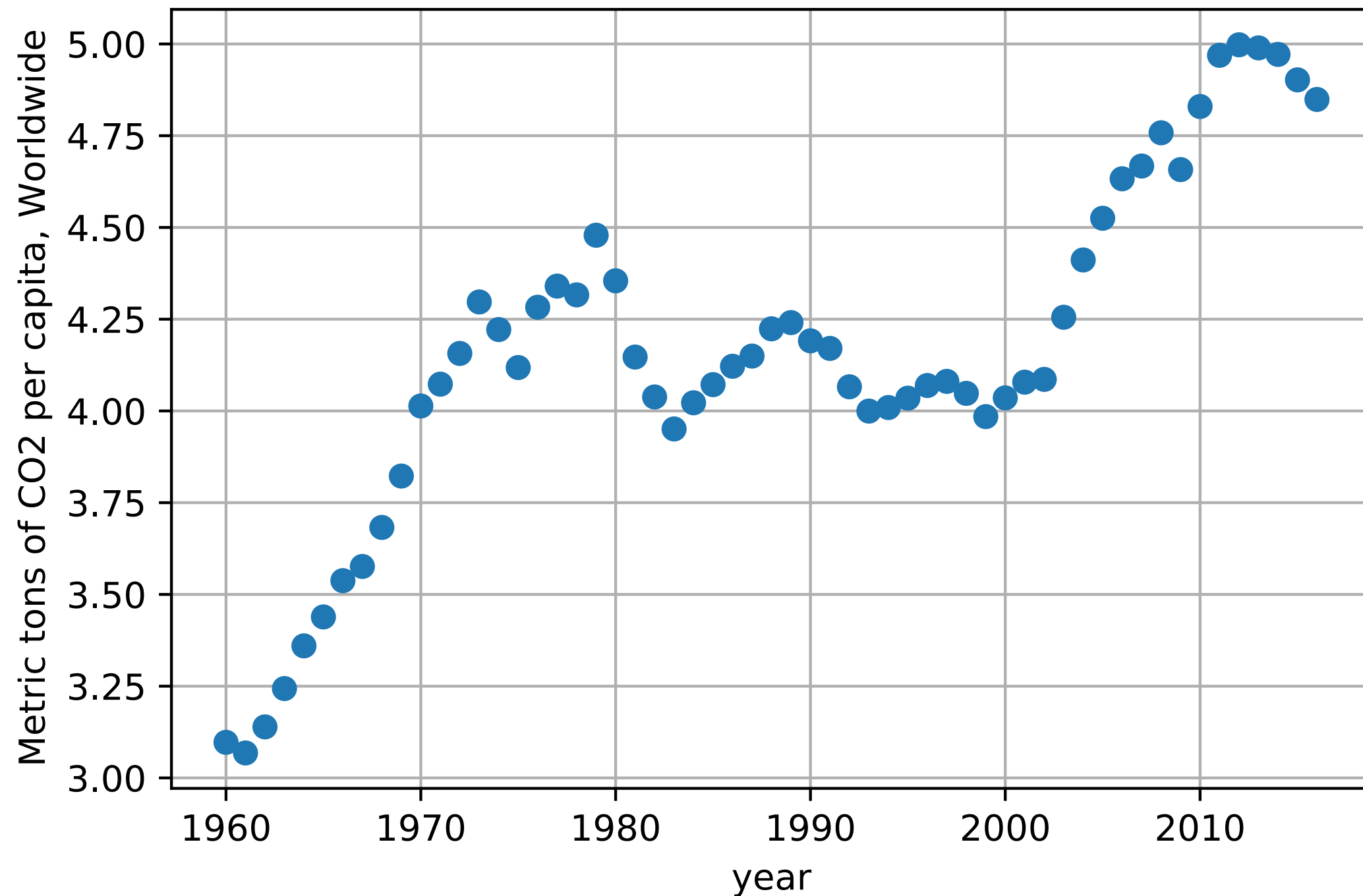


# Numerical Integration

**CH EN 2450**  
**Numerical Methods**  
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## Activity:

Calculate the total CO2 emissions

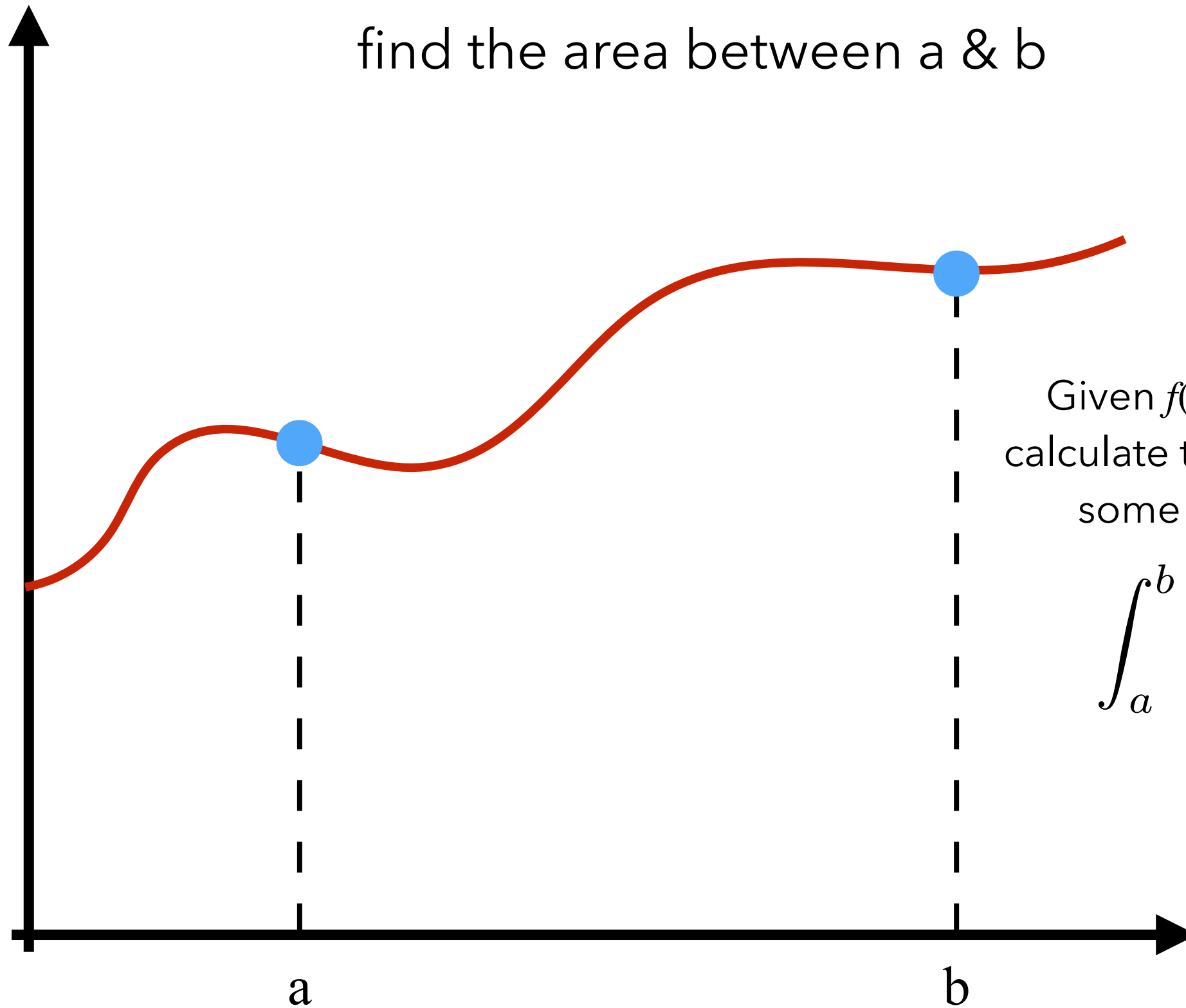
# Learning Objectives

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At the end of this chapter, you should be able to:

