

# CHAPTER 7e. DIFFERENTIATION AND INTEGRATION



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## Numerical Integration



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### ■ Gauss Quadrature

- The methods for numerical integration (i.e., Trapezoidal and Simpson's rules) that were discussed previously are based on evenly spaced function value.
- Consequently, the location of the base points used in these equations was predetermined or fixed.



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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

- For example, the trapezoidal rule is based on taking the area under the straight line connecting the function values at the ends of the integration interval.
- In reference to Figure 1, the trapezoidal rule can be expressed as

$$I = \int_a^b f(x) dx \approx (b-a) \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} \quad (1)$$

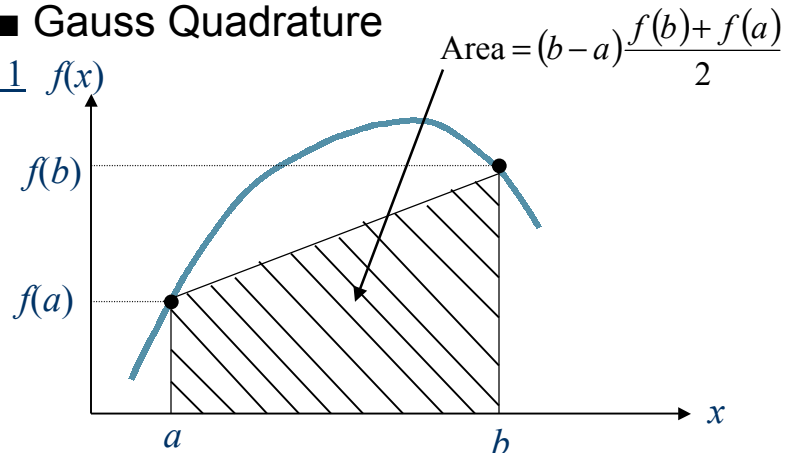


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Figure 1  $f(x)$





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- Because the trapezoidal rule requires that the line pass through the ends points (or called the pivotal points), there are cases where the formula results in a large error as shown in Figure 1.
- If we remove the constraint of fixed base points, then we can evaluate the area under a straight line that connects any two points on the curve (see Figure 2).

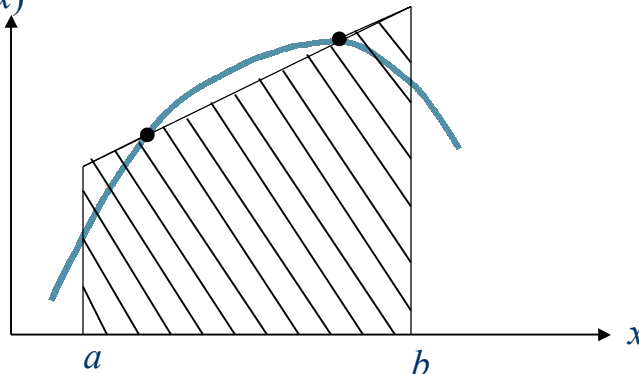


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Figure 2  $f(x)$





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- If these two points are positioned wisely, then a straight line can be defined that would balance the positive and negative errors as shown in Figure 2.
- In this case, the estimate of the integral will improve tremendously.
- This basic concept is the heart of the *Gauss Quadrature techniques*



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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

- Before describing Gauss's approach, it would be proper to derive the trapezoidal formula using the method of undetermined coefficients that will be employed in deriving the Gauss quadrature.
- Developing the trapezoidal method in this approach will make easier to understand the development of Gauss quadrature later on.



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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

- Deriving Trapezoidal Rule using the Method of Undetermined Coefficients

$$I = \int_a^b f(x)dx \approx (b-a) \frac{f(b)+f(a)}{2} \quad (1)$$

Eq 1 can be expressed as

$$I = \int_a^b f(x)dx \approx C_1 f(a) + C_2 f(b) \quad (2)$$



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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

- Deriving Trapezoidal Rule using the Method of Undetermined Coefficients

Where  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  are constant to be determined.

