

NUMERICAL INDEFINITE INTEGRATION OF FUNCTIONS WITH SINGULARITIES

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ABSTRACT. We derive an indefinite quadrature formula, based on a theorem of Ganelius, for H^p functions, for $p > 1$, over the interval $(-1, 1)$. The main factor in the error of our indefinite quadrature formula is $O(e^{-\pi\sqrt{N/q}})$, with $2N$ nodes and $\frac{1}{p} + \frac{1}{q} = 1$. The convergence rate of our formula is better than that of the Stenger-type formulas by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$ in the constant of the exponential. We conjecture that our formula has the best possible value for that constant. The results of numerical examples show that our indefinite quadrature formula is better than Haber's indefinite quadrature formula for H^p -functions.

1. INTRODUCTION

For $p > 1$, H^p consists of those functions f which are analytic in the unit disc in the complex plane, and for which

$$\|f\|_p = \lim_{r \rightarrow 1^-} \left(\frac{1}{2\pi} \int_0^{2\pi} |f(re^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} < \infty.$$

Thus H^p contains functions which may have singularities on the boundary of the unit disc. The H^p spaces are well-known spaces of functions in analytic function theory and important in dealing with integrals over $(-1, 1)$ of functions that have singularities at endpoints.

Schwartz [14] suggested the “tanh rule” for numerical definite integration over $(-1, 1)$. It was studied by Stenger (see [18] and the references therein) for several classes of analytic functions. Haber [8] studied its convergence for H^2 integrands, for which its convergence rate is $\exp(-\pi\sqrt{N}/2)$. Bojanov [3, 4] studied quadrature formulas for H^∞ functions, obtaining formulas with similar convergence rates. Loeb and Werner [11] developed similar formulas for H^p functions, deriving them from Newman's seminal paper [12] on rational approximation of $|x|$. Newman [13] also showed that faster convergence than $\exp(-C\sqrt{N})$ is not possible for the H^p classes, and gave upper and lower bounds for the constant C in the exponent. Sikorski, Stenger and Schwing [15, 16, 17] gave formulas and algorithms for H^p classes of several complex domains. For the unit disk, Andersson [1] determined the best possible value of C , for each p .

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There is generally another factor, of the form $N^{C'}$, in these error bounds (see, e.g., our theorem below). Andersson and Bojanov [2] determined the best possible values for C' .

Stenger's approach—part of a wide-ranging development of new methods in numerical analysis using the Whittaker Cardinal Function—yielded formulas for numerical indefinite integration over $(-1, 1)$. Such formulas were given by Stenger [18], Kearfott [10], and Haber [9]. These also converge at $\exp(-C\sqrt{N})$ rates. But for each H^p class, the constant C for these (“sinc-type”) indefinite-quadrature formulas is lower by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$ than the constant for the definite-quadrature formula.

It is also by a factor of $\sqrt{2}$ in the exponent, that Andersson's optimal definite-quadrature formulas converge faster than the sinc-type definite-quadrature formulas. And our present indefinite-quadrature formula improves on the sinc-type indefinite-quadrature formulas. Our formula is based on the same theorem of Ganelius [6] that Andersson used (Lemma 1, below) and uses other ideas of Andersson's. So we conjecture that our formula is optimal, as far as the coefficient C in the exponent is concerned.

More precisely, we conjecture that for any p in $(1, \infty)$ and any increasing infinite sequence of positive integers M_1, M_2, \dots , and sequence of indefinite quadrature formulas

$$Q_i(f, t) = \sum_{k=1}^{M_i} a_{i,k}(t) f(b_{i,k}),$$

the error

$$\sup_{|t| \leq 1} \left| \int_{-1}^t f(x) dx - Q_i(f, t) \right|$$

is greater than

$$\mathcal{K}(f) \exp(-C\sqrt{M_i}) \quad \text{for all sufficiently large } i,$$

if C is greater than $\pi/\sqrt{2q}$. (The last being the constant given by our formula, noting that M would be $2N$.)

In Section 2 we derive the indefinite quadrature formula and its error bound for H^p functions. In Section 3 we explain the nodes of our formula and compare the convergence rates of the indefinite quadrature formula derived in this paper with those of Haber's indefinite quadrature formula. In the Appendix we prove a modified form of Ganelius's theorem which also corrects a small error in Ganelius's discussion in [6].

2. DERIVATION OF THE INDEFINITE QUADRATURE FORMULA

For $f \in H^p$, $p > 1$, we start by defining the integral

$$I(x) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=1} \frac{1}{B_n(z)} \cdot \frac{f(z)}{z-x} dz \quad \text{for } -1 < x < 1,$$

using the fact that functions in H^p have limiting values almost everywhere on $|z| = 1$. See Duren [5, Theorems 1.3, 2.2 and 3.6]. Here

$$B_n(z) = \prod_{-N}^N \frac{z - b_k}{1 - b_k z}, \quad \text{with } n = 2N,$$

and

$$b_k = \sqrt{\frac{1 - a_k}{1 + a_k}}, \quad b_{-k} = -b_k,$$

and a_k are those defined in Lemma 1 below, using $r = (1 - (2N)^{-1/2})/q$. Here and below the prime on a product (or sum) indicates that the index value $k = 0$ is excluded.

