

A new product integration rule for the finite Hilbert transform

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Topic: Approximation of the Hilbert transform of f

$$\mathcal{H}^u f(t) := \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx = \lim_{\epsilon \rightarrow 0} \int_{|x-t| \geq \epsilon} \frac{f(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx,$$

$u = v^{a,b}$, $a, b > -1$ Jacobi weight. The rule is based on the de la Vallée Poussin (VP) polynomial approximation of f . Comparison with the product rule based on the Lagrange interpolating polynomial.

The product rules

Given $w = v^{\alpha,\beta}$, $\alpha, \beta > -1$, let $\{x_k\}_{k=1}^n$ the zeros of $p_n(w)$. The VP rule

$$\mathcal{H}^u f(t) \approx \int_{-1}^1 \frac{V_n^m(w, f, x)}{x-t} u(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_{n,k}^m(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx$$

$$\Phi_{n,k}^m(x) = \lambda_{n,k}(w) \sum_{j=0}^{n+m-1} \mu_n^m(j) p_j(w, x_k) p_j(w, x),$$

$\{\lambda_{n,k}(w)\}$ Christoffel numbers and $\mu_n^m(j) := 1, j=0: n-m, \mu_n^m(j) = \frac{n+m-j}{2m}, n-m+1: n+m-1$.

The main characteristic of $V_n^m(w, f)$ is the dependence on the additional degree-parameter $0 < m < n$. The error of the VP rule is

$$e_n^{VP}(f, t) = \mathcal{H}^u f(t) - \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\phi_{n,k}^m(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx.$$

Similarly, the L-rule on the same nodes is

$$\mathcal{H}^u f(t) \approx \int_{-1}^1 \frac{L_n(w, f, x)}{x-t} u(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\ell_{n,k}(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx,$$

$$\ell_{n,k}(x) = \lambda_{n,k}(w) \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} p_j(w, x_k) p_j(w, x),$$

and the error of the L-rule

$$e_n^L(f, t) = \mathcal{H}^u f(t) - \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) \int_{-1}^1 \frac{\ell_{n,k}(x)}{x-t} u(x) dx.$$

Error estimates: case $u = v^{\gamma,\delta}$, $\gamma, \delta \neq 0$

Let $u = \frac{u^+}{u^-}$, $u_1 := u_+(x) := v^{a_+, b_+}(x)$, $u_2 := u_-(x) := v^{a_-, b_-}(x)$, $c_+ := \max\{0, c\}$, $c_- := \max\{0, -c\}$. For $r > 0$, $f \in B_r(u_1) \subset C_{u_1}$,

$$B_r(u_1) = \left\{ f \in C_{u_1} : \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)^{r-1} E_n(f)_{u_1} < \infty \right\},$$

$$\|f\|_{B_r(u_1)} := \|fu_1\|_{\infty} + \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} (n+1)^{r-1} E_n(f)_{u_1},$$

for suitable choices of w , and for $m \sim n$,

$$|e_n^{VP}(f, t)|_{u_2(t)} \leq \mathcal{C} \left(|[f(t) - V_n^m(w, f, t)]u_1(t)| + \frac{\log n}{n^r} \|f\|_{B_r(u_1)} \right),$$

$$|e_n^L(f, t)|_{u_2(t)} \leq \mathcal{C} \left(|[f(t) - L_n(w, f, t)]u_1(t)| + \frac{\log^2 n}{n^r} \|f\|_{B_r(u_1)} \right),$$

Hence the convergence rate of both the rules depends on two components: the pointwise approximation that VP and Lagrange polynomials of f provide at the specific $t \in (-1, 1)$, and the degree of smoothness of f .

Example 1

$$\mathcal{H}^u f(t) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{f(x)}{x-t} \sqrt{1-x^2} dx, \quad (f \text{ in Fig.})$$

$$u_1 = v^{\frac{1}{2}, 0}, u_2 = v^{0, \frac{1}{2}} \text{ and } w = v^{-\frac{1}{2}, -\frac{1}{2}}.$$

t = 0.5				t = 0.8			
n	m	e_n^{VP}	e_n^L	n	m	e_n^{VP}	e_n^L
30	5	3.10e-02	3.10e-02	20	2	1.11e-02	1.27e-02
60	23	3.92e-03	3.92e-03	50	20	1.82e-04	9.12e-03
80	7	4.86e-02	4.31e-02	70	13	5.37e-05	6.01e-03
150	105	6.20e-06	6.20e-06	100	60	1.40e-04	1.42e-03
200	13	5.06e-04	4.19e-04	150	11	3.41e-06	3.82e-05
250	16	5.54e-05	6.67e-05	250	15	8.01e-09	3.11e-07
300	150	2.11e-10	2.11e-10	300	28	6.11e-10	1.94e-07

