DYNAMICAL CONTROL OF ACCURACY USING THE STOCHASTIC ARITHMETIC TO ESTIMATE DOUBLE AND IMPROPER INTEGRALS

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Abstract- The CESTAC (Control et Estimation STochastique des Arrondis de Calculs) method is based on a probabilistic approach of the round-off error propagation which replaces the floating-point arithmetic by the stochastic arithmetic. This is an efficient method to estimate the accuracy of the results. In this paper, we present the reliable schemes using the CESTAC method to estimate the definite double integral $I = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dy dx$ and the improper integral $I = \int_a^\infty f(x) dx$, where $a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{R}$, by applying the trapezoidal or Simpson's rule. For each kind of integrals, we prove a theorem to show the accuracy of the results. According to these theorems, one can find an optimal value number of the points which we can find the best approximation of I from the computer point of view. Also, we observe that by using the stochastic arithmetic, we are able to validate the results.

Key Words- Stochastic Arithmetic, CESTAC method, Simpson's and Trapezoidal rules, Double and Improper integrals .

1.INTRODUCTION

We can use the CESTAC method which is a method based on stochastic arithmetic [4-8,10], in order to evaluate a definite or an improper integral numerically. At first, we introduce the following definition which has been mentioned in [1,7].

Definition 1.1 Let *a* and *b* be two real numbers, the number of significant digits that are common to *a* and *b*, denoted by $C_{a,b}$, can be defined by,

1. for
$$a \neq b$$
,

$$C_{a,b} = \log_{10} \left| \frac{a+b}{2(a-b)} \right|,$$
(1)

2. for all real numbers a, $C_{a,a} = +\infty$.

One can use this definition in order to find the accuracy of the integration methods. In this case, we need the number of the exact significant digits of the computed result i. e. the number of the digits which are common between the computed and the exact values.

The CESTAC method which was developed by La Porte and Vignes [15] is based on a probabilistic approach of the round-off error propagation which replaces the floating-point arithmetic by a random arithmetic [15]. A good aspect of the method is parallel implementation. By using this method, N runs of the computer program take place in parallel. In this case, a new arithmetic called stochastic arithmetic is defined. The definitions and properties of the stochastic arithmetic have been explained in [11,12,15]. Also, some of the applications of this arithmetic have been presented in [2,3,4,5]. The basic idea of the CESTAC method [8,9,10] is to replace the usual floating-point arithmetic with a random arithmetic. Consequently, each result appears as a random variable.

In order to simultaneous implementation of the CESTAC method, one should substitute the stochastic arithmetic instead of the floating-point arithmetic. In this way one runs every arithmetical operation N times synchronously before running the next

operation.

This method is able to detect numerical instabilities which occur during the run and estimate accuracy of the computed results. During the run, as soon as the number of the significant digits of any result becomes zero, an informatical zero is detected and the result is printed by the notation @0.

Let *F* be the set of all the values representable in the computer. Thus, any real value *r* is represented in the form of $R \in F$ in the computer.

In the binary floating-point arithmetic with P mantissa bits, the rounding error stems from assignment operator is,

$$R = r - \varepsilon 2^{E-P} \alpha, \tag{2}$$

where, ε is the sign of r and $2^{-P}\alpha$ is the lost part of the mantissa due to round-off error and E is the binary exponent of the result. For a personal computer, in single precision case, P = 24 and in double precision case, P = 53. According to (2), in order to perturb the last mantissa bit of the value r then, it is sufficient that the value α is considered as a random variable uniformly distributed on [-1,1](perturbation method). Thus R, the calculated result, is a random variable and its precision depends on its mean (μ) and its standard deviation (σ).

The idea of CESTAC method is to consider that every result $R \in F$ of a floating-point operation corresponds to two informatical results, one rounded off from below (R^-) , the second rounded off from above (R^+) , each of them representing the exact arithmetical result r, with equal validity.

If a computer program is performed N times, the distribution of the results R_i , i = 1, ..., N, is quasi-Gaussian which their mean is equal to the exact real value r, that is E(R) = r, [10,15]. This N samples are used for estimating the values μ and σ . In practice, the samples R_i are obtained by perturbation of the last mantissa bit or previous bits (if necessary) of every result R, then the mean of random samples R_i ,

R, is considered as the result of an arithmetical operation. In the CESTAC method if $C_{\overline{R},r} \leq 0$, the informatical result R is insignificant and it means a numerical instability exists in its related line in the computer program.

