Chapter 7: Numerical Integration

The general idea is to estimate $\int_a^b f(x)dx$

We know that the value of $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ is the area under the curve.

We also know that $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \sum_1^n f(C_k) \triangle x_k$ (Reemans Sum)

The idea is to replace Reemans Sum with other formulas called **Quadrature Formulas** to approximate $\int_a^b f(x)dx$, so

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx = Q[f] + E[f]$$

Quadrature Formulas

Closed Newton-Cotes Quadrature Formulas

- 1. Trapezoidal Rule --> $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \frac{h}{2} (f_0 + f_1) \frac{h^3 f''(c)}{12}$, where h is the distance between x_0, x_1
- 2. Simpsons Rule--> $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_2} f(x)dx = \frac{h}{3}[f_0 + 4f_1 + f_2] \frac{h^5 f^{(4)}(c)}{90}$, where $h = \frac{b-a}{2}$
- 3. Simpsons $\frac{3}{8}$ rule--> $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_3} f(x)dx = \frac{3h}{8}[f_0 + 3f_1 + 3f_2 + f_3] \frac{3h^5 f^{(4)}(c)}{80}$, where $h = \frac{b-a}{3}$

Degree Of Percision

Defn: given a Q[f], the DOP of Q[f] is the largest positive integer n such that the formula is exact \forall polynomials of degree $\leq n$, In other terms, the DOP of Q[f] is n if $E[1]=E[x]=E[x^2]\ldots=E[x^n]=0$, but $E[x^{n+1}]\neq 0$