We evaluate the integral by residues. The singularities inside the unit disc are at $z = x$ with residue $f(x)/B_n(x)$ and at $z = b_k, k$ any nonzero integer between $-N$ and N , with residue

$$\rho_k \cdot \frac{f(b_k)}{b_k - x},$$

where

$$\rho_k = \prod'_{l=-N}^N (1 - b_l b_k) / \prod'_{\substack{l=-N \\ l \neq k}}^N (b_k - b_l).$$

After some algebra we get the equation

$$(1) \quad f(x) = \sum'_{k=-N}^N \rho_k \cdot \frac{B_n(x)}{(x - b_k)} \cdot f(b_k) + B_n(x)I(x).$$

Now we know that

$$\frac{B_n(x)}{x - b_k} = \sum'_{m=-N}^N \rho_m \cdot \frac{1}{1 - b_k b_m} \cdot \frac{1}{1 - b_m x},$$

so integrating from -1 to t in (1) gives us

$$\int_{-1}^t f(x)dx = \sum'_{k=-N}^N f(b_k) \cdot \left[\rho_k \sum'_{m=-N}^N \frac{\rho_m}{b_m(1 - b_k b_m)} \cdot \log \frac{1 + b_m}{1 - b_m t} \right] + R(t),$$

$$\text{where } R(t) = \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-1}^t \int_{|z|=1} \frac{f(z)B_n(x)}{(z - x)B_n(z)} dz dx.$$

Theorem. *If f is in H^p with $1 < p < \infty$ and $q = p/(p - 1)$, then*

$$\int_{-1}^t f(x)dx = \sum'_{k=-N}^N f(b_k) \cdot \left[\rho_k \sum'_{m=-N}^N \frac{\rho_m}{b_m(1 - b_k b_m)} \cdot \log \frac{1 + b_m}{1 - b_m t} \right] + O\left(N^{\frac{1}{2q}} \exp\left(-\pi\sqrt{N/q}\right)\right),$$

uniformly in $[-1, 1]$.

We shall prove this with the aid of the following lemmas.

Lemma 1 (Ganelius). *For $0 < r < 1$ and N a positive integer, the numbers a_k that are defined by*

a. $N_o = N - \lceil \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{Nr} \rceil,$

b. φ is the function defined by $\varphi(x) = \exp(\pi\sqrt{x/r}),$ and

c.

$$a_k = \begin{cases} \varphi(k-1)/\varphi(N_o), & \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N_o, \\ \varphi(k-3/2)/\varphi(N_o), & \text{for } k = N_o + 1, \\ 1 - \frac{k-N_o-1}{5(N-N_o-1)}, & \text{for } N_o + 2 \leq k \leq N, \end{cases}$$

satisfy the inequality

$$\max_{x \in [0,1]} x^r \prod_1^N \left| \frac{x - a_k}{x + a_k} \right| \leq C \exp(-\pi\sqrt{Nr}),$$

where C depends on r but not on N .

We prove this modified form of Ganelius’s theorem in the Appendix. Transforming this result to the unit disk (following Loeb and Werner [11]) by

$$x = \frac{1 - z^2}{1 + z^2},$$

we find that

$$\max_{z \in [-1,1]} (1 - z^2)^r \prod_{-N}^N \left| \frac{z - b_k}{1 - b_k z} \right| \leq C \exp(-\pi\sqrt{Nr}).$$

Lemma 2. For any positive number q ,

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{|e^{i\theta} - x|} dx \right)^q d\theta < \infty.$$

Proof.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{|e^{i\theta} - x|} dx &= \int_{-1}^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - 2x \cos \theta + x^2}} dx \\ &= \log \frac{\sqrt{2 - 2 \cos \theta} + 1 - \cos \theta}{\sqrt{2 + 2 \cos \theta} - 1 - \cos \theta}. \end{aligned}$$

The last expression becomes infinite when θ approaches $0, \pi$, or $-\pi$. But it is like $\log \frac{1}{|\theta|}$ as $\theta \rightarrow 0$, $\log \frac{1}{|\pi-\theta|}$ as $\theta \rightarrow \pi$, and $\log \frac{1}{|\pi+\theta|}$ as $\theta \rightarrow -\pi$. Thus the singularities are only logarithmic in size, and it follows that

$$\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\log \frac{\sqrt{2 - 2 \cos \theta} + 1 - \cos \theta}{\sqrt{2 + 2 \cos \theta} - 1 - \cos \theta} \right)^q d\theta < \infty, \quad \text{for every positive } q.$$

Lemma 3. For $q > 1$

$$I(r, q) = \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{(1 - x^2)^r \sqrt{1 - 2x \cos \theta + x^2}} \right)^q d\theta < \frac{C}{1 - qr},$$

for $\frac{1}{10q} < r < \frac{1}{q}$; C depends on q alone.

Proof. Since the integrand is even in θ , we can limit our attention to the upper half of the integration region. Introducing the numbers ϵ and δ in $(0, 1)$ and setting

$$h(x, \theta) = \frac{1}{(1 - x^2)^r \sqrt{1 - 2x \cos \theta + x^2}},$$

we write

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}I(r, q) &= \int_0^\pi \left(\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{(1-x^2)^r \sqrt{1-2x \cos \theta + x^2}} \right)^q d\theta \\ &= \int_0^\epsilon \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta + \int_\epsilon^{\pi-\epsilon} \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta \\ &\quad + \int_{\pi-\epsilon}^\pi \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

Then noting that $h(-x, \pi - \theta) = h(x, \theta)$, we write

$$(2) \quad \begin{aligned} \frac{1}{2}I(r, q) &= \int_0^\epsilon \left(\int_{-1}^{1-\delta} h(x, \theta) dx + \int_{1-\delta}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta \\ &\quad + 2 \int_\epsilon^{\pi-\epsilon} \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta. \end{aligned}$$

In the first integral of (2), noting that $x \leq 1 - \delta$ and so $\sqrt{1 - 2x \cos \theta + x^2} \geq \delta$, we have

$$\int_{-1}^{1-\delta} h(x, \theta) dx \leq \int_{-1}^{1-\delta} \frac{dx}{\delta(1-x^2)^r} \leq \frac{2}{\delta(1-r)}.$$

Letting $x = 1 - y$ in the first integral of (2), we write

$$\int_{1-\delta}^1 h(x, \theta) dx = \int_0^\delta \frac{dy}{(2-y)^r y^r \sqrt{y^2 + 2(1-y)(1-\cos \theta)}}.$$