- Define what quadrature and numerical integration means
- Calculate the area under an analytical function using Newton-Cotes formulas
- Calculate the area under a discrete set of data point using Newton-Cotes formulas
- Use the left-point, right-point, midpoint, trapezoidal, and Simpson's 1/3 and 3/8th rules to calculate the integral of a function
- Determine which of the above integration formulas apply to equally-spaced and unequally-spaced data
- Estimate the error bounds for the midpoint, trapezoidal, and Simpson's 1/3 rules

find the area between a & b



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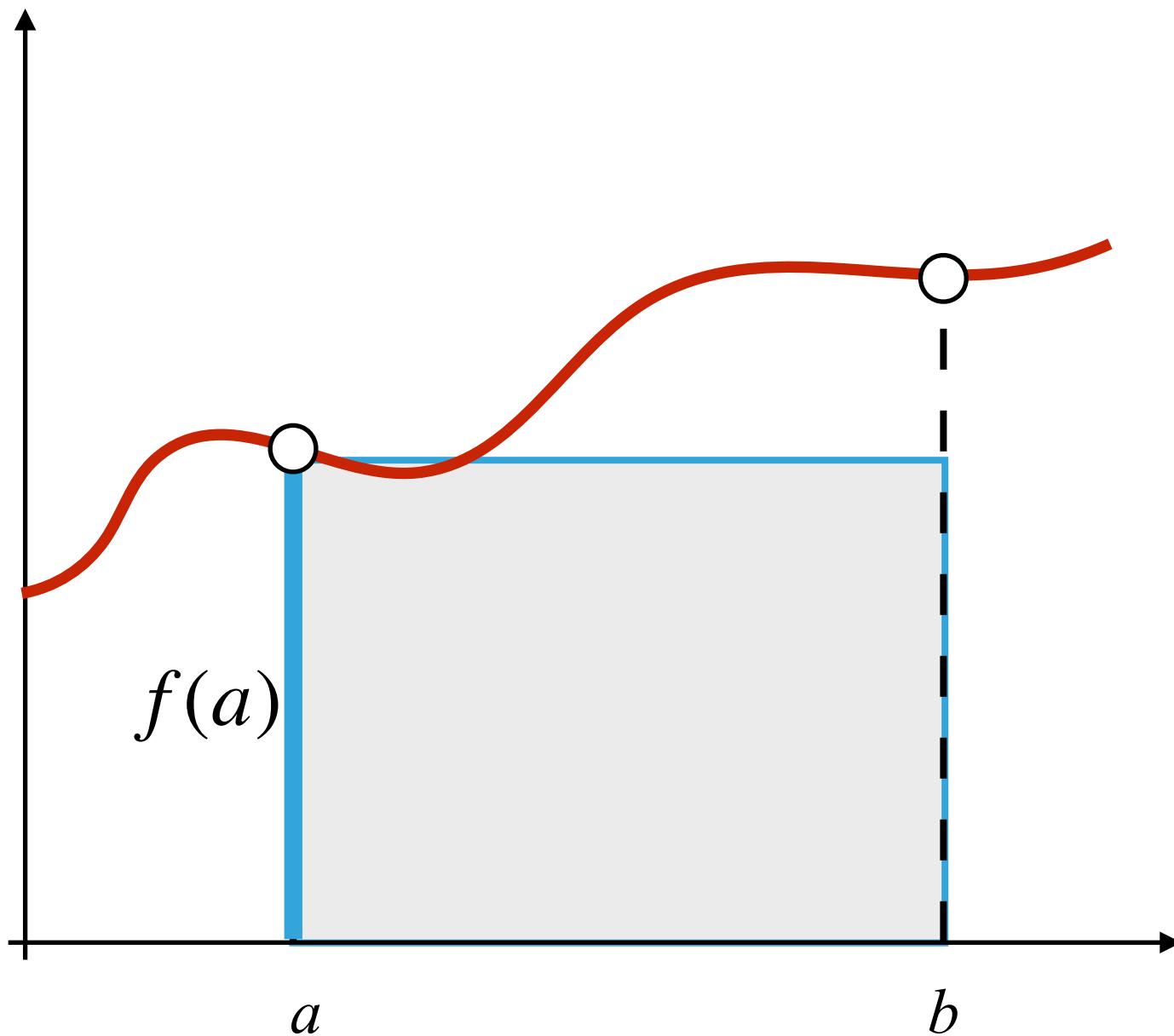
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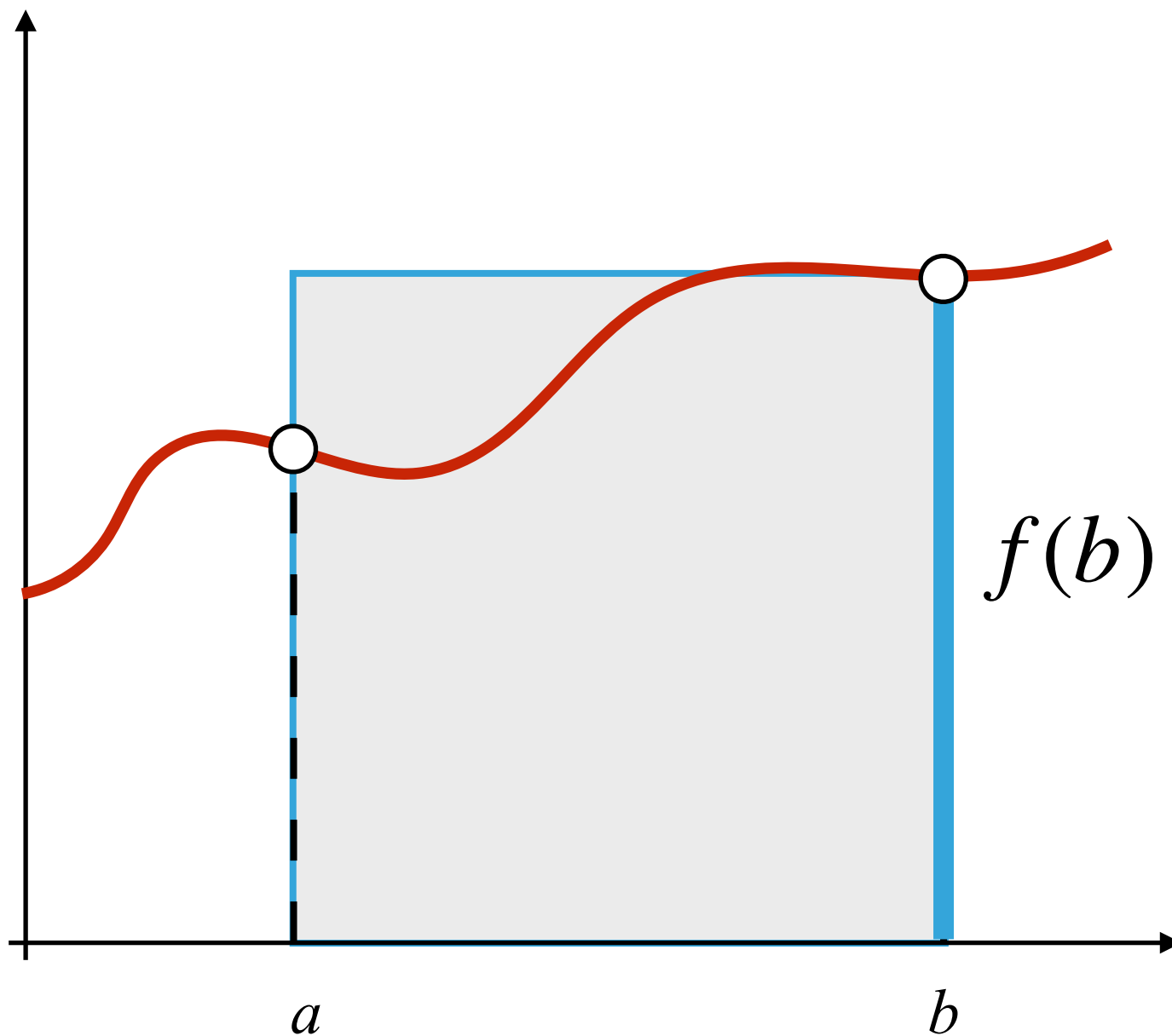
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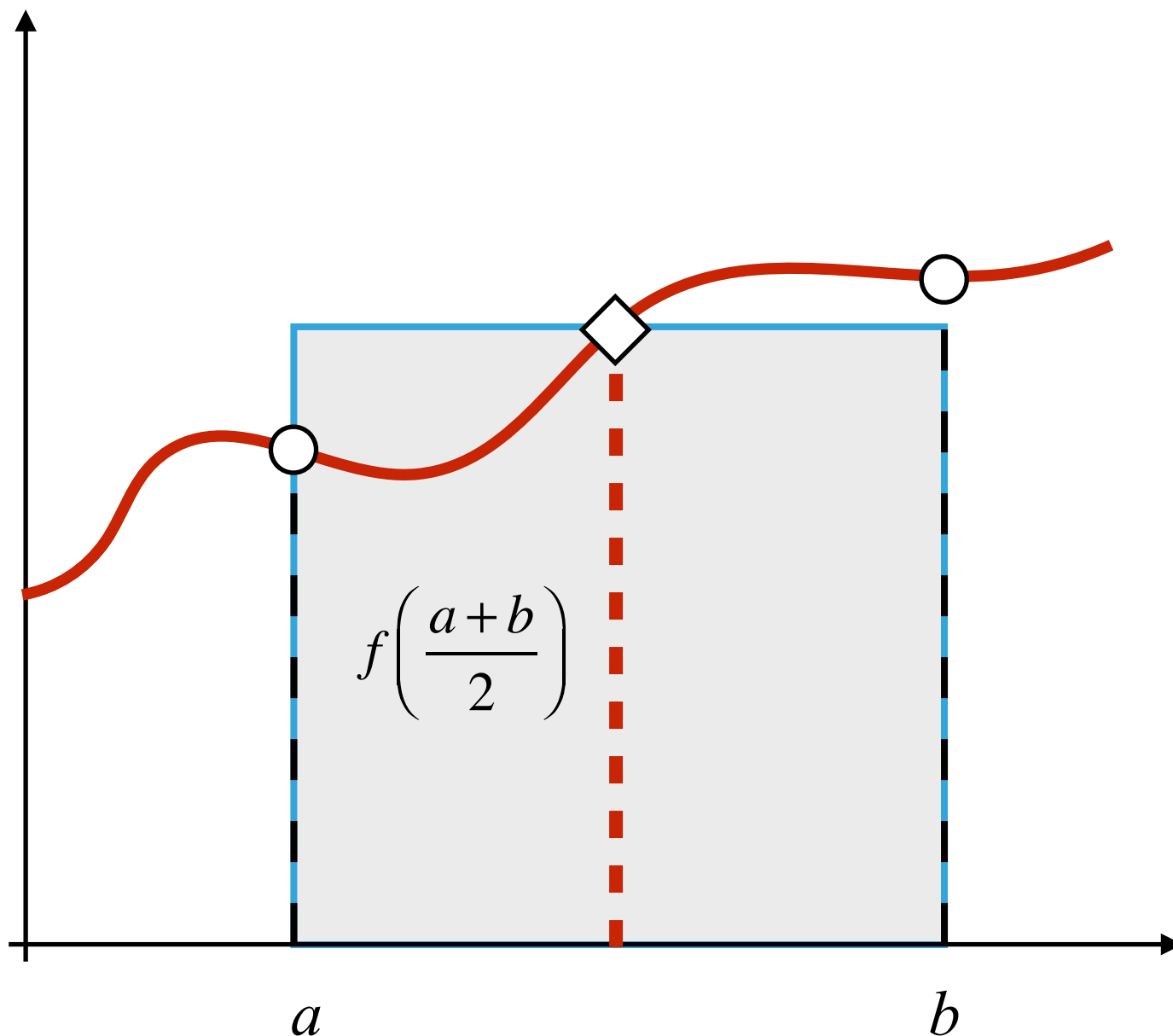
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# Built-In Python Routines

