

EVEN ALTERNATING SPLINE QUADRATURE FORMULAS

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1. Introduction. In a recent paper Busenberg and Fisher [1] developed odd degree spline quadrature formulas for sufficient smooth functions satisfying Lidstone boundary conditions. Using the method of *interpolation by translation* we will establish a systematic approach to the *even alternating spline quadrature* which yields beside the known formulas new even degree spline quadrature formulas.

2. Interpolation by translation. For the reader's convenience we briefly recall the method of interpolation by translation (cf. [2]).

Suppose that $g: \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a 2π -periodic continuous function with an absolute and uniform convergent Fourier series and $n \in \mathbb{N}$.

We consider the uniform mesh $t_j := 2\pi j/n$, $j \in \mathbb{Z}$, and the linear space

$$V_n^1(g) := \text{span} \{ 1, g(t-t_j) - g(t) \mid j=1, \dots, n-1 \} \quad (2.1)$$

of the modified translates of g .

The basis functions

$$g_k(t) := \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} g(t-t_j) \exp(ikt_j), \quad k=1, \dots, n-1. \quad (2.2)$$

are elements of $V_n^1(g)$ satisfying

$$g_k(t_j) = g_k(0) \exp(ikt_j), \quad 1 \leq k \leq n-1; \quad j \in \mathbb{Z}.$$

We assume that the discrete Fourier coefficients $c_{k,n}(g) = g_k(0)/n$ of g do not vanish for $k=1, \dots, n-1$ and define the function

$$L_n(t) := \frac{1}{n} \left[1 + \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} g_k(t)/g_k(0) \right] \in V_n^1(g). \quad (2.3)$$

It enjoys the interpolation conditions $L_n(t_j) := \delta_{0,j}$, $0 \leq j < n$ and we have

Theorem 1 Suppose that $f \in C_{2\pi}$. Then

$S_n(f)(t) := \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f(t_k) L_n(t-t_k)$ is the unique function in $V_n^1(g)$ that interpolates f at the nodes $t_j = 2\pi j/n$, $j \in Z$.

An important example is connected with the Bernoulli functions

$$P_q(t) = \sum_{k \neq 0} (ik)^{-q} \exp(ikt).$$

It was proved by Meinardus [4] that $\{1, P_q(\cdot - t_1)^{-P_q}, \dots, P_q(\cdot - t_{n-1})^{-P_q}\}$ form a basis of the space $S(q-1, n)$ of periodic polynomial splines of degree $q-1$ with spline knots t_j , $j \in Z$. For $n = 2m+1$, $m \in N$ theorem 1 is applicable to $V_n^1(P_q) = S(q-1, n)$.

3. Interpolation of odd periodic functions. In this section let $n=2m$, $m \in N$, and g be even. Then the basis functions g_k , $k=1, \dots, 2m-1$, are in general complex valued with

$$\begin{aligned} \operatorname{Re} g_k(t) &= g(t) + g(t-\pi) \cos(k\pi) \\ &+ \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \cos(kt_j) [g(t-t_j) + g(t+t_j)], \end{aligned} \quad (3.1)$$

$$\operatorname{Im} g_k(t) = \sum_{j=1}^{m-1} \sin(kt_j) [g(t-t_j) - g(t+t_j)].$$

Obviously, $\operatorname{Re} g_k$ is even and $\operatorname{Im} g_k$ odd for $k=1, \dots, n-1$.

We define the function

$$N(t) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} [g_k(t)/g_k(0) + \overline{g_{n-k}(t)/g_{n-k}(0)}]. \quad (3.2)$$

Since $g_{n-k}(t) = \overline{g_k(t)}$, $k=1, \dots, m-1$; $t \in R$, one gets

$$N(t) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \operatorname{Re} g_k(t)/g_k(0). \quad (3.3)$$

Thus, $N(t)$ is even again.

