

Composite Trapezoidal Rule

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composite_trap.m is designed for computing the following integral numerically.

$$\int_0^{t^*} \sqrt{1 + [s'(t)]^2} dt$$

where

$$s(t) = s_0 - \frac{mg}{k}t + \frac{m^2g}{k^2}(1 - e^{-\frac{kt}{m}})$$

$m = 0.25lb$, $s_0 = 300ft$, $g = 32.17 \frac{ft}{s^2}$ and $k = 0.1 \frac{lb \cdot s}{ft}$ and $s(t^*) = 0$.

I used Bisection Method and Newton's Method Combined in find_t.m. func.m includes the $s(t)$ function.

composite_trap.m takes 5 parameters such as function name, lower bound, upper bound, tolerance, upper bound for error. Upper bound for error is calculated through $\max_{t \in [0, t^*]} \frac{d^2 \sqrt{1 + [s'(t)]^2}}{dt^2}$. It turns out to be 1035.

It applies Composite Trapezoidal Rule after finding number of subintervals by formula below. It returns integral value and number of subintervals.

$$\text{ceil}(\text{sqrt}((\text{ubound}/12) * ((b - a)^3)/\text{tol}))$$

One can use the following command to run the program.

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[I,m]=composite_trap("func",0,find_t(),10-10,1035)
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