

# Numerical Quadrature: Ch. 6

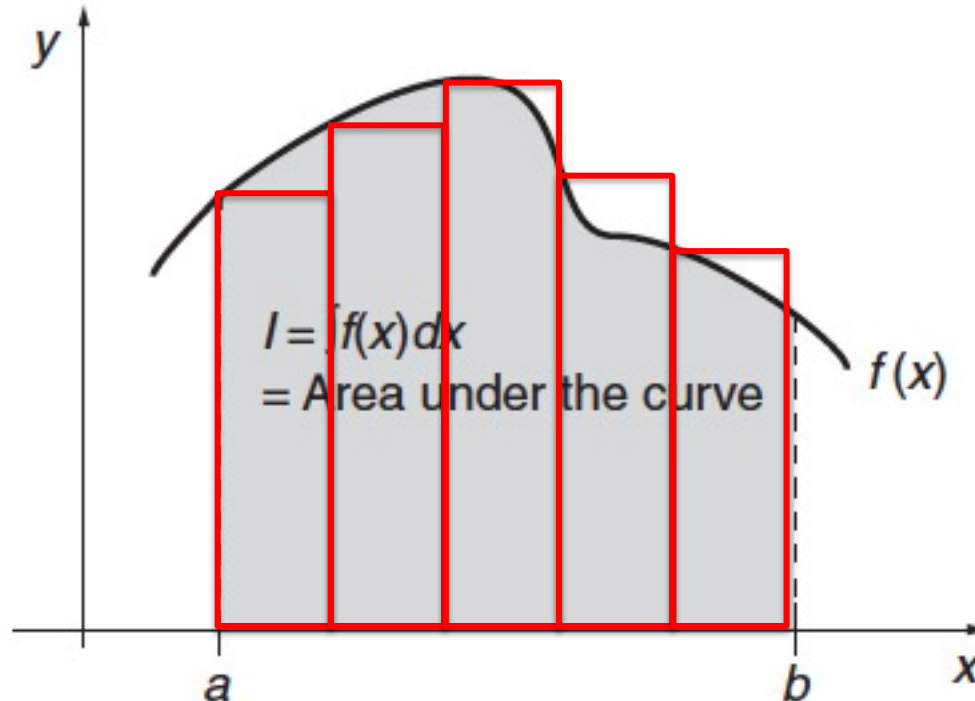
- We now look at two related topics: quadrature and integration.
- Quadrature: evaluation of integral of a known function over a specified domain.
- Integration: integration of a set of differential equations.
- Let's look at quadrature first. We want to solve:

$$I = g(x) = \int_a^b g'(x)dx = \int_a^b f(x)dx,$$

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- How do we do this? We evaluate  $f(x)$  at several points in the domain  $[a,b]$  and combine them to estimate  $I$ .
- Thus:

Graphical interpretation of the process of integration.



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- We sum the area of the rectangles as an estimate of  $I$ :

$$I = \sum_{i=1}^n w_i f(x_i) + R_n$$

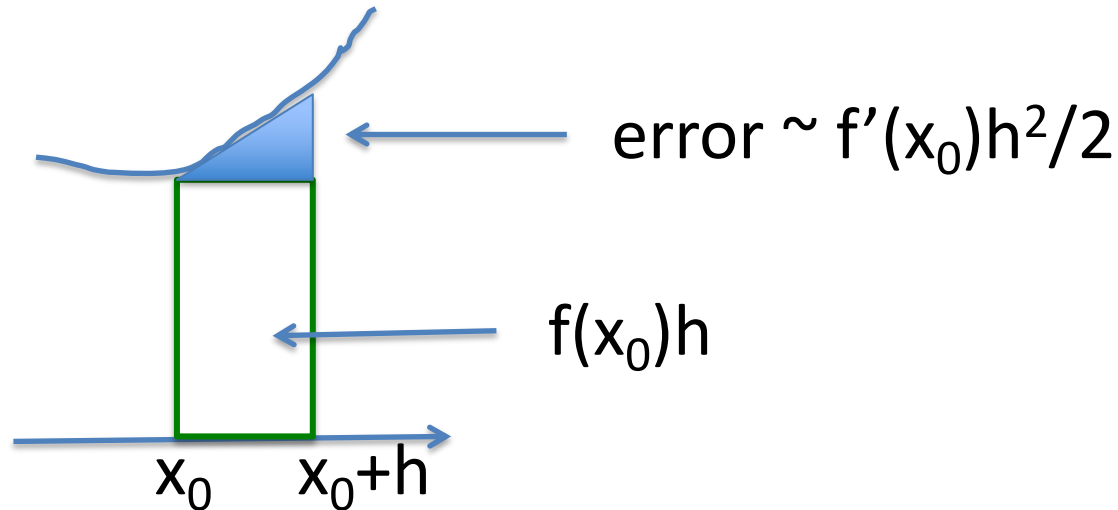
$w_i$  = weights,  $x_i$  = nodes,  $R_n$  = error in expansion

