



AMAT 314
Numerical Methods

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**HOMEWORK ASSIGNMENT ON NUMERICAL
INTEGRATION/DIFFERENTIATION**

QUESTION 1

The following values of a function are given:

x	$f(x)$	x	$f(x)$
1.0	1.543	1.5	2.352
1.1	1.668	1.6	2.577
1.2	1.811	1.7	2.828
1.3	1.971	1.8	3.107
1.4	2.151		

Integrate numerically the function tabulated in the Table over the interval $x=1.0$ to $x=1.8$, i.e. $\int_{1.0}^{1.8} f(x) dx$, using the trapezoidal rule with an interval $h=0.1$ and $h=0.2$. Use Romberg integration to improve the result.

The trapezoidal rule is as follows:

$$NI(\delta x = 0.2) = \frac{\delta x}{2} (f(1) + 2f(1.2) + \dots + 2f(1.6) + f(1.8)) =$$

$$NI(\delta x = 0.1) = \frac{\delta x}{2} (f(1) + 2f(1.1) + 2f(1.2) + \dots + 2f(1.7) + f(1.8)) =$$

Use Romberg Extrapolation to improve the result:

If we assume that the error is of the form $c * (\delta x)^2$ then we have the following system of equations:

$$I = NI(\delta x = 0.2) + c * 0.2^2$$

$$I = NI(\delta x = 0.1) + c * 0.1^2$$

Solve the system to find that **I = 0.946083**.

QUESTION 2

Integrate numerically the function tabulated in the Table over the interval $x = 1.8$ to $x = 3.4$, i.e.

$$I = \int_{1.8}^{3.4} f(x) dx .$$

x	$y, f(x)$	x	$y, f(x)$
1.6	4.953	2.8	16.445
1.8	6.050	3.0	20.086
2.0	7.389	3.2	24.533
2.2	9.025	3.4	29.964
2.4	11.023	3.6	36.598
2.6	13.464	3.8	44.701

Use trapezoidal rule with an interval $h = 0.2$ and $h = 0.4$. Use Romberg integration to improve the result.

QUESTION 3

The second-degree Newton-Cotes formula integrates a quadratic over 2 intervals that are of uniform width h . (Such intervals are often called *panels*.) The equation is

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x) dx \approx \frac{h}{3}(f_0 + 4f_1 + f_2) .$$

Use this formula to evaluate the integral in Question 1.

QUESTION 4

Use the Lagrange Polynomial of order 2, i.e.

$$P_2(x) = \frac{(x-x_1)(x-x_2)}{(x_0-x_1)(x_0-x_2)} f_0 + \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_2)}{(x_1-x_0)(x_1-x_2)} f_1 + \frac{(x-x_0)(x-x_1)}{(x_2-x_0)(x_2-x_1)} f_2$$

to derive the second-degree Newton-Cotes formula mentioned in Question 2.

QUESTION 5

Compute

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin(x)}{x} dx$$

using the trapezoidal rule with $\delta x = 0.5$ and with $\delta x = 0.25$.

Note that $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = 1$. (This can be proved by L'Hopital's rule).

$$f(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{x}$$

The trapezoidal rule is as follows:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NI}(\delta x = 0.5) &= \frac{\delta x}{2} (f(0) + 2f(0.5) + f(1)) = 0.25 \left(1 + 2 * \frac{\sin(0.5)}{0.5} + \frac{\sin(1)}{1} \right) = \\ &= 0.25 * (1 + 2 * 0.95885 + 0.84147) = \mathbf{0.939793} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{NI}(\delta x = 0.25) &= \frac{\delta x}{2} (f(0) + 2f(0.25) + 2f(0.5) + 2f(0.75) + f(1)) = \\ &0.25 \left(1 + 2 * \frac{\sin(0.25)}{0.25} + 2 * 0.95885 + 2 * \frac{\sin(0.75)}{0.75} + 0.84147 \right) = \\ &= 0.25 * (1 + 2 * 0.98961 + 2 * 0.95885 + 2 * 0.90885 + 0.84147) = \mathbf{0.94451} \end{aligned}$$

Use Romberg Extrapolation to improve the result:

If we define the exact result as $I = \int_0^1 \frac{\sin(x)}{x} dx$ and assume that the error is of the form $c * (\delta x)^2$ then we have the following system of equations:

$$I = \text{NI}(\delta x = 0.25) + c * 0.25^2$$

$$I = \text{NI}(\delta x = 0.5) + c * 0.5^2$$

Substitute the results to obtain:

$$I = 0.94451 + c * 0.0625$$

$$I = 0.93979 + c * 0.25$$

Solve the system to find that $I = \mathbf{0.946083}$.

The exact value of the integral is 0.946083. So, using Romberg integration I was able to use two solutions that were not very accurate to obtain an accurate solution.

