

Exercise Sheet 2

Introduction to Scientific Programming with Python

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The aim of this exercise sheet is to provide guidance for implementing several quadrature formulas for numerical integration. We are interested in approximating

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

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$. For a given $N \in \mathbb{N}_{>0}$, $h = (b - a)/N$ be the width of subintervals. We call $x_i = a + hi$ the nodal points.

Exercise 1 Open an empty file and name it as `quadrature.py`. Create a class named `Integrator`.

As first step prepare an `__init__()` function that receives arguments f, a, b and N . Assign following expressions to the attributes in the constructor:

- (a) An array $[x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N]$ by using `np.linspace`
- (b) The subinterval size $h = (b - a)/N$.
- (c) The function f .

```
import numpy as np

class Integrator():
    """A class to integrate functions numerically.
    Create an object by Integrator(f, a, b, N)
    f = Integrand function
    a = Interval lowerbound
    b = Interval upperbound
    N = Number of subintervals
    """
    def __init__(self, f, a, b, N):
        """ (Integrator, f, a, b, N) -> NoneType
        Create an Integrator with N intervals.
        """
        self.a = a
        self.b = b
        self.N = N
        self.x = 0 # TODO: Part (a)
        self.h = 0 # TODO: Part (b)
        self.f = f # TODO: Part (c)
```

This file will be extended in Exercises 3 and 4.

Exercise 2 On the Python shell import the quadrature module from Exercise 1 by typing

```
>>> import quadrature
```

```
>>> help(quadrature)
```

Now we can create an object quad as an instance of Integrator class. Type

```
>>> quad = quadrature.Integrator(0, 0, 1, 10)
```

This creates an object, that receives arguments $f = 0$, $a = 0$, $b = 1$, and $N = 10$. Type the following lines in order to check if your implementation from Exercise 1 is correct.

```
>>> print('The interval ({0},{1}) is divided into {2} '\n
... 'subintervals.\n\nThe nodal points are {3} '.format(
... quad.a, quad.b, quad.N, quad.x ))
```

If the output is correct continue with Exercise 3. Otherwise, check your implementation from Exercise 1.

Exercise 3 Reopen the quadrature.py file from Exercise 1. Define a new function named midpoint in order to implement the summed midpoint rule. Recall that:

$$M_h(f) = h \sum_{i=1}^N f\left(\frac{x_i + x_{i-1}}{2}\right).$$

- (a) Create an array $[m_1, m_2, \dots, m_N]$ where $m_i = \frac{x_i + x_{i-1}}{2}$, $i = 1, \dots, N$,
- (b) Create an array $[y_1, y_2, \dots, y_N]$ where $y_i = f(m_i)$, $i = 1, \dots, N$,
- (c) Sum all elements of y , multiply with h and save as T .

```
>>> def midpoint(self):
...     """ (Integrator) -> float
...     Numerical integration by midpoint rule
...     """
...     s = # TODO: Part (a)
...     y = # TODO: Part (b)
...     T = # TODO: Part (c)
...     return T
```

Exercise 4 Since the quadrature.py file is modified in Exercise 3, restart your bash and import the quadrature module by typing

```
>>> import quadrature
```

Now create an object, that is integrator for exponential function in the interval $(0, 1)$ using 10 subintervals.

```
>>> quad = quadrature.Integrator(np.exp, 0, 1, 10)
```

Note that, in order to be able to call the exponential function (`np.exp`), we need to **import** numpy. Type

```
>>> import numpy as np
```

Finally, we can compute and print the approximate integral by typing

```
>>> result = quad.midpoint()
>>> print(result)
```

Exercise 5 Implement the trapezoidal and Simpson's rules similarly as in Exercise 3. Finally, we want to consider the error behaviours for increasing numbers of subintervals. Create a new file named `testquad.py`.

- (a) Create an array called `errmidpoint` with 5 zero elements.
- (b) Calculate the numerical integral for exponential function over the interval $(0, 1)$ for $N \in \{10, 20, 40, 80, 160\}$ and assign the errors to each array component. For example, for $N = 10$:

```
>>> exactintegral = np.exp(1)-1.  
>>> quad = quadrature.Integrator(np.exp, 0, 1, 10)  
>>> errmidpoint[0] = fabs(exactintegral - quad.midpoint())  
>>> print(result)
```

Place the above lines in a for loop, so that the calculations for different N will be performed sequentially and saved in the array `errmidpoint`.

- (d) Save the errors from Trapezoidal and Simpson's rules in `errtrapez`, `errsimpson` analogously to part (c).
- (e) Calculate the convergence rates. For example:

```
>>> convratemid = np.log(errmid[:-1] / errmid[1:])/np.log(2)  
>>> print(convratemid)
```

Exercise 6 Define a function $f = x * \exp(x)$ and integrate over $(0, 1)$ numerically. Report your results as in Exercise 5.