Observing that $y^2 + 2(1-y)(1-\cos \theta) \geq y^2 + 2(1-\delta)(1-\cos \theta) \geq y^2 + \left(\sqrt{\frac{2(1-\delta)}{3}}\right)^2 \theta^2$,

and letting $B = \sqrt{\frac{2(1-\delta)}{3}}$ and $t = \frac{y}{B\theta}$, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{1-\delta}^1 h(x, \theta) dx &\leq \int_0^\delta \frac{dy}{y^r \sqrt{y^2 + B^2\theta^2}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{B^r \theta^r} \int_0^{\frac{\delta}{B\theta}} \frac{dt}{t^r \sqrt{t^2 + 1}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{B^r \theta^r} \int_0^\infty \frac{dt}{t^r \sqrt{t^2 + 1}} \\ &\leq \frac{1}{(B\theta)^r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1-r} \right). \end{aligned}$$

So in the first integral of (2), we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^\epsilon \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta &\leq \int_0^\epsilon \left[\frac{2}{\delta(1-r)} + \frac{1}{(B\theta)^r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1-r} \right) \right]^q d\theta \\ &\leq \int_0^\epsilon \left[\frac{2}{\delta(1-r)} + \frac{1}{B^r} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1-r} \right) \right]^q \cdot \left(\frac{1}{\theta^r} \right)^q d\theta \\ &\leq \left[\frac{2}{\delta(1-r)} + \left(\frac{3}{2(1-\delta)} \right)^{\frac{r}{2}} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1-r} \right) \right]^q \cdot \frac{1}{1-rq}. \end{aligned}$$

In the last integral of (2), observing that $\sqrt{1 - 2x \cos \theta + x^2} \geq \sin \theta \geq \frac{2}{\pi} \epsilon$ for $x \in [-1, 1]$ and $\theta \in [\epsilon, \pi - \epsilon]$, we see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{\epsilon}^{\pi - \epsilon} \left(\int_{-1}^1 h(x, \theta) dx \right)^q d\theta &\leq \int_{\epsilon}^{\pi - \epsilon} \left(\frac{\pi}{2\epsilon} \int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{(1 - x^2)^r} \right)^q d\theta \\ &\leq \int_{\epsilon}^{\pi - \epsilon} \left(\frac{\pi}{\epsilon(1 - r)} \right)^q d\theta \leq \pi \left(\frac{\pi}{\epsilon(1 - r)} \right)^q. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the two estimates, we see that

$$I(r, q) \leq \mathcal{C} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{r} + \frac{1}{1 - r} \right)^q \cdot \frac{1}{1 - rq},$$

for some $\mathcal{C}(q)$ independent of r . With r between $1/(10q)$ and $1/q$, the quantity $1/r + 1/(1 - r)$ is further bounded by $10q + q/(q - 1)$. The proof of the lemma is complete.

Proof of theorem. The error term of the indefinite quadrature formula is

$$|R(t)| = \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{-1}^t \int_{|z|=1} \frac{f(z)B_n(x)}{(z - x)B_n(z)} dz dx \right|.$$

For any $p > 1$, we write

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{|z|=1} \int_{-1}^1 \left| \frac{f(z)B_n(x)}{(z - x)B_n(z)} \right| dx |dz| &= \int_{|z|=1} \int_{-1}^1 \left| \frac{f(z)B_n(x)}{(z - x)} \right| dx |dz| \\ &= \int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \int_{-1}^1 \left| \frac{B_n(x)f(e^{i\theta})}{e^{i\theta} - x} \right| dx d\theta \\ &\leq \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} |f(e^{i\theta})|^p d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{|e^{i\theta} - x|} \right)^q d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\ &\leq \mathcal{C} \left(\int_{-\pi}^{\pi} \left(\int_{-1}^1 \frac{dx}{|e^{i\theta} - x|} \right)^q d\theta \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}. \end{aligned}$$

Applying Lemma 2,

$$\int_{|z|=1} \int_{-1}^t \left| \frac{f(z)B_n(x)}{(z - x)B_n(z)} \right| dx |dz| < \infty.$$

Therefore, by Fubini's theorem we can exchange the order of integration in $R(t)$ for $p > 1$. We have

$$\begin{aligned}
 |R(t)| &= \left| \frac{1}{2\pi i} \int_{|z|=1} \left(\int_{-1}^t \frac{B_n(x)}{(z-x)} \cdot \frac{f(z)}{B_n(z)} dx \right) dz \right| \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_{|z|=1} \left| \frac{f(z)}{B_n(z)} \right|^p |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\int_{|z|=1} \left| \int_{-1}^t \frac{B_n(x)}{(z-x)} dx \right|^q |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq \frac{1}{2\pi} \left(\int_{|z|=1} |f(z)|^p |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{p}} \cdot \left(\int_{|z|=1} \left| \int_{-1}^t \frac{B_n(x)}{(z-x)} dx \right|^q |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq C \cdot \|f\|_p \left(\int_{|z|=1} \left| \int_{-1}^t (1-x^2)^r B_n(x) \cdot \frac{dx}{(z-x)(1-x^2)^r} \right|^q |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{q}} \\
 &\leq C \cdot \|f\|_p \max_{x \in [-1,1]} (1-x^2)^r B_n(x) \cdot \left(\int_{|z|=1} \left(\int_{-1}^t \frac{dx}{|z-x|(1-x^2)^r} \right)^q |dz| \right)^{\frac{1}{q}}.
 \end{aligned}$$

Using Lemma 1 (Ganelius) and Lemma 3 with $r = (1 - (2N)^{(-1/2)})/q$, we obtain

$$|R(t)| \leq C n^{\frac{1}{2q}} \exp\left(-\pi \sqrt{\frac{n}{2q}}\right).$$

That is, we conclude

$$|R(t)| \leq C N^{\frac{1}{2q}} \exp\left(-\pi \sqrt{\frac{N}{q}}\right).$$

For $f \in H^\infty$ the above reasoning requires one modification: the upper bound $C/(1 - qr)$ in Lemma 3 is replaced by $C/(1 - r)^2$. The result is a statement just like the theorem except that the factor $N^{1/2q}$ in the error bound is replaced by $N^{1/q} = N$.

