

Numerical Integration

Romberg Integration

Lecture-2

Specific aims

- ❑ Discuss about Composite trapezoidal, Simpson's rules and Romberg integration methods.
- ❑ Use this numerical integration methods to obtain approximate values for definite integrals that cannot be solved analytically.

Applications

- Mathematics
- Engineering

Advantages

- To avoid the use of higher order methods and still obtain accurate results, we use the **composite integration methods**.
- The interval $[a, b]$ is divided into a number of subintervals and evaluate the integral in each required number of subintervals by a particular method.

Composite Trapezoidal Rules

We divide the interval $[a, b]$ into N subintervals $[x_{r-1}, x_r]$ each of length $h=(b-a)/N$, $x_0 = a, x_N = b$, and $x_r = x_0 + rh, r=1,2,3,\dots,N$. We can write,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x)dx + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x)dx + \dots + \int_{x_{N-1}}^{x_N} f(x)dx$$

Evaluating each integral on the right hand side by the trapezoidal rule

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^b f(x)dx &\approx \frac{h}{2}(f_0 + f_1) + \frac{h}{2}(f_1 + f_2) + \dots + \frac{h}{2}(f_{N-1} + f_N) \\ &\approx \frac{h}{2}[f_0 + f_N + 2(f_1 + f_2 + f_3 + \dots + f_{N-1})]\end{aligned}$$

The error in the formula is

$$E_T = -\frac{b-a}{12} h^2 f''(e) \quad a \leq e \leq b$$

Composite Simpson's Rules

We divide the interval $[a, b]$ into N , an **even number of subintervals** $[x_{r-1}, x_r]$, each of length $h=(b-a)/N$, $x_0 = a, x_N = b$, and $x_r = x_0 + rh$, $r=1,2,3,\dots,N$. We can write,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x)dx + \int_{x_2}^{x_4} f(x)dx + \cdots + \int_{x_{N-2}}^{x_N} f(x)dx$$

Evaluating each integral on the right hand side by the Simpson's rule

$$\begin{aligned}\int_a^b f(x)dx &\approx \frac{h}{3}(f_0 + 4f_1 + f_2) + \frac{h}{3}(f_2 + 4f_3 + f_4) + \cdots + \frac{h}{3}(f_{N-2} + 4f_{N-1} + f_N) \\ &\approx \frac{h}{3}(f_0 + 4f_1 + 2f_2 + 4f_3 + 2f_4 + \cdots + 2f_{N-2} + 4f_{N-1} + f_N)\end{aligned}$$

The error in the formula is

$$E_S = -\frac{h^4}{180}(b-a)f^{(4)}(e) \qquad a \leq e \leq b$$

Romberg Integration

Romberg integration is an extrapolation formula of the Trapezoidal Rule for integration. It provides a better approximation of the integration by repeated applications of the Richardson's Extrapolation formula. It is known that the Trapezoidal rule approximation $I_T(h)$ to an integral I has error behavior

$$I = I_T(h) + a_2h^2 + a_4h^4 + a_6h^6 + \dots$$

Suppose that $I^{(0)}(n, h)$ is a Trapezoidal estimation of the integral, I with n subintervals and step size h . By doubling the step size the corresponding estimate is $I^{(0)}(2n, h/2)$.

The first Richardson extrapolated value $I^{(1)}\left(2n, \frac{h}{2}\right)$ is

$$I^{(1)}(2n, h/2) = I^{(0)}(2n, h/2) + \frac{I^{(0)}(2n, h/2) - I^{(0)}(n, h)}{2^2 - 1}$$

has error of order $O(h^4)$.

The Simpson's rule has an error of order $O(h^4)$. In fact, $I^{(1)}\left(2n, \frac{h}{2}\right)$ is exactly the Simpson's rule estimate. The second improved estimate $I^{(2)}\left(2n, \frac{h}{2}\right)$ is

$$I^{(2)}(4n, h/4) = I^{(1)}(4n, h/4) + \frac{I^{(1)}(4n, h/4) - I^{(1)}(2n, h/2)}{2^4 - 1}$$

has error of order $O(h^6)$ and so on.

Example

Problem 1: The table below shows the values of $f(x)$ at different Values of x .

| x | 0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $f(x)$ | 1.000 | 1.780 | 1.954 | 2.000 | 1.976 | 1.909 | 1.814 |

Evaluate $I = \int_0^{1.2} f(x)dx$ by using extrapolation and (i) trapezoidal rule
(ii) Simpson's rule

Solution: (i) Given table is

| x | 0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $f(x)$ | 1.000 | 1.780 | 1.954 | 2.000 | 1.976 | 1.909 | 1.814 |
| | f_0 | f_1 | f_2 | f_3 | f_4 | f_5 | f_6 |

Here, $h = 0.2 - 0 = 0.2$,

$= 0.4 - 0.2 = 0.2$,

$= 0.6 - 0.4 = 0.2$,

$h = 0.8 - 0.6 = 0.2$,

$= 1.0 - 0.8 = 0.2$

Trapezoidal rule:

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} [f(x_0) + f(x_1)] \quad O(h^2), \quad h = x_1 - x_0$$

$$\int_0^{1.2} f(x) dx = \left[\int_0^{0.2} + \int_{0.2}^{0.4} + \int_{0.4}^{0.6} + \int_{0.6}^{0.8} + \int_{0.8}^{1.0} + \int_{1.0}^{1.2} \right] f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_T(0.2) &= \int_0^{1.2} f(x) dx \\ &= \frac{0.2}{2} [f(0) + 2(f(\mathbf{0.4}) + \mathbf{f(0.4)} + \mathbf{f(0.6)} + \mathbf{f(0.8)} + \mathbf{f(1.0)}) + f(1.2)] \end{aligned}$$

$$= 0.1 \times 22.078 = 2.208$$

| x | 0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
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Let us consider $h = 0.4$

$$\int_0^{1.2} f(x) dx = \left[\int_0^{0.4} + \int_{0.4}^{0.8} + \int_{0.8}^{1.2} \right] f(x) dx$$

$$I_T(0.4) = \frac{0.4}{2} [f(0) + 2(f(0.4) + f(0.8)) + f(1.2)]$$

$$= 0.2 \times 10.674 = 2.135$$

Richardson Extrapolation

$$I_R = I(h_1) + \frac{I(h_1) - I(h_2)}{r^n - 1}$$

Where, $r = \frac{h_2}{h_1}$, $h_2 > h_1$ and $n = 2$ for Trapezoidal rule

Using Richardson Extrapolation,

$$I_R = I_T(0.2) + \frac{I_T(0.2) - I_T(0.4)}{2^2 - 1}$$

$$= 2.208 + \frac{2.208 - 2.135}{3} = 2.232$$

Simpson's Rule

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} [f_0 + 4f_1 + f(2)], \quad O(h^4), \quad h = \frac{x_2 - x_0}{2}$$

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$$\int_0^{1.2} f(x) dx = \left[\int_0^{0.4} + \int_{0.4}^{0.8} + \int_{0.8}^{1.2} \right] f(x) dx$$

$$\text{Now, } h = \frac{0.4-0}{2} = 0.2,$$

$$I_S(0.2) = \int_0^{0.4} f(x) dx + \int_{0.4}^{0.8} f(x) dx + \int_{0.8}^{1.2} f(x) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} I_S(0.2) &= \frac{0.2}{3} [(f(0) + 4f(0.2) + f(0.4)) + (f(0.4) + 4f(0.6) + f(0.8)) \\ &\quad + (f(0.8) + 4f(1.0) + f(1.2))] \end{aligned}$$

$$I_S(0.2) = 2.229$$

With step size , $h=0.4$, the number of subintervals, $1.2/0.4=3$ (odd number intervals) and Simpson's rule cannot be used

Taking $h = 0.6$, now the number of subintervals is 2 that is even. From given table we get

| x | 0 | 0.2 | 0.4 | 0.6 | 0.8 | 1.0 | 1.2 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $f(x)$ | 1.000 | 1.780 | 1.954 | 2.000 | 1.976 | 1.909 | 1.814 |
| | f_0 | | | f_1 | | | f_2 |

So the integral with **composite Simpson's** rule is

$$I_s = \int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2}(f_0 + 4f_1 + f_2)$$

$$I_s(0.6) = \frac{0.6}{3}[1 + 4 \times 2 + 1.814] = 2.163$$

Using Richardson extrapolation

$$I_R = I_s(0.2) + \frac{I_s(0.2) - I_s(0.6)}{3^4 - 1} = 2.229 + \frac{2.229 - 2.163}{80} = 2.223$$

Example

Problem 2: Evaluate $\int_0^1 x \exp\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx$

using Trapezoidal rule with 1, 2 and 4 subintervals. Improve the results using **Romberg** integration.

Solution:

Here, $f(x) = x e^{x^2 / 2}$

$$n = 1, h = (1 - 0) = 1; I^{(0)}(1, 1) = \frac{1}{2} [f(0) + f(1)] = 0.8244$$

$$n = 2, h = \frac{1}{2} = 0.5; I^{(0)}(2, 0.5) = \frac{0.5}{2} [f(0) + f(1) + 2f(0.5)] \\ = 0.6955$$

$$n = 4, h = \frac{1}{4} = 0.25; I^{(0)}(4, 0.25) = \frac{1}{2} [f(0) + f(1) + 2(f(0.25) + f(0.5) + f(0.75))] \\ = 0.6606$$

First order extrapolated values are

$$\begin{aligned} I^{(1)}(2, 0.5) &= I^{(0)}(2, 0.5) + \frac{I^{(0)}(2, 0.5) - I^{(0)}(1, 1)}{2^2 - 1} \\ &= 0.6955 + \frac{0.6955 - 0.6244}{3} = 0.6525 \end{aligned}$$

And

$$\begin{aligned} I^{(1)}(4, 0.25) &= I^{(0)}(4, 0.25) + \frac{I^{(0)}(4, 0.25) - I^{(0)}(2, 0.5)}{2^2 - 1} \\ &= 0.6606 + \frac{0.6606 - 0.6955}{3} = 0.6490 \end{aligned}$$