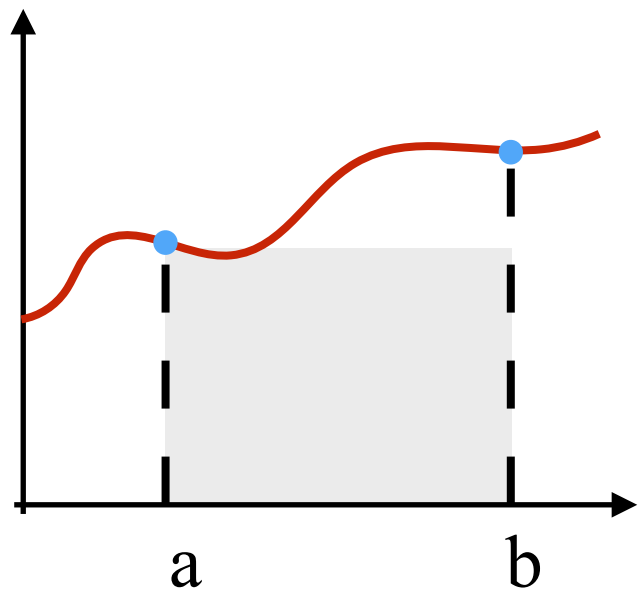
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## For Continuous Functions

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from scipy import integrate
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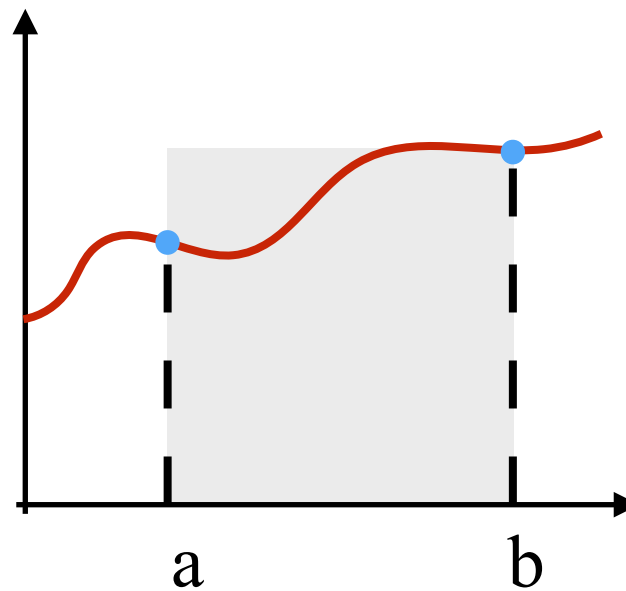
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result = integrate.quad(function_name, a, b)
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- Numerically evaluate the function on the interval  $[a, b]$
- Uses an integrator based on *adaptive* Simpson's quadrature



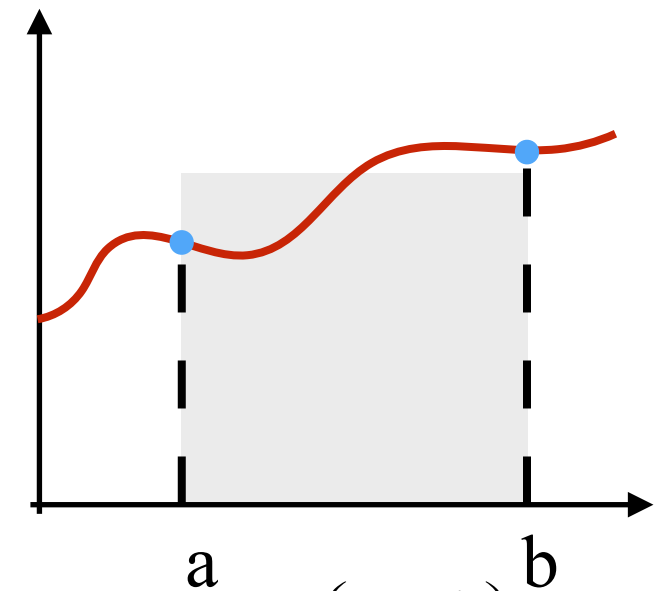
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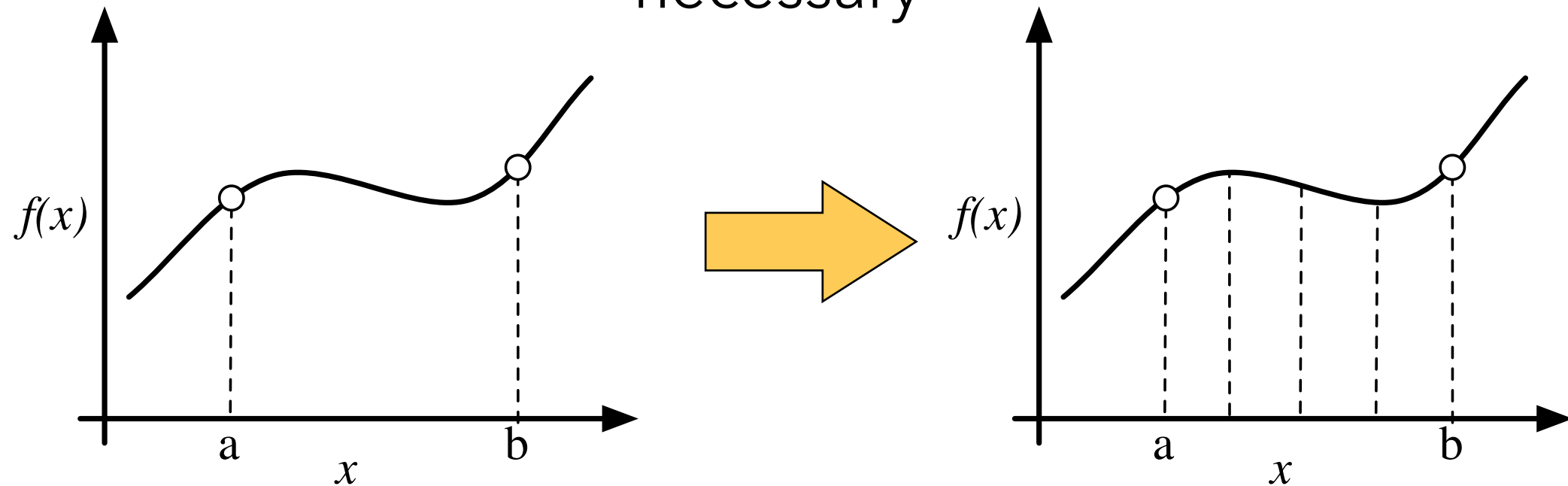
### **Coding Activity 1:**

Develop three Python routines that implement the left-point, right-point, and mid-point formulas. The routine arguments must include: (1) a function, and (2) the interval (a,b) on which the function is to be evaluated.

Then apply these functions to calculate  $\int_0^1 [1 + 0.5 \sin^2(1.75\pi x)]dx$ .

**Download the notebook: Quadrature (with gaps).ipynb from canvas**

To increase accuracy, these formulas can be applied to as many subintervals/segments as necessary



$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx (x_2 - x_1)f\left(\frac{x_1 + x_2}{2}\right) + (x_3 - x_2)f\left(\frac{x_3 + x_2}{2}\right) + \dots$$

This procedure of dividing the area under a curve into smaller areas is called quadrature. Numerical integration is, from here onwards, equivalent to quadrature.

