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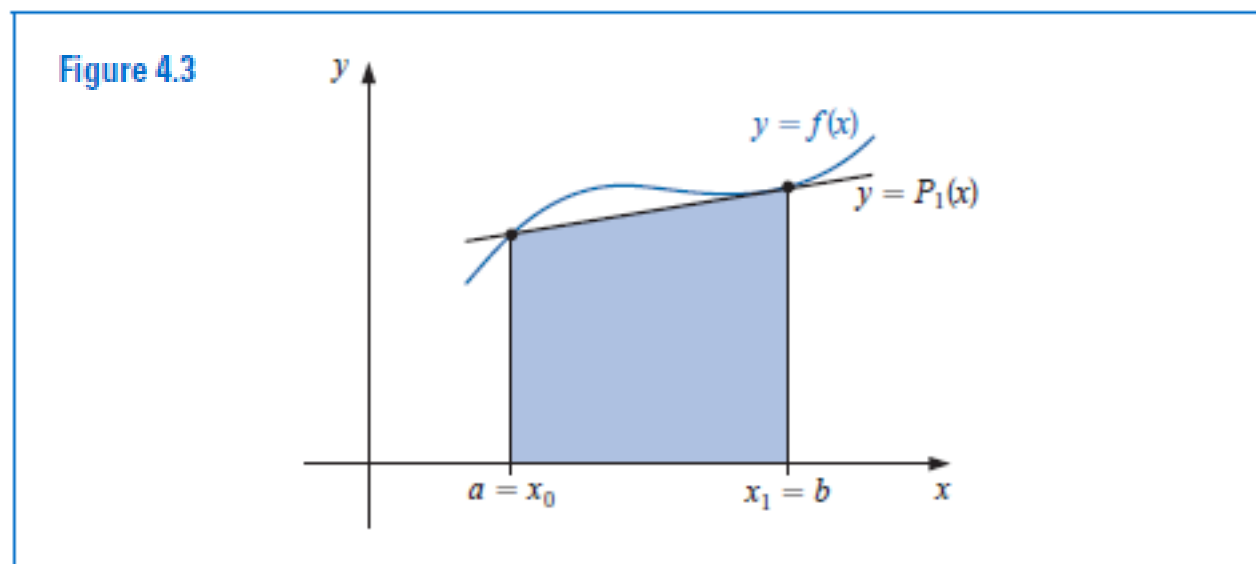
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Using the notation $h = x_1 - x_0$ gives the following rule:

Trapezoidal Rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2}[f(x_0) + f(x_1)] - \frac{h^3}{12} f''(\xi).$$

This is called the Trapezoidal rule because when f is a function with positive values, $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is approximated by the area in a trapezoid, as shown in Figure 4.3.

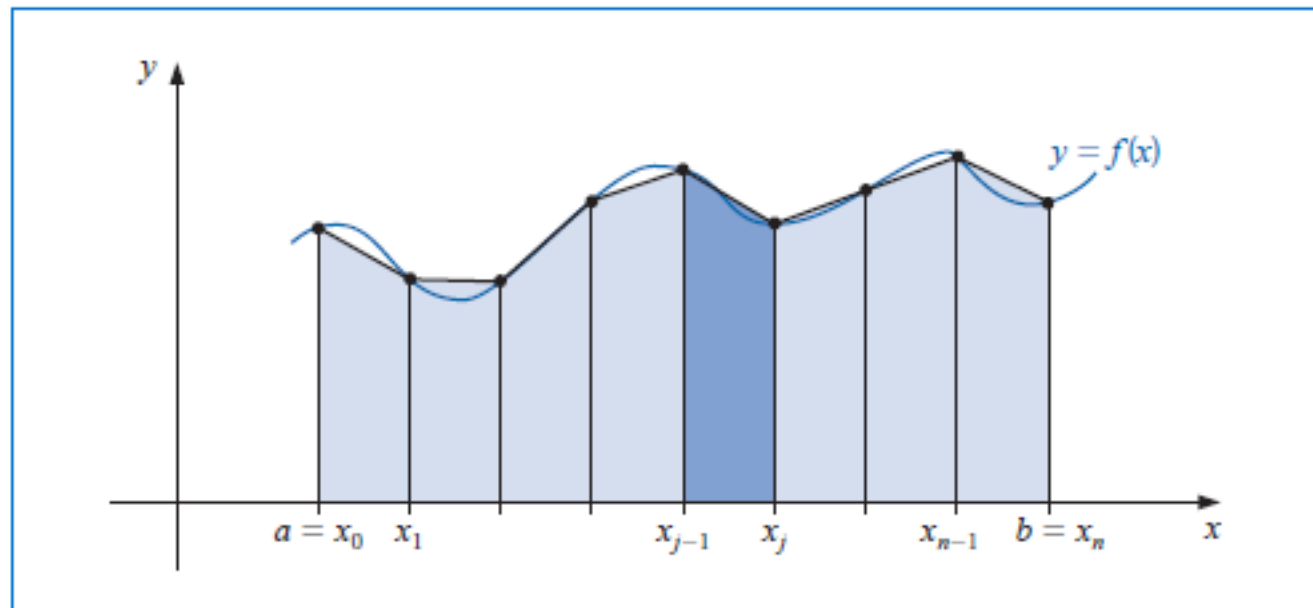


The error term for the Trapezoidal rule involves f'' , so the rule gives the exact result when applied to any function whose second derivative is identically zero, that is, any polynomial of degree one or less.

