

§4.4 Composite Numerical Integration

Recall from calculus I that

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$$

Composite numerical integration uses this.

Consider the interval $a \leq x \leq b$. We can split (partition) the interval into ~~subintervals~~ subintervals:

Let $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b$, then

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

On each integral on the right, we could apply one of the rules from the previous section.

Composite Simpson's Method

Let n be a positive even integer, $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$,

$x_k = a + kh$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \sum_{j=1}^{n/2} \int_{x_{2j-2}}^{x_{2j}} f(x) dx \\ &= \sum_{j=1}^{n/2} \left(\frac{h}{3} (f(x_{2j-2}) + 4f(x_{2j-1}) + f(x_{2j})) - \frac{h^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi_j) \right) \end{aligned}$$

where $\xi_j \in [x_{2j-2}, x_{2j}]$ and provided $f \in C^4[a, b]$.

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3} \left(f(x_0) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{n}{2}-1} f(x_{2j}) + 4 \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} f(x_{2j-1}) + f(b) \right) - \frac{h^5}{90} \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} f^{(4)}(\xi_j)$$

The error $E_{S_n}(f) = -\frac{h^5}{90} \sum_{j=1}^{\frac{n}{2}} f^{(4)}(\xi_j)$.

The Extreme Value Theorem gives $f \in C^4[a, b] \Rightarrow$

$\exists m, M \ni m \leq f^{(4)}(x) \leq M, \forall x \in [a, b]$. Thus

$\exists B > 0 \ni |f^{(4)}(\xi_j)| \leq B$, for each j and

$$|E_{S_n}(f)| \leq \frac{h^5}{90} \cdot \frac{n}{2} B = \frac{B(b-a)^5}{180 n^4}$$

You may remember this from calculus II.

Interval doubling and stopping criteria

Consider the sequence $\{S_n\}$ where

$$S_0 = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$S_1 = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx + \int_{x_1}^{x_2} f(x) dx \quad \text{where } h = \frac{b-a}{2}$$

$$x_k = a + kh$$

$$S_2 = \sum_{j=1}^2 \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} f(x) dx \quad \text{where } h = \frac{b-a}{4}$$

$$x_k = a + kh$$

\vdots

$$S_m = \sum_{j=1}^{2^m} \int_{x_{j-1}}^{x_j} f(x) dx \quad \text{where } h = \frac{b-a}{2^m}$$

$$x_k = a + kh$$

and each integral uses the same quadrature rule.

Then as $m \rightarrow \infty$ $E(f) \rightarrow 0$ and $\{S_m\}$ is a convergent sequence. We generally use

$|S_{m-1} - S_m| < \text{Tolerance}$
as a stopping criteria.

Note for Composite Simpson's Method

$$S_0 = \frac{(b-a)}{6} (f(a) + 4f(x_1) + f(b))$$

$$S_1 = \frac{(b-a)}{12} (f(a) + 4f(\tilde{x}_1) + 2f(\hat{x}_1) + 4f(\tilde{x}_2) + f(b))$$

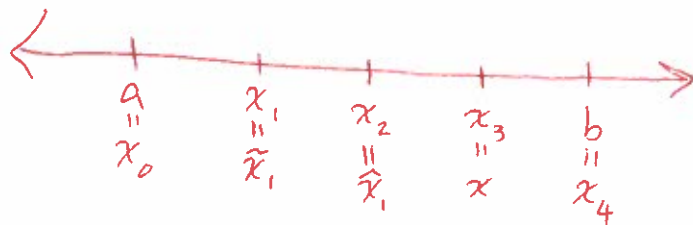
~~$$= \frac{1}{2} S_0 + \frac{4h}{3} (f(\tilde{x}_1) + f(\tilde{x}_2))$$~~

