

Computer physics - Assignment 6 - Task 2

$$\lambda_{i+1} = \frac{\langle x p_i | p_i \rangle}{\langle p_i | p_i \rangle}$$

$$\langle f | g \rangle = \int_a^b dx \, w(x) f(x) g(x)$$

$$\gamma_{i+1}^2 = \begin{cases} 0 & , \text{ if } i=0 \\ \frac{\langle p_i | p_i \rangle}{\langle p_{i-1} | p_{i-1} \rangle} & , \text{ otherwise} \end{cases}$$

$$p_{i+1}(x) = (x - \lambda_{i+1}) p_i(x) - \gamma_{i+1}^2 p_{i-1}(x) \quad p_0(x) = 1 \\ p_{-1}(x) = 0$$

n=1

$$p_1(x) = (x - \lambda_1) p_0(x) - \gamma_1^2 p_{-1}(x)$$

$$= x - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, w(x) p_0^2(x) x}{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, w(x) p_0^2(x)} \cdot 1 - \gamma_1^2 \cdot 0$$

$$= x - \frac{\left[\frac{1}{2} x^2 \right]_{-1}^1}{\left[x \right]_{-1}^1} \cdot 1 - 0 = x - \frac{\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}}{1 - (-1)} = x$$

n=2

$$p_2(x) = (x - \lambda_2) p_1(x) - \gamma_2^2 p_0(x)$$

$$= \left(x - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, x^3}{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, x^2} \right) (x) - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, x^2}{\int_{-1}^1 dx \, 1} \cdot 1$$

$$= \left(x - \frac{\left[\frac{1}{4} x^4 \right]_{-1}^1}{\left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-1}^1} \right) x - \frac{\left[\frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-1}^1}{\left[x \right]_{-1}^1}$$

$$= \left(x - \frac{\frac{1}{4} - \frac{1}{4}}{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}} \right) x - \frac{\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{3}}{1 - (-1)} \\ = x^2 - \frac{1}{3}$$

$$n=3$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 p_3(x) &= (x - \frac{1}{3}) p_2(x) - \frac{1}{3} x^2 \cdot p_1(x) \\
 &= \left(x - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})^2 \cdot x}{\int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})^2} \right) \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (x^2 - \frac{1}{3})^2}{\int_{-1}^1 x} \cdot x \\
 &= \left(x - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (x^4 - \frac{1}{6} x^2 + \frac{1}{9}) \cdot x}{\int_{-1}^1 (x^4 - \frac{1}{6} x^2 + \frac{1}{9})} \right) \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{\int_{-1}^1 (x^4 - \frac{1}{6} x^2 - \frac{1}{9})}{\int_{-1}^1 x} \cdot x \\
 &= \left(x - \frac{[\frac{1}{6} x^6 - \frac{1}{24} x^4 + \frac{1}{18} x^2]_{-1}^1}{[\frac{1}{5} x^5 - \frac{1}{18} x^3 + \frac{1}{9} x]_{-1}^1} \right) \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{[\frac{1}{5} x^5 - \frac{1}{18} x^3 - \frac{1}{9} x]_{-1}^1}{[\frac{1}{2} x^2]_{-1}^1} \cdot x \\
 &= \left(x - \frac{\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{18} - (\frac{1}{6} - \frac{1}{24} + \frac{1}{18})}{\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{9} - (\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{18} + \frac{1}{9})} \right) \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{[\frac{1}{5} x^5 - \frac{1}{18} x^3 - \frac{1}{9} x]_{-1}^1}{\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}} \cdot x \\
 &= x \left(x^2 - \frac{1}{3} \right) - \frac{(\frac{1}{5} - \frac{1}{18} - \frac{1}{9}) \cdot 2}{1} \cdot x \\
 &= x^3 - \frac{1}{3} x^2 - \frac{1}{15} x
 \end{aligned}$$

I am ~~not~~ 100% sure that i am unable to find my error, but the polynomials are except for the first one not the Legendre polynomials, so i skip the computation of p_4 and go straight to the next part.

$$p_1(x_n^{(1)}) = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_n^{(1)} = 0$$

$$p_2(x_n^{(2)}) = 0$$

$$x_n^{(2)2} - \frac{1}{3} = 0$$

$$x_n^{(2)2} = \frac{1}{3} \Leftrightarrow x_{n,1}^{(2)} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} - x_{n,2}^{(2)} = -\sqrt{\frac{1}{3}} \quad \begin{matrix} \text{negative} \\ \text{sqrt} \end{matrix}$$

$$p_3(x_n^{(3)}) = 0$$

$$x_n^{(3)3} - \frac{1}{3} x_n^{(3)} - \frac{1}{15} x_n^{(3)} = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_{n,1}^{(3)} = 0$$

$$x_n^{(3)2} - \frac{1}{3} x_n^{(3)} - \frac{1}{15} = 0 \Leftrightarrow x_{n,2}^{(3)} = -\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2} \pm \sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{3 \cdot 2}\right)^2 - \frac{1}{15}}$$