

# Developing an error bound for Simpson's rule

- Expand  $f$  at  $m$ , using third Taylor's polynomial
- There exists some  $\xi(x) \in [a, b]$  such that
- $f(x) =$ 
$$f(m) + f'(m)(x - m) + \frac{1}{2}f''(m)(x - m)^2 + \frac{1}{6}f'''(m)(x - m)^3 + \frac{1}{24}f^{(4)}(\xi(x))(x - m)^4$$
- Integrate both sides over  $[a, b]$

$$I = f(m)(b - a) + G(x) + H(x)$$

Where

$$G(x) = \left[ \frac{f'(m)(x-m)^2}{2} + \frac{f''(m)(x-m)^3}{6} + \frac{f'''(m)(x-m)^4}{24} \right]_a^b$$

$$H(x) = \frac{1}{24} \int_a^b f^{(4)}(\vartheta(x))(x - m)^4 dx$$

Recall:  $I = f(m)(b - a) + G(x) + H(x)$

$(b-m) = (b-a)/2 = h$  and  $(a-m) = (a-b)/2 = -h$ .

$$\begin{aligned} G(x) &= \left[ \frac{f'(m)(x-m)^2}{2} + \frac{f''(m)(x-m)^3}{6} + \frac{f'''(m)(x-m)^4}{24} \right]_a^b \\ &= \frac{f'(m)}{2} ((b-m)^2 - (a-m)^2) \\ &\quad + \frac{f''(m)}{6} ((b-m)^3 - (a-m)^3) \\ &\quad + \frac{f'''(m)}{24} ((b-m)^4 - (a-m)^4) \\ &= \frac{f''(m)}{6} ((b-m)^3 - (a-m)^3) \\ &= \frac{f''(m)}{6} (2h^3) = \frac{f''(m)}{3} h^3 \end{aligned}$$

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*By the MVT for Integrals,  $\exists \gamma_s \in [a, b]$  s. t.*

$$H(x) = \frac{f^{(4)}(\gamma_s)}{24} \int_a^b (x - m)^4 dx$$

$$= \frac{f^{(4)}(\gamma_s)}{24} \frac{1}{5} ((b - m)^5 - (a - m)^5)$$

$$= \frac{f^{(4)}(\gamma_s)}{120} (h^5 - (-h)^5)$$

$$= \frac{f^{(4)}(\gamma_s)}{60} (h^5)$$

$$I = 2hf(m) + \frac{h^3}{3} f''(m) + \frac{h^5}{60} f^{(4)}(\gamma_S)$$

*It can be shown, using*

- *Taylor's expansion for  $f(a)=f(m-h)$  and  $f(b)=f(m+h)$ , and the IVT for a continuous  $f^{(4)}$  over  $[a,b]$ , that there exists  $\rho_S$  in  $[a,b]$  that*

$$f''(m) = \frac{1}{h^2} [f(a) - 2f(m) + f(b)] - \frac{h^2}{12} f^{(4)}(\rho_S)$$

*Substituting this into  $I$  above, leads to*

$$I = \frac{h}{3}[f(a) + 4f(m) + f(b)] - \frac{h^5}{12} \left( \frac{f^{(4)}(\rho_S)}{3} - \frac{f^{(4)}(\gamma_S)}{5} \right)$$

*Replacing  $\rho_S$  and  $\gamma_S$  with a common value  $\alpha$  in  $[a,b]$ :*

$$I = \hat{I}_2 - \frac{h^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\alpha)$$

