

TOPICS

- More Approximation
 - ↪ Estimating Error
- Numerical Integration
 - ↪ Trapezoids
 - ↪ Parabolas

Picture:

Improving on Riemann...

Look at One Trapezoid:

Area in the trapezoid = (width) \times (average height)

$$A_1 = h \cdot \left[\frac{f(x_0) + f(x_1)}{2} \right]$$

Picture It:

Area under one zoid... interval $[0, h]$

Linear Interpolation:

Hit the endpoints:

$$\ell(x) := f(0) + \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h - 0} \cdot (x - 0)$$

Integrate it:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^h \ell(x) dx &= \int_0^h \left(f(0) + \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h - 0} \cdot x \right) dx \\ &= f(0) \cdot h + \frac{f(h) - f(0)}{h - 0} \cdot \frac{h^2}{2} \\ &= \frac{h}{2} \left[f(h) + f(0) \right]\end{aligned}$$

Error in Linear Interpolation:

$$f(x) - \ell(x) = \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} x(x - h)$$

Error in one trapezoid:

$$\begin{aligned}\int_0^h (f(x) - \ell(x)) dx &= \int_0^h \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} x(x - h) dx \\ &= \frac{f''(\xi)}{2} \int_0^h x(x - h) dx\end{aligned}$$

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Sum the Errors:

You have

$$n = \frac{(b - a)}{h}$$

little trapezoids.

$$\text{Error} = -\frac{(b - a)^3}{12n^2} f''(\zeta)$$

Summary: Trapezoidal Rule

Divide the interval $[a, b]$ into n equal subintervals . . .

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} \left[f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \cdots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n) \right]$$

Call the approximation T_n .

Main Theorem

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = T_n + E_n$$

where

$$T_n = \frac{h}{2} \left[f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \cdots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n) \right]$$

and

$$E_n = -\frac{(b-a)^3}{12n^2} f''(c)$$

where $a \leq c \leq b$

Look at the Error:

$$E_n = -\frac{(b-a)^3}{12n^2} f''(c)$$

- Error increases as $(b-a)$ increases
- Large concavity (f'') is bad.
- If you double the number of intervals,
you divide the error by _____
- You can *estimate* the error if you have

$$M = \max(f''(x))$$

on the interval.

Example:

$$\int_{-1}^{-1} e^{-x^2} dx = \operatorname{erf}(1) \cdot \sqrt{\pi}$$

Look at the Error:

Parabolas Instead...

Picture:

$$\text{Answer: } \int_0^1 f(x)dx = \frac{1}{6}f(0) + \frac{2}{3}f(1/2) + \frac{1}{6}f(1)$$

Sneaky Derivation:

You are looking for an approximation formula:

$$\int_0^1 f(x)dx = A_0 f(0) + A_1 f(1/2) + A_2 f(1)$$

It should be *exact* for

- constants
- lines
- parabolas

Make it so.

Making It So:

$$f(x) \equiv 1 \quad 1 = A_0 + A_1 + A_2$$

$$f(x) = x \quad 1 = \frac{1}{2}A_1 + A_2$$

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad 1 = \frac{1}{4}A_1 + A_2$$

Solve for the constants:

$$A_0 = \frac{1}{6}, \quad A_1 = \frac{2}{3}, \quad A_2 = \frac{1}{6}$$

Simpson's Rule:

Apply your interpolatin formula on a bunch of subintervals...

Example #1:

Example #2:

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- Homework #3 Due Wednesday in Conference
Sec. 10.1: 7, 13, 25, 26
Sec. 10.2: 9, 17, 19
- Quiz #2: Thursday in Lecture (Improper Integrals)