Indeed, for suitable choices of m , $V_n^m(w, f)$ strongly reduces the Gibbs phenomenon affecting $L_n(w, f)$ and provides a better pointwise approximation, as shown in Fig.1 (right)

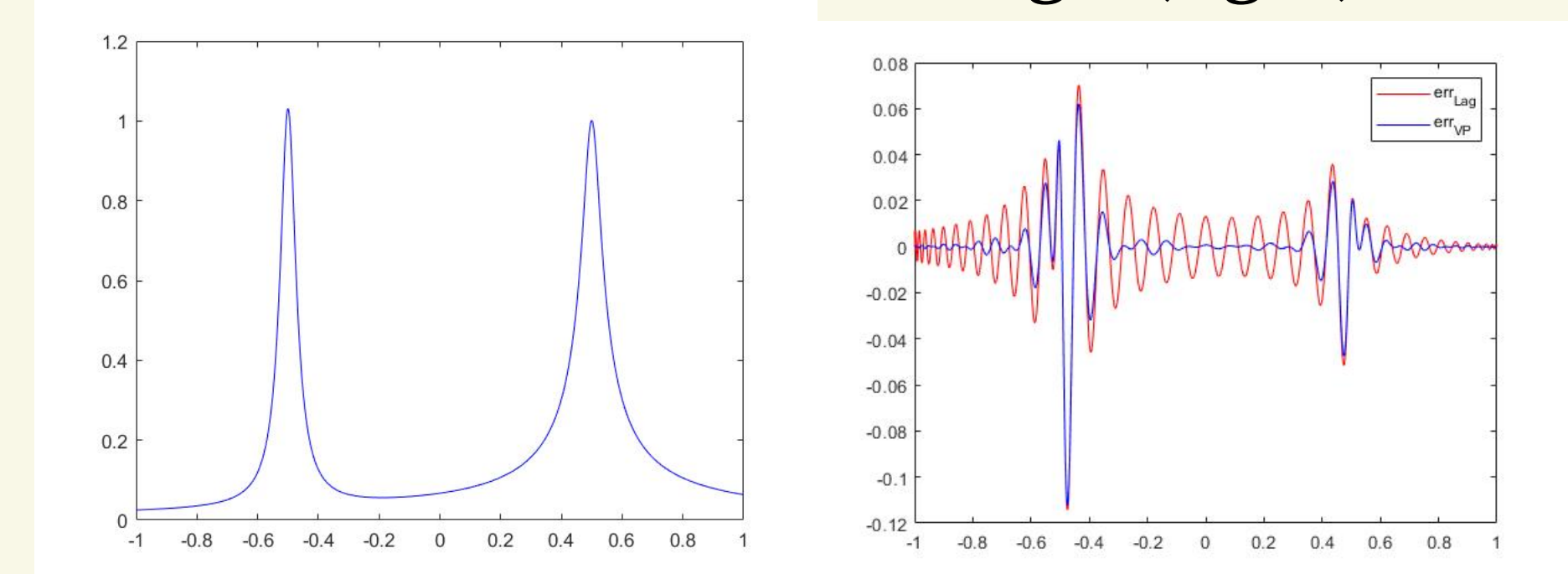
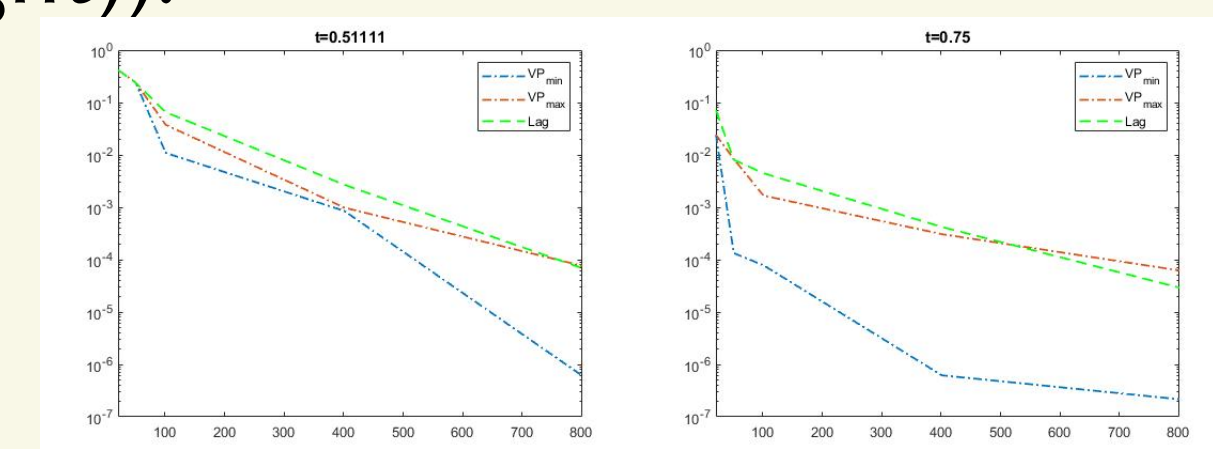


