

MEMS 1060: Homework #7

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Problem 1

Given $f(x)$ as the y-per-x for the St. Louis Gateway Arch, use the following numerical integration techniques to compute the arc length L :

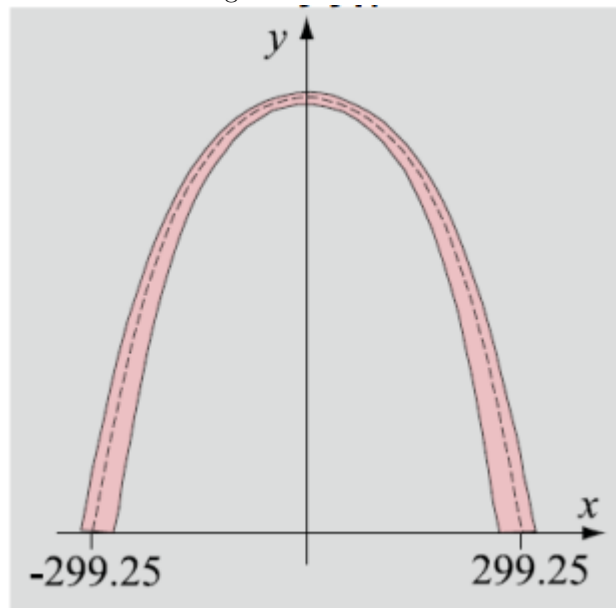
$$f(x) = 693.9 - 68.8 * \cosh\left(\frac{x}{99.7}\right)$$

$$-299.25 \leq x \leq 299.25$$

$$L = \int_a^b \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2} dx$$

1. Rectangular Method (n=8)
2. 3/8 Simpson's Method (n=9)
3. Gauss Quadrature (n=2)

Figure 1: Problem 1.



Solution

For all methods, a derivative of $f(x)$ is required. This is found analytically, along with the integrand:

$$f'(x) = \left(\frac{68.8}{99.7}\right) \sinh\left(\frac{x}{99.7}\right)$$

$$l(x) = \sqrt{1 + [f'(x)]^2}$$

$$L = \int_a^b l(x) dx$$

Starting with the rectangular method. A left sum strategy is used in this case. The integral is approximated as a sum of rectangle areas:

Table 1: Gateway Arch Length – Numerical Integration

Method	n	Arc Length
Left Rect.	8	1543.8
3/8 Simp.	9	1483.1
Gauss	2	1280.2

$$I(l) \approx \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} l(x_i) * h$$

$$h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

For Simpson's 3/8, we use cubic areas instead of rectangular areas. The final implementation (taken from the book) looks like:

$$I(l) \approx \frac{3h}{8} [f(a) + 3 \sum_{i=2,5,8}^{N-1} [f(x_i) + f(x_{i+1})] + 2 \sum_{i=4,7,10}^{N-2} f(x_i) + f(b)]$$

For Gauss Quadrature, vectors for weights and x-values are specified using n . The transformation method is applied to adjust the problem to a $[-1, 1]$ domain. Once that is done, the vectors are used with the function to approximate the integral:

$$lg(x) = l\left(\frac{(b-a)x + a + b}{2}\right) * \frac{b-a}{2}$$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{-1}^1 lg(t)dt$$

$$= \sum_{i=1}^N C_i lg(x_i)$$

For the $n = 2$ case, $C = [1, 1]$ and $x = [\frac{-1}{\sqrt{3}}, \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}]$. All three solutions are implemented in MATLAB, and the following solutions are presented. See the source code for implementation details:

The answer reached by running the integral in a stock implementation is ≈ 1480 . This shows that the Simpson 3/8 method yielded the closest approximation compared to stock.

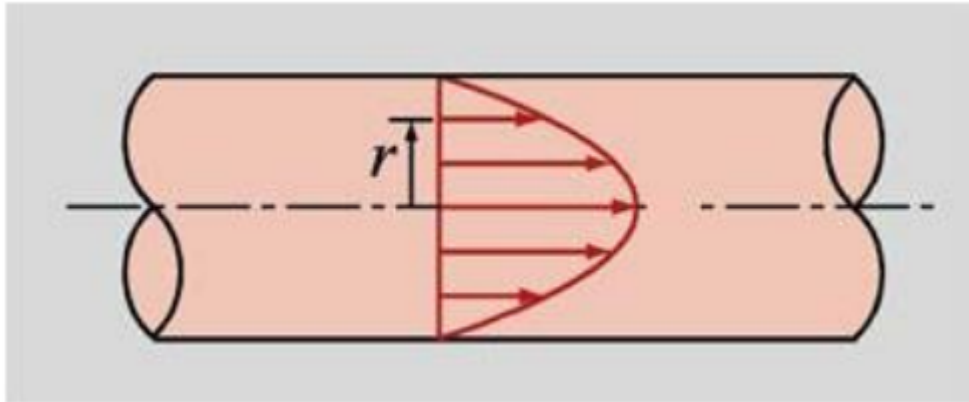
[See results and commentary.](#)

