

Homework #4

1.) Let us Taylor expand $f(x-h)$ & $f(x+h)$ about x :

$$\begin{aligned} f(x-h) &= f(x) + (x-h-x) \frac{f'(x)}{1!} + (x-h-x)^2 \frac{f''(x)}{2!} + (x-h-x)^3 \frac{f'''(x)}{3!} + O((x-h-x)^4) \\ &= f(x) - hf'(x-h) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x-h) - \frac{h^3}{6} f'''(x-h) + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f(x+h) &= f(x) + (x+h-x) \frac{f'(x)}{1!} + (x+h-x)^2 \frac{f''(x)}{2!} + (x+h-x)^3 \frac{f'''(x)}{3!} + O((x+h-x)^4) \\ &= f(x) + hf'(x+h) + \frac{h^2}{2} f''(x+h) + \frac{h^3}{6} f'''(x+h) + O(h^4) \end{aligned}$$

Adding these two equations gives

$$f(x+h) + f(x-h) = 2f(x) + h^2 f''(x) + O(h^4)$$

$$\Rightarrow f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h) = O(h^4) = h^2 f''(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(x) = \frac{f(x+h) - 2f(x) + f(x-h)}{h^2} - \frac{O(h^4)}{h^2}$$

The error term for $f(x-h)$ and $f(x+h)$ is $\frac{f^{(4)}(\xi)}{4!} h^4$ so since we added $f(x-h)$ & $f(x+h)$ the error is now $2 \frac{f^{(4)}(\xi)}{4!} h^4 = \frac{f^{(4)}(\xi)}{12} h^4$. This means for our approximation, the error is $-\frac{h^4}{12} f^{(4)}(\xi)$.

From my matlab code, it seems that the error is minimized when $h=10^{-4}$. For $h=10^{-1}, 10^{-2}, 10^{-3}$, we get a less precise result due to truncation error when we remove the higher order terms in the Taylor series. For $h=10^{-5}, \dots, 10^{-8}$ we see the error increase due to roundoff error now dominating. After $h=10^{-8}$, we get answers that make no sense due to the fact that the denominator squares h , so $h=(10^{-8})^2=10^{-16}$ which is the limit of a double-precision floating point number. This means the denominator causes the approximation to become extremely inaccurate.

h	finite difference	error
0.1	-0.49958	0.00041653
0.01	-0.5	4.1667e-06
0.001	-0.5	4.1674e-08
0.0001	-0.5	3.0387e-09
1e-05	-0.5	5.9648e-07
1e-06	-0.49993	6.6572e-05
1e-07	-0.49405	0.0059508
1e-08	-1.1102	0.61022
1e-09	55.511	56.011
1e-10	0	0.5
1e-11	0	0.5
1e-12	0	0.5
1e-13	5.5511e+09	5.5511e+09
1e-14	-5.5511e+11	5.5511e+11
1e-15	0	0.5
1e-16	-5.5511e+15	5.5511e+15

$$2.) f(x) = e^{-x^2}, [0, 1] \Rightarrow h = \frac{1}{n}.$$

First, we will calculate the first five derivatives of f :

$$f'(x) = e^{-x^2} [-2x], f''(x) = e^{-x^2} -2x + e^{-x^2} [-2] = e^{-x^2} [4x^2 - 2]$$

$$f'''(x) = e^{-x^2} [-2x](4x^2 - 2) + e^{-x^2} [8x] = e^{-x^2} [-8x^3 + 12x]$$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x^2} [-2x](-8x^3 + 12x) + e^{-x^2} [-24x^2 + 12] \\ = e^{-x^2} [16x^4 - 24x^2 - 24x^2 + 12] = e^{-x^2} [16x^4 - 48x^2 + 12]$$

$$f^{(5)}(x) = e^{-x^2} [-2x](16x^4 - 48x^2 + 12) + e^{-x^2} [64x^3 - 96x] \\ = e^{-x^2} [-32x^5 + 96x^3 - 24x + 64x^3 - 96x] \\ = e^{-x^2} [-32x^5 + 160x^3 - 120x]$$

$$a.) \text{ We know } E_n^T(f) = -\frac{1}{12(b-a)^2} h^2 f''(\xi) = -\frac{1}{12n^2} f''(\xi) \leq -\frac{1}{12n^2} \max_{x \in [0,1]} f''(x)$$

$$f''(x) = e^{-x^2} [4x(-2x^2 + 3)] = 0$$

$$\Rightarrow x=0, x = \frac{\pm\sqrt{24}}{-4} = \mp \frac{2\sqrt{6}}{4} = \mp \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} = \frac{\sqrt{6}}{2} \notin [0,1]$$

$$\Rightarrow f''(0) = 1 \cdot [-2] = -2, f''(1) = e^{-1} [4-2] = \frac{2}{e}$$

Thus $\max_{x \in [0,1]} f''(x) = \frac{2}{e}$, so $E_n^T(f) \leq -\frac{1}{12n^2} \cdot \frac{2}{e} = -\frac{1}{6en^2}$. We require that the absolute error $\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-6}$, so

$$\frac{1}{6en^2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-6} \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 10^6 \leq 6en^2 \Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{3e} \cdot 10^6} \leq n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{\frac{1}{3e} \cdot 10^6} \approx 350.2 \leq n \Rightarrow n = 351$$

Thus we require 351 subintervals to obtain $\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$ to 6 correct decimal places using the composite trapezoidal rule.

