

Math 181 Monday, March 8

$\int e^{-x^2} dx$ nobody knows

Can't use FTC on $\int_1^5 e^{-x^2} dx$;

has no exact answer.

Next best thing: approximate.

Simpson's Rule: "quadratic tops"

$$S_n = \frac{1}{3} (f(x_0) + 4f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \dots + 2f(x_{n-2}) + 4f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n)) \Delta x \quad \underline{\underline{\text{neven}}}$$

Ex $\int_1^5 e^{-x^2} dx$

$$S_8 = 0.139015$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{5-1}{8} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$S_{100} = 0.139402$$

Section 7.8 (part 2)

Tue 10.1

Thu 10.1 / 10.2

Fri 10.2

BYOB TV shows

Error Bounds

Trapezoidal Rule: Estimate $\int_a^b f(x) dx$, w/ n points. Let $M = \max_{[a,b]} |f''(x)|$

Then $\left| T_n - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^3}{12n^2} M$

Annotations:
- T_n : approximation
- $\int_a^b f(x) dx$: exact
- \leq : inequality
- $\frac{(b-a)^3}{12n^2} M$: "upper bound"
- The entire expression is labeled "error".

Simpson's Rule: Estimate $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ w/ n points. Let $M = \max_{[a,b]} |f^{(4)}(x)|$

Then $\left| S_n - \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{(b-a)^5}{180n^4} M$

Ex $\int_1^5 e^{-x^2} dx$

Plot in Sage

suggests $|f^{(4)}(x)| \leq 10$ on $[1,5]$

could be 8, maybe 7.5?

error $\leq \frac{(5-1)^5 \cdot 10}{180 \cdot 8^4} = 1.3 \times 10^{-2}$ || error $\leq \frac{(5-1)^5 \cdot 10}{180 (100)^4} = 5.6 \times 10^{-7}$

Annotation: $n=8$ (under 8^4)

Ex Compute $\int_1^5 e^{-x^2} dx$ to an accuracy of 10^{-5} using Trapezoidal Rule.

What n ? Plot of $|f^{(2)}(x)|$ on $[1, 5]$ suggests $M=1$.

$$\text{Want } \frac{(5-1)^3}{12 n^2} \leq 10^{-5}$$

$$\frac{4^3}{12} \leq 10^{-5} n^2$$

$$10^5 \frac{4^3}{12} \leq n^2$$

$$\sqrt{10^5 \frac{4^3}{12}} \leq n \quad (\sqrt{\quad} \text{ is increasing function})$$

$$\underline{730.26} \leq n$$