{6} f(x_{1}, x_{2}, y_{1}, y_{2}, z_{1}, z_{2}) dx_{1} dx_{2} dy_{1} dy_{2} dz_{1} dz_{2}$$

$$\approx 4^{6}1N\sum_{i=1}^{N} f(x_{i,1}, x_{i,2}, x_{i,3}, x_{i,4}, x_{i,5}, x_{i,6})$$

where  $x_{i,1},...,x_{i,6}$  are uniformely distributed in [-2,2]. Again, all function evaluations where the denominator is smaller than  $10^{-8}$ , are ignored. Monte Carlo integration with importance sampling In polar coordinates, the polar part of the function resembles the PDF  $p(r_1,r_2)=16e^{-4(r_1+r_2)}$ , where  $p(r_1,r_2)$  is the product of two exponential distributions with parameter=4. Thus, it is possible to sample both  $r_1$  and  $r_2$  from that exponential distribution. The angles  $\theta_1$  and  $\theta_2$  can be sampled from a uniform distribution for values in  $[0,\pi]$ , while the angles  $\phi_1$  and  $\phi_2$  are taken from a uniform distribution for values in  $[0,2\pi]$ . Doing this, the function that we want to get the expectation value from is given by

$$g(r_1, r_2, \theta_1, \theta_2, \phi_1, \phi_2) = \pi^4 2^2 4^2 r_1^2 r_2^2 sin(\theta_1) sin(\theta_2) \sqrt{r_1^2 + r_2^2 - 2r_1 r_2 cos(\beta)}$$

with  $cos(\beta)$  as defined earlier. Thus, the integral is approximated by

$$1N\sum_{i=1}^{N}g(r_{i,1},r_{i,2},\theta_{i,1},\theta_{i,2},\phi_{i,1},\phi_{i,2})$$

where  $r_{i,1}, r_{i,2}$  are exponentially distributed with a factor 4;  $\theta_{i,1}, \theta_{i,2}$  are uniformly distributed in  $[0, \pi]$ , and  $\phi_{i,1}, \phi_{i,2}$  are uniformly distributed in  $[0, 2\pi]$ . In order to create exponentially distributed random variables, we use that a variable  $x_i$  is exponentially distributed when

$$x_i = -14ln(1 - u_i)$$

where  $u_i$  is standard uniformly distributed. Again, all function evaluations where the denominator is smaller than  $10^{-8}$ , are ignored. Results The results using Legendre polynomials for the two different methods and different values of n can be found in table 1: table[ht] tabular—l—l—l—l—n Result Relative Error time [s]

Conclusion

Critique

Appendix Proof that  $F^{-1}(U)$  has cumulative function P(x) Let F(X) be a cumulative distribution function (CDF).

Tables

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