*So,*

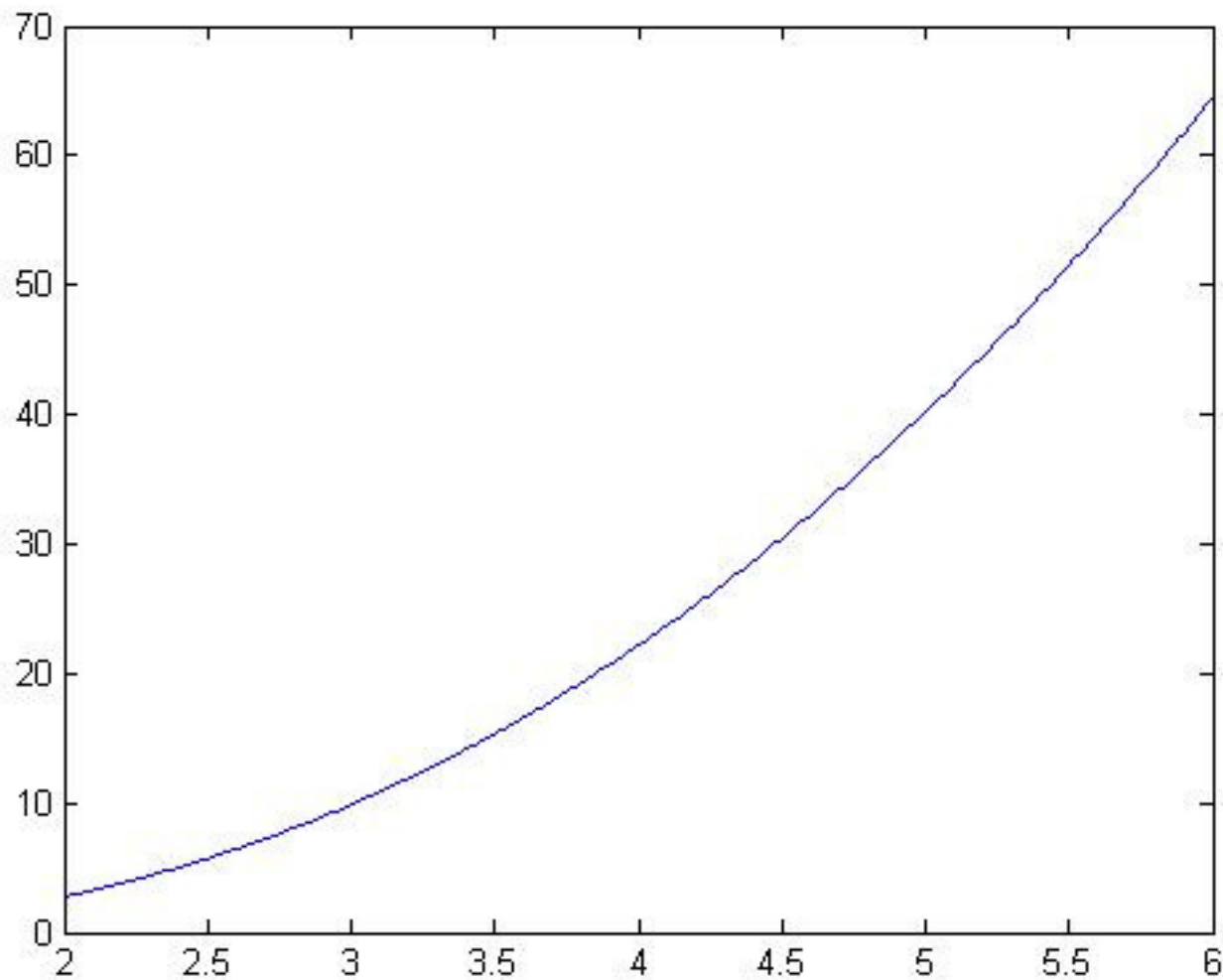
$$|E(f_S)| = |I - \hat{I}_2| = \frac{h^5}{90} |f^{(4)}(\alpha)|$$

*Note that the approximation is exact for all polynomials of degree  $\leq 3$ .*

Method	Formula for $\hat{I}$	Error	Precision
Mid-point	$(b - a)f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right)$	$\frac{(b-a)^3}{24} f''(\xi_M)$	1
Trapezoid	$\frac{(b - a)}{2} [f(a) + f(b)]$	$-\frac{(b-a)^3}{12} f''(\xi_T)$	1
Simpson	$\frac{(b - a)}{6} \left[ f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a + b}{2}\right) + f(b) \right]$	$-\frac{(b-a)^5}{2880} f^{(4)}(\xi_S)$	3

Precision: degree of polynomials for which error is 0.

