

Maxima 5.13.0 <http://maxima.sourceforge.net>  
 Using Lisp GNU Common Lisp (GCL) GCL 2.6.7 (aka GCL)  
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 Dedicated to the memory of William Schelter.  
 This is a development version of Maxima. The function `bug_report()`  
 provides bug reporting information.

Find Gaussian quadrature of order  $2n - 1$  on  $[a, b]$  with weight function  $w$ .

Note: If the weight function is complicated, then the integrals in the Gram-Schmidt algorithm may not have closed form solutions. In this case replace `integrate` by `quad_qags` in suitable places to compute the coefficients numerically.

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(%i1) kill(all)$
      n:3;

(%o1) 3

(%i2) a:0;
      b:1;
      w(x):=1;

(%o2) 0
(%o3) 1
(%o4) w(x):=1

(%i5) for k:0 thru n do (
      q[k]:x^k,
      for j:0 thru k-1 do (
        q[k]:q[k]-q[j]*integrate(q[k]*q[j]*w(x),x,a,b)
      ),
      q[k]:fullratsimp(q[k]/sqrt(integrate(q[k]^2*w(x),x,a,b)))
    )$

(%i6) p:q[n];

(%o6) 20*sqrt(7)*x^3 - 30*sqrt(7)*x^2 + 12*sqrt(7)*x - sqrt(7)

(%i7) ctmp:solve(p=0,x), solveexplicit:true;

(%o7) [x = -frac(sqrt(15)-5,10), x = frac(sqrt(15)+5,10), x = 1/2]

(%i8) c:fullratsimp(create_list(subst(ctmp[i],x),i,1,n));

(%o8) [-frac(sqrt(15)-5,10), frac(sqrt(15)+5,10), 1/2]

(%i9) V:vandermonde_matrix(c);

(%o9) (
  1 -frac(sqrt(15)-5,10) frac((sqrt(15)-5)^2,100)
  1 frac(sqrt(15)+5,10) frac((sqrt(15)+5)^2,100)
  1 1/2 1/4
)
```

```
(%i10) Y:makelist(integrate(x^k*w(x),x,a,b),k,0,n-1);
```

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(%o10) [1, 1/2, 1/3]
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(%i11) B:fullratsimp(linsolve_by_lu(transpose(V),Y)[1]);
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(%o11) ( 5
         18
         5
         18
         4
         9 )
```

This is the Gaussian quadrature formula such that

$$F(f) \approx \int_a^b f(x)w(x)dx$$

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(%i12) define(F(f),map(f,c).B);
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(%o12) F(f):= 5 f( (sqrt(15)+5)/10 ) + 5 f( - (sqrt(15)-5)/10 ) + 4 f( 1/2 )
```

Testing this with polynomials shows the quadrature is exact for polynomials of degree  $2n - 1$  and less.

```
(%i13) for k:0 thru 2*n do
        print('integrate(x^k*w(x),x,a,b)=
              fullratsimp(integrate(x^k*w(x),x,a,b)),'" and "',
              'F(x^k)=fullratsimp(F(lambda([x],x^k)))')$
```

$1 = 1$  and  $F(1) = 1$

$$\int_0^1 x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x) = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^2 \, dx = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x^2) = \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^3 \, dx = \frac{1}{4} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x^3) = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^4 \, dx = \frac{1}{5} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x^4) = \frac{1}{5}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^5 \, dx = \frac{1}{6} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x^5) = \frac{1}{6}$$

$$\int_0^1 x^6 \, dx = \frac{1}{7} \quad \text{and} \quad F(x^6) = \frac{57}{400}$$

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(%i14)
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