

## Worksheet 27

**Objectives:** (1) Understand accuracy of composite quadrature (2) Be able to find weights of, know properties of and use a Gaussian quadrature (3) Understand drawbacks of numerical differentiation (4) Be able to apply finite differences (if absolutely needed)

### Problem 1: Gaussian Quadrature

(a) Suppose you have a Gaussian quadrature rule on the interval  $(-1, 1)$  with weights  $w_i$  and nodes  $x_i$  for  $i = 1, \dots, n$ , but you would like to integrate a function  $f$  on the interval  $(a, b)$  instead. Write down an expression for a Gaussian quadrature rule on  $(a, b)$ :

(b) What is the largest polynomial degree that is integrated exactly by a two-point Gaussian quadrature rule?

(c) Suppose you needed to integrate data at *given* integration nodes. You do the following, on a number of subintervals:

1. Interpolate using cubic polynomials from the given points to Gauss points.
2. Use 4-point Gaussian quadrature for accurate evaluation of the integrals.

Does this procedure make sense? Why?/why not?

(d) If you needed to compute

$$\int_{-1}^1 \int_{-1}^1 \sin(x \cdot y) dx dy$$

how might you use Gaussian quadrature to do so?