Figure 1: f (left), the errors $f(x) - L_n(w, f, x)$ and $f(x) - V_n^m(w, f, x)$, $n = 70, m = 13$ (right)

We show for increasing n the absolute errors (in log-scale) of VP-rules, for the “optimal” m (inducing the smallest error), for the “worst” m (inducing the largest error), for the L-rule ($t = 0.51111$ (left), $t = 0.75$ (right)).



The results by the VP-rule are globally better than those achieved by the L-rule, when the function f presents a quick variation in a localized range. As matter of fact, the parameter m can be used to reduce the quadrature error.

Example 2

$$\mathcal{H}^u(f, t) = \int_{-1}^1 \frac{|x|^{\frac{1}{7}}}{x-t} \sqrt{\frac{1-x}{1+x}} dx.$$

$$u = v^{\frac{1}{4}, -\frac{1}{4}}, w = u, u_1 = v^{\frac{1}{4}, 0}.$$

In this case, the function is very smooth, except a small interval around 0. In Fig.2 we show for a fixed t , the graphics of the errors in log-scale, for increasing values of n and for $m = \lfloor n\theta \rfloor$, $\theta \in \{0.3, 0.6, 0.9\}$. As we can see, all the sequences of the VP rule converge faster than the L-rule.

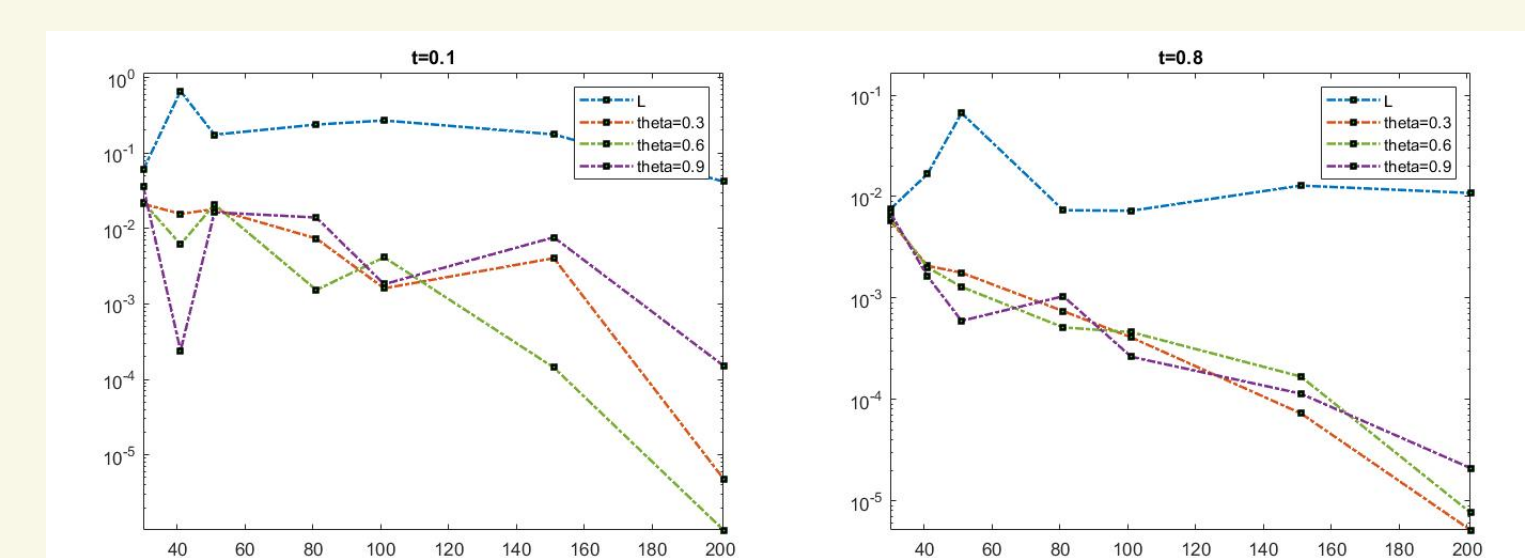


Figure 2: Absolute errors for $t = 0.1$ (left), $t = 0.8$ (right)