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# Numerical Integration of Analytic Functions

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**Abstract.** A weighted generalized  $N$ -point Birkhoff–Young quadrature of interpolatory type for numerical integration of analytic functions is considered. Special cases of such quadratures with respect to the generalized Gegenbauer weight function are derived.

**Keywords:** quadrature formula; weight function; error term; orthogonality; analytic function; nodes; weight coefficients.  
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## INTRODUCTION

In 1950 Birkhoff and Young [2] proposed a quadrature formula of the form

$$\int_{z_0-h}^{z_0+h} f(z) dz = \frac{h}{15} \left\{ 24f(z_0) + 4 \left[ f(z_0+h) + f(z_0-h) \right] - \left[ f(z_0+ih) + f(z_0-ih) \right] \right\} + R_5^{BY}(f)$$

for numerical integration of complex analytic functions in  $\Omega = \{z : |z - z_0| \leq r\}$ , where  $|h| \leq r$ . This five point quadrature formula is exact for all algebraic polynomials of degree at most five, and its error term can be estimated by

$$|R_5^{BY}(f)| \leq \frac{|h|^7}{1890} \max_{z \in S} |f^{(6)}(z)|,$$

where  $S$  denotes the square with vertices  $z_0 + i^k h$ ,  $k = 0, 1, 2, 3$  (see [16] and [3, p. 136]). This error estimate is about four tenths as large as the corresponding error  $R_5^{ES}(f)$  for the so-called extended Simpson rule (cf. [13, p. 124])

$$\int_{z_0-h}^{z_0+h} f(z) dz = \frac{h}{90} \left\{ 114f(z_0) + 34 \left[ f(z_0+h) + f(z_0-h) \right] - \left[ f(z_0+2h) + f(z_0-2h) \right] \right\} + R_5^{ES}(f),$$

for which we have

$$|R_5^{ES}(f)| \sim \frac{|h|^7}{756} |f^{(6)}(\zeta)|, \quad 0 < \frac{\zeta - (z_0 - 2h)}{4h} < 1.$$

Without loss of generality, the previous Birkhoff–Young formula can be reduced to an integration over  $[-1, 1]$ ,

$$I(f) = \int_{-1}^1 f(z) dz = \frac{8}{5} f(0) + \frac{4}{15} [f(1) + f(-1)] - \frac{1}{15} [f(i) + f(-i)] + R_5(f). \quad (1)$$

In 1976 Lether [4] pointed out that the three point Gauss-Legendre quadrature which is also exact for all polynomials of degree at most five, is more precise than (1) and he recommended it for numerical integration. However, Tošić [15] improved the quadrature (1) in a simple way taking its nodes at the points  $\pm r$  and  $\pm ir$ , with  $r \in (0, 1)$ , instead of  $\pm 1$  and  $\pm i$ , and he derived an one-parametric family of quadrature rules in the form

$$I(f) = 2 \left( 1 - \frac{1}{5r^4} \right) f(0) + \left( \frac{1}{6r^2} + \frac{1}{10r^4} \right) [f(r) + f(-r)] + \left( -\frac{1}{6r^2} + \frac{1}{10r^4} \right) [f(ir) + f(-ir)] + R_5^T(f; r).$$

Evidently, for  $r = 1$  it reduces to (1) and for  $r = \sqrt[4]{3/5}$  to the three point Gauss-Legendre formula. Since the error-term  $R_5^T(f; r)$  can be expressed as

$$R_5^T(f; r) = \left( -\frac{2}{3 \cdot 6!} r^4 + \frac{2}{7!} \right) f^{(6)}(0) + \left( -\frac{2}{5 \cdot 8!} r^4 + \frac{2}{9!} \right) f^{(8)}(0) + \dots, \quad (2)$$

it is clear that for  $r = \sqrt[4]{3/7}$  the first term on the right-hand side in (2) vanishes and the corresponding formula reduces to the modified Birkhoff-Young quadrature rule of the maximum degree of precision seven (named *MF* in [15]),

$$I(f) = \frac{16}{15} f(0) + \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{7}{5} + \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \right) \left[ f(\sqrt[4]{3/7}) + f(-\sqrt[4]{3/7}) \right] + \frac{1}{6} \left( \frac{7}{5} - \sqrt{\frac{7}{3}} \right) \left[ f(i\sqrt[4]{3/7}) + f(-i\sqrt[4]{3/7}) \right] + R_5^{MF}(f),$$

with the error-term  $R_5^{MF}(f) = R_5^T(f; \sqrt[4]{3/7}) \approx 1.26 \cdot 10^{-6} f^{(8)}(0)$ .

This formula was extended by Milovanović and Đorđević [14] to the following quadrature rule of interpolatory type

$$I(f) = A f(0) + B [f(r_1) + f(-r_1)] + C [f(ir_1) + f(-ir_1)] + D [f(r_2) + f(-r_2)] + E [f(ir_2) + f(-ir_2)] + R_9(f; r_1, r_2),$$

where  $0 < r_1 < r_2 < 1$ . For  $r_1 = r_1^* = \sqrt[4]{(63 - 4\sqrt{114})/143}$  and  $r_2 = r_2^* = \sqrt[4]{(63 + 4\sqrt{114})/143}$ , this formula has the algebraic precision  $d = 13$ , with the error-term  $R_9(f; r_1^*, r_2^*) \approx 3.56 \cdot 10^{-14} f^{(14)}(0)$ .