Exercise: Approximate  $\int_2^6 x^2 \ln x \, dx$





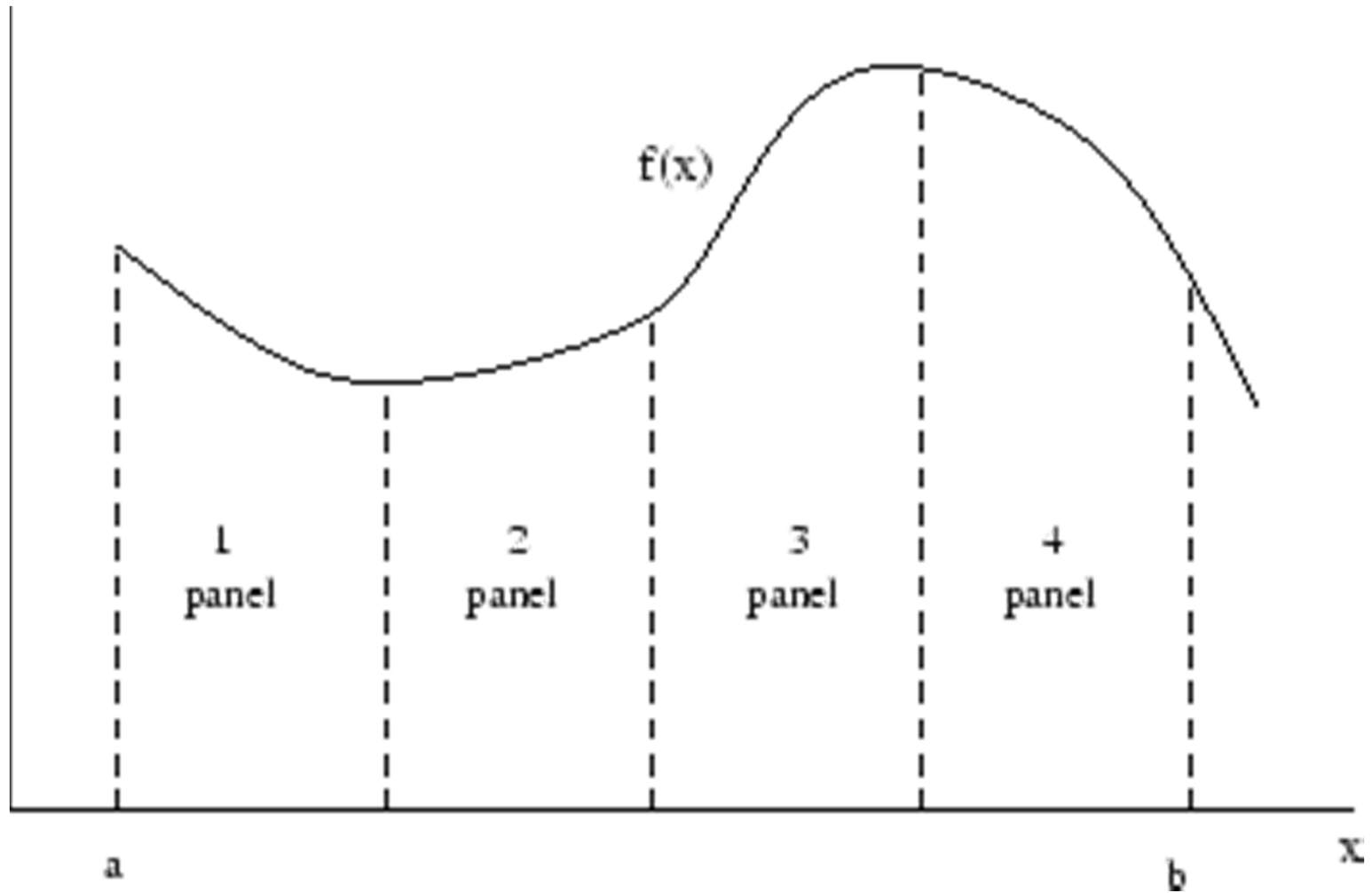
Method	Formula for $\hat{I}$	Error = Actual – Estimate
Midpoint	$4f(4)$ $=4*22.1807$ $=$	
Trapezoid	$\frac{4}{2}[f(2) + f(6)]$ $=2(2.7726 + 64.5033)$ $=$	
Simpson	$\frac{4}{6}[f(2) + 4f(4) + f(6)]$ $=2/3(2.7726+4*22.7228+64.5033)/3$ $=$	

$$\text{Exact answer} = \left( \frac{x^3(3 \ln(x) - 1)}{9} \right) \Big|_2^6 =$$

# Composite Rules

- Divide the interval into  $n$  equal pieces
- $h = (b - a)/n$
- Set  $x_0 = a, x_n = b,$
- $x_k = a + hk$  for  $k = 0:n$
- $I = \int_a^b f(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^n \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} I_i$
- Each of the formulas can be used in this manner