Theorem 4.5 Let $f \in C^2[a, b]$, $h = (b - a)/n$, and $x_j = a + jh$, for each $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$. There exists a $\mu \in (a, b)$ for which the **Composite Trapezoidal rule** for n subintervals can be written with its error term as

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} \left[f(a) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) + f(b) \right] - \frac{b-a}{12} h^2 f''(\mu). \quad \blacksquare$$

Figure 4.8



4.5 Romberg Integration

In this section we will illustrate how Richardson extrapolation applied to results from the Composite Trapezoidal rule can be used to obtain high accuracy approximations with little computational cost.

In Section 4.4 we found that the Composite Trapezoidal rule has a truncation error of order $O(h^2)$. Specifically, we showed that for $h = (b - a)/n$ and $x_j = a + jh$ we have

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} \left[f(a) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) + f(b) \right] - \frac{(b-a)f''(\mu)}{12} h^2.$$

for some number μ in (a, b) .

By an alternative method it can be shown (see [RR], pp. 136–140), that if $f \in C^\infty[a, b]$, the Composite Trapezoidal rule can also be written with an error term in the form

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} \left[f(a) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) + f(b) \right] + K_1 h^2 + K_2 h^4 + K_3 h^6 + \cdots, \quad (4.33)$$

where each K_i is a constant that depends only on $f^{(2i-1)}(a)$ and $f^{(2i-1)}(b)$.

Recall from Section 4.2 that Richardson extrapolation can be performed on any approximation procedure whose truncation error is of the form

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} K_j h^{\alpha_j} + O(h^{\alpha_m}),$$

for a collection of constants K_j and when $\alpha_1 < \alpha_2 < \alpha_3 < \cdots < \alpha_m$. In that section we gave demonstrations to illustrate how effective this techniques is when the approximation procedure has a truncation error with only even powers of h , that is, when the truncation error has the form.

$$\sum_{j=1}^{m-1} K_j h^{2j} + O(h^{2m}).$$

Because the Composite Trapezoidal rule has this form, it is an obvious candidate for extrapolation. This results in a technique known as **Romberg integration**.

To approximate the integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ we use the results of the Composite Trapezoidal rule with $n = 1, 2, 4, 8, 16, \dots$, and denote the resulting approximations, respectively, by $R_{1,1}, R_{2,1}, R_{3,1}$, etc. We then apply extrapolation in the manner given in Section 4.2, that is, we obtain $O(h^4)$ approximations $R_{2,2}, R_{3,2}, R_{4,2}$, etc., by

$$R_{k,2} = R_{k,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{k,1} - R_{k-1,1}), \quad \text{for } k = 2, 3, \dots$$

Then $O(h^6)$ approximations $R_{3,3}, R_{4,3}, R_{5,3}$, etc., by

$$R_{k,3} = R_{k,2} + \frac{1}{15}(R_{k,2} - R_{k-1,2}), \quad \text{for } k = 3, 4, \dots$$

In general, after the appropriate $R_{k,j-1}$ approximations have been obtained, we determine the $O(h^{2j})$ approximations from

$$R_{k,j} = R_{k,j-1} + \frac{1}{4^{j-1} - 1}(R_{k,j-1} - R_{k-1,j-1}), \quad \text{for } k = j, j+1, \dots$$

Example 1 Use the Composite Trapezoidal rule to find approximations to $\int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx$ with $n = 1, 2, 4, 8,$ and 16 . Then perform Romberg extrapolation on the results.

Composite Trapezoidal rule

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \frac{h}{2} \left[f(a) + 2 \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} f(x_j) + f(b) \right] - \frac{(b-a)f''(\mu)}{12} h^2.$$

4.2 Richardson's Extrapolation

Table 4.6

$O(h^2)$	$O(h^4)$	$O(h^6)$	$O(h^8)$
1: $N_1(h)$			
2: $N_1(\frac{h}{2})$	3: $N_2(h)$		
4: $N_1(\frac{h}{4})$	5: $N_2(\frac{h}{2})$	6: $N_3(h)$	
7: $N_1(\frac{h}{8})$	8: $N_2(\frac{h}{4})$	9: $N_3(\frac{h}{2})$	10: $N_4(h)$

$$N_j(h) = N_{j-1} \left(\frac{h}{2} \right) + \frac{N_{j-1}(h/2) - N_{j-1}(h)}{4^{j-1} - 1}.$$



Example 1 Use the Composite Trapezoidal rule to find approximations to $\int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx$ with $n = 1, 2, 4, 8,$ and 16 . Then perform Romberg extrapolation on the results.