2) b.) We know $E_n^S(f) = -\frac{1}{180} (b-a) h^4 f^{(4)}(\xi) = -\frac{1}{180n^4} f^{(4)}(\xi) \leq -\frac{1}{180n^4} \max_{x \in [0,1]} f^{(4)}(x)$

$$f^{(4)}(x) = e^{-x^2} [-32x^3 + 60x^3 - 120x] = e^{-x^2} [-8x(4x^4 - 20x^3 + 15)]$$

$$\Rightarrow x=0, x^2 = \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{400 - 16 \cdot 15}}{8} = \frac{20 \pm \sqrt{160}}{8} = \frac{20 \pm 4\sqrt{10}}{8} = \frac{5}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow x=0, x = \pm \sqrt{\frac{5}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} = \sqrt{\frac{5}{2} \pm \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} \text{ (on } [0,1])$$

$$\Rightarrow f^{(4)}(0) = 1 \cdot [12] = 12, f^{(4)}(1) = e^{-1} [16 - 48 + 12] = \frac{20}{e} \approx 7.36$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(4)}\left(\sqrt{\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}}\right) &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} \left[16\left(\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right)^2 - 48\left(\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) + 12 \right] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} \left[16\left(\frac{25}{4} + \frac{10}{4} + \frac{5\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) - 120 - 24\sqrt{10} + 12 \right] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} [40 + 40\sqrt{10} - 120 - 24\sqrt{10} + 12] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} [32 + 16\sqrt{10}] \approx 1.40 \text{ (not in } [0,1]) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} f^{(4)}\left(\sqrt{\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}}\right) &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} \left[16\left(\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right)^2 - 48\left(\frac{5}{2} - \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) + 12 \right] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} \left[16\left(\frac{25}{4} + \frac{10}{4} - \frac{5\sqrt{10}}{2}\right) - 120 + 24\sqrt{10} + 12 \right] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} [40 - 40\sqrt{10} - 120 + 24\sqrt{10} + 12] \\ &= e^{-\frac{5}{2} + \frac{\sqrt{10}}{2}} [32 - 16\sqrt{10}] \approx -7.42 \end{aligned}$$

Thus $\max_{x \in [0,1]} f^{(4)}(x) = 12$, so $E_n^S(f) \leq -\frac{1}{180n^4} \cdot 12 = -\frac{1}{15n^4}$. We require the absolute error $\leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-6}$, so

$$\frac{1}{15n^4} \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-6} \Rightarrow 2 \cdot 10^6 \leq 15n^4 \Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{15} \cdot 10^6} \leq n$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt[4]{\frac{2}{15} \cdot 10^6} \approx 19.1 \leq n \Rightarrow n = 20$$

Thus we require 20 subintervals to obtain $\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx$ to 6 correct decimal places using the composite Simpson's rule.

3) First we will construct the orthogonal polynomial $\pi_2(x) = x^2 - p_1x + p_2$ that is orthogonal to $\{1, x\}$.

$$0 = \int_0^1 x \pi_2(x) \cdot 1 dx = \int_0^1 (x^3 - p_1x^2 + p_2x) dx = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{3}p_1 + \frac{1}{2}p_2$$

$$0 = \int_0^1 x \pi_2(x) x dx = \int_0^1 (x^4 - p_1x^3 + p_2x^2) dx = \frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{4}p_1 + \frac{1}{3}p_2$$

$$\Rightarrow \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{3}p_1 - \frac{1}{2}p_2 &= \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{3}p_1 = \frac{1}{2}p_2 + \frac{1}{4} \Rightarrow \frac{1}{4}(\frac{3}{2}p_2 + \frac{3}{4}) - \frac{1}{3}p_2 = \frac{1}{5} \\ \frac{1}{4}p_1 - \frac{1}{3}p_2 &= \frac{1}{5} \quad p_1 = \frac{3}{2}p_2 + \frac{3}{4} \quad \frac{3}{8}p_2 + \frac{3}{16} - \frac{1}{3}p_2 = \frac{1}{5} \\ & \quad \frac{1}{24}p_2 = \frac{1}{80}, \quad p_2 = \frac{24}{80} = \frac{3}{10} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow p_1 = \frac{3}{2} \cdot \frac{3}{10} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{9}{20} + \frac{3}{4} = \frac{24}{20} = \frac{6}{5} \Rightarrow p_1 = \frac{6}{5}, p_2 = \frac{3}{10}$$

$$\Rightarrow \pi_2(x) = x^2 - \frac{6}{5}x + \frac{3}{10}$$

The roots of $\pi_2(x)$ give x_0, x_1

$$x = \frac{\frac{6}{5} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{6}{5}\right)^2 - 4 \cdot \frac{3}{10}}}{2} = \frac{\frac{6}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{5}}{2} = \frac{3}{5} \pm \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10} \Rightarrow x_0 = \frac{3}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}, x_1 = \frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}$$