3. THE NODES OF THE INDEFINITE QUADRATURE FORMULA AND COMPUTATIONAL EXAMPLES

The theorem in Section 2 gives us the indefinite quadrature formula with $2N$ nodes:

$$\int_{-1}^t f(x) dx \approx \sum'_{k=-N}^N f(b_k) \cdot \left[\rho_k \sum'_{m=-N}^N \rho_m \cdot \frac{1}{b_m(1-b_k b_m)} \cdot \log \frac{1+b_m}{1-b_m t} \right],$$

with $\rho_k = \prod'_{l=-N}^N (1 - b_l b_k) / \prod'_{\substack{l=-N \\ l \neq k}}^N (b_k - b_l)$, $r = (1 - (2N)^{(-1/2)})/q$ and $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$.

We observe the following in the proof of Ganelius's lemma. Choosing N_o as

$$N_o = N - \lceil \frac{\pi}{4} \sqrt{Nr} \rceil,$$

the nodes of our indefinite quadrature formula are

$$b_k = \sqrt{\frac{1 - a_k}{1 + a_k}}, \text{ for } k = 1 \text{ to } N,$$

$$b_k = -b_{-k}, \quad \text{for } k = -1 \text{ to } -N,$$

with $\varphi(x) = \exp(\pi\sqrt{x/r})$ and $a_k = \begin{cases} \varphi(k-1)/\varphi(N_o), & \text{for } k = 1, 2, 3, \dots, N_o, \\ \varphi(k-3/2)/\varphi(N_o), & \text{for } k = N_o + 1, \\ 1 - \frac{k-N_o-1}{5(N-N_o-1)}, & \text{for } N_o + 2 \leq k \leq N. \end{cases}$

Now, we shall look at the results of applying our indefinite quadrature formula to the following four integrands and compare these with the results of applying Haber's indefinite quadrature formula (A) from [9] to the same integrands, namely

$$f_1(x) = \frac{1}{\pi\sqrt{1-x^2}}, \quad f_2(x) = \frac{1}{4\log 2} \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right),$$

$$f_3(x) = \frac{\sqrt{1+x^2}}{\sqrt{2} + \log(1+\sqrt{2})}, \quad f_4(x) = \frac{2x}{\pi\sqrt{1-x^4}}.$$

All the functions have singularities at $x = \pm 1$ or $x = \pm i$. f_1 is "almost in H^2 " (in the sense that if its singularities on the unit circle are weakened slightly—for example, by multiplying f_1 by $(1-x^2)^\epsilon$ with ϵ any positive number—the resulting function is in H^2). Similarly, f_2 is "almost in H^∞ ", f_3 is in H^∞ , and f_4 is "almost in H^2 ". So we use $q = 2$ for f_1 and f_4 , and $q = 1$ for f_2 and f_3 to set the value of r in applying our indefinite quadrature formula.

In order to make the convergence rate evident, we apply our indefinite quadrature formula for $N = 4, 9, 16, 25, \dots$. Our error bound suggests that the "convergence ratio"—the ratio of the maximal absolute error for $-1 \leq t \leq 1$ for a given N to that for the next higher N —might then be $\exp(-\frac{\pi}{\sqrt{q}})$ for $p > 1$ and $q = \frac{p}{p-1}$.

In each table there is a "maxerr" that presents the maximum of the absolute value of the error of applying the indefinite quadrature formula for each N . These were determined as follows. By drawing a graph of the error curve using 201 equally spaced t values over the interval $[-1, 1]$, we determined a small interval about the value of t for which the error is greatest in absolute value. We then draw a graph of the error curve over that small interval to locate the maximum point more exactly. Then we iterate this step until we are satisfied that we have the actual "maxerr" to 3 decimal places at least. The "ratio" in the tables shows the ratio of maxerr for the previous value of N to maxerr for the current value. The "maxerr1" and "ratio1" present the results of applying our indefinite quadrature formula, and the "maxerr2" and "ratio2" present the results of applying Haber's indefinite quadrature formula (A) from [9].

For these four functions the convergence ratios suggested by our error bound are $\exp(\pi/\sqrt{2})$, $\exp(\pi)$, $\exp(\pi)$ and $\exp(\pi/\sqrt{2})$ (≈ 9.2 , 23.1, 23.1 and 9.2), respectively. The convergence ratios suggested by the upper bound for Haber's formula (A) from [9] are $\exp(\pi/\sqrt{2})$, $\exp(\pi)$, $\exp(\pi/\sqrt{2})$ and $\exp(\pi/2)$ (≈ 9.2 , 23.1, 9.2 and 4.8), respectively (those for f_1 and f_2 are so high because the bound in Haber [9] makes use of the analyticity of the integrands in domains extending beyond the unit disk). The computational results are consistent with these suggested ratios for the higher values N , which suggests that the error bounds here and in Haber [9] are sharp, giving the actual convergence behaviors of the two formulas for the

“worst” functions in the specified function spaces. The faster convergence of the new formula is evident in Tables 3 and 4.

Figures 1 and 2 show the error curve—the true indefinite integral minus the approximation—for the integrands f_1 and f_2 , respectively, using 201 equally spaced t values over the interval $[-1, 1]$ for our formula with $N = 25$. In the case of the integrand f_1 , we have the maximum of the absolute value of the error of applying our indefinite quadrature formula at $t = 1.0$. The maximum of error is $9.50E - 6$, which is out of range in Figure 1. We draw the error curve only for $y \in [4.7512E - 6, 4.7528E - 6]$, in order to show movements in the errors more clearly. Figure 2 suggests that the maximum error is near $t = 0.96$. But this is misleading. The maximum absolute error for f_2 is $9.87E - 8$, not $8.94E - 8$ as appears from Figure 2; and the maximum occurs at $t = 0.9999947$, not at 0.96. Figures 2-1 through 2-4 show how we determined that. Figure 2-1 shows the error curve over the interval $[0.95, 1]$. It shows clearly that there is considerable oscillation beyond $t = 0.96$, and makes it clear that the maximum occurs somewhere past $t = 0.995$. A plot over $[0.995, 1]$ (not shown) confirmed that and showed that one must look beyond $t = 0.9999$. Figure 2-2, over the interval $[0.9999, 1]$ shows that the maximum occurs for $t > 0.99999$. Figure 2-3 over $[0.99999, 1]$ confirms that the best local maximum seen is just a bit less than 10^{-7} and it occurs at about $t = 0.999995$. There is still some worry about possible oscillations nearer to $t = 1$, but a plot over $[0.999999, 1]$ (not shown), and Figure 2-4 show that the last oscillation is a small one (and incidentally that the maximum is definitely not at $t = 1$). Similar study of all the error curves yields the numbers in Tables 1 through 4.