The Composite Trapezoidal rule for the various values of n gives the following approximations to the true value 2.

$$R_{1,1} = \frac{\pi}{2} [\sin 0 + \sin \pi] = 0;$$

$$R_{2,1} = \frac{\pi}{4} \left[\sin 0 + 2 \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \sin \pi \right] = 1.57079633;$$

$$R_{3,1} = \frac{\pi}{8} \left[\sin 0 + 2 \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{\pi}{2} + \sin \frac{3\pi}{4} \right) + \sin \pi \right] = 1.89611890;$$

$$R_{4,1} = \frac{\pi}{16} \left[\sin 0 + 2 \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{8} + \sin \frac{\pi}{4} + \cdots + \sin \frac{3\pi}{4} + \sin \frac{7\pi}{8} \right) + \sin \pi \right] = 1.97423160;$$

$$R_{5,1} = \frac{\pi}{32} \left[\sin 0 + 2 \left(\sin \frac{\pi}{16} + \sin \frac{\pi}{8} + \cdots + \sin \frac{7\pi}{8} + \sin \frac{15\pi}{16} \right) + \sin \pi \right] = 1.99357034.$$

The $O(h^4)$ approximations are

$$R_{2,2} = R_{2,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{2,1} - R_{1,1}) = 2.09439511; \quad R_{3,2} = R_{3,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{3,1} - R_{2,1}) = 2.00455976;$$

$$R_{4,2} = R_{4,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{4,1} - R_{3,1}) = 2.00026917; \quad R_{5,2} = R_{5,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{5,1} - R_{4,1}) = 2.00001659;$$

The $O(h^6)$ approximations are

$$R_{3,3} = R_{3,2} + \frac{1}{15}(R_{3,2} - R_{2,2}) = 1.99857073; \quad R_{4,3} = R_{4,2} + \frac{1}{15}(R_{4,2} - R_{3,2}) = 1.99998313;$$

$$R_{5,3} = R_{5,2} + \frac{1}{15}(R_{5,2} - R_{4,2}) = 1.99999975.$$

The two $O(h^8)$ approximations are

$$R_{4,4} = R_{4,3} + \frac{1}{63}(R_{4,3} - R_{3,3}) = 2.00000555; \quad R_{5,4} = R_{5,3} + \frac{1}{63}(R_{5,3} - R_{4,3}) = 2.00000001,$$

and the final $O(h^{10})$ approximation is

$$R_{5,5} = R_{5,4} + \frac{1}{255}(R_{5,4} - R_{4,4}) = 1.99999999.$$

These results are shown in Table 4.9. ■

Table 4.9

0				
1.57079633	2.09439511			
1.89611890	2.00455976	1.99857073		
1.97423160	2.00026917	1.99998313	2.00000555	
1.99357034	2.00001659	1.99999975	2.00000001	1.99999999

Notice that when generating the approximations for the Composite Trapezoidal rule approximations in Example 1, each consecutive approximation included all the function evaluations from the previous approximation. That is, $R_{1,1}$ used evaluations at 0 and π , $R_{2,1}$ used these evaluations and added an evaluation at the intermediate point $\pi/2$. Then $R_{3,1}$ used the evaluations of $R_{2,1}$ and added two additional intermediate ones at $\pi/4$ and $3\pi/4$. This pattern continues with $R_{4,1}$ using the same evaluations as $R_{3,1}$ but adding evaluations at the 4 intermediate points $\pi/8$, $3\pi/8$, $5\pi/8$, and $7\pi/8$, and so on.

This evaluation procedure for Composite Trapezoidal rule approximations holds for an integral on any interval $[a, b]$. In general, the Composite Trapezoidal rule denoted $R_{k+1,1}$ uses the same evaluations as $R_{k,1}$ but adds evaluations at the 2^{k-2} intermediate points. Efficient calculation of these approximations can therefore be done in a recursive manner.

To obtain the Composite Trapezoidal rule approximations for $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, let $h_k = (b - a)/m_k = (b - a)/2^{k-1}$. Then

$$R_{1,1} = \frac{h_1}{2}[f(a) + f(b)] = \frac{(b - a)}{2}[f(a) + f(b)];$$

and

$$R_{2,1} = \frac{h_2}{2}[f(a) + f(b) + 2f(a + h_2)].$$

By reexpressing this result for $R_{2,1}$ we can incorporate the previously determined approximation $R_{1,1}$

$$R_{2,1} = \frac{(b - a)}{4} \left[f(a) + f(b) + 2f\left(a + \frac{(b - a)}{2}\right) \right] = \frac{1}{2}[R_{1,1} + h_1 f(a + h_2)].$$

