

LATTICES FOR MULTIPLE INTEGRATION

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1. INTRODUCTION

The subject of this paper is the numerical integration of smooth, periodic functions over the unit cube in s dimensions. In one dimension the problem reduces to

$$(1) \quad \int_0^1 f(x) dx ,$$

where f is a smooth, periodic function with period 1. In this situation the recommended method (see for example [3, p. 106]) is usually the trapezoidal rule, or equivalently the rectangle rule

$$(2) \quad \frac{1}{n} \sum_{j=0}^{n-1} f\left(\frac{j}{n}\right) .$$

The s -dimensional analogue of (1) is

$$(3) \quad \begin{aligned} I(f) &= \int_0^1 \dots \int_0^1 f(x_1, \dots, x_s) dx_1 \dots dx_s \\ &= \int_{U^s} f(\underline{x}) d\underline{x} , \end{aligned}$$

where U^s is the s -dimensional unit cube,

$$U^s = \{ \underline{x} \in \mathbb{R}^s : 0 \leq x_i < 1 , 1 \leq i \leq s \} .$$

We shall always assume that f is periodic with period 1 with respect