- In this case, with  $n$  panels, we have:

$$w_i = (b - a)/n, \quad x_i = a + (b - a)/n * (i - 1)$$

- What is  $R_n$ ? We make some error in each interval...

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- Thus, in each panel the error is  $O(f'h^2/2)$
- The number of panels is  $n = (b - a)/h$   
h: panel width
- Thus the total error is:  $O(f'h(b - a))$

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- So the rule is of order  $h^{(1)}$

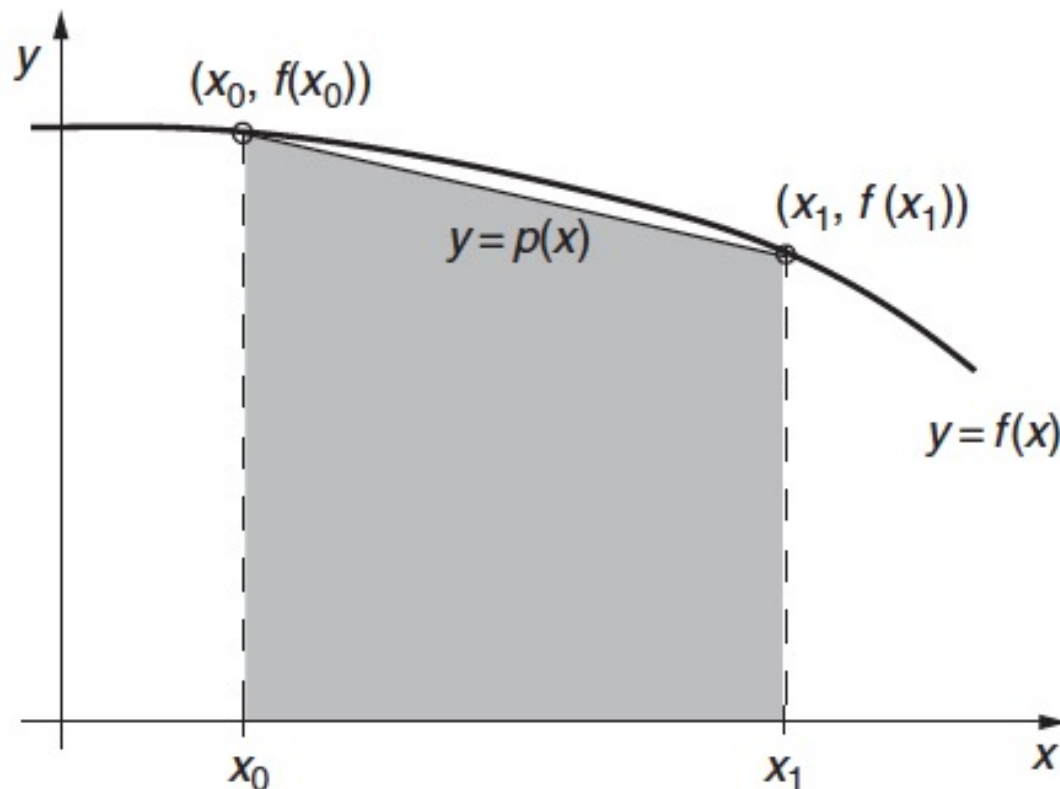
$$R_n = O((b - a)^2/n * f')$$

- If  $f' = 0$  ( $f = \text{constant}$ ) then the rule is exact ( $R_n=0$ )
- We call a quadrature rule of polynomial degree  $d$  if it gets all polynomials of degree  $d$  exactly, but makes errors in polynomials of degree  $(d+1)$ .
- This rule was of degree zero.