The computations were done on an IBM-type PC in high precision, using UBASIC 8.74.

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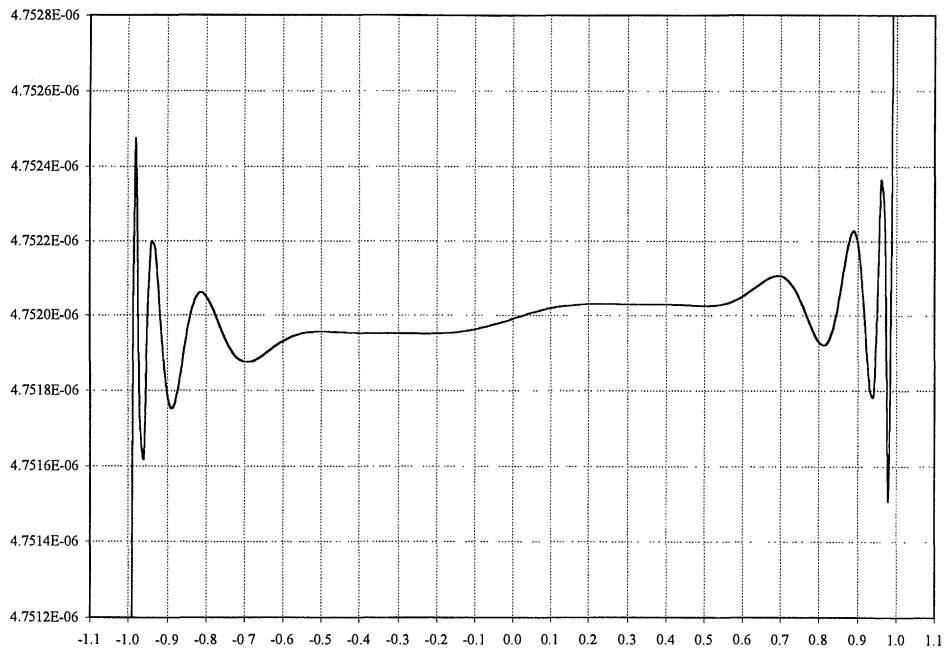


FIGURE 1

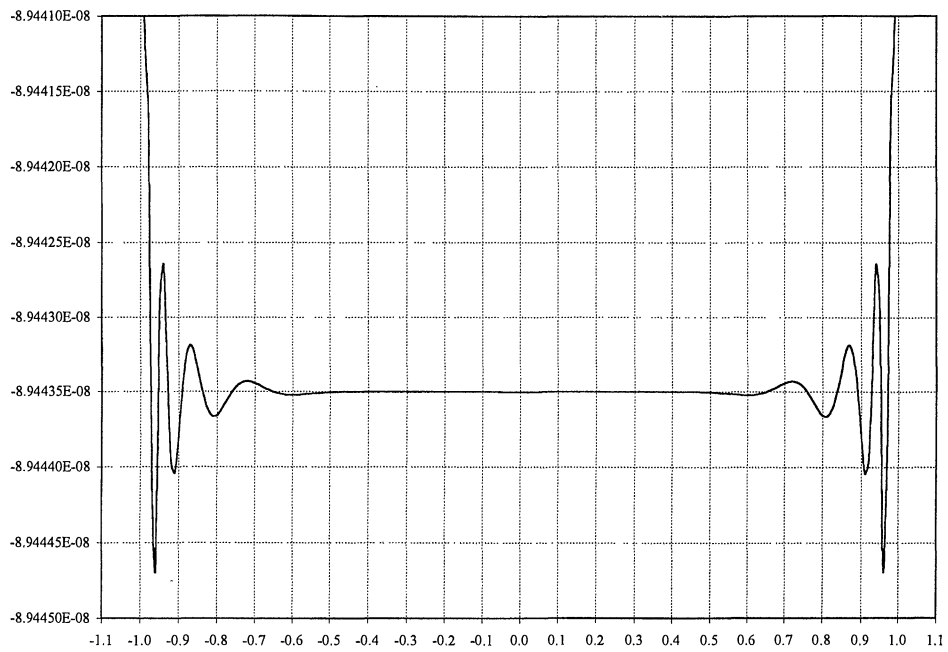


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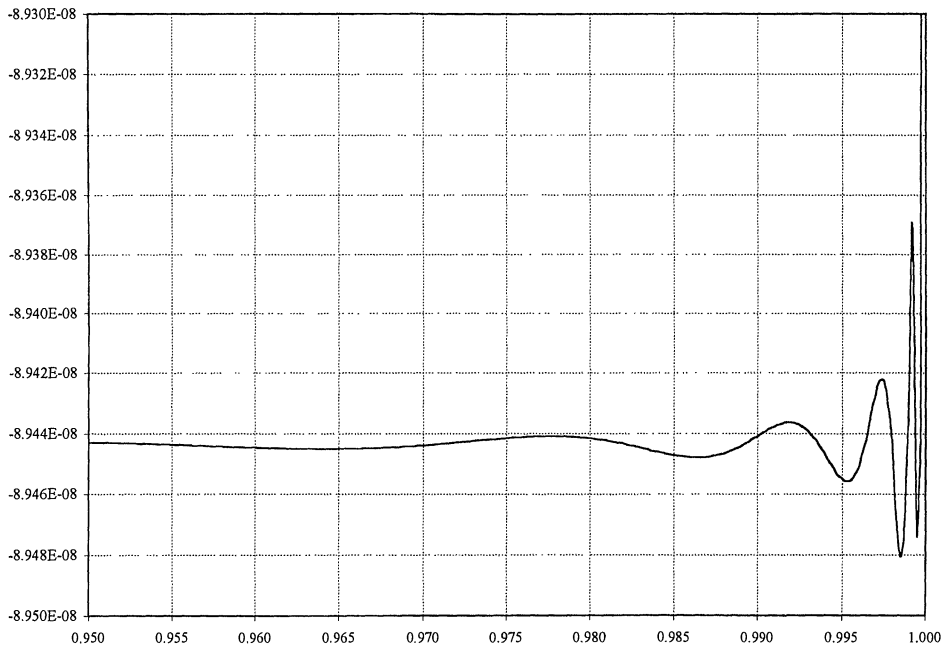