The value N can be chosen any natural number like 2,3,5,7, but in order to avoid the execution time, usually N=3. In this case, the number of exact significant digits common to \overline{R} and to the exact value r can be estimated by [15],

$$C_{\overline{R},r} = \log \frac{|R|}{\sigma} - 0.39,\tag{3}$$

where, σ is the standard deviation of the samples R_i .

In the relation (3), if $C_{\overline{R},r} \leq 0$, there is an instability in the evaluated result. in this case,

R is called an informatical or stochastic zero and it is denoted by R = @0.

By using of stochastic arithmetic, sudden losses of accuracy ,numerical instabilities and the appearance of an insignificant result (stochastic zero) are detected.

In section 2, the evaluation of the definite double integral $I = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x, y) dy dx$ by using the double Simpson's rule is considered. For this purpose, we apply the CESTAC method and present an algorithm to find the optimal number of the step sizes h and k where $h = \frac{b-a}{N}$ and $k = \frac{d-c}{M}$, $M = 2^{m}$, $N = 2^{n}$, $m, n \in \mathbb{N}$, and validate the results. In this case, we present a theorem to show the accuracy of the evaluation the definite double integral I.

In section 3, the improper integral $I = \int_{a}^{\infty} f(x)dx$, where $a \in \mathbf{R}$, is considered. For this purpose, the Simpson's rule is applied. At first, a theorem is proved to show the accuracy of this rule in order to compute I. Then, the CESTAC method is used to present the algorithm and validate the results of the numerical example. In this case, an

optimal natural number *m* is obtained so that $I \cong I_m = \int f(x) dx$.

In each section, we compute a sample example to show the results of the research. The programs have been provided by Visual Fortran in double precision.

2. NUMERICAL ACCURACY OF EVALUATING A DOUBLE INTEGRAL

It has been proved in [7], one can use the stochastic arithmetic in order to estimate I by using the trapezoidal or Simpson's rule. This idea was developed generally for the Closed Newton-Cotes integration rules in [1]. If these rules are used to estimate I, if it exists, one can find the optimal number of the points, which minimizes the error. For this purpose, the stochastic arithmetic and the CESTAC method can be used to guarantee the number of the exact significant digits and to find the accuracy of these rules.

We can develop the mentioned method for estimating the definite double integral $I = \int_{a}^{b} \int_{c}^{d} f(x, y) dy dx$. In this case, we apply the double Simpson's rule [6], and present an algorithm to find the best approximation for I with optimal step sizes h and k. At first, we recall some preliminaries about numerical solution of a double integral and the

error of it. Then, we present a theorem to show the accuracy of the results and the algorithm of evaluating the double integral in the stochastic arithmetic.

 $I = \iint_{R} f(x, y) dy dx$ We consider the double Integral where, $I = \int_{a}^{b} g(x) dx$ $R = \{(x, y) \mid a \le x \le b, c \le y \le d, a, b, c, d \in \mathbf{R}\}.$ Let where, $g(x) = \int_{a}^{d} f(x, y) dy$. As mentioned in [6], in order to estimate I, at first, we apply the composite Simpson's rule over the interval [c,d], by step size $k = \frac{d-c}{M}$ and the points $y_i = c + jk, j = 0, 1, ..., M$ where, $M = 2^m, m \ge 1$, in order to estimate g. Then, the

composite Simpson's rule is employed over the interval [a,b], by the step size $h = \frac{b-a}{N}$ and the points $x_i = a + ih, i = 0, 1, ..., N$ where, $N = 2^n, n \ge 1$.

Let $I_{m,n}$ be the approximate solution of I computed using the composite Simpson's rule, then the error term is given by,

$$E_{m,n} = I_{m,n} - I = -\frac{(d-c)(b-a)}{180} [h^4 \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial x^4}(\eta_1, \mu_1) + k^4 \frac{\partial^4 f}{\partial y^4}(\eta_2, \mu_2)],$$
(4)

where, (η_1, μ_1) and $(\eta_2, \mu_2) \in R[6]$.

In order to propose the numerical accuracy of evaluating a double integral using the double Simpson's rule, at first the following proposition about the error term is proved.