In a similar manner we can write

$$R_{3,1} = \frac{1}{2}\{R_{2,1} + h_2[f(a + h_3) + f(a + 3h_3)]\};$$

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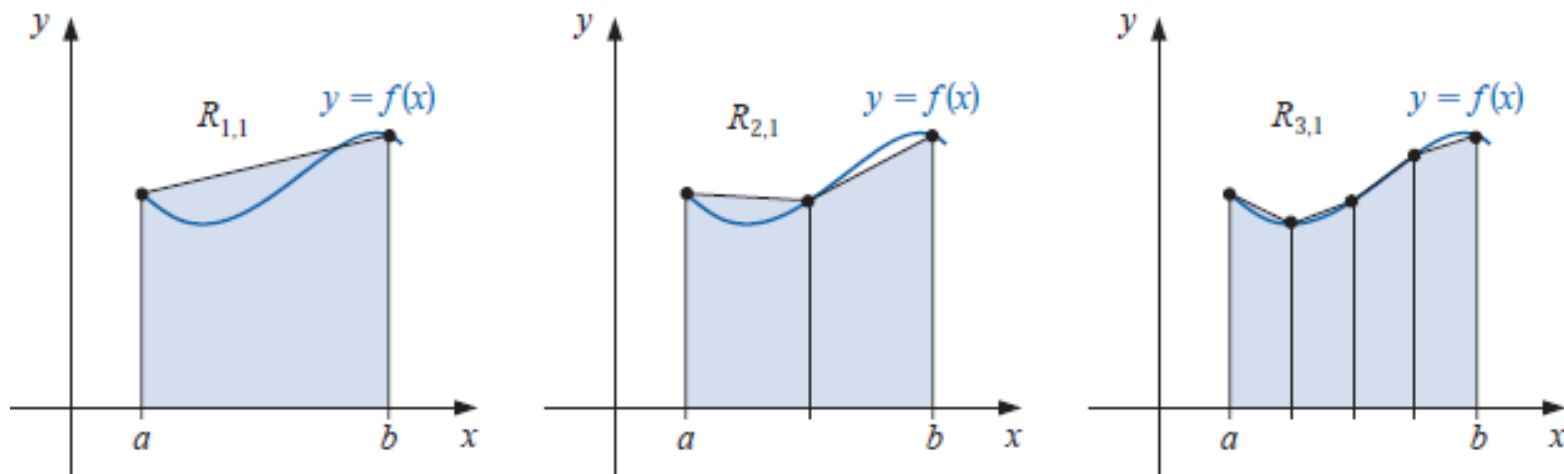
$$R_{3,1} = \frac{1}{2}\{R_{2,1} + h_2[f(a + h_3) + f(a + 3h_3)]\};$$

and, in general (see Figure 4.10 on page 216), we have

$$R_{k,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[R_{k-1,1} + h_{k-1} \sum_{i=1}^{2^{k-2}} f(a + (2i - 1)h_k) \right], \tag{4.34}$$

for each $k = 2, 3, \dots, n$. (See Exercises 14 and 15.)

Figure 4.10



Extrapolation then is used to produce $O(h_k^{2^j})$ approximations by

$$R_{k,j} = R_{k,j-1} + \frac{1}{4^{j-1} - 1} (R_{k,j-1} - R_{k-1,j-1}), \quad \text{for } k = j, j+1, \dots$$

as shown in Table 4.10.

Table 4.10

k	$O(h_k^2)$	$O(h_k^4)$	$O(h_k^6)$	$O(h_k^8)$	$O(h_k^{2n})$
1	$R_{1,1}$				
2	$R_{2,1}$	$R_{2,2}$			
3	$R_{3,1}$	$R_{3,2}$	$R_{3,3}$		
4	$R_{4,1}$	$R_{4,2}$	$R_{4,3}$	$R_{4,4}$	
\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\vdots	\ddots
n	$R_{n,1}$	$R_{n,2}$	$R_{n,3}$	$R_{n,4}$	$\dots R_{n,n}$

The effective method to construct the Romberg table makes use of the highest order of approximation at each step. That is, it calculates the entries row by row, in the order $R_{1,1}, R_{2,1}, R_{2,2}, R_{3,1}, R_{3,2}, R_{3,3}$, etc. This also permits an entire new row in the table to be calculated by doing only one additional application of the Composite Trapezoidal rule. It then uses a simple averaging on the previously calculated values to obtain the remaining entries in the row. Remember

- Calculate the Romberg table one complete row at a time.

Example 2 Add an additional extrapolation row to Table 4.10 to approximate $\int_0^\pi \sin x \, dx$.

Solution To obtain the additional row we need the trapezoidal approximation

$$R_{6,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[R_{5,1} + \frac{\pi}{16} \sum_{k=1}^{2^4} \sin \frac{(2k-1)\pi}{32} \right] = 1.99839336.$$

The values in Table 4.10 give

$$\begin{aligned} R_{6,2} &= R_{6,1} + \frac{1}{3}(R_{6,1} - R_{5,1}) = 1.99839336 + \frac{1}{3}(1.99839336 - 1.99357035) \\ &= 2.00000103; \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} R_{6,3} &= R_{6,2} + \frac{1}{15}(R_{6,2} - R_{5,2}) = 2.00000103 + \frac{1}{15}(2.00000103 - 2.00001659) \\ &= 2.00000000; \end{aligned}$$

$$R_{6,4} = R_{6,3} + \frac{1}{63}(R_{6,3} - R_{5,3}) = 2.00000000;$$

$$R_{6,5} = R_{6,4} + \frac{1}{255}(R_{6,4} - R_{5,4}) = 2.00000000;$$

and $R_{6,6} = R_{6,5} + \frac{1}{1023}(R_{6,5} - R_{5,5}) = 2.00000000$. The new extrapolation table is shown in Table 4.11. ■

