# Computational Astrophysics HW2

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## I. EXERCISE 2

- (1) I have finished my python code as pi5.py and the screen shot of my result entitled  $result\_pi5.jpg$ , the git hub link is **here**
- (2) In addition to do the  $log_{10}|\epsilon|$  v.s.  $log_{10}N$ , since I want to see the relative error scales as  $\frac{1}{\sqrt{N}}$  more explicitly, I plot 2 tables as FIG. 1 (or  $result\_pi5\_error.jpg$  in git hub):
- (3) The modified code adding up a line, we need to do  $max_{-}y \times np.random.rand$  and use this to compute the total area. see FIG. 2 and FIG. 3, and the **git hub link**

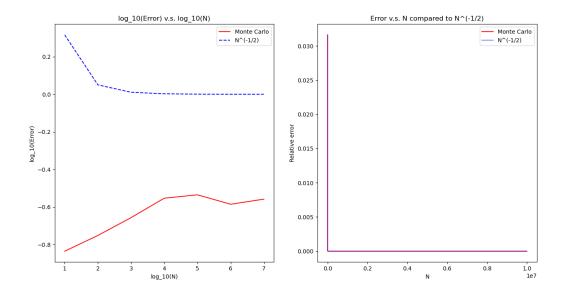


FIG. 1. Exercise2-(2) Relative Error figure

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(compAstro) [yhkuo@fomalhaut HW2]$ python Exercise2-3.py
2.6719416297003695
The relative error:N=10 Error=0.10759669790585968
The relative error:N=100 Error=0.034349962111602794
The relative error:N=1000 Error=0.03363560621300549
The relative error:N=10000 Error=0.019919982168311312
The relative error:N=1000000 Error=0.0013414901143203872
The relative error:N=10000000 Error=0.00030429938847936766
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FIG. 2. Exercise2-(3) Relative Error

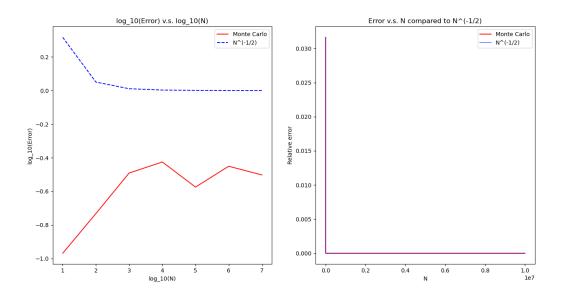


FIG. 3. Exercise2-(3) Relative Error figure

#### II. EXERCISE 3

(1) Find the optimal N where the minimum total error occurs:

$$\epsilon_{tot} = \epsilon_{tr} + \epsilon_{ro} \approx \frac{1}{N^2} + \epsilon_m \sqrt{N}$$
(1)

by doing differentiation, we can find that  $N = \epsilon_m^{-\frac{2}{5}}$  has extreme value, hence the optimal N for 32-bit and 64-bit are  $1.58 \times 10^3$  and  $1.0 \times 10^6$  respectively.

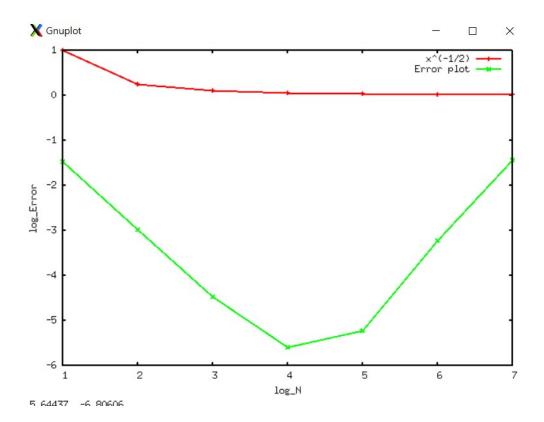


FIG. 4. Exercise4-1 Relative Error figure

(2) For Simpson's rule:

$$\epsilon_{tot} = \epsilon_{tr} + \epsilon_{ro} \approx \frac{1}{N^4} + \epsilon_m \sqrt{N}$$
 (2)

by doing differentiation, we can find that  $N \approx 1.59 \times \epsilon_m^{-\frac{2}{9}}$  has extreme value, hence the optimal N for 32-bit and 64-bit are  $5.71 \times 10^1$  and  $3.43 \times 10^3$  respectively.

(3) Putting the optimal N back to the total error, for midpoint and trapezoid method, the minimal total error for 32-bit and 64-bit are  $4.38 \times 10^{-6}$  and  $2.00 \times 10^{-12}$  respectively; for Simpson's rule, the minimal total error for 32-bit and 64-bit are  $8.50 \times 10^{-7}$  and  $6.58 \times 10^{-14}$  respectively.

## III. EXERCISE 4

(1) I have completed the pi4.f90 and the **git hub link here** and the **output file here**, with another figure seeing that whether the error scales like  $\frac{1}{N^2}$ , and FIG. 4. is the result.

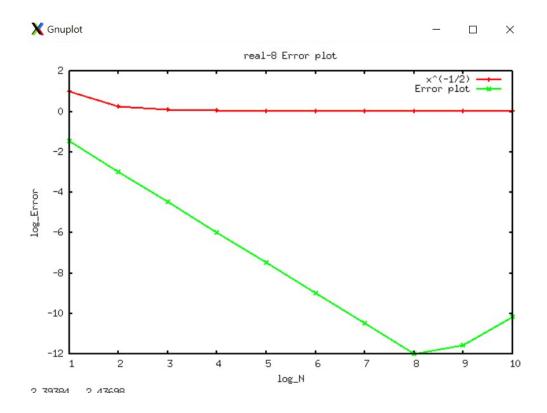


FIG. 5. Exercise4-2 real(8) Relative Error figure

(2)Since we want to see the difference between real(4) and real (8), we need to set our compiler using -fdefault-real-8 while doing the gfortran command. On top of that, according to my answer to Exercise3, the optimal  $N \approx 10^6$  and the minimal error  $\epsilon_{tot} \approx 2.00 \times 10^{-12}$ , this properties can be seen in FIG.5, where  $N \approx 10^8$ (?) and minimal error indeed  $\epsilon_{tot} \approx 10^{-12}$ .