Proposition 2.1 Let $f \in C^{6}[a,b] \times [c,d]$, then

$$E_{m,n} = -\frac{h^4}{180}(d-c)\left[\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(b,d) - \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(a,c)\right] - \frac{k^4}{180}(b-a)\left[\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(b,d) - \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(a,c)\right] + O(h^6 + k^6),$$
(5)
where, $\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(b,d) \neq \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(a,c)$ and $\frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(b,d) \neq \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(a,c).$
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$$E_{m,n} = \alpha h^4 \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(b,d) + \beta h^4 \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial x^3}(a,c) + \gamma k^4 \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(b,d) + \eta k^4 \frac{\partial^3 f}{\partial y^3}(a,c) + O(h^6 + k^6).$$

Now, we find the values α, β, γ and η such that this formula be exact for all polynomials with two variables and degree at most 4. For this purpose, from (4), we set the following system for $f(x, y) = x^3, x^4, y^3, y^4$.

$$6\alpha h^{4} + 6\beta h^{4} = 0,$$

$$6\gamma k^{4} + 6\eta k^{4} = 0,$$

$$24b\alpha h^{4} + 24a\beta h^{4} = \frac{-24h^{4}}{180}(d-c)(b-a),$$

$$24d\gamma k^{4} + 24c\eta k^{4} = \frac{-24k^{4}}{180}(d-c)(b-a).$$

After solving this system we obtain,

 $\alpha = -\beta = \frac{-1}{180}(d-c)$ and $\gamma = -\eta = \frac{-1}{180}(b-a)$. Also, we can easily show that this formula is exact for the polynomial of degree 5 like $f(x, y) = x^5$, y^5 . For this purpose, it is sufficient to apply the following relation for these polynomials.

$$\int_{-h}^{h} \int_{-k}^{k} f(x, y) dy dx + \frac{h^{4}}{180} (2k) \left[\frac{\partial^{3} f}{\partial x^{3}}(h, k) - \frac{\partial^{3} f}{\partial x^{3}}(-h, -k) \right] + \frac{k^{4}}{180} (2h) \left[\frac{\partial^{3} f}{\partial y^{3}}(h, k) - \frac{\partial^{3} f}{\partial y^{3}}(-h, -k) \right] = 0.$$

Consequently, the order of the error for this formula is $O(h^6 + k^6)$.

By using the definition 1.1 and proposition 2.1, the following theorem about the accuracy of the applied method to estimate I is proved

Theorem 2.1 Let $I_{m,n}$ be the approximate value of I computed using the composite Simpson's rule over R with $h = \frac{b-a}{2^n}$ and $k = \frac{d-c}{2^m}$ where, $m, n \ge 1$. If $f \in C^6[a,b] \times [c,d]$ then, $C_{I_{m,n},I_{m+1,n+1}} = C_{I_{m,n},I} + \log_{10}\frac{16}{15} + O(\frac{1}{16^n} + \frac{1}{16^m}).$ (6)

Proof According to (5), $I_{m,n} - I = C_1 \frac{(b-a)^4}{16^n} + C_2 \frac{(d-c)^4}{16^m} + O(\frac{1}{64^n} + \frac{1}{64^m})$ where,

 C_1 and C_2 are constants which are independent of h and k. Hence,

$$I_{m,n} - I_{m+1,n+1} = I_{m,n} - I - (I_{m+1,n+1} - I) = \frac{15}{16}(I_{m,n} - I) + O(\frac{1}{64^n} + \frac{1}{64^m}).$$
(7)

Furthermore,

$$\frac{I_{m,n} + I}{2(I_{m,n} - I)} = \frac{I_{m,n}}{I_{m,n} - I} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{I_{m,n}}{\frac{C_1}{16^n} + \frac{C_2}{16^m} + O(\frac{1}{64^n} + \frac{1}{64^m})} + O(1) = \frac{16^{n+m}I_{m,n}}{C_1^{'}16^m + C_2^{'}16^n} + O(1),$$
(8)

where,
$$C'_1 = C_1(b-a)^4$$
 and $C'_2 = C_2(d-c)^4$. On the other hand from (7),

$$\frac{I_{m,n} - I_{m+1,n+1}}{2(I_{m,n} - I_{m+1,n+1})} = \frac{I_{m,n}}{I_{m,n} - I_{m+1,n+1}} - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{I_{m,n}}{\frac{15}{16}(I_{m,n} - I) + O(\frac{1}{64^n} + \frac{1}{64^m})} + O(1) =$$