Quadrature formulae of Birkhoff-Young type for analytic functions have been investigated in several papers [1], [9], [10], [11], [12]. These formulas can also be used to integrate real harmonic functions (see [2]). In addition, we mention also that Lyness and Delves [6] and Lyness and Moler [7], and later Lyness [5], developed formulae for numerical integration and numerical differentiation of complex functions.

In this paper we consider a generalized quadrature formula of Birkhoff-Young type for integrating analytic functions with respect to a given weight function.

## GENERALIZED BIRKHOFF-YOUNG QUADRATURE FORMULA

In this section we consider the following  $N$ -point generalized quadrature formula of interpolatory type

$$I(f) := \int_{-1}^1 f(z) w(z) dz = Q_N(f) + R_N(f), \quad (3)$$

for numerical integration of analytic functions, which are analytic in the unit disk  $\Omega = \{z : |z| \leq 1\}$ . The weight function  $w : (-1, 1) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^+$  is an arbitrary even positive function, for which all moments  $\mu_k = \int_{-1}^1 z^k w(z) dz$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots$ , exist. Notice that  $\mu_{2k+1} = 0$  and  $\mu_{2k} > 0$  for each  $k \in \mathbb{N}_0$ . The quadrature formula (3) has the nodes at the zeros of a monic polynomial of degree  $N$ ,

$$\omega_N(z) = z^\nu p_{n,\nu}(z^4) = z^\nu \prod_{k=1}^n (z^4 - r_k), \quad 0 < r_1 < \dots < r_n < 1, \quad (4)$$

i.e.,

$$Q_N(f) = \sum_{j=0}^{\nu-1} C_j f^{(j)}(0) + \sum_{k=1}^n \left\{ A_k [f(x_k) + f(-x_k)] + B_k [f(ix_k) + f(-ix_k)] \right\}, \quad x_k = \sqrt[4]{r_k}, \quad k = 1, \dots, n,$$

where  $n = [N/4]$  and  $\nu = N - 4[N/4]$  ( $\in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ ), i.e.,  $N = 4n + \nu$ . The corresponding remainder term is denoted by  $R_N(f)$ . Practically, we consider four subclasses of these quadratures,  $Q_{4n+\nu}(f)$ ,  $\nu = 0, 1, 2, 3$ . Notice that in  $Q_{4n}(f)$  the first sum is empty. Also, in order to have  $Q_N(f) = I(f) = 0$  for  $f(z) = z$ , it must be  $C_1 = 0$ , so that  $Q_{4n+1}(f) \equiv Q_{4n+2}(f)$ .

Recently Milovanović [10] has proved the existence and uniqueness of these quadratures  $Q_N(f)$ , with a maximal degree of precision  $d = 6n + s$ , where  $n = [N/4]$ ,  $\nu = N - 4[N/4] \in \{0, 1, 2, 3\}$ , and

$$s = \begin{cases} \nu - 1, & \nu = 0, 2, \\ \nu, & \nu = 1, 3, \end{cases} \quad (5)$$

as well as a characterization of such generalized quadratures in terms of multiple orthogonal polynomials, using the orthogonality conditions [10, Theorem 4.3]

$$\int_0^1 t^k p_{n,v}(t^2) t^{s/2} w(\sqrt{t}) dt = 0, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1. \quad (6)$$

In this paper we give a method for numerical construction of quadratures  $Q_{4n+v}(f)$ ,  $v = 0, 1, 2, 3$  using the moments of the weight function.

According to (4), the polynomial  $p_{n,v}(t^2)$  can be expressed in the form

$$p_{n,v}(t^2) = \sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \sigma_j t^{2(n-j)}, \quad (7)$$

where  $\sigma_j$  are the so-called *elementary symmetric functions*, defined by  $\sigma_j = \sum_{(k_1, \dots, k_j)} r_{k_1} \cdots r_{k_j}$ ,  $j = 1, \dots, n$ , and the summation is performed over all combinations  $(k_1, \dots, k_j)$  of the basic set  $\{1, \dots, n\}$ . Thus,  $\sigma_1 = r_1 + r_2 + \cdots + r_n$ ,  $\sigma_2 = r_1 r_2 + \cdots + r_{n-1} r_n$ ,  $\dots$ ,  $\sigma_n = r_1 r_2 \cdots r_n$ , and for the convenience we put  $\sigma_0 = 1$ . Starting from the orthogonality conditions (6), we obtain the following system of linear equations

$$\sum_{j=0}^n (-1)^j \sigma_j \int_0^1 t^{k+2(n-j)+s/2} w(\sqrt{t}) dt = 0, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1,$$

i.e.,

$$\sum_{j=1}^n (-1)^{j-1} m_{k,j} \sigma_j = m_{k,0}, \quad k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1, \quad (8)$$

where  $m_{k,j} = \int_0^1 t^{k+2(n-j)+s/2} w(\sqrt{t}) dt = 2 \int_0^1 z^{2k+4(n-j)+s+1} w(z) dz$ . Since  $s+1$  is always an even number (see (5)), the coefficients in the previous system of equations can be expressed only in terms of the moments of the weight function  $w$ . Namely,  $m_{k,j} = \mu_{2k+4(n-j)+s+1}$ ,  $k = 0, 1, \dots, n-1$ ;  $j = 0, 1, \dots, n$ .