We note that the trapezoidal rule should provide exact results when the function being integrated is a constant or straight line.

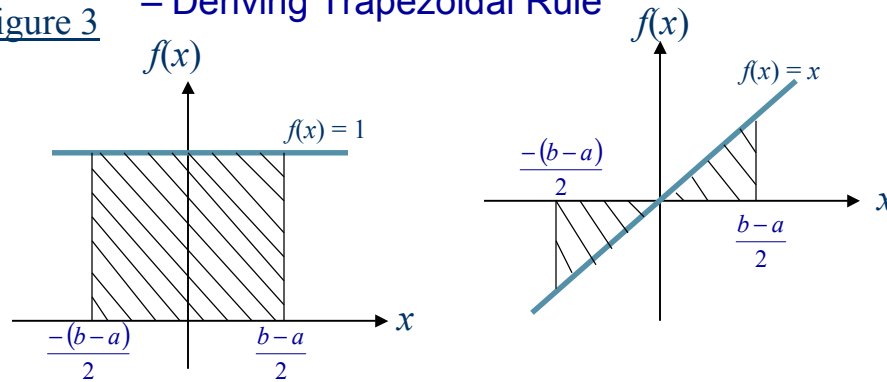
Two simple equations that represent these cases are  $f(x) = 1$  and  $f(x) = x$ .



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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

### Figure 3 – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

If  $f(x) = 1$ , then  $f(a) = f(b) = 1$  in Equation 2

And after changing the limits of integration of Eq. 2, the following equalities should hold:

$$\int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} f(x) dx = C_1 f(a) + C_2 f(b)$$

$$= C_1 (1) + C_2 (1)$$

$$= C_1 + C_2$$



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

$$C_1 + C_2 = \int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} f(x) dx = \int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} (1) dx$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = x \Big|_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} = \frac{b-a}{2} + \frac{b-a}{2}$$

Therefore,

$$C_1 + C_2 = b - a \quad (3)$$



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

If  $f(x) = x$ , then  $f(a) = -(b - a)/2$  and  $f(b) = (b - a)/2$  in Equation 2.

And after changing the limits of integration of Eq. 2, the following equality should hold:

$$\int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} f(x) dx = C_1 f(a) + C_2 f(b)$$

$$= C_1 \frac{-(b-a)}{2} + C_2 \frac{b-a}{2}$$



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

$$-C_1 \frac{b-a}{2} + C_2 \frac{b-a}{2} = \int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} f(x) dx = \int_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} x dx$$

$$-C_1 \frac{b-a}{2} + C_2 \frac{b-a}{2} = \frac{x^2}{2} \Big|_{-(b-a)/2}^{(b-a)/2} = \frac{(b-a)^2}{8} - \frac{(b-a)^2}{8}$$

Therefore,

$$-C_1 \frac{b-a}{2} + C_2 \frac{b-a}{2} = 0 \quad (4)$$



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

Equations 3 and 4 can be solved simultaneously for the constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  as follows:

$$C_1 + C_2 = b - a$$

$$-\frac{b-a}{2} C_1 + \frac{b-a}{2} C_2 = 0$$

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$$(b-a)(-C_1 + C_2) = 0$$





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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

But  $(b - a)$  cannot be zero, therefore,

$$-C_1 + C_2 = 0 \Rightarrow C_2 = C_1$$

$$C_1 + C_2 = b - a$$

$$C_1 + C_1 = b - a$$

or

$$C_1 = \frac{b-a}{2} = C_2 \quad (5)$$



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### – Deriving Trapezoidal Rule

Substituting the obtained values of the constants  $C_1$  and  $C_2$  into Equation 2, yields the Trapezoidal formula

$$I = C_1 f(a) + C_2 f(b)$$

$$= \frac{b-a}{2} f(a) + \frac{b-a}{2} f(b)$$

or

$$I = (b-a) \frac{f(b) + f(a)}{2} \quad \leftarrow \text{Trapezoidal Formula}$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

As was the case for the derivation of trapezoidal rule, two-point gauss quadrature formula can be developed in a similar manner using the following form:

$$I \approx C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) \quad (6)$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- However, in contrast to the trapezoidal rule that used fixed end points  $a$  and  $b$ , the function arguments  $x_1$  and  $x_2$  are not fixed at the end points, but rather are unknown at this point as shown in Figure 4.
- In this case, we have a total of four unknowns that need to be evaluated.