$$\frac{16}{15} \frac{I_{m,n}}{I_{m,n} - I} + O(1). \tag{9}$$

Consequently, from definition 1.1 and relation (8),

$$C_{I,I_{m,n}} = \log_{10} \left| \frac{16^{n+m} I_{m,n}}{C'_{1}16^{m} + C'_{2}16^{n}} \right| + O(\frac{16^{m} + 16^{n}}{16^{m+n}}),$$

therefore from (9),

$$C_{I_{m,n},I_{m+1,n+1}} = \log_{10} \left| \frac{16}{15} \frac{16^{n+m} I_{m,n}}{C'_{1} 16^{m} + C'_{2} 16^{n}} \right| + O(\frac{16^{m} + 16^{n}}{16^{m+n}}) = C_{I_{m,n},I} + \log_{10} \frac{16}{15} + O(\frac{1}{16^{n}} + \frac{1}{16^{m}}). \square$$

The relation (6) shows that the number of significant digits in common between $I_{m,n}$ and $I_{m+1,n+1}$, are also in common with the exact value of integral in companion with the term $\log_{10} \frac{16}{15}$. Since, $0 < \log_{10} \frac{16}{15} < 1$, if this term is neglected then, the significant bits in common between $I_{m,n}$ and $I_{m+1,n+1}$ are also in common with I up to less than 1 bit. Also, for *m* and *n* large enough, $O(\frac{1}{16^n} + \frac{1}{16^m}) < 1$.

The following algorithm evaluates the double integral $I = \int_a^b \int_c^d f(x, y) dy dx$ with

step sizes $h = \frac{b-a}{2^n}$ and $k = \frac{d-c}{2^m}$, $m, n \ge 1$, using the double Simpson's rule in the stochastic arithmetic.

- 1. Read *a*,*b*,*c*,*d*,*m*,*n*,
- 2. Set ssumhk $\leftarrow 0$,
- 3. Evaluate the approximate value of *I* by using the Simpson's rule in the stochastic arithmetic and call it *sumhk*,
- 4. If |*ssumhk-sumhk*|=@0 then write *sumhk,m,n* and stop else set *ssumhk* ← *sumhk*, *n* ← 2*n* and *m* ← 2*m* and go to step 3.

Now, we evaluate a double integral which is computed by the mentioned algorithm and show the accuracy of results.

Example 1 In this example, we consider the double integral $I = \int_{1.4}^{2} \int_{1}^{1.5} Ln(x+2y) dy dx$ [6]. The exact value of the integral is I = 0.42955452754827395. The results are shown in table 3. In this case, the optimal value of points are $N = 2^{10} = 1024$ and $N = 2^{9} = 512$ with approximate value 0.429554527548276.

Table 1								
(The results of the Example 1)								
	т	$I_{m,n}$	$err = I_{m,n} - I_{m+1,n+1} $	C_{err}				
n								
2	1	0.429552438679568						
3	2	0.429554393627392	1.954947823882650E-006	10.39				
4	3	0.429554519122406	1.254950141212537E-007	9.20				
5	4	0.429554527020773	7.898366738423590E-009	7.46				
6	5	0.429554527515293	4.945199065057674E-010	6.10				
7	6	0.429554527546214	3.092135806663047E-011	5.29				
8	7	0.429554527548147	1.932750256135781E-012	3.97				
9	8	0.429554527548268	1.205147093230607E-013	2.65				
10	9	0.429554527548276	8.123131796840729E-015	2.01				
11	10	0.429554527548276	@0	-0.845				

3. NUMERICAL ACCURACY OF EVALUATING AN IMPROPER INTEGRAL

In this section, a theorem is explained which is used in order to evaluate the improper integral $I = \int_{a}^{\infty} f(x)dx$, if it exists, one can find a natural number *m* such that $I \cong I_{m} = \int_{a}^{m} f(x)dx$. In this case, I_{m} is a definite integral and as we explained in section 3, we can use the stochastic arithmetic in order to compute it and find the optimal number of the points n_{opt}^{m} to find a satisfactory approximation for I_{m} . In this case, if *m* is large enough then $I = I_{m} + O(\varepsilon_{m})$ where, $\lim_{m \to \infty} \varepsilon_{m} = 0$.