0					
1.57079633	2.09439511				
1.89611890	2.00455976	1.99857073			
1.97423160	2.00026917	1.99998313	2.00000555		
1.99357034	2.00001659	1.99999975	2.00000001	1.99999999	
1.99839336	2.00000103	2.00000000	2.00000000	2.00000000	2.00000000

Notice that all the extrapolated values except for the first (in the first row of the second column) are more accurate than the best composite trapezoidal approximation (in the last row of the first column). Although there are 21 entries in Table 4.11, only the six in the left column require function evaluations since these are the only entries generated by the Composite Trapezoidal rule; the other entries are obtained by an averaging process. In fact, because of the recurrence relationship of the terms in the left column, the only function evaluations needed are those to compute the final Composite Trapezoidal rule approximation. In general, $R_{k,1}$ requires $1 + 2^{k-1}$ function evaluations, so in this case $1 + 2^5 = 33$ are needed.

Algorithm 4.2 uses the recursive procedure to find the initial Composite Trapezoidal Rule approximations and computes the results in the table row by row.

To approximate the integral $I = \int_a^b f(x) dx$, select an integer $n > 0$.

INPUT endpoints a, b ; integer n .

OUTPUT an array R . (*Compute R by rows; only the last 2 rows are saved in storage.*)

Step 1 Set $h = b - a$;
 $R_{1,1} = \frac{h}{2}(f(a) + f(b)).$

Step 2 OUTPUT ($R_{1,1}$).

Step 3 For $i = 2, \dots, n$ do Steps 4–8.

Step 4 Set $R_{2,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left[R_{1,1} + h \sum_{k=1}^{2^{i-2}} f(a + (k - 0.5)h) \right].$

(*Approximation from Trapezoidal method.*)

Step 5 For $j = 2, \dots, i$
 set $R_{2,j} = R_{2,j-1} + \frac{R_{2,j-1} - R_{1,j-1}}{4^{j-1} - 1}.$ (*Extrapolation.*)

Step 6 OUTPUT ($R_{2,j}$ for $j = 1, 2, \dots, i$).

Step 7 Set $h = h/2$.

Step 8 For $j = 1, 2, \dots, i$ set $R_{1,j} = R_{2,j}.$ (*Update row 1 of R .*)

Step 9 STOP. ■

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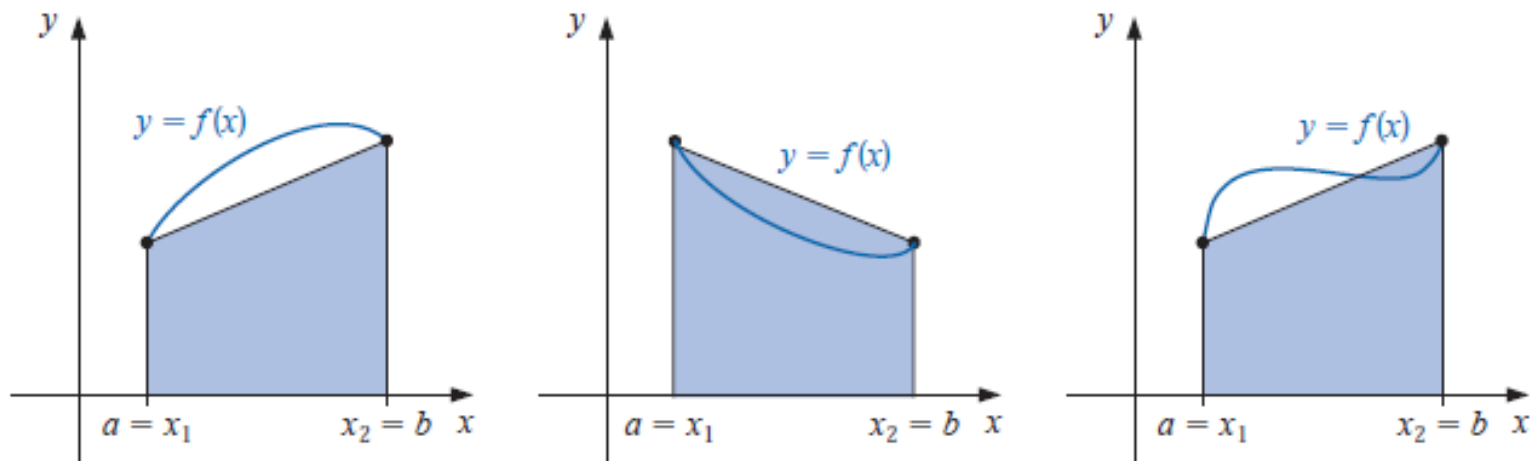
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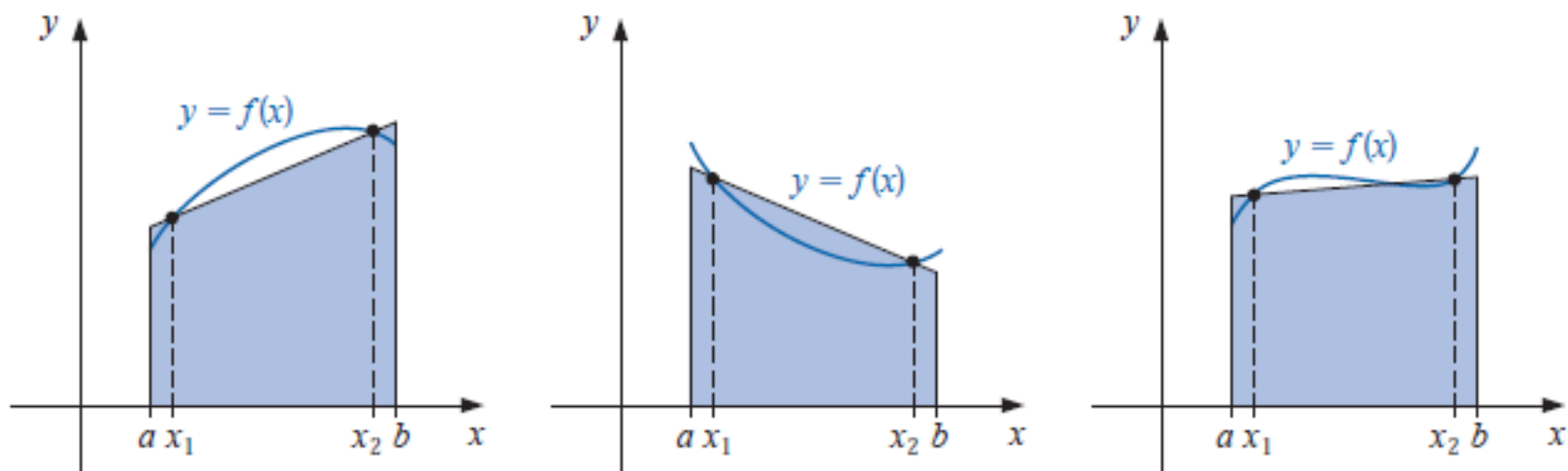
4.7 Gaussian Quadrature

