

**Math 250a (Fall '07) - Homework 11 extra problem**

1. This problem is about the definite integral

$$\int_0^1 x e^{-x^2} dx$$

- (a) Find the exact value of this integral.
- (b) Use the program to compute the LEFT approximation for  $N = 10, 20$  and 40. Find the error in each of the three cases.
- (c) Use extrapolation with  $N = 10, 20$  to find a better approximation and compute its error. Now use extrapolation with  $N = 20, 40$  and find its error. What do you think is the order of the extrapolation method using the LEFT rule?
- (d) Repeat (b) and (c) using the trapezoid rule instead of LEFT. What is the order now?