FIGURE 2-1

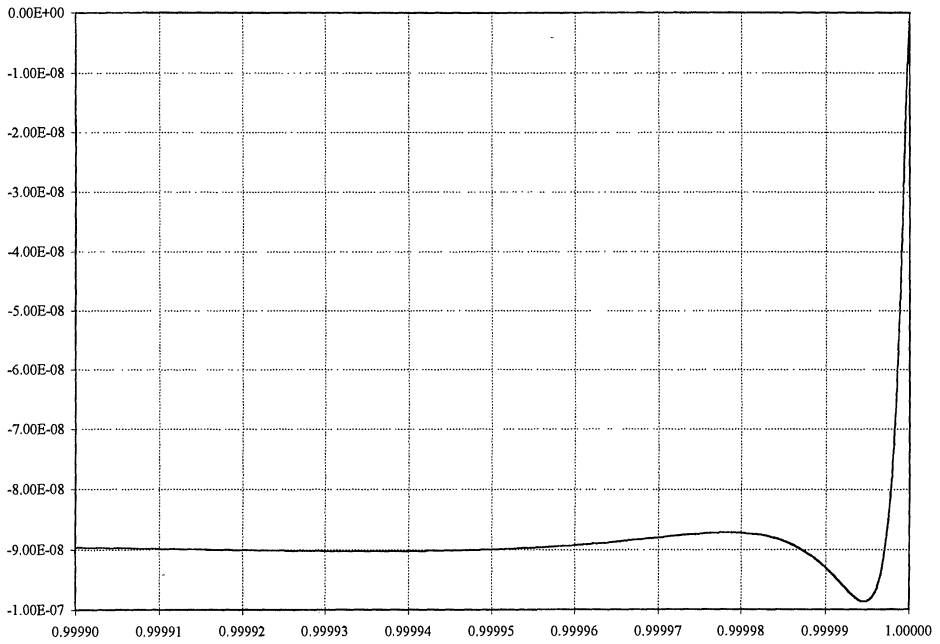


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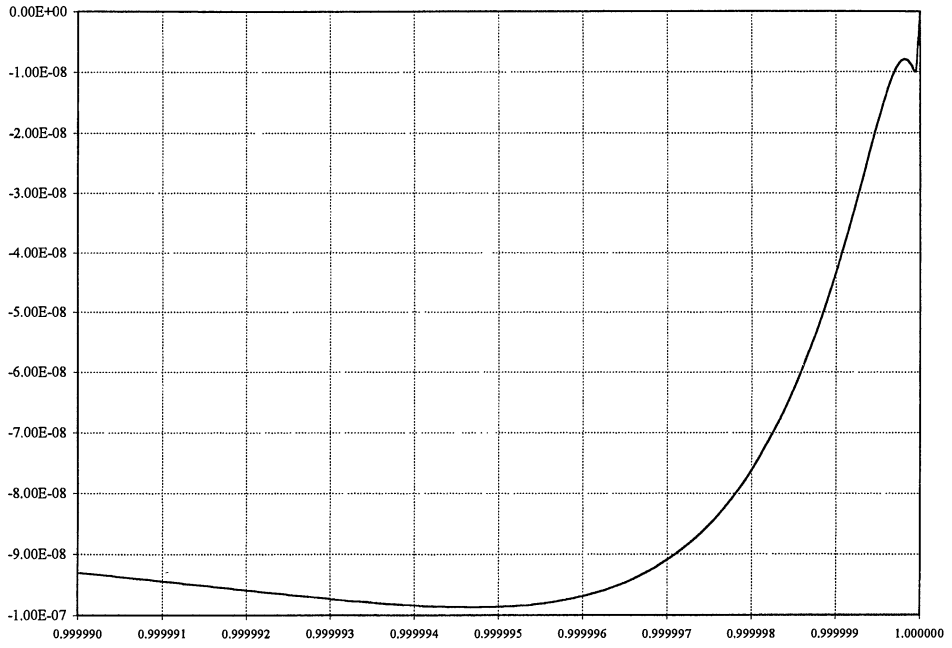


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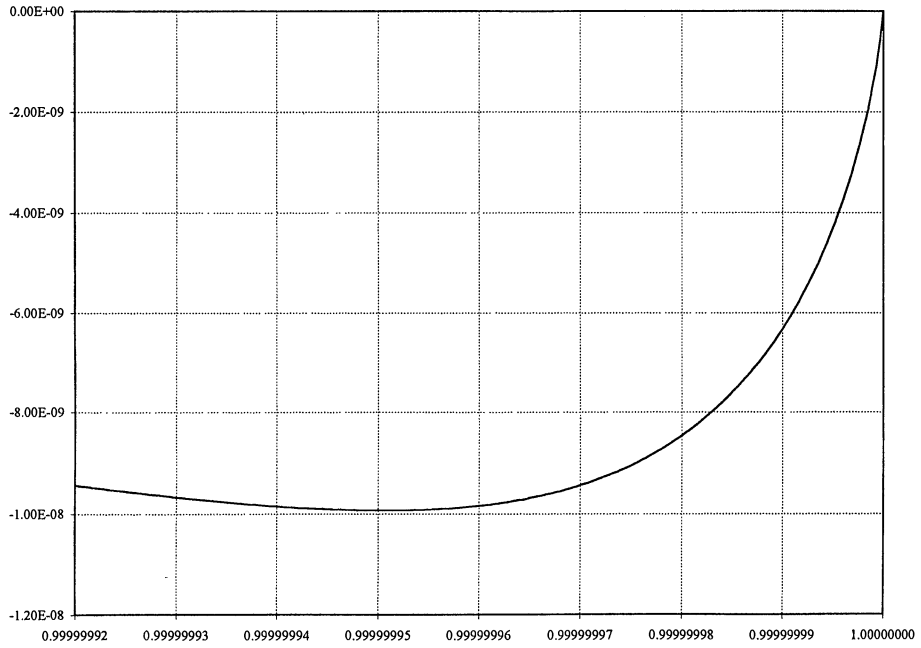