It follows that the odd functions

$$N_k(t) := N(t_k - t) - N(t_k + t) \in V_n^1(g), \quad 1 \leq k \leq m-1,$$

satisfy the interpolation properties $N_k(t_j) = \delta_{k,j}$, $1 \leq k, j \leq m-1$ (cf. [2]). As a consequence we obtain

Theorem 2 Let $f \in C_{2\pi}$ be odd. Then the odd function

$$R_m(f)(t) := \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} f(t_k) [N(t_k - t) - N(t_k + t)] \quad \text{is the unique function in } V_n^1(g) \text{ that interpolates } f \text{ at nodes } t_j = \pi j/m, \quad j \in Z.$$

Remark: Theorem 2 is applicable to $V_n^1((-1)^r P_{2r}) = S(2r-1, n)$ which is the space of periodic polynomial splines of degree $2r-1$.

4. Shifted generating functions. We make again the assumption that $n=2m$, $m \in \mathbb{N}$. The following result was proved in [2].

Proposition 1 Suppose that the odd function $g(t) := \sum_{k>0} d_k \sin(kt)$ satisfies $d_k > d_{k+1} > 0$, $k \in \mathbb{N}$. Furthermore, let $G(t) := g(t - \pi/n)$. Then $G_k(0) = \sum_{j=1}^{n-1} G(-t_j) \exp(ikt_j) \neq 0$, $k=1, \dots, n-1$ and theorem 1 is applicable to the shifted function G of g .

First we introduce the shifted uniform mesh $z_j := t_j + \pi/n$, $j \in Z$.

The basis functions G_k in $V_n^1(G)$ can be expressed by

$$G_k(t) = \exp(-ikz_0) g_k^*(t) \quad (4.1)$$

where

$$g_k^*(t) := \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} g(t-z_j) \exp(ikz_j), \quad k=1, \dots, n-1. \quad (4.2)$$

Note that

$$\operatorname{Re} g_k^*(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \cos(kz_j) [g(t-z_j) + g(t+z_j)]$$

and

$$\operatorname{Im} g_k^*(t) = \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \sin(kz_j) [g(t-z_j) - g(t+z_j)]. \quad (4.3)$$

Since g is odd $\operatorname{Im} g_k^*$ is even and $\operatorname{Re} g_k^*$ odd for $k=1, \dots, n-1$.

Analogously to (3.2) we define the function

$$N(t) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} [G_k(t)/G_k(0) + G_{n-k}(t)/G_{n-k}(0)]. \quad (4.4)$$

Then $N \in V_n^1(G)$ can be computed to

$$\begin{aligned} N(t) &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \operatorname{Re} [G_k(t)/G_k(0)] \\ &= \frac{1}{m} \sum_{j=0}^{m-1} \operatorname{Re} [g_k^*(t)/g_k^*(0)], \quad \text{i.e.} \end{aligned}$$

$$N(t) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \operatorname{Im} g_k^*(t) / \operatorname{Im} g_k^*(0). \quad (4.5)$$

Since $N(t)$ is again even the odd functions

$$N_k(t) := N(t_k - t) - N(t_k + t), \quad 1 \leq k \leq m-1,$$

are elements of $V_n^1(G)$ satisfying $N_k(t_j) = \delta_{k,j}$, $1 \leq k, j \leq m-1$.

Theorem 3 Let $f \in C_{2\pi}$ be odd. Then the odd function

$$R_m(f)(t) := \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} f(t_k) [N(t_k - t) - N(t_k + t)] \quad \text{is the unique function in } V_n^1(G) \text{ that interpolates } f \text{ at the nodes } t_j = \pi j / m, \quad j \in Z.$$

Remark: Theorem 3 is applicable to $V_n^1((-1)^r P_{2r+1}(t - \pi/n))$ which is the space of periodic midpoint splines of degree $2r$ with spline knots $(2j+1)\pi/n$, $j \in Z$ ([2, 5]).

5. Even alternating quadrature formulas. Theorem 2 and Theorem 3 are suited for the numerical integration of odd periodic functions. For smooth generating functions g respectively $G = g(\cdot - \pi/n)$ the odd interpolants $R_m(f)$ satisfy even alternating boundary conditions, i.e. they have vanishing even order derivatives at the points 0 and π . For this reason the interpolatory quadrature formula based on the operator R_m is called even alternating quadrature formula:

$$\int_0^\pi f(t) dt = \int_0^\pi R_m(f)(t) dt + E_m(f) = \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} a_k f(t_k) + E_m(f) \quad (5.1)$$

where E_m is the error functional ([1, 3]).