~~$$= \frac{1}{2} bob + \frac{4h}{3} sally + \frac{2h}{3} joe$$~~

$$= \frac{h}{3} (bob + 4sally + 2joe)$$

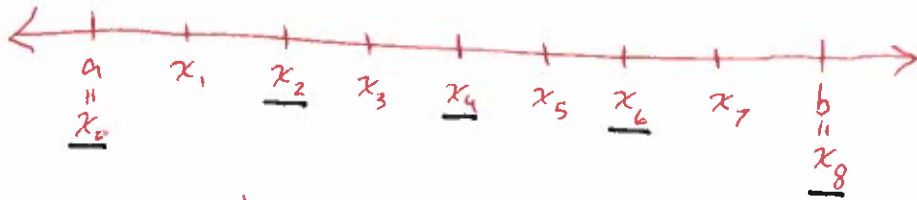
Where $bob = f(a) + f(b)$, $h = \frac{b-a}{4}$,

$$sally = \sum_{j=1}^2 f(x_{2j-1}), \quad joe = f(x_2)$$



for S_2 , $h = \frac{(b-a)}{8}$, $x_k = a + kh$

let $doug = sally + joe$ and
 $fred = \sum_{j=1}^4 f(x_{2j-1})$



— old nodes used in S_1

then

$$S_2 = \frac{h}{3} (b \cdot f(b) + 4 \cdot fred + 2 \cdot doug)$$

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In general:

Inputs: a, b, tol, f, m ↙ max # of doublings

Outputs: approximation for $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ or error message.

Set $\left\{ \begin{array}{l} S1 = f(a) + f(b); \\ S2 = f(a+h); \\ S3 = 0; \end{array} \right.$

$h = (b-a)/2$; $n=1$

$notdone = true$ ← approx1 = $h * (\frac{S1}{2} + 4 * S2) / 3$;

loop while notdone

$h = h/2$

$S3 = S3 + S2$

$S2 = f(a+h) + f(a+3h) + \dots + f(b-h)$

$approx2 = h * (S1 + 4 * S2 + 2 * S3) / 3$;

If $|approx1 - approx2| < Tol$

Then ~~$approx1 = approx2$;~~

$notdone = True$;

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Elseif n > m
    then output error message;
        notdone = True;
    Else n = n + 1;
        approx1 = approx2;
    end (if)
end (loop)
Return output approx2
end (Routine)

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Note in Matlab: If $h = (b-a)/n$, then

$$x = [a:h:b];$$

gives a vector of ~~$a, a+h, a+2h, \dots, a+(n-1)h$~~ ($a+h, a+3h, a+5h, \dots, b-h$)

Program this in Matlab

Composite Trapezoidal Method

$$S_0 = \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + f(x_1)), \quad h = b-a, \quad x_k = a+kh$$

$$S_1 = \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + f(x_2)), \quad h = \frac{b-a}{2}, \quad x_k = a+kh$$

$$S_2 = \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + f(x_n) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^2 f(x_j)), \quad h = \frac{b-a}{4}$$

⋮

$$S_n = \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + f(x_n) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{2^n-1} f(x_j)), \quad h = \frac{b-a}{2^n}$$

Note we can rewrite this as

$$S_n = h \left(\frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{2^n-1} f(x_j) \right)$$

In general,

If $h = \frac{(b-a)}{n}$, $x_k = a+kh$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = h \left(\frac{f(x_0) + f(x_n)}{2} + \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) \right) - \frac{h^3}{12} \sum_{j=1}^n f''(\xi_j)$$

where $x_{j-1} \leq \xi_j \leq x_j$

If $|f''(x)| \leq B$ for $a \leq x \leq b$, then

$$|E_{T_n}(f)| \leq \frac{B(b-a)^3}{12n^2}.$$

You may remember this from calculus II

Programming Composite Trapezoidal Method with Interval Doubling

Inputs: a, b, f, Tol, m

Outputs: approximation to $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ or error message

Set $h = b - a;$

$n = 1;$

$S1 = (f(a) + f(b)) / 2;$

$notdone = True;$

loop while $notdone$

$h = h / 2$

$n = n + 1$

$S2 = S1 / 2 + h (f(a+h) + f(a+2h) + f(a+3h) + \dots + f(b-h))$

If $(|S1 - S2| > Tol \text{ and } n < m)$

$S1 = S2;$

Else

$notdone = False;$

end (if)

end (loop)

If $n \geq m$

Output an error message

Output $S2$

end (Routine)

Look at this in Matlab.