- (3) for trapezoid method, do the same thing but change the original code a little bit. The code link is here, just alter the calculate integral part to trapezoid form. The results are following figures FIG. 6. and FIG. 7., similar to midpoint method.
- (4) for Simpson's method, do the same thing but change the original code a little bit. The code link is here, just alter the calculate integral part to Simpson's form. The results are following figures FIG. 8. and FIG. 9., according to my answer to Exercise3, (32-bit)the optimal  $N \approx 5.71 \times 10^1$  and the minimal error  $\epsilon_{tot} \approx 8.50 \times 10^{-7}$ , (64-bit)the optimal  $N \approx 3.43 \times 10^3$  and the minimal error  $\epsilon_{tot} \approx 6.58 \times 10^{-14}$ . (result weird?)

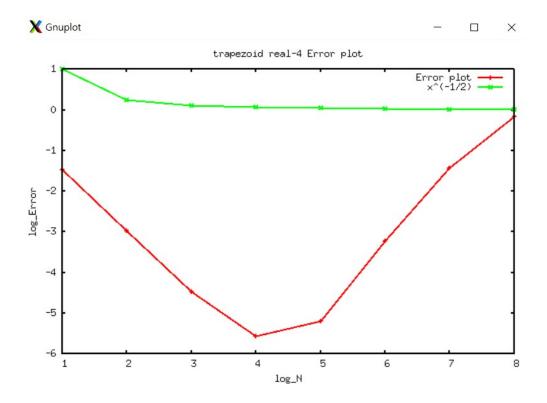


FIG. 6. Exercise4-3 real(4) Relative Error figure

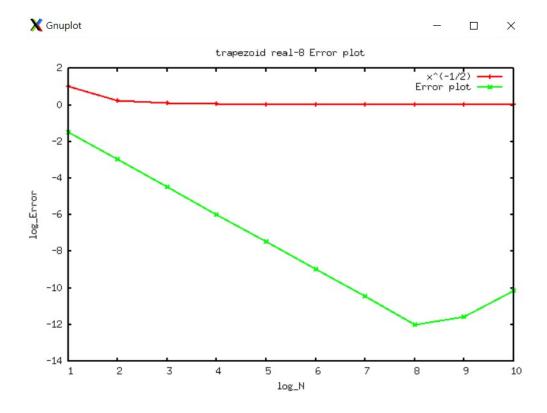


FIG. 7. Exercise4-3 real(8) Relative Error figure

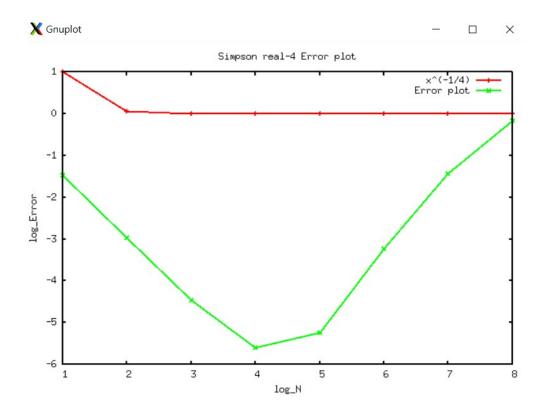


FIG. 8. Exercise4-4 real(4) Relative Error figure

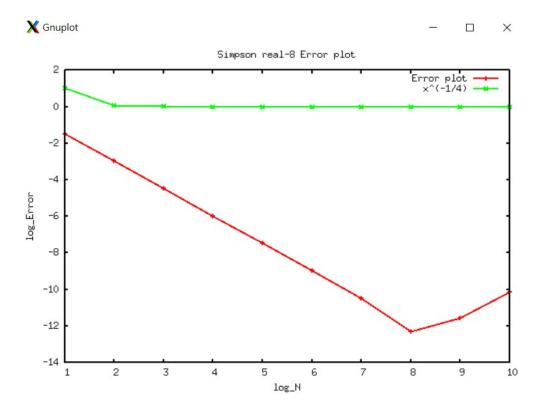


FIG. 9. Exercise4-4 real(8) Relative Error figure

## IV. EXERCISE 5

(1) To find the optimal h which minimize the total error (64-bit):

$$\epsilon_{tot} = \epsilon_{tr} + \epsilon_{ro} \approx \frac{f^{(2)}}{2} h + \frac{\epsilon_m}{h}$$
(3)

Since  $f^{(2)} \approx 1$ , so after differentiation we find that when  $h \approx 4.47 \times 10^{-8}$ 

(2) To find the optimal h which minimize the total error of (64-bit) of **the central-difference algorithm**:

$$\epsilon_{tot} = \epsilon_{tr} + \epsilon_{ro} \approx \frac{f^{(3)}}{24}h^2 + \frac{\epsilon_m}{h} \tag{4}$$

Since  $f^{(3)} \approx 1$ , so after differentiation we find that when  $h \approx 2.29 \times 10^{-5}$ 

(3)Put the optimal h back, we can get the minimal total error for both method,  $4.47 \times 10^{-8}$  and  $6.55 \times 10^{-11}$  for method 1 and method 2 respectively, so method 2 is better behaved, also the step size h is smaller for method 2.

#### V. EXERCISE 6