# Composite Midterm Rule



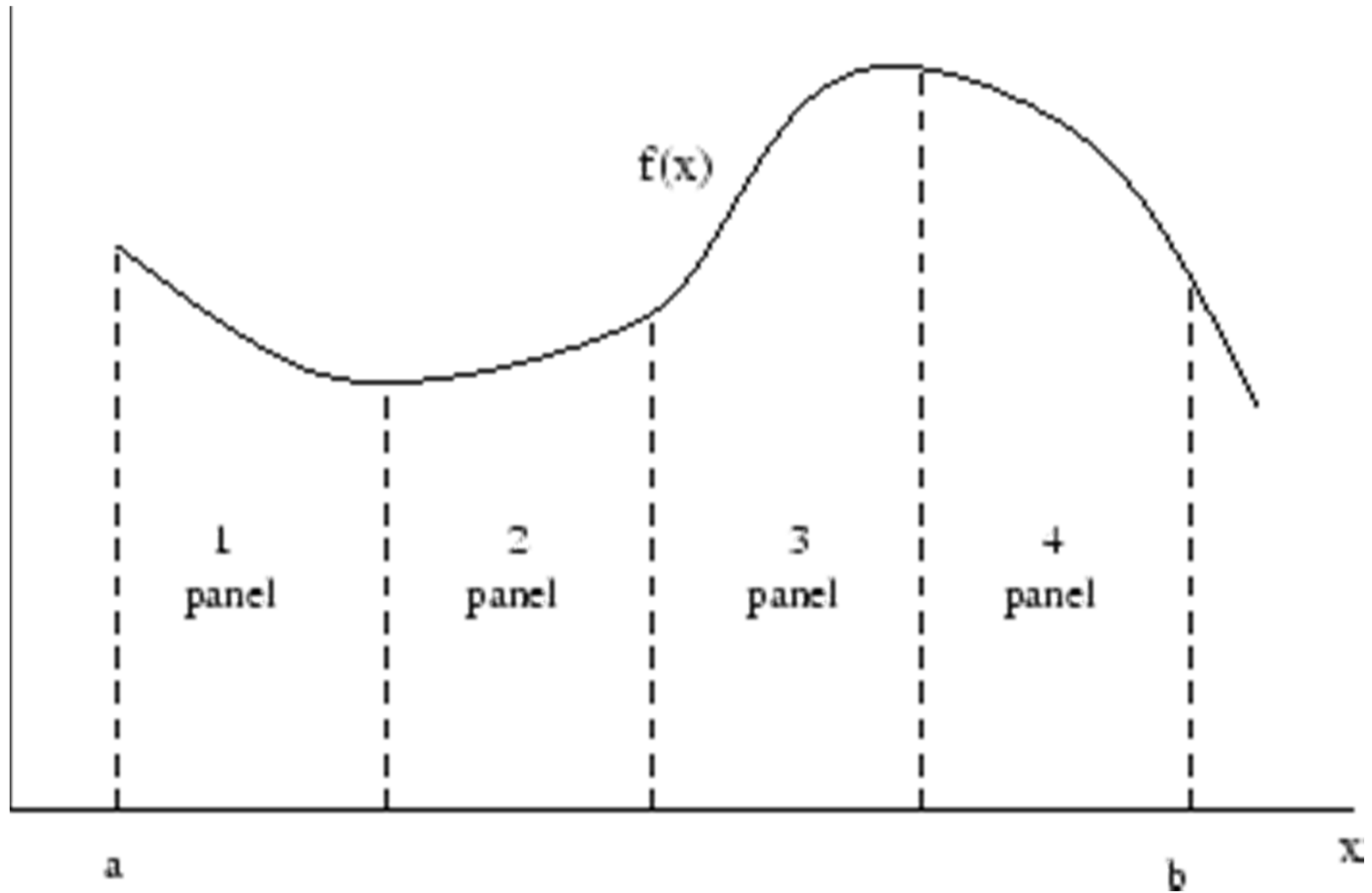
$$I = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_{x_i}^{x_{i+1}} f(x) dx$$

$$I = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (x_{i+1} - x_i) f\left(\frac{x_i + x_{i+1}}{2}\right) + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^3}{24} f''(\gamma_i)$$

$$I = \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \widehat{I}_{0,i} + \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \frac{(x_{i+1} - x_i)^3}{24} f''(\gamma_i)$$

Determine a bound on the global truncation error using the local truncation errors:  $|I - \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \widehat{I}_{0,i}|$