# Trapezoidal Rule

- What other rules are there? How about the trapezoidal rule?

The trapezoidal rule for numerical integration. The shaded area is a trapezoid.



# Trapezoidal Rule

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + f(x_1)).$$

- What is the error?
- We are approximating  $f(x)$  with a line from  $f(x_0)$  to  $f(x_0+h)$ . The error in this is proportional to the curvature, or  $f''$  !
- $\text{error} \sim O(h^3 f'')$
- We require  $h^3$  for dimensions to work out.

# Trapezoidal Rule

- Since the number of intervals is again:

$$n = (b - a)/h$$

- We get for the total error:

$$R_n = O((b - a)^3/n^2 f'') = O((b - a)h^2 f'')$$

$$\text{with } w_i = (b - a)/n * \begin{cases} 1/2 & i = 0, n \\ 1 & 1 \leq i \leq n - 1 \end{cases}$$

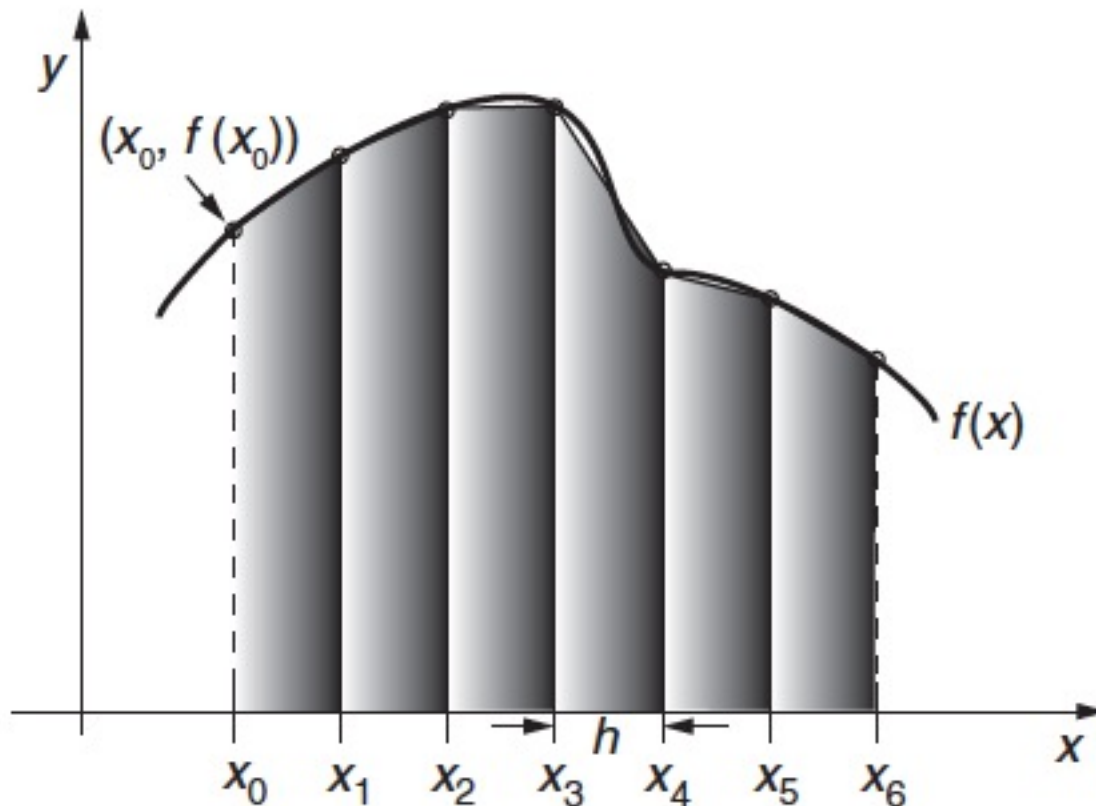
$$x_i = a + (b - a)/n * i$$



# Trapezoidal Rule

- The trapezoidal rule is of polynomial degree 1 because it gets lines correct but makes errors on quadratic functions.