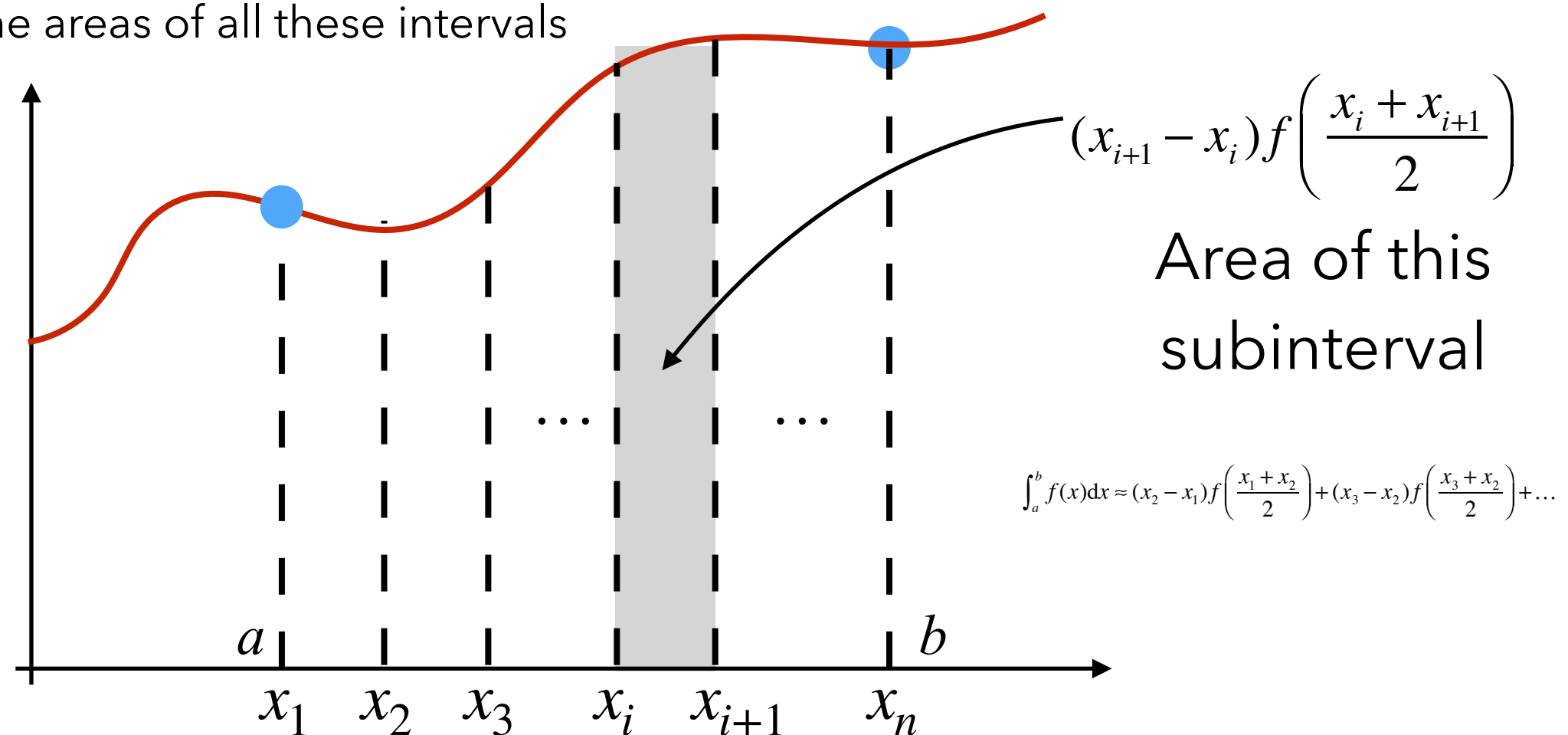
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Develop a Python code that computes the integral of an analytical function with arbitrary number of segments  $n$ . Use the left-point, right-point, and midpoint rules. Then apply these routines to

calculate  $\int_0^1 [1 + 0.5 \sin^2(1.75\pi x)] dx$ .

Hints:

