Subject: Re: 4/6-dimensionl numerical integration?
Posted by Craig Markwardt on Fri, 11 Oct 2002 18:48:41 GMT

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Arne Gennerich <agenner@gwdg.de> writes:
> Craig Markwardt wrote:
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>> Arne Gennerich <agenner@gwdg.de> writes:
>>> Hi Folks!
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>>> Who can provide me IDL-functions which can calculate 4- and
>>> 6-dimensional numerical integrals?
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>> Probably you will have to provide it for yourself. I have wanted to
>> make an extension to my QUADPACK integrator to support
>> multi-dimensional integrals, but haven't gotten around to it yet. If
>> your integration hypervolume is rectangular then it is pretty trivial.
>> However, when you get to high enough dimensions, you probably want to
>> use Monte Carlo, no?
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>> Craig
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> Thanks Craig for your answer! Probably the Monte Carlo Integration is a good
> suggestion. Is the random number generator RANDOMN usefull for this approach?
> Any experience?

I am satisfied with RANDOMN and RANDOMU, but I have not subjected it
to the torture tests that statisticians would. There have been
problems with non-randomness in those routines in the past.

Craig

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