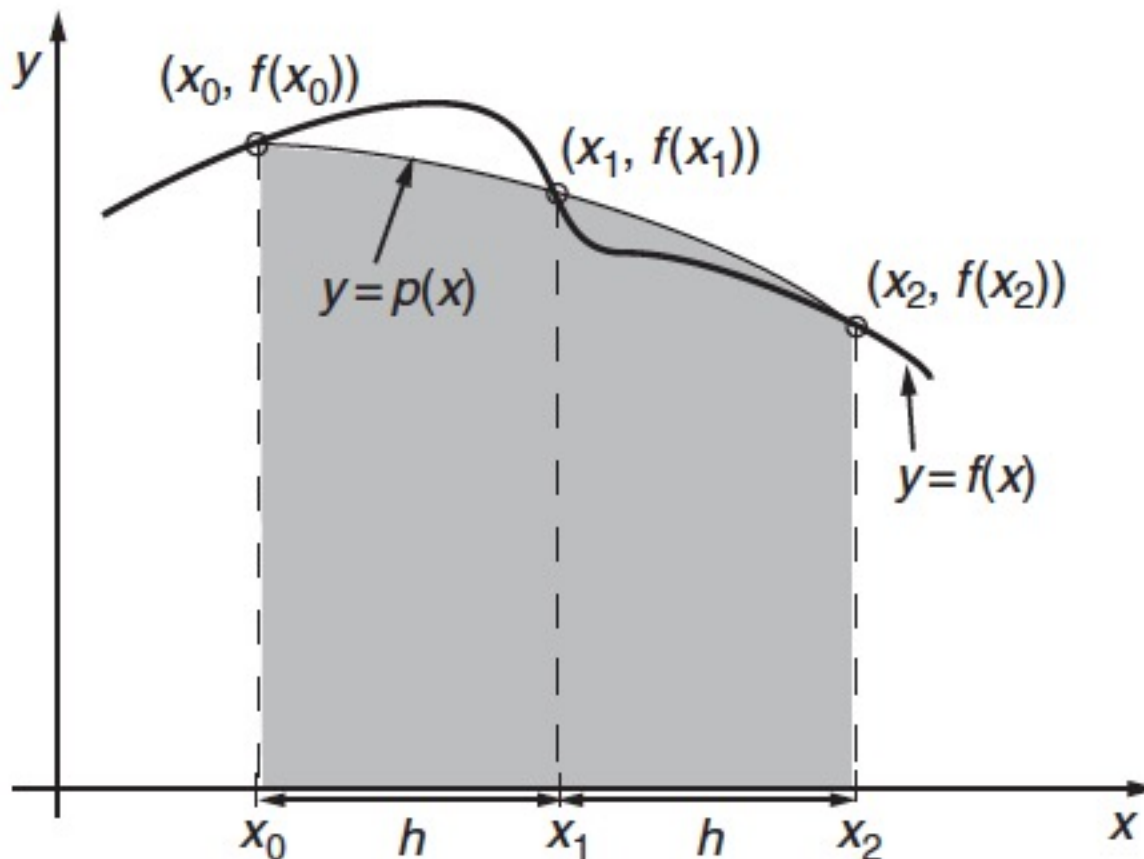
The composite trapezoidal rule. The six shaded areas each have the shape of a trapezoid.



# Simpson's Rule

- We can do better using Simpson's (1/3) Rule:

Graphical description of Simpson's 1/3 rule.



- We take a pair of panels with three function evaluations.
- We fit a parabola through these three points...

# Simpson's Rule

$$\begin{aligned} Q(x) = & f(x_0 - h)(x - x_0)(x - x_0 - h)/(2h^2) \\ & + f(x_0)(x - x_0 - h)(x - x_0 + h)/(-h^2) \\ & + f(x_0 + h)(x - x_0 + h)(x - x_0)/(2h^2) \end{aligned}$$

- So we integrate  $Q(x)$  over  $x_0 - h$  to  $x_0 + h$  to get the quadrature rule.
- $I \sim f(x_0 - h)w_1 + f(x_0)w_2 + f(x_0 + h)w_3$   
where  $w_1 = w_3 = h/3$   $w_2 = 4h/3$

# Simpson's Rule

- Thus, in general,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{3} \left( f(x_0) + 2 \sum_{i=1}^{(n/2)-1} f(x_{2i}) + 4 \sum_{i=1}^{n/2} f(x_{2i-1}) + f(x_n) \right).$$

- The error is:

$$E = -\frac{h^4(b-a)}{180} \overline{f^{(4)}},$$

- So Simpson's rule is of polynomial degree 3.
- It gets cubics right even though we fit it with a parabola. This occurs because of the symmetry of the rule.