- Create a **linspace** for the intervals
- Loop over each interval and apply the integration rule to that interval
- Add up the areas of all these intervals



```

def midpoint(f, a, b, npts):
    """
    f: Any Python function
    a: Lower integral bound
    b: Upper integral bound
    npts: Number of quadrature points

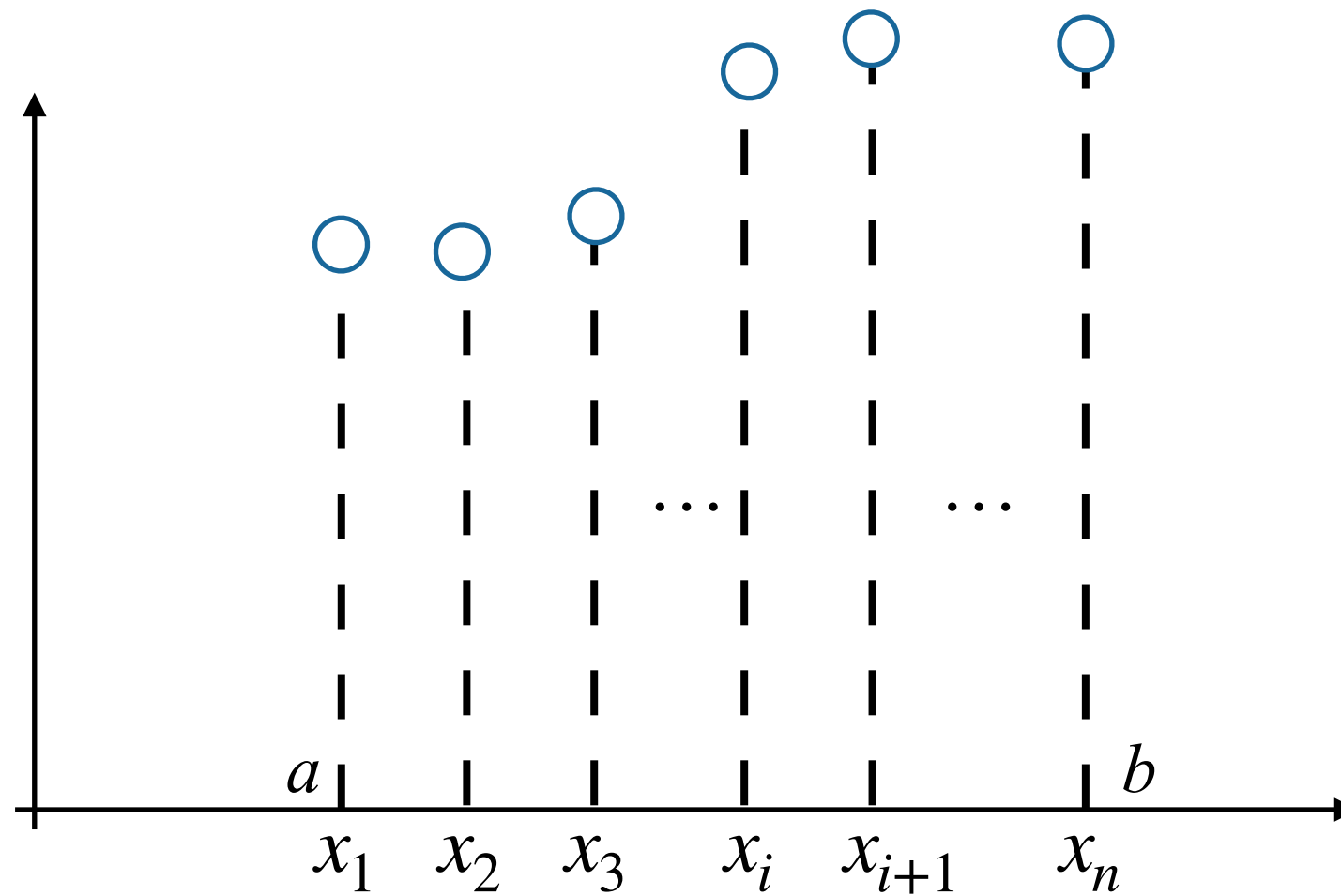
    Returns the integral of f(x) based on the midpoint rule
    """
    x = np.linspace(a,b,npts)
    sum = 0.0
    for i in range(0,len(x)-1):
        a = x[i]
        b = x[i+1]
        sum += (b-a)*(f( (a+b)/2 ) )
    return sum

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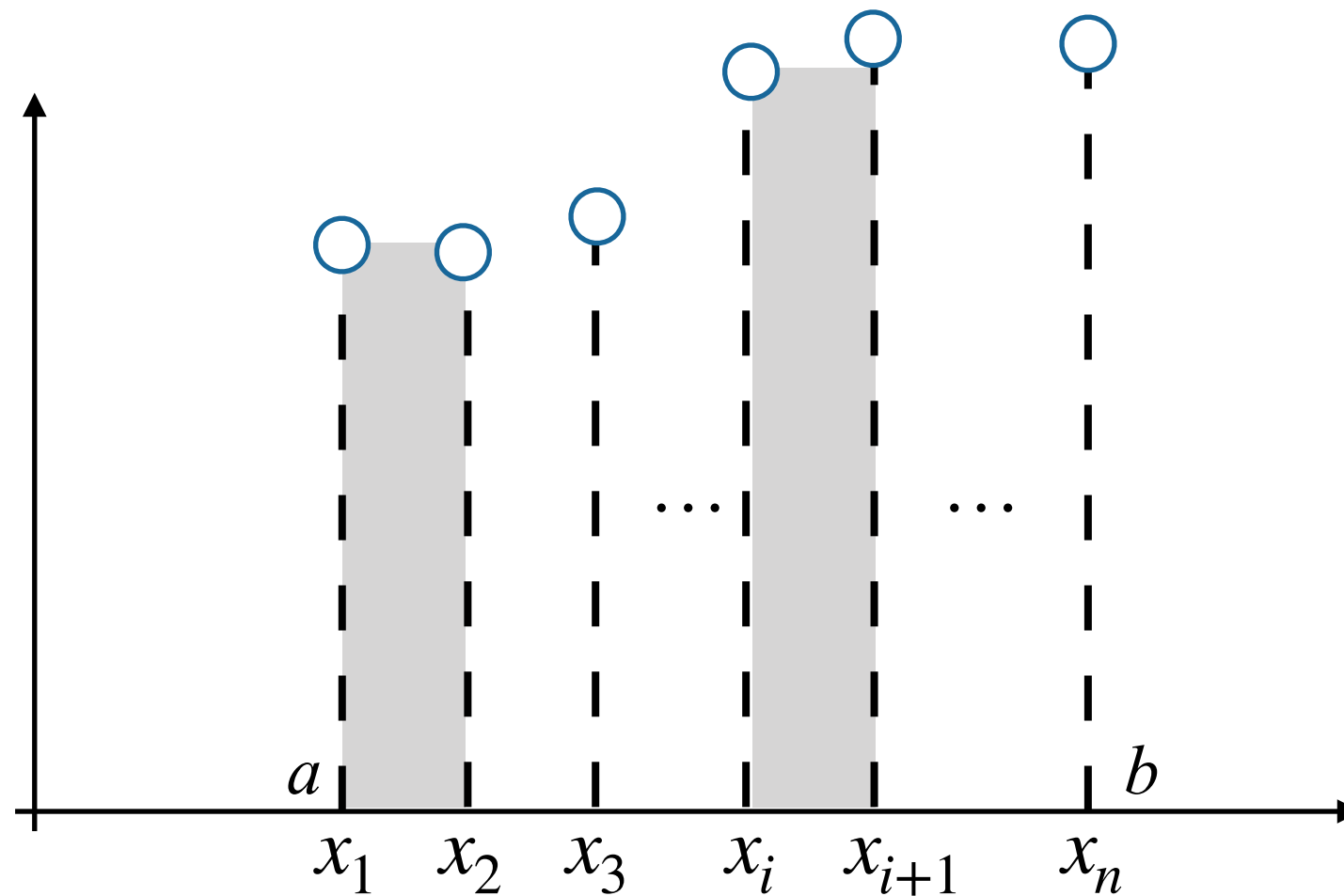
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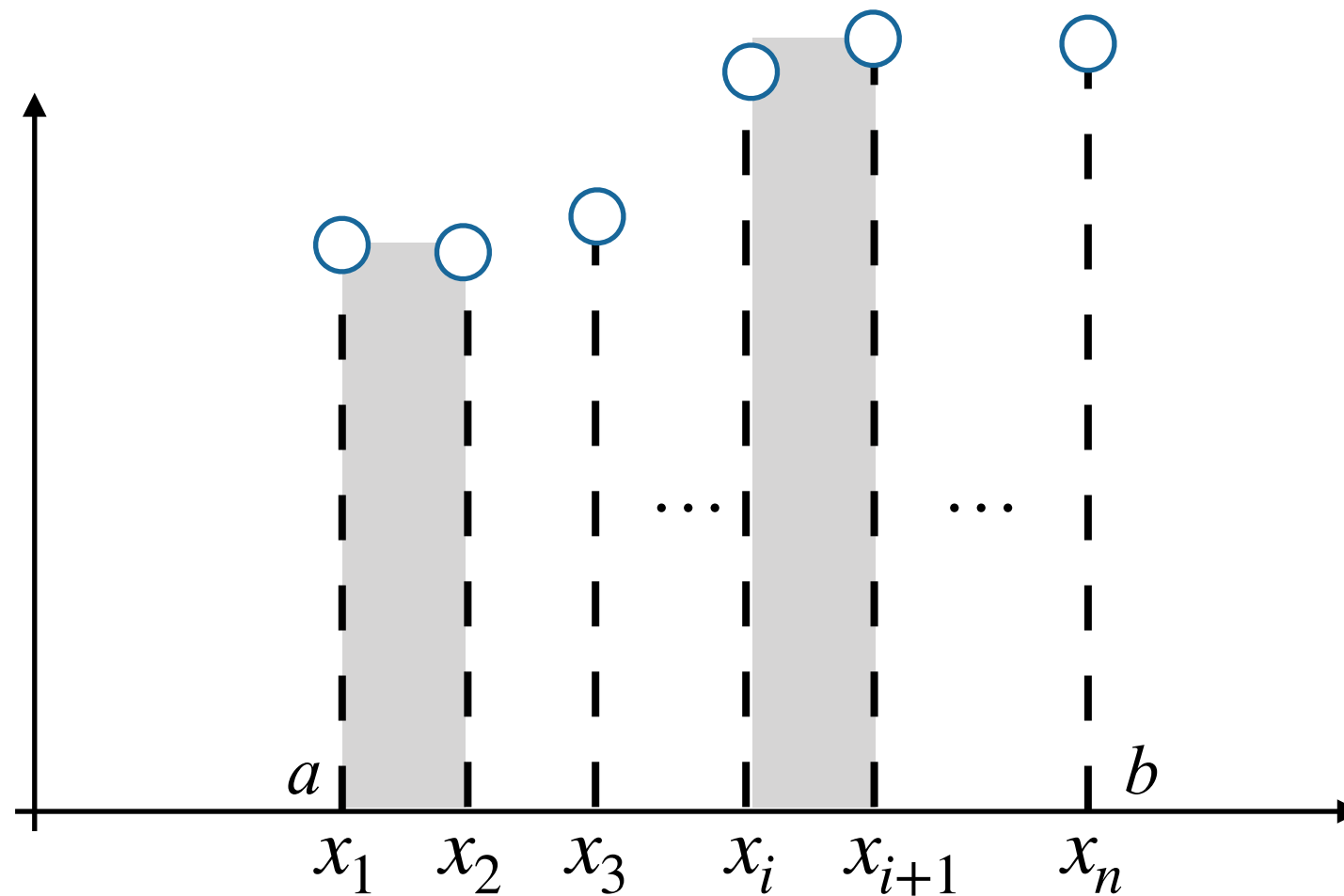