Now we will calculate the weights a_0, a_1 using the fact that this formula is exact for P_3 , but specifically $f(x) = 1$ & $f(x) = x$

$$\begin{aligned} a_0 + a_1 &= \int_0^1 x \cdot 1 dx = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow a_0 + a_1 = \frac{1}{2} \\ x_0 a_0 + x_1 a_1 &= \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} \quad \left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)a_0 + \left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)a_1 = \frac{1}{3} \end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{2} - a_1 \Rightarrow \left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2} - a_1\right) + \left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)a_1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{3}{10} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{20} - \left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)a_1 + \left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)a_1 = \frac{1}{3} \Rightarrow a_1 \left(-\frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10} + \frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right) = \frac{1}{3} - \frac{3}{10} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{20}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{5}\right) = \frac{10-9}{30} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{20} \Rightarrow a_1 \left(\frac{\sqrt{6}}{5}\right) = \frac{1}{30} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{20} \Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{5}{30\sqrt{6}} + \frac{1}{4} = \frac{5\sqrt{6}}{180} + \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\Rightarrow a_1 = \frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{36} \Rightarrow a_0 = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{36} = \frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{36}$$

Thus we obtain the Gaussian quadrature formula

$$\int_0^1 x f(x) dx \approx \left(\frac{1}{4} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{36}\right) f\left(\frac{3}{5} - \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{36}\right) f\left(\frac{3}{5} + \frac{\sqrt{6}}{10}\right)$$

This formula has degree of exactness $2n-1 = 2 \cdot 2 - 1 = 3$, so it is exact for all polynomials of degree 3 or less.

4) We will first calculate the number of function evaluations are required for the composite trapezoidal rule. From a graphing calculator, we see that $\max_{x \in [0,1]} |f''(x)| \approx |-3.845| = 3.845$, so

$$E_n^T(f) = -\frac{1}{12}(b-a)h^2 f''(\xi) = \frac{1}{12n^2} f''(\xi) \leq \frac{1}{12n^2} (3.845) = \frac{3.845}{12n^2}$$

We want an accuracy of 10^{-12} , so this gives

$$\frac{3.845}{12n^2} \leq \frac{1}{2} \cdot 10^{-12} \Rightarrow 3.845 \cdot 2 \cdot 10^{12} \leq 12n^2 \Rightarrow 3.845 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot 10^{12} \leq n^2$$

$$\Rightarrow \sqrt{3.845 \cdot \frac{1}{6} \cdot 10^{12}} \approx 800520.7 \leq n \Rightarrow n = 800521.$$

Thus $800,521 + 1 = 800,522$ function evaluations are required for the composite trapezoidal rule to obtain an accuracy of 10^{-12} . Using Romberg integration, my matlab code only requires 33 function evaluations, and Clenshaw-Curtis quadrature only requires 19. We see that Clenshaw-Curtis quadrature required the least amount of function evaluations with 19, Romberg integration the second least with 33 evaluations, and the composite trapezoidal rule the most with 800,522 function evaluations.

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f = @g;
tol == 10e-12

a = 0;
b = 1;

q = 1/2;
h0 = 1;

trueSol == integral(f, 0, 1)

[prevA, fevals] = A(a, b, 1, f);
j = 1;

while (abs(trueSol - prevA(end)) > tol)
    [Ak0, fevals] = A(a, b, (q^j) * h0, f);
    nextA = [Ak0 zeros(1, j)];
    for k = 1:j
        nextA(k+1) = nextA(k) + ((nextA(k) - prevA(k)) / (4^k - 1));
    end
    prevA = nextA;
    j = j + 1;
end

fevals %counts total number of distinct function evaluations
intf == nextA(end)

chebf == chebfun('cos(x^2)', [0, 1]), chebintf == sum(chebf)

function y = g(x)
    y = cos(x.^2);
end

function [approx, fcount] = A(a, b, h, f)
    x = a:h:b;
    fx = f(x);
    fx(1) = fx(1) / 2;
    fx(end) = fx(end) / 2;
    approx = sum(fx) * h;
    fcount = length(fx);
end

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tol =
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9.999999999999999e-12
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trueSol =
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0.904524237900272
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fevals =
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33
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intf =
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0.904524237900760
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chebf =
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    chebfun column (1 smooth piece)
      interval      length  endpoint values
[      0,      1]      19         1      0.54
vertical scale = 1
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chebintf =
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0.904524237900272
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