Our objective is to compute the weights a_k , $k=1, \dots, m-1$.

Suppose that $h \in C_{2\pi}^1$ is an (odd or even) primitive of the (odd or even) generating function g , i.e. $h'(t) = g(t)$.

If g is an even function with non-vanishing discrete Fourier coefficients we define the function $Q(t)$ by

$$Q(t) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} [h_k(t)/g_k(0) + h_{n-k}(t)/g_{n-k}(0)]. \quad (5.2)$$

Analogously to the computations done in section 3 we get

$$Q(t) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \operatorname{Re} h_k(t)/g_k(0). \quad (5.3)$$

Thus, $Q'(t) = N(t) \in V_n^1(g)$ and $Q(-t) = -Q(t)$.

If g is an odd function of that type we considered in section 4 and G the connected shifted function we define

$$Q(t) := \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} [h_k^*(t)/g_k^*(0) + h_{n-k}^*(t)/g_{n-k}^*(0)] . \quad (5.4)$$

Then one obtains the representation

$$Q(t) = \frac{1}{m} \sum_{k=1}^{m-1} \text{Im } h_k^*(t) / \text{Im } g_k^*(0). \quad (5.5)$$

Obviously, $Q(t)$ is again an odd primitive of $N(t) \in V_n^1(G)$ defined in (4.4).

Theorem 4 *The weights of the even alternating quadrature formula are given by* $a_k = 2 [Q(t_k) + Q(t_{m-k})]$, $k=1, \dots, m-1$.

Proof: The construction of the interpolation functions $R_m(f)$ implies $a_k = \int_0^\pi [N(t_k - t) - N(t_k + t)] dt = 2 [Q(t_k) - Q(t_{k-m})] = 2 [Q(t_k) + Q(t_{m-k})]$.

Remark: It immediately follows from theorem 4 that

$$a_k = a_{m-k}, \quad k=1, \dots, m-1.$$

The weights can be computed only if besides g the function h is still known. This is the case for the even alternating spline quadrature formulas. Here we have $g = P_q$ and $h = P_{q+1}$.

For $q=2r$ we have *splines of odd degree* $2r-1$. The corresponding weights were first given by Busenberg and Fisher [1] in terms of the zeros of the Euler-Frobenius polynomials.

If $q=2r+1$ we obtain a new class of even alternating spline quadrature formulas based on *midpoint splines of even degree* $2r$.

d	a_1	a_2	a_3	a_4
2	0.4376178675	0.3849857548	0.3940602570	0.3922453566
4	0.4517242267	0.3718116415	0.4010756044	0.3873448812
6	0.4573724015	0.3637685604	0.4088859476	0.3799731633
8	0.4603491999	0.3587402360	0.4148626841	0.3737623836

Table 1: Weights of the even alternating quadrature formula for midpoint splines of even degree d ($m = 8$)

We finish this section by applying the even alternating spline quadrature formula of degree d to the even function $f(t) = \sin(t)\exp(\cos(t))$. The exact value of the integral is 2.350402387... .

d	m=2	m=4	m=8	m=16
1	0.7796060605	0.1648373328	0.0400060298	0.0099361908
2	0.4305402101	0.0309133095	0.0013836709	0.0000764155
3	0.3869069788	0.0209149606	0.0005257246	0.0000234671
4	0.3607270401	0.0129678888	0.0000967891	0.0000010469
5	0.3541820554	0.0092069569	0.0000342317	0.0000002213
6	0.3515983752	0.0067242564	0.0000115957	0.0000000196
7	0.3508133132	0.0052456167	0.0000051811	0.0000000038
8	0.3505369907	0.0043326133	0.0000026213	0.0000000006

Table 2: Error of numerical integration of $f(t) = \sin(t) \exp(\cos(t))$

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