Now, let $I_{m,n}$ be the approximate value of I_m computed using the trapezoidal rule with step size $h = \frac{m-a}{2^n}$ then, as it has been mentioned in [1,7], the error term can be written as follows,

$$I_{m,n} - I_m = \frac{h^2}{12} (f'(m) - f'(a)) + O(h^4).$$
⁽¹⁰⁾

Theorem 3.1 Let $f \in C^4[a,m]$ and $I_{m,n}$ be the approximate value of I_m computed using the trapezoidal rule with step size $h = \frac{m-a}{2^n}$ where, $I - I_m = O(\varepsilon_m)$. Also, let $k_m = f'(m) - f'(a)$, $n = n_{opt}^m$ and $n' = n_{opt}^{2m}$ be the optimal number of the points in the intervals [a,m] and [a,2m] respectively in the stochastic arithmetic. If for m large enough, $0 \le \left| \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \right| <<1$, $n' \ge n+1$ and $h^4 < \varepsilon_m$ then, $C_{m,n} = C_{m,n} = \log_m \left| 1 - \frac{k_{2m}}{2m} - \frac{1}{2m} \right| + O(\frac{\varepsilon_m}{2m})$ (11)

$$C_{I_{m,n},I_{2m,n'}} = C_{I_{m,n},I} - \log_{10} \left| 1 - \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \frac{1}{4^{n'-n-1}} \right| + O(\frac{\varepsilon_m}{m^2}).$$
(11)

Proof According to (10), $I_{m,n} - I_m = k_m \frac{(m-a)^2}{12 \times 4^n} + O(\frac{m^4}{16^n})$ and

 $I_{2m,n} - I_{2m} = k_{2m} \frac{(2m-a)^2}{12 \times 4^n} + O(\frac{(2m)^4}{16^{n'}}).$ So, from the hypothesis, for *m* large enough we have,

$$\frac{I_{2m,n'}-I}{I_{m,n}-I} = \frac{I_{2m,n'}-I_{2m}-(I-I_{2m})}{I_{m,n}-I_m-(I-I_m)} = \frac{k_{2m}\frac{(2m-a)^2}{12\times 4^{n'}} + O(\varepsilon_{2m})}{k_m\frac{(m-a)^2}{12\times 4^n} + O(\varepsilon_m)} =$$

$$\frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \frac{(2m-a)^2}{4^{n'}} \frac{(1+O(\frac{\varepsilon_{2m}}{m^2}))}{k_m} = \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \cdot \frac{1}{4^{n'-n-1}} + O(\frac{\varepsilon_m}{m^2}).$$
(12)

By using the definition 1.1,

$$C_{I_{m,n},I_{2m,n'}} - C_{I_{m,n},I} = \log_{10} \left| \frac{I_{m,n} + I_{2m,n'}}{I_{m,n} + I} \right| + \log_{10} \left| \frac{I_{m,n} - I}{I_{m,n} - I_{2m,n'}} \right|.$$

Since, for *m* large enough, $I_{m,n} \cong I_m \cong I$, the first term of the above relation is almost zero. Furthermore, from (12), the second term of this relation is

$$\log_{10} \left| \frac{I_{m,n} - I}{I_{m,n} - I_{2m,n'}} \right| = -\log_{10} \left| 1 - \frac{I_{2m,n'} - I}{I_{m,n} - I} \right| = -\log_{10} \left| 1 - \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \frac{1}{4^{n' - n - 1}} \right| + O(\frac{\varepsilon_m}{m^2}).$$

Consequently,

$$C_{I_{m,n},I_{2m,n'}} = C_{I_{m,n},I} - \log_{10} |1 - \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \frac{1}{4^{n'-n-1}} | + O(\frac{\varepsilon_m}{m^2}). \quad \Box$$

According to (11), the number of the common significant digits between $I_{m,n}$ and $I_{2m,n'}$ are almost equal to the number of the common significant digits between $I_{m,n}$ and the exact value of I in company with the term $\log_{10} |1 - \frac{k_{2m}}{k_m} \frac{1}{4^{n'-n-1}}|$ which is a small value as m increases. Thus, one can say, when $I_{2m,n'} - I_{m,n}$ has not any significant digits, $I_{m,n}$ is an approximation of I which minimizes the error, and m is the local optimal number which after this number the computations are useless. Also, since ε_m tends to zero when m increases, the last term in (11) is negligible.