**TABLE 1.** The values of  $\sigma_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$  for the Legendre weight  $w(z) = 1$  and  $w(z) = |z|$

n	v	Legendre ( $\gamma = 0$ , $\alpha = 0$ )				$w(z) =  z $ ( $\gamma = 1$ , $\alpha = 0$ )			
		$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_4$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_4$
1	0	1/5				1/3			
	1,2	3/7				1/2			
	3	5/9				3/5			
2	0	70/99	1/33			4/5	1/15		
	1,2	126/143	15/143			20/21	1/7		
	3	66/65	7/39			15/14	3/14		
3	0	99/85	63/221	1/221		5/4	5/14	1/84	
	1,2	429/323	693/1615	7/323		7/5	1/2	1/30	
	3	195/133	1287/2261	15/323		84/55	7/11	2/33	
4	0	260/161	38610/52003	660/7429	5/7429	56/33	28/33	4/33	1/495
	1,2	204/115	14586/15295	1716/10925	9/2185	24/13	756/715	28/143	1/143
	3	1292/675	8398/7245	572/2415	11/1035	180/91	180/143	40/143	15/1001

In the case of the generalized Gegenbauer weight function  $w(z) = |z|^\gamma (1-z^2)^\alpha$ ,  $\gamma, \alpha > -1$  (see [8, pp. 147–148]), we obtain

$$m_{k,j} = \int_0^1 t^{k+2(n-j)+\beta} (1-t)^\alpha dt = \frac{\Gamma(\alpha+1)\Gamma(k+2(n-j)+\beta+1)}{\Gamma(k+2(n-j)+\alpha+\beta+2)},$$

where  $\beta = (s+\gamma)/2$ . The coefficients  $\sigma_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , of the node polynomial for some specific parameters  $\gamma$  and  $\alpha$  and  $n \leq 4$  are presented in Tables 1 and 2. The determination of the weight coefficients  $A_k$ ,  $B_k$ ,  $C_j$  in the quadrature sum  $Q_N(f)$  is a linear problem and it can be solved by interpolation (cf. [8, §5.1]).

At the end, as an example, we mention only a quadrature rule with respect to the Chebyshev weight of the second kind of the precision  $d = 15$ ,

$$\int_{-1}^1 f(z) \sqrt{1-z^2} dz \approx \frac{131\pi}{462} f(0) + \frac{5\pi}{616} f''(0) + \sum_{k=1}^2 \left\{ A_k [f(\sqrt[4]{r_k}) + f(-\sqrt[4]{r_k})] + B_k [f(i\sqrt[4]{r_k}) + f(-i\sqrt[4]{r_k})] \right\},$$

**TABLE 2.** The values of  $\sigma_k$ ,  $k = 1, \dots, n$ , for  $n = 1, 2, 3, 4$  for the Chebyshev weight of the first and second kind

weight $n$	$v$	Chebyshev I ( $\gamma = 0, \alpha = -1/2$ )				Chebyshev II ( $\gamma = 0, \alpha = 1/2$ )				
		$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_4$	$\sigma_1$	$\sigma_2$	$\sigma_3$	$\sigma_4$	
1	0	3/8				1/8				
	1,2	5/8				5/16				
	3	35/48				7/16				
2	0	7/8	7/128				7/12	7/384		
	1,2	21/20	21/128				3/4	9/128		
	3	33/28	33/128				99/112	33/256		
3	0	297/224	99/256	33/4096				33/32	55/256	11/4096
	1,2	143/96	143/256	143/4096				143/120	429/1280	143/10240
	3	13/8	1287/1792	143/2048				117/88	117/256	65/2048
4	0	39/22	117/128	65/512	39/32768	65/44	39/64	65/1024	13/32768	
	1,2	85/44	221/192	221/1024	221/32768	85/52	51/64	119/1024	85/32768	
	3	323/156	969/704	323/1024	1615/98304	323/182	4845/4928	323/1792	1615/229376	

where  $r_{1,2} = (99 \pm \sqrt{3333}) / 224$ , and the corresponding numerical values of the coefficients  $(A_1, A_2, B_1, B_2)$  are

$$(0.2670187613792136, 0.06912330953826695, 0.004040430200888034, -0.0001832961844082505).$$

Applying this rule to the integral  $I = \int_{-1}^1 e^z \sqrt{1-z^2} dz = \pi I_1(1)$ , where  $I_1(z)$  is the modified Bessel function of the first kind, we obtain the approximative value  $1.7754996892121809179$ , with the relative error  $1.63 \cdot 10^{-17}$ .

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