FIGURE 2-4

TABLE 1. $f_1(x) = (\pi\sqrt{1-x^2})^{-1}$

N	max err1	ratio1	max err2	ratio2
4	1.52E-2		5.80E-3	
9	1.14E-3	13.3	6.67E-4	8.7
16	1.17E-4	9.7	7.58E-5	8.8
25	9.50E-6	12.3	8.45E-6	9.0
36	1.06E-6	9.0	9.34E-7	9.0
49	9.85E-8	10.8	1.03E-7	9.1
64	1.11E-8	8.9	1.13E-8	9.1
81	1.08E-9	10.3		
100	1.22E-10	8.9		

TABLE 2. $f_2(x) = \frac{1}{4\log 2} \log\left(\frac{1+x}{1-x}\right)$

N	max err1	ratio1	max err2	ratio2
4	4.59E-3		1.06E-3	
9	1.25E-4	36.7	6.01E-4	17.6
16	2.43E-6	51.4	3.35E-5	17.9
25	9.87E-8	24.6	1.77E-6	19.0
36	4.09E-9	24.1	9.10E-8	19.4
49	1.72E-10	23.8	4.55E-9	20.0
64	5.85E-12	29.4	2.24E-10	20.3
81	2.55E-13	22.9	1.08E-11	20.6
100	1.02E-14	25.0	5.20E-13	20.9

TABLE 3. $f_3(x) = (\sqrt{2} + \log(1 + \sqrt{2}))^{-1} \sqrt{1+x^2}$

N	max err1	ratio1	max err2	ratio2
4	3.62E-3		1.50E-2	
9	2.75E-5	131.6	1.49E-3	10.1
16	2.44E-7	112.7	1.29E-4	11.5
25	8.33E-9	29.3	1.48E-5	8.8
36	2.18E-10	38.2	1.66E-6	8.9
49	6.81E-12	32.0	1.85E-7	9.0
64	2.05E-13	33.2	2.05E-8	9.0
81	7.16E-15	28.6	2.26E-9	9.1
100	2.54E-16	28.2	2.48E-10	9.1

TABLE 4. $f_4(x) = \frac{2x}{\pi} (\sqrt{1-x^4})^{-1}$

N	max err1	ratio1	max err2	ratio2
4	9.60E-3		3.53E-2	
9	9.39E-4	10.2	7.08E-3	5.0
16	9.48E-5	9.9	1.49E-3	4.7
25	7.66E-6	12.4	3.14E-4	4.8
36	8.51E-7	9.0	6.63E-5	4.7
49	7.86E-8	10.8	1.39E-6	4.8
64	8.84E-9	8.9	2.92E-6	4.8
81	8.62E-10	10.3	6.10E-7	4.8
100	9.68E-11	8.9	1.28E-7	4.8

APPENDIX. PROOF OF LEMMA 1 (GANELIUS)

We shall give the proof due to Ganelius. Ganelius's exposition of the proof is very concise, as the lemma is not central to his paper. Also, in the original version several of the a_k are equal to 1. For our purposes we must have the a_k distinct and all unequal to 1; otherwise some of the b_k used for the indefinite quadrature formula would be multiple, which would introduce derivatives of the integrand into the formula. Making the a_k distinct and unequal to 1 involves changes at the beginning and at the end of the proof. There is also a small error in Ganelius's exposition, which we correct.

We begin by rewriting the inequality in Lemma 1 as

$$(1) \quad \sum_{k=1}^N \log \left| \frac{x + a_k}{x - a_k} \right| \geq \pi \sqrt{Nr} + r \log x - C$$

and observing that the sum may be written as

$$\int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| d\nu(y),$$

where $d\nu$ is a discrete measure with unit masses at the points a_k . In order to determine a_k that will give us (1), we introduce the continuous measure

$$d\tilde{\mu}(y) = \begin{cases} 0, & \text{if } 0 \leq y \leq 1/\varphi(N_o); \\ \frac{2}{\pi^2} \log(y\varphi(N_o))^r y^{-1} dy & \text{if } 1/\varphi(N_o) < y < 1. \end{cases}$$

We shall show that

$$(2) \quad \int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| d\tilde{\mu}(y) \geq \pi \sqrt{N_o r} + r \log x - \frac{\pi x}{2} \sqrt{N_o r} - C.$$

We then introduce the discrete measure $d\mu(y)$ that has unit masses at the $N_o + 1$ points

$$y_k = \varphi(k - 1)/\varphi(N_o), \text{ for } k = 1, 2, \dots, N_o, \quad \text{and} \quad y_{N_o+1} = \varphi(N_o - 1/2)/\varphi(N_o),$$

and show that

$$(3) \quad \int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| d\mu(y) - \int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| d\tilde{\mu}(y) \geq -C,$$

where the generic constant C in (2) and (3) is independent of x in $[0, 1]$ and of N . Finally, we shall use the additional points y_k , for $k = N_o + 2, N_o + 3, \dots, N$, to remove the $\frac{\pi x}{2} \sqrt{N_o r}$ term from (2). This will establish (1), with the a_k being the y_k .