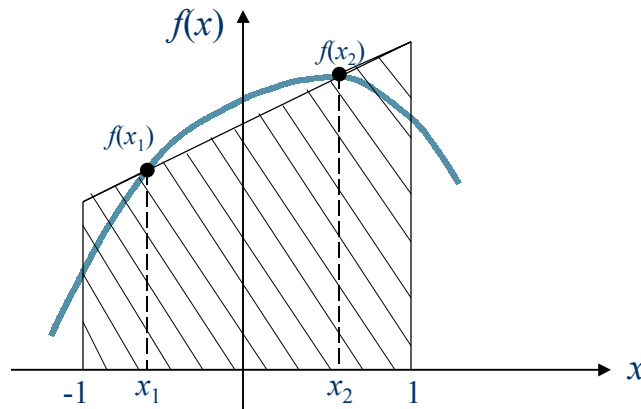


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Figure 4



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- Note that in the figure, the limits of the integration are from  $-1$  to  $1$ .
- This was intentionally done to simplify the mathematics and to make the formulation as general as possible as we will see later.

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## ■ Gauss Quadrature

### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- In order to determine the four unknowns  $C_1$ ,  $C_2$ ,  $x_1$ , and  $x_2$ , we need to define four conditions as follows:

*Equation 6 should fit the integral with constant, linear, parabolic, and cubic functions, that is*

Table 1

	Constant	Linear	Parabolic	Cubic
$f(x)$	1	$x$	$x^2$	$x^3$



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- With respect to Eq. 6 and Table 1, the following set of equations needs to be solved:

$$\begin{aligned}
 C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) &= \int_{-1}^1 (1) dx = 2 \\
 C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) &= \int_{-1}^1 x dx = 0 \\
 C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) &= \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = \frac{2}{3} \\
 C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) &= \int_{-1}^1 x^3 dx = 0
 \end{aligned}
 \tag{7}$$



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- Eq. 7 can be expressed as follows:

$$C_1(1) + C_2(1) = 2 \quad (8)$$

$$C_1x_1 + C_2x_2 = 0 \quad (9)$$

$$C_1x_1^2 + C_2x_2^2 = \frac{2}{3} \quad (10)$$

$$C_1x_1^3 + C_2x_2^3 = 0 \quad (11)$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- From Eq. 8  $C_2 = 2 - C_1$
- And by substituting  $C_2$  into Eq. 9, yields

$$C_1x_1 + (2 - C_1)x_2 = 0$$

or

$$x_1 = \frac{-(2 - C_1)x_2}{C_1} = \frac{(C_1 - 2)x_2}{C_1} \quad (12)$$



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- When  $x_1$  of Eq. 12 is substituted in Equation 10, this equation (Eq.10) becomes

$$C_1 x_1^2 + C_2 x_2^2 = \frac{2}{3}$$

$$C_1 \frac{(C_1 - 2)^2 x_2^2}{C_1^2} + (2 - C_1) x_2^2 = \frac{2}{3}$$

Solving for  $x_2^2$ , gives

$$x_2^2 = \frac{C_1}{6 - 3C_1} \quad (13)$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- Substituting  $x_1$  of Eq. 12 into Eq. 11 gives

$$C_1 x_1^3 + C_2 x_2^3 = 0$$

$$C_1 \frac{(C_1 - 2)^3 x_2^3}{C_1^3} + (2 - C_1) x_2^3 = 0$$

which is equivalent to

$$x_2^3 (C_1 - 2) [(C_1 - 2)^2 - C_1^2] = 0 \quad (14)$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- $x_2$  cannot be zero and  $C_1$  cannot be 2 in Equation 14, therefore Equation 14 implies that

$$(C_1 - 2)^2 - C_1^2 = 0$$

$$C_1^2 - 4C_1 + 4 - C_1^2 = 0$$

$$-4C_1 = -4$$

or

$$C_1 = 1 \quad (15)$$



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### – Derivation of Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