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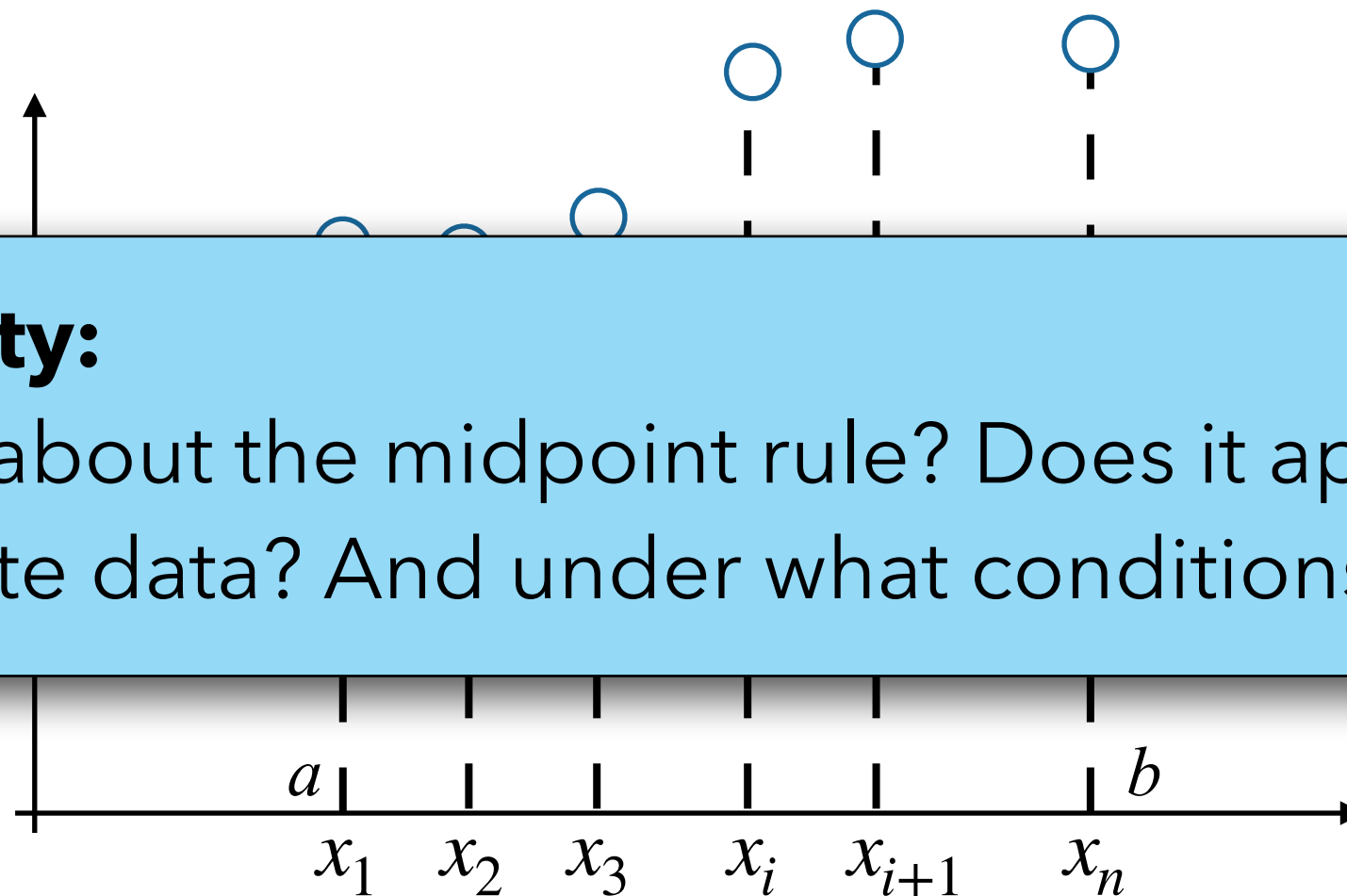
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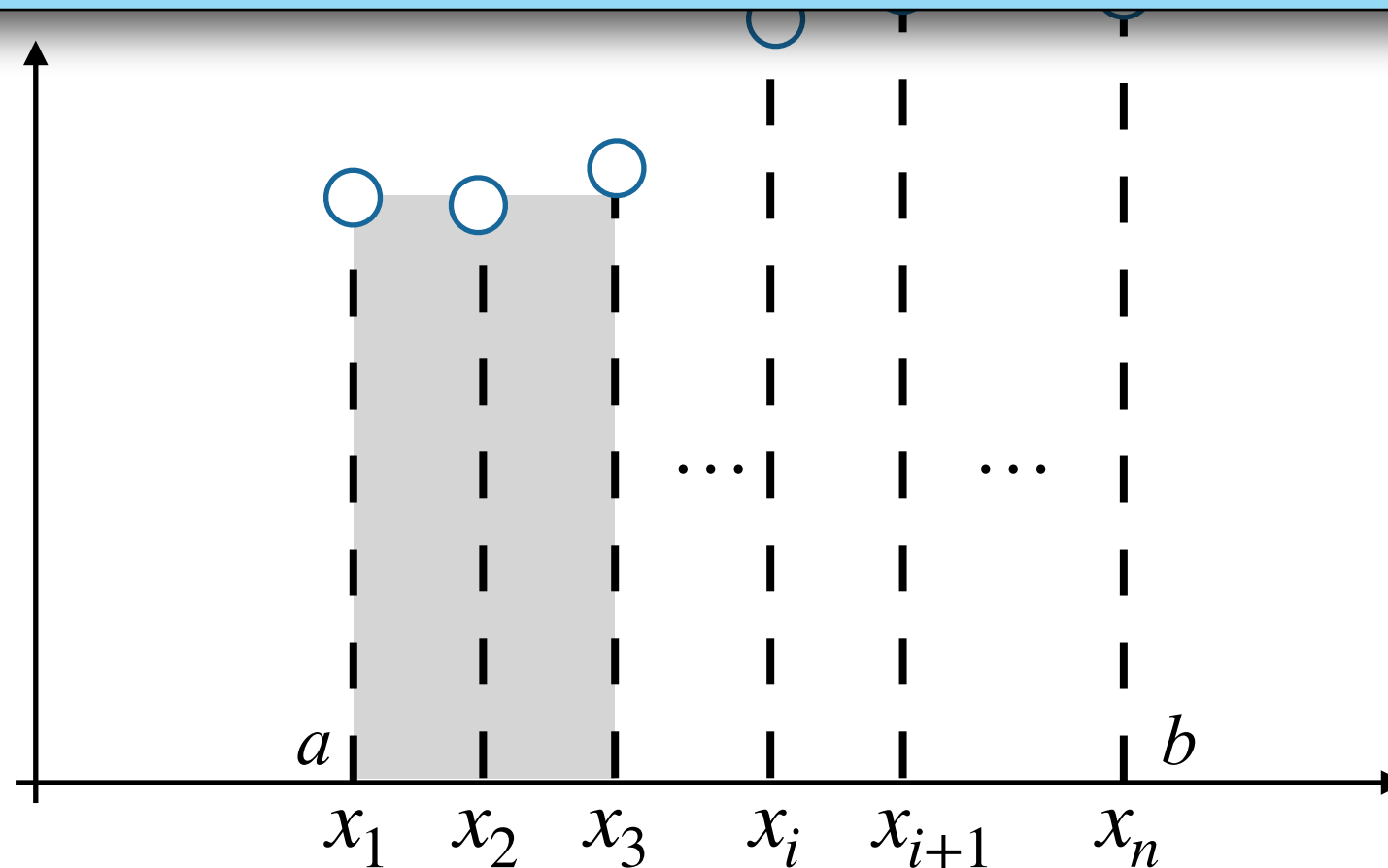
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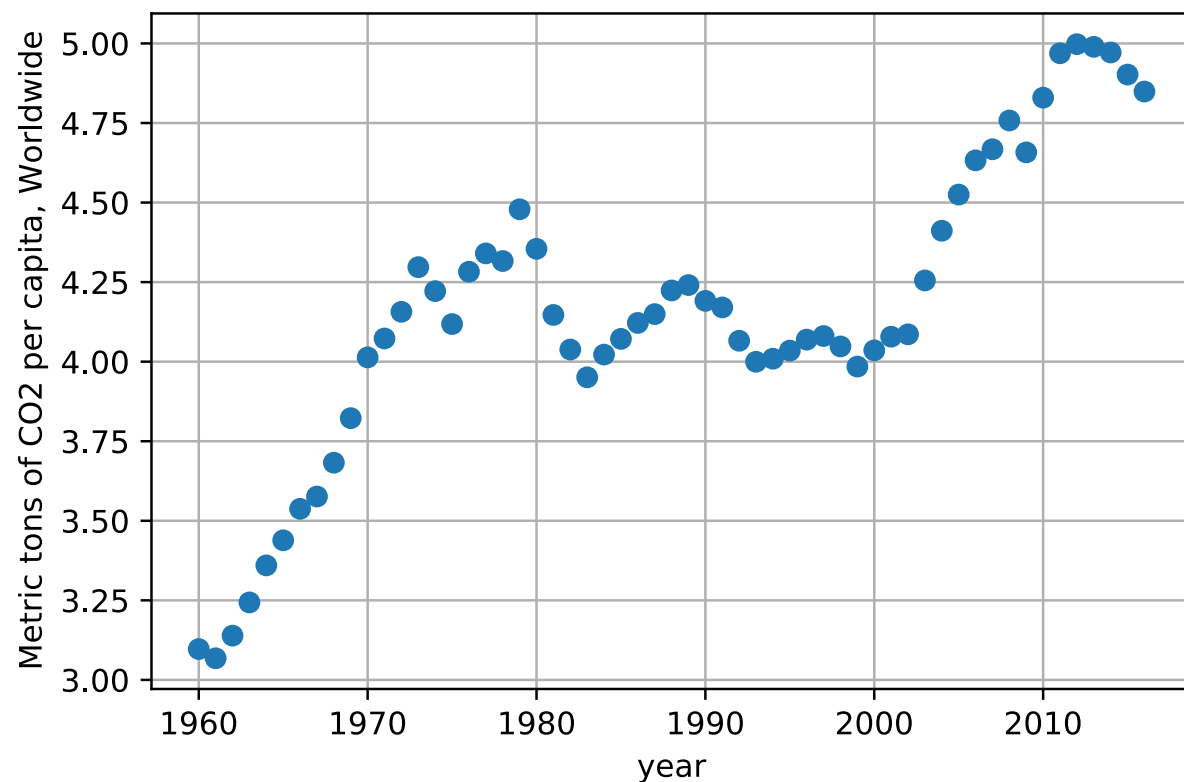


The midpoint rule can be applied to equally-spaced discrete data, but you must take every two intervals at a time so that a midpoint can be defined.

***If the data is not equally spaced, the midpoint rule cannot be applied.***

## Coding Activity 3:

Using the left-point and right-point rule, develop a Python code that integrates discrete data. Apply it to calculate the world emissions of CO<sub>2</sub> per capita.



## Python Built-in for Discrete Data Integration