Proof of (2). We first note that in proving (2) we need not consider $x \leq 1/\varphi(N_o)$ because then the left hand side of (2) is positive while the right hand side is negative. We have

$$\int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| d\tilde{\mu}(y) = \frac{2}{\pi^2} \int_{1/\varphi(N_o)}^1 \log \left| \frac{x + y}{x - y} \right| \log(y\varphi(N_o))^r y^{-1} dy.$$

By setting $\xi = x\varphi(N_o)$ and $u = y/x$ the last expression takes the form

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_{\frac{1}{\xi}}^{\frac{1}{x}} \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{u} du + \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_{\frac{1}{\xi}}^{\frac{1}{x}} \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log u \cdot \frac{1}{u} du \\
 (4) \quad & = \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_{\frac{1}{\xi}}^{\frac{1}{x}} \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log u \cdot \frac{1}{u} du + \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_0^\infty \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{u} du \\
 & \quad - \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_0^{\frac{1}{\xi}} \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{u} du - \frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_{\frac{1}{x}}^\infty \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{u} du.
 \end{aligned}$$

The first term of (4) is bounded below because $1/\xi \leq 1$ so that the term is bounded below by

$$\frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log u \cdot \frac{1}{u} du,$$

which is finite. The second term of (4) is $\log \xi^r$ that is $\pi\sqrt{N_o r} + r \log x$, and for $\xi \geq 1$, i.e., for $x \geq 1/\varphi(N_o)$ the integral in the third term of (4) is an increasing function of u on $(0, 1)$ so that the third term is bounded by

$$\frac{2r}{\pi^2 \xi} \int_0^1 \log \left| \frac{1+u}{1-u} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{u} du.$$

Finally, by letting $u = 1/t$

$$\int_0^x \log \left| \frac{1+t}{1-t} \right| \frac{1}{t} dt \leq \frac{\pi^2 x}{4},$$

so that the last term of (4) becomes

$$\frac{2r}{\pi^2} \int_0^x \log \left| \frac{1+t}{1-t} \right| \log \xi \cdot \frac{1}{t} dt \leq \frac{\pi x}{2} \sqrt{N_o r},$$

which completes the proof of (2).

Proof of (3). Letting

$$g(x, y) = \log \left| \frac{x+y}{x-y} \right|,$$

we write the left hand side of (3) as

$$\begin{aligned}
 (5) \quad & \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(0)) + \sum_{k=0}^{N_o-2} \left[\frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k)) + \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k+1)) - \int_k^{k+1} g(\xi, \varphi(u)) du \right] \\
 & + \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1)) + \left[g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1/2)) - \int_{N_o-1}^{N_o} g(\xi, \varphi(u)) du \right],
 \end{aligned}$$

where $\xi = x\varphi(N_o)$ and $u = y/x$ as before. The first and third terms are non-negative and so may be ignored. Each term in the sum is the error of a trapezoidal approximation to an integral, which is nonnegative if the integrand is convex on the closed integration interval. Let k_o be the particular k for which ξ lies in the interval $(\varphi(k_o), \varphi(k_o + 1))$, Ganelius states that for $k \neq k_o$, $g(\xi, \varphi(u))$ is convex on

$[k, k+1]$. But that is not so for $k = 0$. So (5) consists entirely of positive quantities, plus the quantity

$$(6) \quad \left[\frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(0)) + \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(1)) - \int_0^1 g(\xi, \varphi(u))du \right] \\ + \left[\frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k_o)) + \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k_o + 1)) - \int_{k_o}^{k_o+1} g(\xi, \varphi(u))du \right] \\ + \left[g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1/2)) - \int_{N_o-1}^{N_o} g(\xi, \varphi(u))du \right],$$

which we must prove is bounded from below.

The boundedness of the first term in (6) follows from its continuity as a function of ξ and the fact that it approaches 0 as ξ approaches infinity. The same reasoning would apply to the last two terms if N_o and k_o were bounded; thus we are concerned only with large (approaching infinity) N_o and k_o in the last two terms in (6).

For large k_o , the second term in (6) is bounded because

$$\frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k_o)), \frac{1}{2}g(\xi, \varphi(k_o + 1)) \geq \frac{1}{4} \log k_o + O(1),$$

and

$$\int_{k_o}^{k_o+1} g(\xi, \varphi(u))du \leq \frac{1}{2} \log k_o + O(1).$$

For $\xi \leq \varphi(N_o - 2)$, there is no singularity in the integral of the last term so that the last term is equal to

$$(7) \quad g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1/2)) - g(\xi, \beta)$$

for some β in $[\varphi(N_o - 1), \varphi(N_o)]$. For any fixed ξ ,

$$g(\xi, \varphi(N_o)) \leq g(\xi, x) \leq g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1))$$

for all x in that interval, so (7) is bounded in absolute value by

$$g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1)) - g(\xi, \varphi(N_o)),$$

which is less than equal to

$$g(\varphi(N_o - 2), \varphi(N_o - 1)) - g(\varphi(N_o - 2), \varphi(N_o)).$$

As N_o grows, each of the last two terms above is equal to

$$\frac{1}{2} \log N_o + O(1),$$

so that the last term of (6) is bounded below for $\xi \leq \varphi(N_o - 2)$.

For $\varphi(N_o - 2) < \xi < \varphi(N_o)$, it follows that

$$g(\xi, \varphi(N_o - 1/2)) \geq \frac{1}{2} \log N_o + O(1)$$

and

$$\int_{N_o-1}^{N_o} g(\xi, \varphi(u))du \leq \frac{1}{2} \log N_o + O(1)$$

so that the last term in (6) is bounded below. Hence (3) is established.

Our last step in proving Lemma 1 is the elimination of the $(\pi x/2)\sqrt{N_o r}$ term in (2). For that we use the fact that

$$\log \left| \frac{x+y}{x-y} \right| \geq 2x \text{ for } 0 \leq x \leq 1$$

as long as

$$y \geq \frac{e^2 - 1}{e^2 + 1} = 0.76 \dots,$$

because each of the y_k is greater than equal to 0.8 for $k \geq N_o + 2$. So we have

$$\sum_{k=N_o+2}^N g(x, y_k) \geq \frac{\pi x}{2} \sqrt{N_o r}.$$

The fact that

$$\pi \sqrt{N_o r} \geq \pi \sqrt{N r} - C,$$

where C dependent on r but independent of N , completes the proof of Lemma 1, with the a_k being the y_k .

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