- Substituting for  $C_1$  in Eq.8 and in Eq.13 gives

$$C_2 = 1$$

$$x_2 = \sqrt{\frac{C_1}{6-3C_1}} = \sqrt{\frac{1}{6-3(1)}} = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = 0.5773503$$

- And from Eq. 11

$$x_1 = -x_2 = -\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}} = -0.5773503$$



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## ■ Two-Point Gauss Quadrature Formula

$$I \approx \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) \quad (16)$$
$$I \approx \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = f\left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + f\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}\right)$$

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## ■ Higher-Point Gauss Quadrature Formulas

- Other higher point formulas can be developed in the same manner.
- As expected, the higher the Gauss Quadrature formula is, the higher the accuracy that can be obtained.
- The equations needed to determine the factors can be given in a compact form as

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## Higher-Point Gauss Quadrature Formulas

$$C_1x_1^0 + C_2x_2^0 + \dots + C_nx_n^0 = \int_{-1}^1 1 dx = 2$$

$$C_1x_1^1 + C_2x_2^1 + \dots + C_nx_n^1 = \int_{-1}^1 x dx = 0$$

$$C_1x_1^2 + C_2x_2^2 + \dots + C_nx_n^2 = \int_{-1}^1 x^2 dx = 0$$

⋮

$$C_1x_1^k + C_2x_2^k + \dots + C_nx_n^k = \frac{(+1)^{k+1} - (-1)^{k+1}}{k+1} = \begin{cases} 0 & \text{if } k \text{ is odd} \\ \frac{2}{k+1} & \text{if } k \text{ is even} \end{cases} \quad (17)$$

$$C_1x_1^{2n-1} + C_2x_2^{2n-1} + \dots + C_nx_n^{2n-1} = \frac{(+1)^{2n} - (-1)^{2n}}{2n} = 0$$



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## Higher-Point Gauss Quadrature Formulas

The higher-point formula can be developed in the general form

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 f(x) dx = C_1f(x_1) + C_2f(x_2) + \dots + C_nf(x_n) \quad (18)$$

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**Table 2**  
Gauss Quadrature  
Weights and  
Coefficients

Number of Points	Weighting Factors	Function Arguments
2	$C_1 = 1.000000000$ $C_2 = 1.000000000$	$x_1 = -0.577350269$ $x_2 = 0.577350269$
3	$C_1 = 0.555555556$ $C_2 = 0.888888889$ $C_3 = 0.555555556$	$x_1 = -0.774596669$ $x_2 = 0.000000000$ $x_3 = 0.774596669$
4	$C_1 = 0.347854845$ $C_2 = 0.652145155$ $C_3 = 0.652145155$ $C_4 = 0.347854845$	$x_1 = -0.861136312$ $x_2 = -0.339981044$ $x_3 = 0.339981044$ $x_4 = 0.861136312$
5	$C_1 = 0.236926885$ $C_2 = 0.478628670$ $C_3 = 0.568888889$ $C_4 = 0.478628670$ $C_5 = 0.236926885$	$x_1 = -0.906179846$ $x_2 = -0.538469310$ $x_3 = 0.000000000$ $x_4 = 0.538469310$ $x_5 = 0.906179846$
6	$C_1 = 0.171324492$ $C_2 = 0.360761573$ $C_3 = 0.467913935$ $C_4 = 0.467913935$ $C_5 = 0.360761573$ $C_6 = 0.171324492$	$x_1 = -0.932469514$ $x_2 = -0.661209386$ $x_3 = -0.238619186$ $x_4 = 0.238619186$ $x_5 = 0.661209386$ $x_6 = 0.932469514$

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## ■ How to Apply Gauss Quadrature

### – Transformation of variables

- It was noticed in Eqs. 16 and 18 that the limits of integration are from  $-1$  to  $1$ .
- This was done intentionally to simplify the mathematics and to make the formulation as general as possible.
- A simple change of variable can be used to translate other limits of integration into this form.