# Simpson's Rule

OK, let's try this rule out:

$$\int_0^2 x^3 dx = \frac{1}{4}(2^4 - 0) = \frac{16}{4} = 4$$

We use a 2 panel approximation:

$$I \approx \frac{2-0}{6}(f(0) + 4f(1) + f(2)) = \frac{24}{6} = 4 \quad \text{no error}$$

This is because Simpson's rule gets all cubics exactly!

$$f^{IV}(x) = 0$$

Now let's try integrating  $x^4$ :

$$\int_0^2 x^4 dx = \frac{1}{5}(2^5 - 0) = \frac{32}{5} = 6.4$$

So:

$$I \approx \frac{2-0}{6}(f(0) + 4f(1) + f(2)) = \frac{40}{6} = 6.67$$

The error is thus  $0.266... = \frac{4}{15}$

Let's cut  $h$  in half:

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^2 x^4 dx &\approx \frac{1}{6}(0 + 4(\frac{1}{2})^4 + 2(1)^4 + 4(\frac{3}{2})^4 + (2)^4) \\ &= \frac{77}{12} = 6.417 \end{aligned}$$

The error is now only  $0.0166... = \frac{1}{60}$  which is much smaller.

Note that when we halved the interval we decreased the error by a factor of 16. This was because the error was  $O(h^4)$

# Gaussian Quadrature

- Suppose we want to integrate

$$I = \int_a^b g(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx,$$

using only two points.

- Where do we put them?
- IF we use the trapezoidal rule we put them at  $a$  and  $b$ . This is not the optimum choice!
- Instead we let:

$$I \sim w_1 f(x_1) + w_2 f(x_2)$$

- And choose all four parameters such that we can integrate the highest degree polynomial possible!

# Gaussian Quadrature

- We have 4 parameters, so we can integrate an arbitrary cubic polynomial with 4 constants!

$$\text{Let } m = (a+b)/2$$

- We want to pick  $x_1, x_2, w_1, w_2$  such that we integrate without error!

$$f(x) = (x - m)^0 \quad (=1)$$

$$f(x) = (x - m)^1$$

$$f(x) = (x - m)^2$$

$$f(x) = (x - m)^3$$

- Any cubic is a linear combination of these our functions. If we get these right, we get them all right!



**Box 8.2A Optimization of a fermentation process: maximization of profit**

A first-order irreversible reaction  $A \rightarrow B$  with rate constant  $k$  takes place in a well-stirred fermentor tank of volume  $V$ . The process is at steady state, such that none of the reaction variables vary with time.  $W_B$  is the amount of product B in kg produced per year, and  $p$  is the price of B per kg. The total annual sales is given by  $\$pW_B$ .

The mass flowrate of broth through the processing system per year is denoted by  $W_{in}$ . If  $Q$  is the flowrate ( $\text{m}^3/\text{hr}$ ) of broth through the system,  $\rho$  is the broth density, and the number of hours of operation annually is 8000, then  $W_{in} = 8000\rho Q$ . The annualized capital (investment) cost of the reactor and the downstream recovery equipment is  $\$4000W_{in}^{0.6}$ .

The operating cost  $c$  is  $\$15.00$  per kg of B produced. If the concentration of B in the exiting broth is  $b_{out}$  in molar units, then we have  $W_B = 8000Qb_{out}MW_B$ .

A steady state material balance incorporating first-order reaction kinetics gives us

$$b_{out} = a_{in} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + kV/Q} \right),$$

where  $V$  is the volume of the fermentor and  $a_{in}$  is the inlet concentration of the reactant. Note that as  $Q$  increases, the conversion will decrease.

The profit function is given by

$$(p - c)W_B - 4000(W_{in})^{0.6},$$

and in terms of the unknown variable  $Q$ , it is as follows:

$$f(Q) = 8000(p - c)MW_BQa_{in} \left( 1 - \frac{1}{1 + (kV/Q)} \right) - 4000(8000\rho Q)^{0.6}. \quad (8.2)$$

Initially, as  $Q$  increases the product output will increase and profits will increase. With subsequent increases in  $Q$ , the reduced conversion will adversely impact the product generation rate while annualized capital costs continue to increase.