Problem 2

Given v-per-r point data (evenly-spaced), find the volumetric flow rate of a fluid in a pipe of radius $R = 2[m]$. **Note: the problem says v-per-y but since the v vector is not symmetric, we will assume velocity per radius was intended.**

Solution

Figure 2: Problem 2.



With 9 points, we will create 8 subdivisions and perform a simple right-handed rectangular summation. Since v per r is always decreasing, we know for certain that this method will yield a conservative underestimate of the volumetric flow:

$$Q = \int_0^R 2\pi r v(r) dr$$

$$\approx \sum_{i=2}^n 2\pi r h * v(r_i)$$

$$h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

The solution is implemented in MATLAB to generate the flow rate.

Using a right-handed rectangular approximation with $n = 8$, we find that $Q = 245.9[m^3/s]$. Since v should always decrease with increasing radius, we know our solution to be an underestimate of the true solution.

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1 %% MEMS 1060 Homework 7
2 % Author: Shane Riley
3 % Date: 3/15/2021
4 format long
5 %% Problem 1
6 % Given y per x for the Gateway Arch, find the the length of the arch using
7 % Rectangle (8 subs), Simpson's 3/8 (9 subs), Gauss quadrature (n=2)
8 disp(" ");
9 disp("Problem 1");
10
11 f = @(x) 693.9 - 68.8 * cosh(x/99.7);
12 xspan = [-299.25 299.25];
13
14 % To find arc length we need f'(x). Doing so analytically:
15 df = @(x) (68.8/99.7) .* sinh(x/99.7);
16
17 arcint = @(x) sqrt(1 + (df(x)).^2);
18
19 % Rectangular method (left sum)

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20 n = 8;
21 h = range(xspan)/n;
22 xval = @(i) (i-1)*h + xspan(1);
23 rectsum = sum(arcint(xval(1:n)) * h);
24
25 % Simpson 3/8 with 9 subs
26 n = 9;
27 h = range(xspan)/n;
28 m = n/3;
29 xval = @(i) (i-1).*h + xspan(1);
30 simpsum = (3*h/8)* sum([...
31     arcint(xval(1))
32     3*sum(arcint(xval(2:3:(n))))
33     3*sum(arcint(xval(3:3:(n))))
34     2*sum(arcint(xval(4:3:(n-1))))
35     arcint(xval(n+1))
36 ]);
37
38 % Gauss Quadrature with n=2
39 % Weights and points from book
40 weights = [1 1];
41 points = [-0.57735027, 0.57735027];
42 garcint = @(x) arcint(((xspan(2) - xspan(1)).*x + sum(xspan))/2).*(xspan(2)-
43     xspan(1))./2);
44 gausssum = sum(weights .* garcint(points));
45
46 % Displays
47 disp("Gateway Arch Length");
48 disp(['Left Rectangular sum (n=8): ', sprintf('%5.5f', rectsum)]);
49 disp(['3/8 Simpson Sum (n=9): ', sprintf('%5.5f', simpsum)]);
50 disp(['Gauss Quadrature (n=2): ', sprintf('%5.5f', gausssum)]);
51
52 %% Problem 2
53 % Given v(y) data points, find the volumetric flow rate through the pipe
54 disp(" ");
55 disp("Problem 2");
56
57 r = [...
58     0
59     0.25
60     0.50
61     0.75
62     1.0
63     1.25
64     1.5
65     1.75
66     2.00];
67 v = [...

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68     38
69     37.6
70     36.2
71     33.6
72     29.7
73     24.5
74     17.8
75     9.6
76     0];
77
78 R = max(r);
79
80 % Q = int(0,R, 2 pi r v(r))
81
82 flowint = @(i) 2.*pi.*r(i).*v(i);
83
84 % Right reimann sum (n=8):
85 n = 8;
86 h = 0.25;
87 flow = sum(flowint(2:length(r)).*h);
88 disp(['Flow rate [m^3/s]: ', sprintf('%5.5f', flow)]);
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