Second extrapolated value is

$$\begin{aligned} I^{(2)}(4, 0.25) &= I^{(1)}(4, 0.25) + \frac{I^{(1)}(4, 0.25) - I^{(1)}(2, 0.5)}{2^4 - 1} \\ &= 0.6490 + \frac{0.6490 - 0.6525}{15} = 0.6488 \end{aligned}$$

Results are summarized below in a Table:

| N | H | $O(h^2)$ | $O(h^4)$ | $O(h^6)$ |
|----------|----------|----------|----------|----------|
| 1 | 1 | 0.8244 | | |
| 2 | 0.5 | 0.6955 | 0.6528 | |
| 4 | 0.25 | 0.6606 | 0.6490 | 0.6488 |

Trapezoidal rule: $\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx \approx \frac{h}{2} (f_0 + f_1)$ $O(h^2)$, $h = x_1 - x_0$

$$\int_0^1 x \exp\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) dx \quad f(x) = x \exp\left(\frac{x^2}{2}\right) \quad \begin{array}{c} \hline 0 \quad 0.25 \quad 0.5 \quad 0.75 \quad 1 \end{array}$$

$$n = 1, h = 1, \quad I^0(h = 1) = \frac{1}{2} [f(0) + f(1)] =$$

$$n = 2, h = 0.5, \quad I^0(h = 0.5) = \frac{0.5}{2} [f(0) + 2f(0.5) + f(1)] =$$

$$n = 4, h = 0.25, I^0(h = 0.25) = \frac{0.25}{2} [f(0) + 2(f(0.25) + f(0.5) + f(0.75)) + f(1)]$$

$$I^{11}(h = 0.5) = 0.6955 + \frac{0.6955 - 0.8244}{2^2 - 1}$$

$$I = 0.6490 + \frac{0.6490 - 0.6528}{2^4 - 1}$$

$$I^{12}(h = 0.25) = 0.6606 + \frac{0.6606 - 0.6955}{2^2 - 1}$$

Multiple questions

| S.No. | Questions |
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| 1 | Which one can be used for numerical integration? (a) Composite Simpson's rule, (b) Composite Trapezoidal rule, (c) Romberg Integration, (d) all of them |
| 2 | What type of solution could be by applying above rules? (a) Analytical solution, (b) Numerical solution |
| 5 | Which formula can be used for Composite Trapezoidal rule? (a) $\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} [f_0 + f_1]$, (b) $\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} [f_0 + f_N + 2(f_1 + f_2 + \dots + f_{N-1})]$ |
| 6 | Which formula can be used for Composite Simpson's rule? (a) $\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} [f_0 + f_1]$, (b) $\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{3} [f_0 + f_N + 4(f_1 + f_3 + \dots + f_{N-1}) + 2(f_2 + f_4 + \dots + f_{N-2})]$ (c) Both of them |

Try to do yourself

Exercise 1: A river is 50 meters wide. The depth 'd' in meters at distance x meters from one bank is given by the following table. Calculate the area of cross-section of the river using Simpson's rule.

| x | 0 | 10 | 20 | 30 | 40 | 50 |
|-----|---|----|----|----|----|----|
| d | 0 | 4 | 7 | 9 | 12 | 15 |

Exercise 2: The table below shows the values of $f(x)$ at different values of x .

| x | 1.0 | 1.2 | 1.4 | 1.6 | 1.8 |
|--------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| $f(x)$ | 1.831 | 2.592 | 3.515 | 4.643 | 5.926 |

Evaluate $\int_{1.0}^{1.8} f(x) dx$ using Trapezoidal rule with 1, 2 and 4 subintervals.

Improve your results using Romberg integration.

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|-------------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
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| n | h | $O(h^2)$ | $O(h^4)$ | $O(h^6)$ |
|---|-----|----------|----------|----------|
| 1 | 0.8 | 3.1028 | | |
| 2 | 0.4 | 2.9574 | 2.908933 | |
| 4 | 0.2 | 2.9257 | 2.915133 | 2.915547 |

$$n = 1, h = 0.8, \quad I(h = 0.8) = \frac{0.8}{2} (f(1.0) + f(1.8)) =$$

$$n = 2, h = 0.4, \quad I(h = 0.4) = \frac{0.4}{2} (f(1.0) + 2f(1.4) + f(1.8)) =$$

$$n = 4, h = 0.2, \quad I(h = 0.2) = \frac{0.2}{2} (f(1.0) + 2(f(1.2) + f(1.4) + f(1.6)) + f(1.8)) =$$

$$I_{R_{11}} = I(h = 0.4) + \frac{I(h = 0.4) - I(h = 0.8)}{2^2 - 1}$$

$$I_{R_2} = I(h = 0.2) + \frac{I(h = 0.2) - I(h = 0.4)}{2^4 - 1}$$

$$I_{R_{12}} = I(h = 0.2) + \frac{I(h = 0.2) - I(h = 0.4)}{2^2 - 1}$$