```
import numpy as np
```

```
result = np.trapz(y,x)
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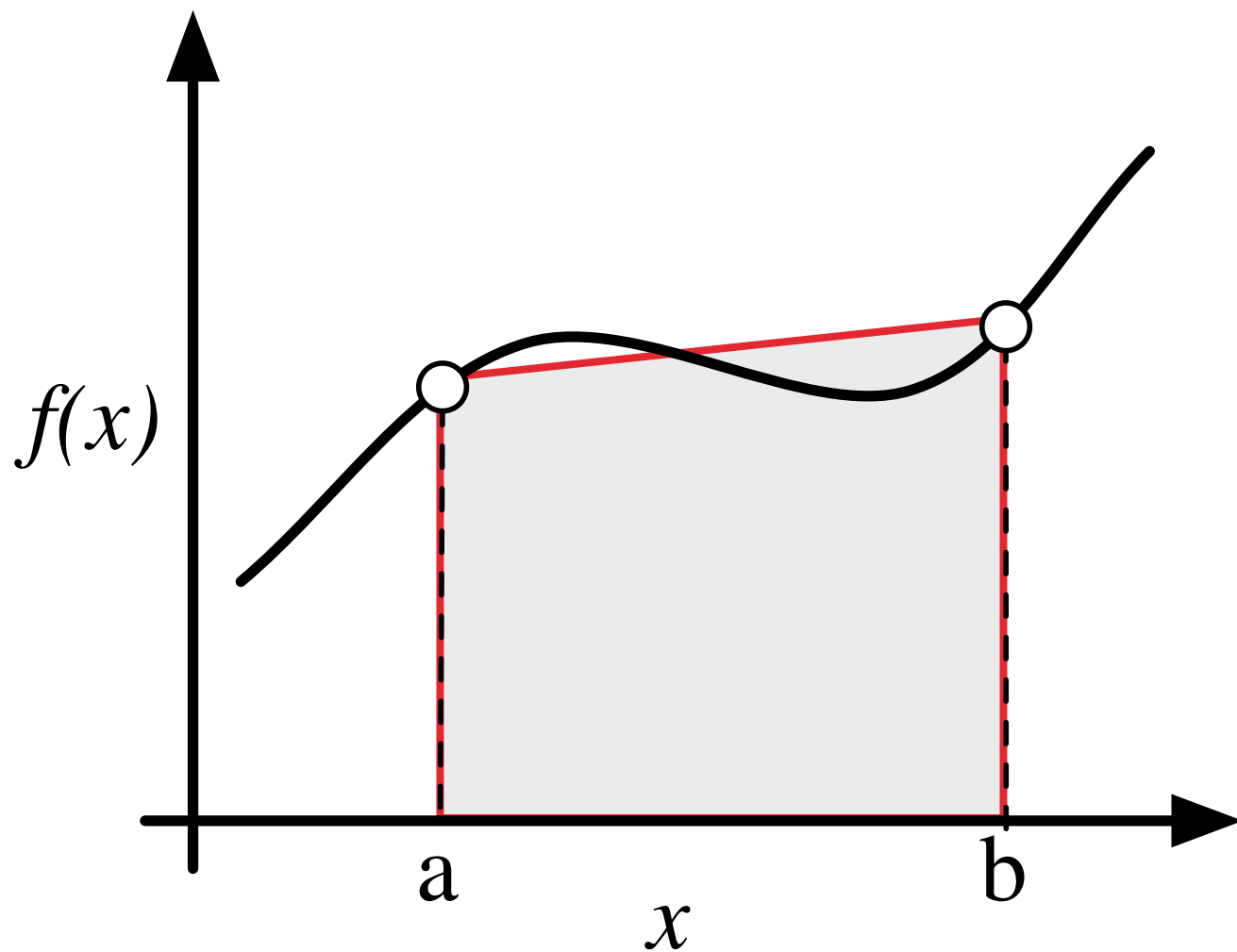
- Integrate discrete data numerically using the trapezoid method.

# More Accurate Methods

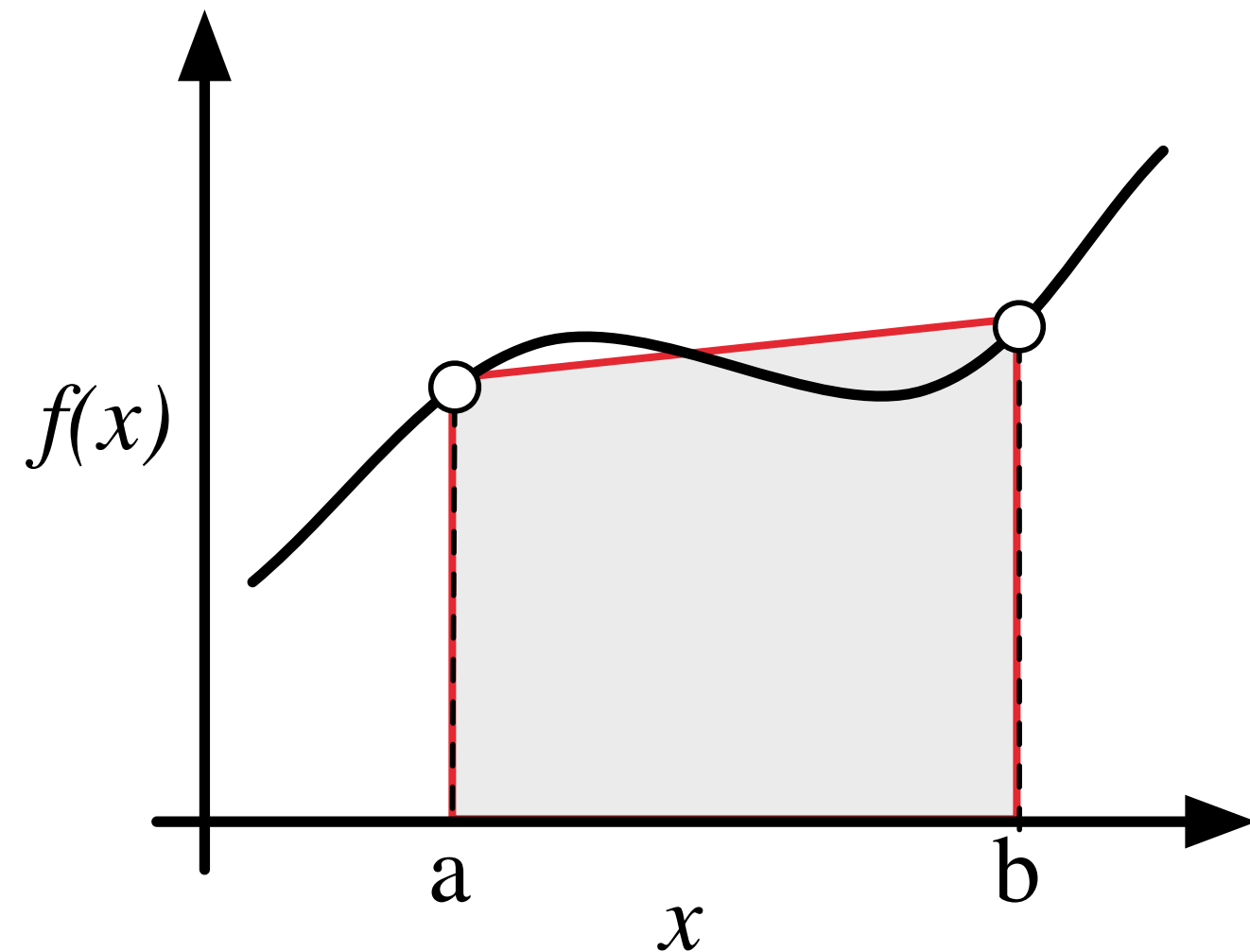


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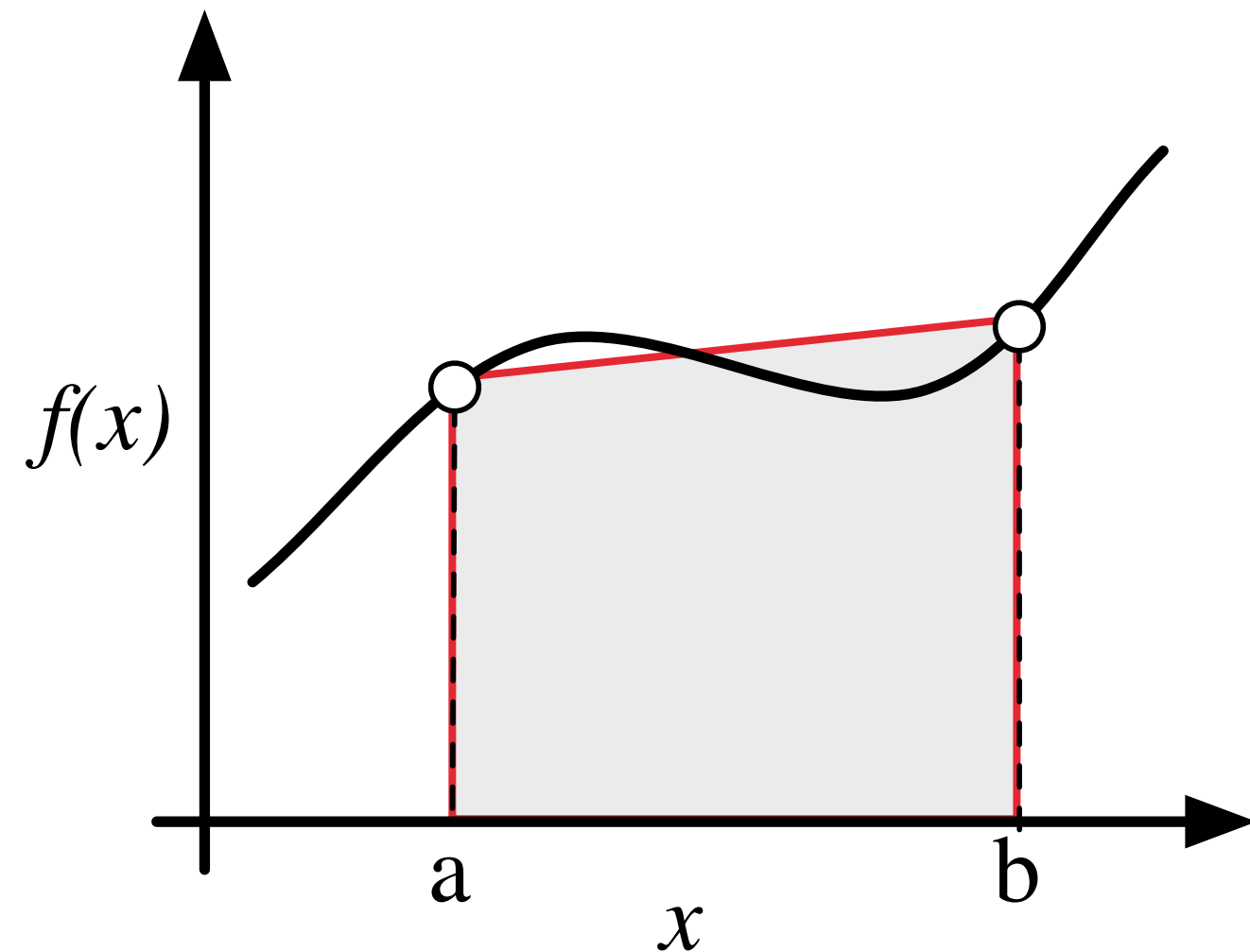


