

Pasos para obtener la Regla del trapecio simple

$$I = \int_a^b f(x)dx \rightarrow f(x) \approx p_1(x) = \frac{x-b}{a-b}f(a) + \frac{x-a}{b-a}f(b)$$

$$\forall x \in [a, b]$$

$$\begin{aligned} I = \int_a^b f(x)dx &\approx \int_a^b p_1(x)dx = \int_a^b \frac{x-b}{a-b}f(a) + \frac{x-a}{b-a}f(b)dx \\ &= \frac{f(a)}{a-b} \int_a^b (x-b)dx + \frac{f(b)}{b-a} \int_a^b (x-a)dx \\ &= \frac{f(a)}{a-b} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - bx \right)_a^b + \frac{f(b)}{b-a} \left(\frac{x^2}{2} - ax \right)_a^b \\ &= \left(\frac{f(a)}{a-b} \left(\frac{b^2}{2} - b^2 \right) - \left(\frac{a^2}{2} - ba \right) \right) + \frac{f(b)}{b-a} \left(\left(\frac{b^2}{2} - ab \right) - \left(\frac{a^2}{2} - a^2 \right) \right) \\ &= \left(\frac{f(a)}{a-b} \left(-\frac{b^2}{2} - \frac{a^2}{2} + ba \right) + \frac{f(b)}{b-a} \left(\frac{b^2}{2} + \frac{a^2}{2} - ba \right) \right) \\ &= \frac{f(a)}{a-b} \left(-\frac{1}{2} \right) (a-b)^2 + \frac{f(b)}{b-a} \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) (b-a)^2 \\ &= f(a)(a-b) \left(\frac{-1}{2} \right) + f(b)(b-a) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) = (b-a) \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) (f(a) + f(b)) \\ &= \frac{b-a}{2} (f(a) + f(b)) \end{aligned}$$