The Newton-Cotes formulas in Section 4.3 were derived by integrating interpolating polynomials. The error term in the interpolating polynomial of degree n involves the $(n + 1)$ st derivative of the function being approximated, so a Newton-Cotes formula is exact when approximating the integral of any polynomial of degree less than or equal to n .

All the Newton-Cotes formulas use values of the function at equally-spaced points. This restriction is convenient when the formulas are combined to form the composite rules we considered in Section 4.4, but it can significantly decrease the accuracy of the approximation. Consider, for example, the Trapezoidal rule applied to determine the integrals of the functions whose graphs are shown in Figure 4.15.



The Trapezoidal rule approximates the integral of the function by integrating the linear function that joins the endpoints of the graph of the function. But this is not likely the best line for approximating the integral. Lines such as those shown in Figure 4.16 would likely give much better approximations in most cases.



Gaussian quadrature chooses the points for evaluation in an optimal, rather than equally-spaced, way. The nodes x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n in the interval $[a, b]$ and coefficients c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n , are chosen to minimize the expected error obtained in the approximation

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n c_i f(x_i).$$

To measure this accuracy, we assume that the best choice of these values produces the exact result for the largest class of polynomials, that is, the choice that gives the greatest degree of precision.

The coefficients c_1, c_2, \dots, c_n in the approximation formula are arbitrary, and the nodes x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are restricted only by the fact that they must lie in $[a, b]$, the interval of integration. This gives us $2n$ parameters to choose. If the coefficients of a polynomial are considered parameters, the class of polynomials of degree at most $2n - 1$ also contains $2n$ parameters. This, then, is the largest class of polynomials for which it is reasonable to expect a formula to be exact. With the proper choice of the values and constants, exactness on this set can be obtained.

To illustrate the procedure for choosing the appropriate parameters, we will show how to select the coefficients and nodes when $n = 2$ and the interval of integration is $[-1, 1]$. We will then discuss the more general situation for an arbitrary choice of nodes and coefficients and show how the technique is modified when integrating over an arbitrary interval.