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## ■ How to Apply Gauss Quadrature

### – Transformation of variables

- This can be done by assuming a new variable  $w$  is related to the original variable  $x$  in a linear fashion as

$$x = A + Bx_G \quad (19)$$

- If the lower limit,  $x = a$ , this corresponds to

$$x_G = -1$$



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## ■ How to Apply Gauss Quadrature

### – Transformation of variables

- These values can be substituted into Eq. 19 to give

$$x = A + Bx_G$$

$$a = A + B(-1) \quad (20)$$

- Similarly, the upper limit  $x = b$  correspond to

$$x_G = 1$$



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## ■ How to Apply Gauss Quadrature

### – Transformation of variables

- These values can be substituted into Eq. 19 to give

$$x = A + Bx_G$$

$$b = A + B(1) \quad (21)$$

- Solving Eqs. 20 and 21 simultaneously, gives

$$A = \frac{b+a}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad B = \frac{b-a}{2} \quad (22)$$



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## ■ How to Apply Gauss Quadrature

### – Transformation of variables

- Substituting for  $A$  and  $B$  into Eq. 19, yields the following transformation equation:

$$x = \frac{b+a}{2} + \frac{b-a}{2}x_G \quad (23)$$

- And this equation can be differentiated to give

$$dx = \frac{b-a}{2}dx_G \quad (24)$$



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## Gauss Quadrature Transformation

Original Function	Transformed Function
$I \approx \int_a^b f(x) dx$ $x = \frac{b+a}{2} + \frac{b-a}{2} x_G$ $dx = \frac{b-a}{2} dx_G$	$I \approx \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G$



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## Example 6

Evaluate the following integral using 2, 3, and 4-point Gauss Quadrature. Compare your results with the true value of

$I = -0.346078:$

$$\int_1^3 \frac{\cos x}{1 + e^x} x^2 dx$$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

We note that the limits of integration are from 1 to 3, therefore,  $a = 1$  and  $b = 3$ .

So, using Eq. 23 will result in

$$\begin{aligned}x &= \frac{b+a}{2} + \frac{b-a}{2} x_G = \frac{3+1}{2} + \frac{3-1}{2} x_G \\ &= 2 + x_G\end{aligned}$$

Therefore,

$$dx = dx_G$$

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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

And

$$\int_1^3 \frac{\cos x}{1+e^x} x^2 dx = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\cos(2+x_G)}{1+e^{2+x_G}} (2+x_G)^2 dx_G = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G$$

For 2-Point Gauss Quadrature, the following equation applies

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2)$$

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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

Table 2 gives

$$\begin{array}{ll} C_1 = 1 & x_1 = -0.577350 \\ C_2 = 1 & x_2 = 0.577350 \end{array}$$

We need to evaluate  $f(x_G)$  for  $x_1$  and  $x_2$ :

$$f(x_G) = \frac{\cos(2 + x_G)}{1 + e^{2 + x_G}} (2 + x_G)^2$$

$$f(-0.57735) = \frac{\cos(2 - 0.57735)}{1 + e^{2 - 0.57735}} (2 - 0.57735)^2 = 0.058030$$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

$$f(0.57735) = \frac{\cos(2 + 0.57735)}{1 + e^{2 + 0.57735}} (2 + 0.57735)^2 = -0.396341$$

For two-point Gauss Quadrature:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^3 \frac{\cos x}{1 + e^x} x^2 dx &= \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) \\ &= (1)(0.058030) + (1)(-0.396341) \\ &= \boxed{-0.338311} \end{aligned}$$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

For 3-Point Gauss Quadrature, the following equation applies

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) + C_3 f(x_3)$$

Table 2 gives

$C_1 = 0.555555$	$x_1 = -0.774597$
$C_2 = 0.888888$	$x_2 = 0$
$C_3 = 0.555555$	$x_3 = 0.774597$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