We can present the similar discussion for the Simpson's rule. In this case, the following relation is proved.

$$C_{I_{m,n},I_{2m,n'}} = C_{I_{m,n},I} - \log_{10} \left| 1 - \frac{k'_{2m}}{k'_{m}} \frac{1}{16^{n'-n-1}} \right| + O(\frac{\varepsilon_{m}}{m^{4}}),$$
(13)

where, $f \in C^{6}[a,m]$ and $I_{m,n}$ be the approximate value of I_{m} computed using the k'_{n}

Simpson's rule and $k_m = f^{(3)}(m) - f^{(3)}(a)$. Also, for *m* large enough, $0 \le \left| \frac{k'_{2m}}{k'_m} \right| << 1$,

 $n' \ge n+1$ and $h^6 < \varepsilon_m$.

We note that, the optimal number of *m* must be the same value for both of the rules but, from (13), the Simpson's rule is faster than and the approximate value of $I_{m,n}$ is more accurate than the trapezoidal rule.

In table 2, we present the results of the example 2 by applying the trapezoidal and Simpson's rules. As we observe, the optimal number of m is the same value for both of rules and in other words it is independent from the rule which is applied.

Example 2 In this example, the improper integral $I = \int_0^\infty \frac{\cos x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx =$

5.778636748954609E-001 is computed [13]. In this case, $I_m = \int_0^m \frac{\cos x}{(1+x^2)^2} dx$. Hence,

 $|I - I_m| \le \int_m^\infty |\frac{\cos x}{(1 + x^2)^2}| dx \le \int_m^\infty \frac{1}{x^4} dx = \frac{1}{3m^3}$. So, we can easily see that the conditions

of the theorem 3.1 are satisfied. According to the table 2, we conclude that, the approximate value for *I* using the trapezoidal rule is 5.778636748954596E-001 and using the Simpson's rule is 5.778636748954605e-001 with the same optimal value m=16384.

Table 2								
(Comparison of the Trapezoidal and Simpson's rules in example 2)								
а	т	I_{m,n_{opt}^m}		I_{m,n_{opt}^m}	$ I_{m,n_{opt}^m} - I $			
		(Trapezoidal rule)	m, n_{opt}^m	(Simpson's rule)				
0	4	5.773796170835173E-01	4.841E-04	5.773796170835182E-01	4.841E-004			
4	8	5.780633615009729E-01	1.997E-04	5.780633615009730E-01	1.997E-004			
8	16	5.778628705878691E-01	8.043E-07	5.778628705878700E-01	8.043E-007			
16	32	5.778640935095556E-01	4.186E-07	5.778640935095565E-01	4.186E-007			
32	64	5.778637279935450E-01	5.310E-08	5.778637279935458E-01	5.310E-008			
64	128	5.778636776584387E-01	2.763E-09	5.778636776584395E-01	2.763E-009			
128	256	5.778636746630362E-01	2.324E-09	5.778636746630371E-01	2.324E-010			
256	512	5.778636748967301E-01	1.269E-12	5.778636748967309E-01	1.270E-012			
512	1024	5.778636748953120E-01	1.489E-13	5.778636748953129E-01	1.480E-013			
1024	2048	5.778636748954418E-01	1.910E-14	5.778636748954426E-01	1.832E-014			
2048	4096	5.778636748954575E-01	3.331E-15	5.778636748954584E-01	2.442E-015			
4096	8192	5.778636748954594E-01	1.443E-15	5.778636748954603E-01	5.551E-016			
8192	16384	5.778636748954596E-01	1.221E-15	5.778636748954605E-01	3.331E-016			
16384	32768	5.778636748954596E-01	@0	5.778636748954605E-01	@0			

4. CONCLUDING REMARKS

The numerical solution of a definite integral is an important matter in integration discussions. In this paper, we observe that by using the CESTAC method based on the stochastic arithmetic, one can use the numerical integration rules to approximate a definite or improper integral and validate the result step by step.

According to the theorems, one can find an optimal value of the points so that the computed result is the best approximation from the computer point of view.

We have shown that, it is possible during the run of the code of the integration rules, to determine the optimal number of the points, to correctly stop the process, and to estimate the accuracy of the computed result using the mentioned integration rules.

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