QUESTION 6

Compute

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin(x)}{x} dx$$

using Simpson's rule with $\delta x = 0.5$ and with $\delta x = 0.25$.

$$h=0.5$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{\sin(x)}{x} dx = I$$

$$I = \frac{h}{3} (f(x=0) + 4f(x=0.5) + f(1))$$

$$f(x=0) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin(x)}{x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \cos(x) = 1 \quad (\text{L' Hopitals rule})$$

$$f(x=0.5) = \frac{\sin(0.5)}{0.5} = 0.9589 \quad (\text{careful! } \sin(x) \text{ expressed in radians})$$

$$f(1) = \frac{\sin(1)}{1} = 0.8415$$

$$I = \frac{0.5}{3} (1 + 4 \cdot 0.9589 + 0.8415) = 0.946151$$

$$h=0.25$$

$$I = \frac{h}{3} (f(x=0) + 4f(x=0.25) + 2f(0.5) + 4f(x=0.75) + f(1))$$

$$f(x=0) = 1$$

$$f(x=0.25) = 0.9896$$

$$f(x=0.5) = 0.9589$$

$$f(x=0.75) = 0.9089$$

$$f(x=1) = 0.8415$$

$$I = \frac{0.25}{3} (1 + 4 \cdot 0.9896 + 2 \cdot 0.9589 + 4 \cdot 0.9089 + 0.8415) = 0.946087$$

QUESTION 7

Consider the definite, improper integral

$$I = \int_0^1 \sqrt{\frac{(x^2 + 1)}{x}} dx .$$

If we try to evaluate this integral using Trapezoidal or Simpson's rule we will run into trouble. Why?

Transform the integral using $y = \sqrt{x}$ and apply Simpson's rule to obtain the result. Choose an h small enough to guarantee 3-decimal places accuracy.

$y = \sqrt{x} \Rightarrow dy = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} dx$. Substitute the transformation in the integral to obtain:

$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{\frac{x^2+1}{x}} 2\sqrt{x} dy = 2 \int_0^1 \sqrt{x^2+1} dy = 2 \int_0^1 \underbrace{\sqrt{y^4+1}}_f dy$$

Simpson rule is fourth order accurate. Hence, to obtain an accuracy of less than 0.001 use a step size of 0.1:

$$I = 2 \frac{0.1}{3} [f(y=0) + 4f(y=0.1) + 2f(y=0.2) + 4f(y=0.3) + 2f(y=0.4) + 4f(y=0.5) + 2f(y=0.6) + 4f(y=0.7) + 2f(y=0.8) + 4f(y=0.9) + f(y=1.0)]$$

$$I = \frac{0.2}{3} [1 + 4 \times 1.0000 + 2 \times 1.0008 + 4 \times 1.004 + 2 \times 1.0127 + 4 \times 1.0308 + 2 \times 1.0628 + 4 \times 1.1136 + 2 \times 1.1873 + 4 \times 1.2869 + 1.4142] = 2.1788$$

QUESTION 8

Evaluate $I = \sqrt{2} \int_0^1 \sqrt{1-\theta} \, d\theta$ using the three-term Gaussian quadrature (table below), and Simpson's rule.

Number of terms	Point of evaluation	Weighting factor	Valid up to degree
2	-0.57735027	1.0	3
	0.57735027	1.0	
3	-0.77459667	0.55555555	5
	0	0.88888889	
	0.77459667	0.55555555	

Table:
Values of the Gaussian Quadrature for $\int_{-1}^1 f[x] \, dx$

Using Simpson's Rule with 5 points :

$$I = \frac{\delta\theta}{3} (f[\theta_0] + 4f[\theta_1] + 2f[\theta_2] + 4f[\theta_3] + f[\theta_4])$$

Hence, the step must be $\delta\theta = 0.25$.

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow I &= \frac{0.25}{3} (f[0] + 4f[0.25] + 2f[0.5] + 4f[0.75] + f[1]) \\ &= 0.083333 \times \sqrt{2} (\sqrt{1-0} + 4\sqrt{1-0.25} + 2\sqrt{1-0.5} + 4\sqrt{1-0.75} + \sqrt{0}) \\ &= 0.11785 (1 + 3.464 + 1.4142 + 2 + 0) = \boxed{0.92845} \end{aligned}$$

Using 3 - point Gaussian Quadrature:

Change the variable such that the limits of the integration are -1 and 1, i.e. $x=2\theta - 1 \Rightarrow dx = 2 \, d\theta$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{The integral becomes } I &= \sqrt{2} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1 - \frac{x+1}{2}} \frac{dx}{2} = \sqrt{2} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{2}} \frac{dx}{2} \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-1}^1 \sqrt{1-x} \, dx \\ I &= w_1 f[x_1] + w_2 f[x_2] + w_3 f[x_3] \\ &= \frac{1}{2} (0.55555555 f[-0.77459667] + 0.88888889 f[0] + 0.55555555 f[0.77459667]) \\ &= 0.5 (0.55555555 \times 1.33214 + 0.88888889 \times 1 + 0.55555555 \times 0.474767) = \boxed{0.946363} \end{aligned}$$

The exact answer is $\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{3} = 0.94281$

QUESTION 9

Consider the definite integral

$$I = \int_0^{\infty} \sqrt{(x^2 + 1)} e^{-x} dx .$$

The infinite upper limit does not allow for application of the Trapezoidal or Simpson's rule. Proceed as follows: Break the integral into the sum of two integrals

$$I = \int_0^1 \sqrt{(x^2 + 1)} e^{-x} dx + \int_1^{\infty} \sqrt{(x^2 + 1)} e^{-x} dx$$

and change the variable in the second integral by substituting $y = \frac{1}{x}$. Apply Simpson's rule by choosing an h small enough to guarantee 3-decimal places accuracy.