We need to evaluate  $f(x_G)$  for  $x_1$ ,  $x_2$  and  $x_3$ :

$$f(x_G) = \frac{\cos(2+x_G)}{1+e^{2+x_G}} (2+x_G)^2$$

$$f(-0.774597) = \frac{\cos(2-0.774597)}{1+e^{2-0.774597}} (2-0.774597)^2 = 0.115399$$

$$f(0) = \frac{\cos(2+0)}{1+e^{2+0}} (2+0)^2 = -0.198424$$

$$f(0.774597) = \frac{\cos(2+0.774597)}{1+e^{2+0.774597}} (2+0.774597)^2 = -0.421893$$





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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

For three-point Gauss Quadrature:

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{\cos x}{1+e^x} x^2 = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) + C_3 f(x_3)$$

$$= (0.555555)(0.115399) + (0.888888)(-0.198424)$$

$$+ (0.555555)(-0.421893)$$

$$= -0.346651$$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

For 4-Point Gauss Quadrature, the following equation applies

$$I = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) + C_3 f(x_3) + C_4 f(x_4)$$

Table 2 gives

$C_1 = 0.347854$	$x_1 = -0.861136$
$C_2 = 0.652145$	$x_2 = -0.339981$
$C_3 = 0.652145$	$x_3 = 0.339981$
$C_4 = 0.347854$	$x_4 = 0.861136$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

We need to evaluate  $f(x_G)$  for  $x_1, x_2, x_3,$  and  $x_4$ :

$$f(x_G) = \frac{\cos(2+x_G)}{1+e^{2+x_G}}(2+x_G)^2$$

$$f(-0.861136) = \frac{\cos(2-0.861136)}{1+e^{2-0.861136}}(2-0.861136)^2 = 0.131684$$

$$f(-0.339981) = \frac{\cos(2-0.339981)}{1+e^{2-0.339981}}(2-0.339981)^2 = -0.039228$$

$$f(0.339981) = \frac{\cos(2+0.339981)}{1+e^{2+0.339981}}(2+0.339981)^2 = -0.334635$$

$$f(0.861136) = \frac{\cos(2+0.861136)}{1+e^{2+0.861136}}(2+0.861136)^2 = -0.425632$$



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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd)

For four-point Gauss Quadrature:

$$\int_{-1}^1 \frac{\cos x}{1+e^x} x^2 = \int_{-1}^1 f(x_G) dx_G = C_1 f(x_1) + C_2 f(x_2) + C_3 f(x_3) + C_4 f(x_4)$$

$$= (0.347854)(0.131684) + (0.652145)(-0.039228)$$

$$+ (0.652145)(-0.334635) + (0.347854)(-0.425632)$$

$$= \boxed{-0.346064}$$

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## ■ Example 6 (cont'd) Comparison:

	Gauss Quadrature			True
	$n = 2$	$n = 3$	$n = 4$	
$I$	-0.338311	-0.346651	-0.346064	-0.346078
% error	2.24	0.166	0.004	0.0

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$$\int_1^3 \frac{\cos x}{1+e^x} x^2 dx$$



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## ■ Comparison Among the Methods

	Gauss Quadrature			True		Trapezoidal Rule			True
	$n = 2$	$n = 3$	$n = 4$			$n = 3$	$n = 5$	$n = 9$	
$I$	-0.338311	-0.346651	-0.346064	-0.346078	$I$	-0.337049	-0.343924	-0.345543	-0.346078
% error	2.24	0.166	0.004	0.0	% error	2.61	0.62	0.15	0.0

	Simpson's 3/8 Rule		True		Simpson's 1/3 Rule			True
	$n = 4$	$n = 7$			$n = 3$	$n = 5$	$n = 9$	
$I$	-0.350335	-0.346135	-0.346078	$I$	-0.356982	-0.346215	-0.346083	-0.346078
% error	1.23	0.016	0.0	% error	3.151	0.040	0.001	0.0