You are given the following values:

$p = \$400$  per kg of product,

$\rho = 2.5 \text{ kg/m}^3$ ,

$a_{in} = 10 \text{ } \mu\text{M}$  ( $1 \text{ M} \equiv 1 \text{ kmol/m}^3$ ),

$k = 2/\text{hr}$ ,

$V = 12 \text{ m}^3$ ,

$MW_B = 70\,000 \text{ kg/kmol}$ .

Determine the value of  $Q$  that maximizes the profit function. This problem was inspired by a discussion on reactor optimization in Chapter 6 of Nauman (2002).



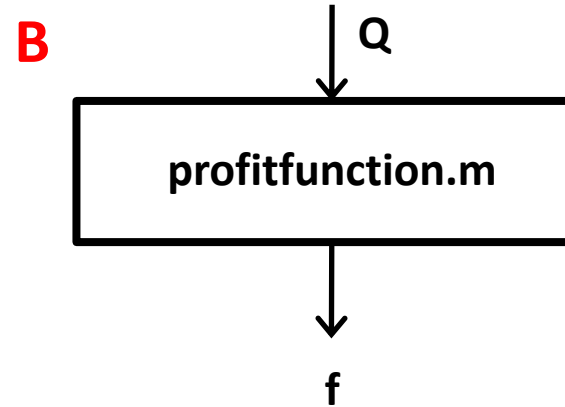
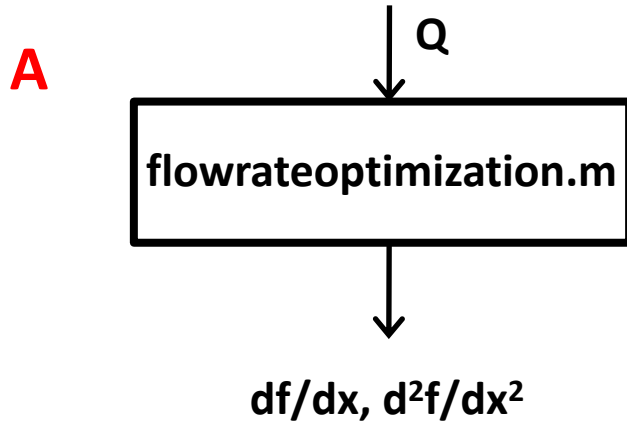
**Q1: If the derivatives of an objective function are difficult to calculate, which method is NOT a good choice to solve the fermentation optimization?**

**A. Newton's Method**

**B. Successive Parabolic Interpolation**

**C. The Golden Search**

**Q2: Which function should be utilized when applying the method of successive parabolic interpolation?**



**Q3. Here is the convergence using Newton's Method:**

**>>**

```
newtons1Doptimization('flowrateoptimization',50,.01)
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i	x(i)	f'(x(i))	f''(x(i))
1	57.757884	5407.076741	-3295.569935
2	59.398595	178.749716	-3080.622008
3	59.456619	0.211420	-3073.338162
4	59.456687	0.000000	-3073.329539

**How many iterations would it take the Golden Search to converge on this solution to within 0.01, based on an initial interval of [40, 70] ?**

**A. 4**

**B. 10**

**C. 17**

**D. infinite (no convergence)**

**Q4. Here is the convergence using Golden Search:**

**>>**

```
goldensectionsearch('profitfunction',[40  
70],.01)
```

```
a = 59.453920 b = 59.462321 f(a) = -  
19195305.986695 f(b) = -19195305.949685  
number of iterations = 17
```

**How many iterations would it take successive parabolic interpolation to converge on this solution to within 0.01, based on an initial interval of [40, 70] ?**

- A. 4**
- B. 10**
- C. 17**
- D. infinite (no convergence)**

**Here is the convergence using successive parabolic interpolation:**

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```
parabolicinterpolation('profitfunction',[4  
0 70],.01)
```

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x0 = 59.456689 x2 = 59.456699 f(x0) = -  
19195305.998460 f(x2) = -19195305.998460
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x_min = 59.456689 f(x_min) = -  
19195305.998460
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number of iterations = 10
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