Suppose we want to determine c_1 , c_2 , x_1 , and x_2 so that the integration formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx \approx c_1 f(x_1) + c_2 f(x_2)$$

gives the exact result whenever $f(x)$ is a polynomial of degree $2(2) - 1 = 3$ or less, that is, when

$$f(x) = a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3,$$

for some collection of constants, a_0 , a_1 , a_2 , and a_3 . Because

$$\int (a_0 + a_1x + a_2x^2 + a_3x^3) dx = a_0 \int 1 dx + a_1 \int x dx + a_2 \int x^2 dx + a_3 \int x^3 dx,$$

this is equivalent to showing that the formula gives exact results when $f(x)$ is 1 , x , x^2 , and x^3 . Hence, we need c_1 , c_2 , x_1 , and x_2 , so that

$$\begin{aligned} c_1 \cdot 1 + c_2 \cdot 1 &= \int_{-1}^1 1 dx = 2, & c_1 \cdot x_1 + c_2 \cdot x_2 &= \int_{-1}^1 x dx = 0, \\ c_1 \cdot x_1^2 + c_2 \cdot x_2^2 &= \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \frac{2}{3}, & \text{and } c_1 \cdot x_1^3 + c_2 \cdot x_2^3 &= \int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx = 0. \end{aligned}$$

A little algebra shows that this system of equations has the unique solution

$$c_1 = 1, \quad c_2 = 1, \quad x_1 = -\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}, \quad \text{and} \quad x_2 = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3},$$

which gives the approximation formula

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx \approx f\left(-\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right) + f\left(\frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}\right). \quad (4.40)$$

This formula has degree of precision 3, that is, it produces the exact result for every polynomial of degree 3 or less.

Legendre Polynomials

The technique we have described could be used to determine the nodes and coefficients for formulas that give exact results for higher-degree polynomials, but an alternative method obtains them more easily. In Sections 8.2 and 8.3 we will consider various collections of orthogonal polynomials, functions that have the property that a particular definite integral of the product of any two of them is 0. The set that is relevant to our problem is the Legendre polynomials, a collection $\{P_0(x), P_1(x), \dots, P_n(x), \dots, \}$ with properties:

- (1) For each n , $P_n(x)$ is a monic polynomial of degree n .
- (2) $\int_{-1}^1 P(x)P_n(x) dx = 0$ whenever $P(x)$ is a polynomial of degree less than n .

The first few Legendre polynomials are

$$P_0(x) = 1, \quad P_1(x) = x, \quad P_2(x) = x^2 - \frac{1}{3},$$
$$P_3(x) = x^3 - \frac{3}{5}x, \quad \text{and} \quad P_4(x) = x^4 - \frac{6}{7}x^2 + \frac{3}{35}.$$

The roots of these polynomials are distinct, lie in the interval $(-1, 1)$, have a symmetry with respect to the origin, and, most importantly, are the correct choice for determining the parameters that give us the nodes and coefficients for our quadrature method.

The constants c_i needed for the quadrature rule can be generated from the equation in Theorem 4.7, but both these constants and the roots of the Legendre polynomials are extensively tabulated. Table 4.12 lists these values for $n = 2, 3, 4,$ and 5 .

Table 4.12

n	Roots $r_{n,i}$	Coefficients $c_{n,i}$
2	0.5773502692	1.0000000000
	-0.5773502692	1.0000000000
3	0.7745966692	0.5555555556
	0.0000000000	0.8888888889
	-0.7745966692	0.5555555556
4	0.8611363116	0.3478548451
	0.3399810436	0.6521451549
	-0.3399810436	0.6521451549
	-0.8611363116	0.3478548451
5	0.9061798459	0.2369268850
	0.5384693101	0.4786286705
	0.0000000000	0.5688888889
	-0.5384693101	0.4786286705
	-0.9061798459	0.2369268850

Example 1 Approximate $\int_{-1}^1 e^x \cos x \, dx$ using Gaussian quadrature with $n = 3$.

Solution The entries in Table 4.12 give us

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-1}^1 e^x \cos x \, dx &\approx 0.5 e^{0.774596692} \cos 0.774596692 \\ &\quad + 0.8 \cos 0 + 0.5 e^{-0.774596692} \cos(-0.774596692) \\ &= 1.9333904.\end{aligned}$$

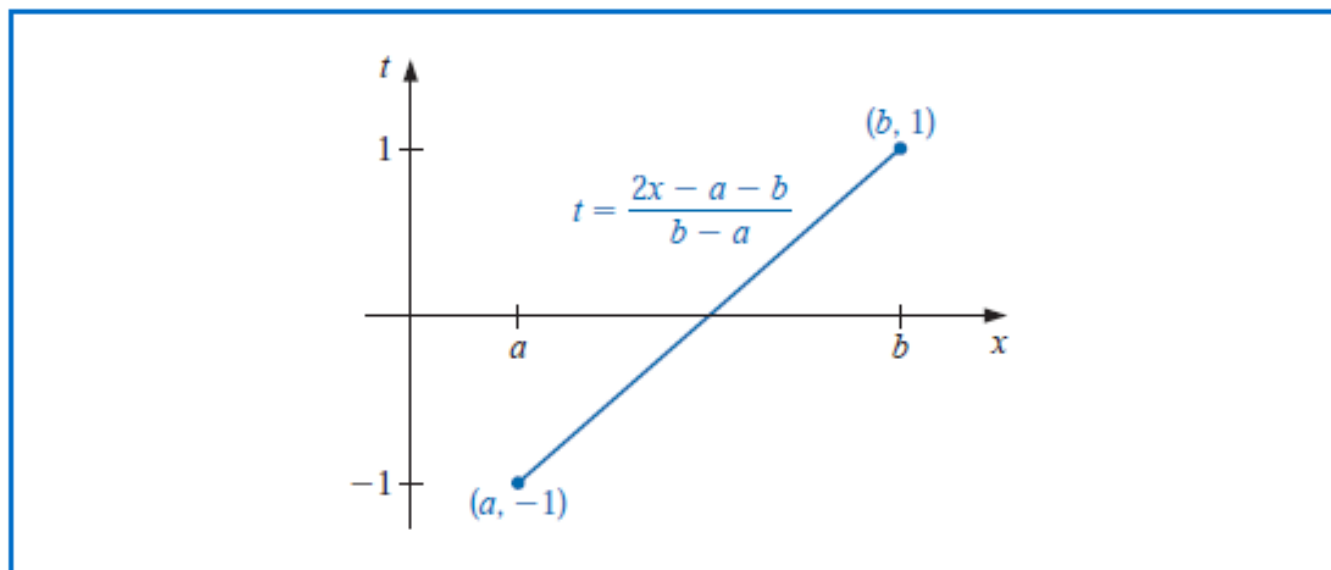
Integration by parts can be used to show that the true value of the integral is 1.9334214, so the absolute error is less than 3.2×10^{-5} . ■

