

Problem 3

a) $\tilde{I} = c_1 f(x_1) + c_2 f(x_2) + c_3 f(x_3) + c_4 f(x_4)$

x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4 are roots of $P_4(x)$.

$$P_4(x) = x^4 - \frac{6x^2}{7} + \frac{3}{35} = 0 \rightarrow \text{WOLFRAM-ALPHA}$$

This gives $x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{3}{7}} \pm \frac{2\sqrt{6/5}}{7}$

$$\therefore x_1 \approx 0.86, x_2 \approx 0.34$$

$$x_3 \approx -0.86, x_4 \approx -0.34$$

Now, we can calculate c_1, c_2, c_3, c_4 :

$$c_1 = \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{x-0.34}{0.86-0.34} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.86}{0.86+0.86} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.34}{0.86+0.34} \right) dx = \frac{1}{36} (18 - \sqrt{30})$$

$$c_2 = \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{x-0.86}{0.34-0.86} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.86}{0.34+0.86} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.34}{0.34+0.34} \right) dx = \frac{1}{36} (18 + \sqrt{30})$$

$$c_3 = \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{x-0.86}{-0.86-0.86} \right) \left(\frac{x-0.34}{-0.86-0.34} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.34}{-0.86+0.34} \right) dx = \frac{1}{36} (18 - \sqrt{30})$$

$$c_4 = \int_{-1}^1 \left(\frac{x-0.86}{-0.34-0.86} \right) \left(\frac{x-0.34}{-0.86-0.34} \right) \left(\frac{x+0.86}{-0.34+0.86} \right) dx = \frac{1}{36} (18 + \sqrt{30})$$

$$\tilde{I} = \frac{1}{36} (18 - \sqrt{30}) f(0.86) + \frac{1}{36} (18 + \sqrt{30}) f(0.34)$$

$$+ \frac{1}{36} (18 - \sqrt{30}) f(-0.86) + \frac{1}{36} (18 + \sqrt{30}) f(-0.34)$$

This is exact for a polynomial of degree:

$$2n-1 = 2(4)-1 = \boxed{7}$$

$$f(0.86) = -1129.49 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{36}(18 - \sqrt{30}) f(0.86) = -392.90$$

$$f(0.34) = 292.72 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{36}(18 + \sqrt{30}) f(0.34) = 190.90$$

$$f(-0.86) = -2828.50 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{36}(18 - \sqrt{30}) f(-0.86) = -983.91$$

$$f(-0.34) = -387.14 \Rightarrow \frac{1}{36}(18 + \sqrt{30}) f(-0.34) = -252.47$$

$$\tilde{I} = \int_{-1}^1 p(x) dx = -1438.38 \rightarrow \text{WOLFRAM ALPHA}$$

$$\tilde{I} = -392.90 + 190.90 - 983.91 - 252.47$$

$$\therefore \tilde{I} = -1438.38$$

$\therefore \int_{-1}^1 p(x) dx$ agrees with our $n=4$ Gaussian quadrature expression.

b) $\tilde{I} = \int_0^\pi x \cos x dx$

Let $t = -\cos x$ [When, $x=0, t=-1$ & $x=\pi, t=1$]

$$dt = \sin x dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{\sin(\cos^{-1}(t))}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I} &= \int_{-1}^1 \cos^{-1}(t) \cdot \frac{(-t) dt}{\sin(\cos^{-1}(t))} \\ &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{-t \cos^{-1}(t) dt}{\sqrt{1-t^2}}\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{I} = -2$$

Now, applying Gaussian Quadrature,

For $n=2$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I}_2 &= f\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) \\ &= 0.6755 - 1.5459\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{I}_2 = -0.8704$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_2 &= \left| \frac{\tilde{I}_2 - \bar{I}}{\bar{I}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-0.8704 + 2}{-2} \right|\end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon_2 = 0.5648$$

For $n=3$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I}_3 &= \frac{5}{9} f\left(-\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right) + \frac{8}{9} f(0) + \frac{5}{9} f\left(\sqrt{\frac{3}{5}}\right) \\ &= 0.4659 + 0 - 1.6717\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{I}_3 = -1.2058$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_3 &= \left| \frac{\tilde{I}_3 - \bar{I}}{\bar{I}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-1.2058 + 2}{-2} \right|\end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon_3 = 0.3971$$

For $n=4$:

$$\begin{aligned}\tilde{I}_4 &= c_1 f(x_1) + c_2 f(x_2) + c_3 f(x_3) + c_4 f(x_4) \\ &= c_1(-4.4182) + c_2(-0.6933) + c_3(0.9034) \\ &\quad + c_4(0.4425) \\ &= -1.5369 - 0.4521 + 0.3143 + 0.2886\end{aligned}$$

$$\tilde{I}_4 = -1.3862$$

$$\begin{aligned}\epsilon_4 &= \left| \frac{\tilde{I}_4 - \bar{I}}{\bar{I}} \right| \\ &= \left| \frac{-1.3862 + 2}{-2} \right|\end{aligned}$$

$$\epsilon_4 = 0.3069$$

∴ Relative Error decreases as n increases!