# Composite Trapezoid Rule



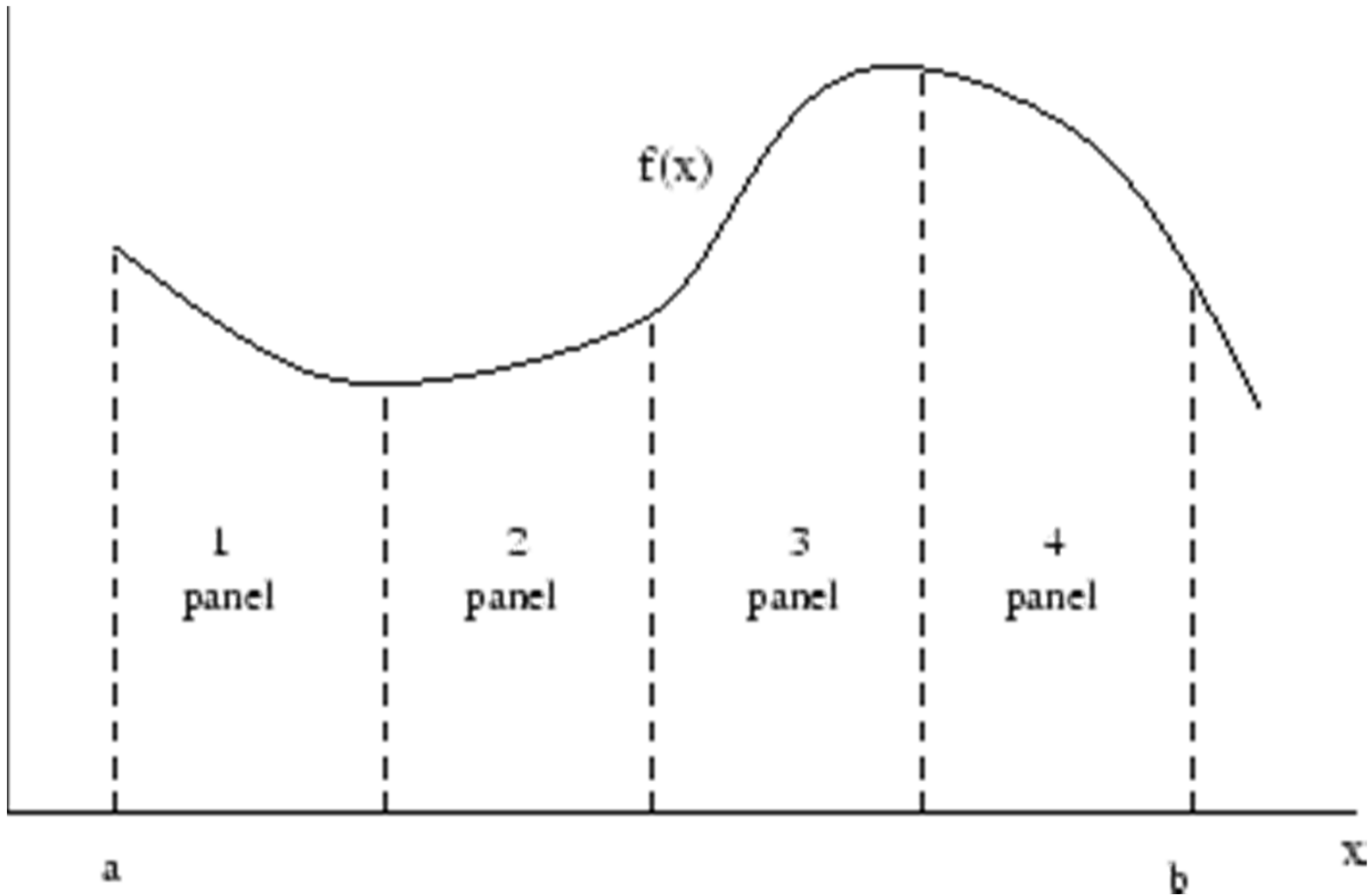
# Formula and Global Truncation Error

## Composite Trapezoid Rule

- Using same approach as for Composite Midpoint Rule, can show Global Truncation error is  $O(h^2)$ .
- Formula:

$$\frac{h}{2} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (f(x_i) + f(x_{i+1}))$$
$$= \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \cdots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n))$$

# Composite Simpson's Rule



# Formula and Global Truncation Error Composite Simpson's Rule

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- Formula:

$$\begin{aligned} & \frac{h}{6} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} (f(x_i) + 4f(m_i) + f(x_{i+1})) \\ &= \frac{h}{6} (f(x_0) + 4f(m_0) + 2f(x_1) + 4f(m_1) + 2f(x_2) \\ & \quad + \dots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + 4f(m_{n-1}) + f(x_n)) \end{aligned}$$