Gaussian Quadrature on Arbitrary Intervals

An integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ over an arbitrary $[a, b]$ can be transformed into an integral over $[-1, 1]$ by using the change of variables (see Figure 4.17):

$$t = \frac{2x - a - b}{b - a} \iff x = \frac{1}{2}[(b - a)t + a + b].$$

Figure 4.17



This permits Gaussian quadrature to be applied to any interval $[a, b]$, because

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 f\left(\frac{(b-a)t + (b+a)}{2}\right) \frac{(b-a)}{2} dt. \quad (4.41)$$

Example 2 Consider the integral $\int_1^3 x^6 - x^2 \sin(2x) dx = 317.3442466$.

- (a) Compare the results for the closed Newton-Cotes formula with $n = 1$, the open Newton-Cotes formula with $n = 1$, and Gaussian Quadrature when $n = 2$.
- (b) Compare the results for the closed Newton-Cotes formula with $n = 2$, the open Newton-Cotes formula with $n = 2$, and Gaussian Quadrature when $n = 3$.

$n = 1$: Trapezoidal rule

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2}[f(x_0) + f(x_1)] - \frac{h^3}{12}f''(\xi), \quad \text{where } x_0 < \xi < x_1. \quad (4.25)$$

$n = 2$: Simpson's rule

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \frac{h}{3}[f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + f(x_2)] - \frac{h^5}{90}f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad \text{where } x_0 < \xi < x_2. \quad (4.26)$$

$n = 1$:

$$\int_{x_{-1}}^{x_2} f(x) dx = \frac{3h}{2}[f(x_0) + f(x_1)] + \frac{3h^3}{4}f''(\xi), \quad \text{where } x_{-1} < \xi < x_2. \quad (4.30)$$

$n = 2$:

$$\int_{x_{-1}}^{x_3} f(x) dx = \frac{4h}{3}[2f(x_0) - f(x_1) + 2f(x_2)] + \frac{14h^5}{45}f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad (4.31)$$



Solution (a) Each of the formulas in this part requires 2 evaluations of the function $f(x) = x^6 - x^2 \sin(2x)$. The Newton-Cotes approximations are

$$\text{Closed } n = 1 : \frac{2}{2} [f(1) + f(3)] = 731.6054420;$$

$$\text{Open } n = 1 : \frac{3(2/3)}{2} [f(5/3) + f(7/3)] = 188.7856682.$$

Gaussian quadrature applied to this problem requires that the integral first be transformed into a problem whose interval of integration is $[-1, 1]$. Using Eq. (4.41) gives

$$\int_1^3 x^6 - x^2 \sin(2x) dx = \int_{-1}^1 (t+2)^6 - (t+2)^2 \sin(2(t+2)) dt.$$

Gaussian quadrature with $n = 2$ then gives

$$\int_1^3 x^6 - x^2 \sin(2x) dx \approx f(-0.5773502692 + 2) + f(0.5773502692 + 2) = 306.8199344;$$

(b) Each of the formulas in this part requires 3 function evaluations. The Newton-Cotes approximations are

$$\text{Closed } n = 2 : \frac{(1)}{3} [f(1) + 4f(2) + f(3)] = 333.2380940;$$

$$\text{Open } n = 2 : \frac{4(1/2)}{3} [2f(1.5) - f(2) + 2f(2.5)] = 303.5912023.$$

Gaussian quadrature with $n = 3$, once the transformation has been done, gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^3 x^6 - x^2 \sin(2x) dx &\approx 0.\bar{5} f(-0.7745966692 + 2) + 0.\bar{8} f(2) \\ &\quad + 0.\bar{5} f(0.7745966692 + 2) = 317.2641516. \end{aligned}$$

The Gaussian quadrature results are clearly superior in each instance. ■

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