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**Activity (2 min, Group):**  
Calculate the area under this line between  $a$  and  $b$ . HINT: Use geometry to compute the area.

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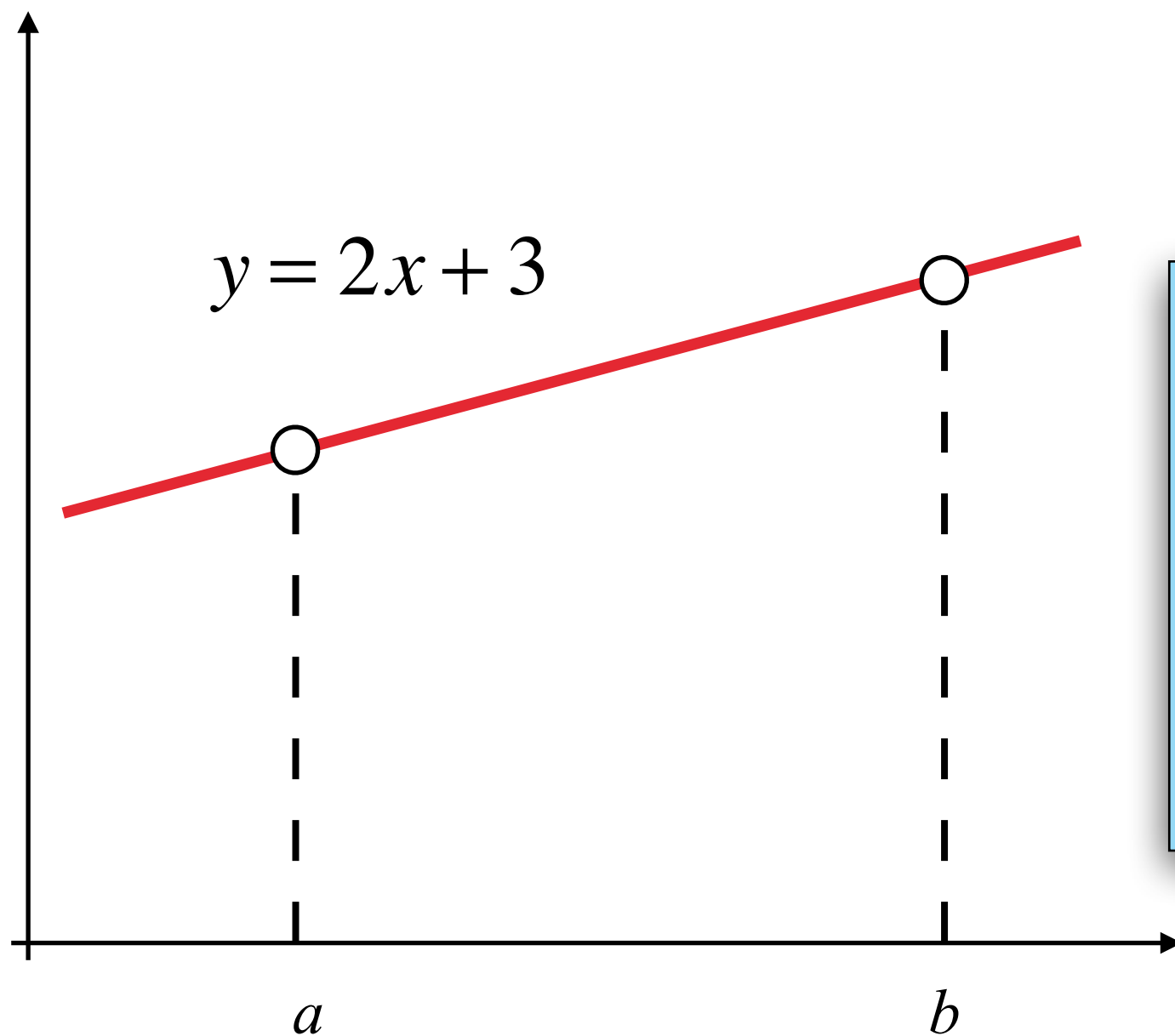


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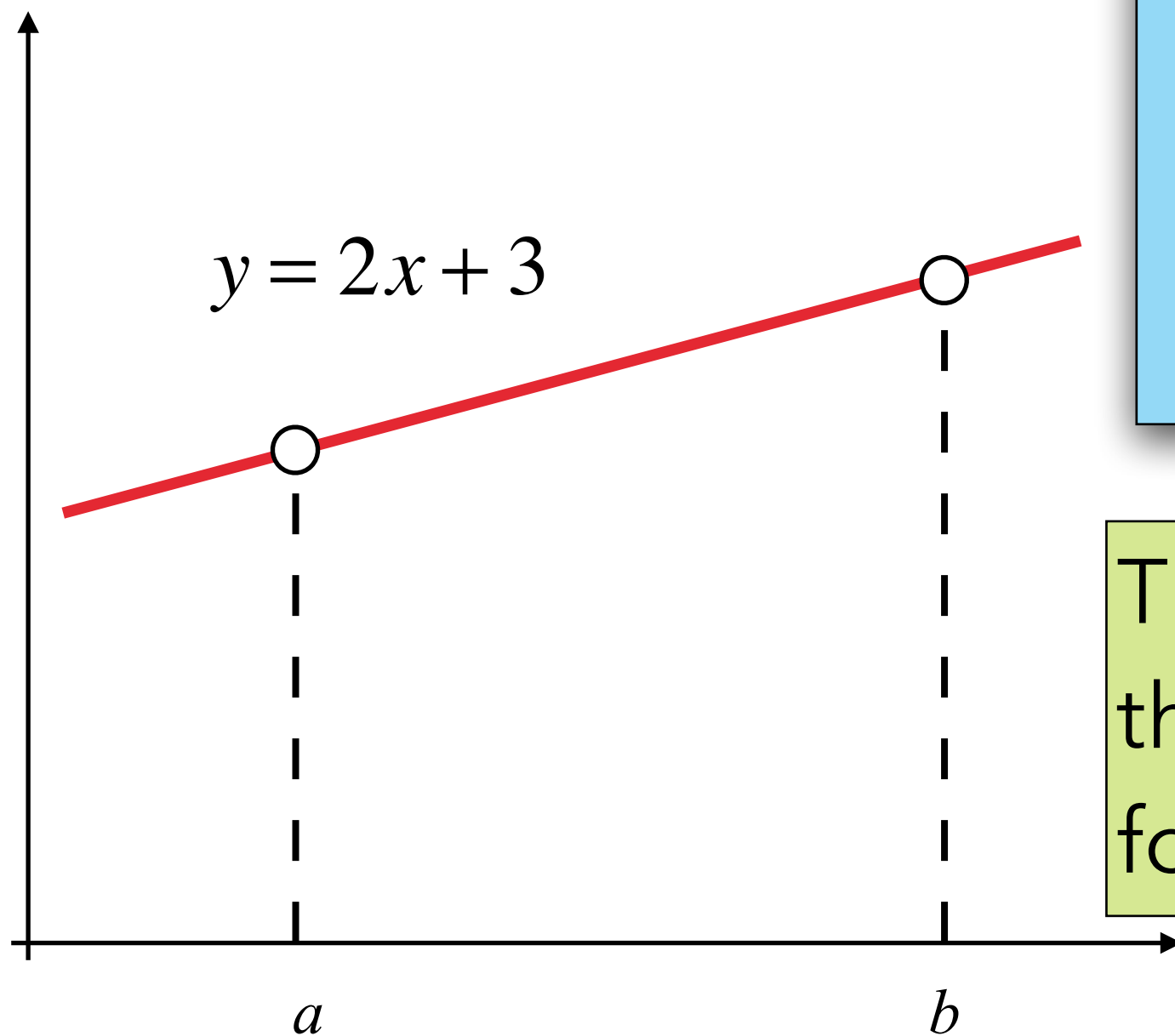


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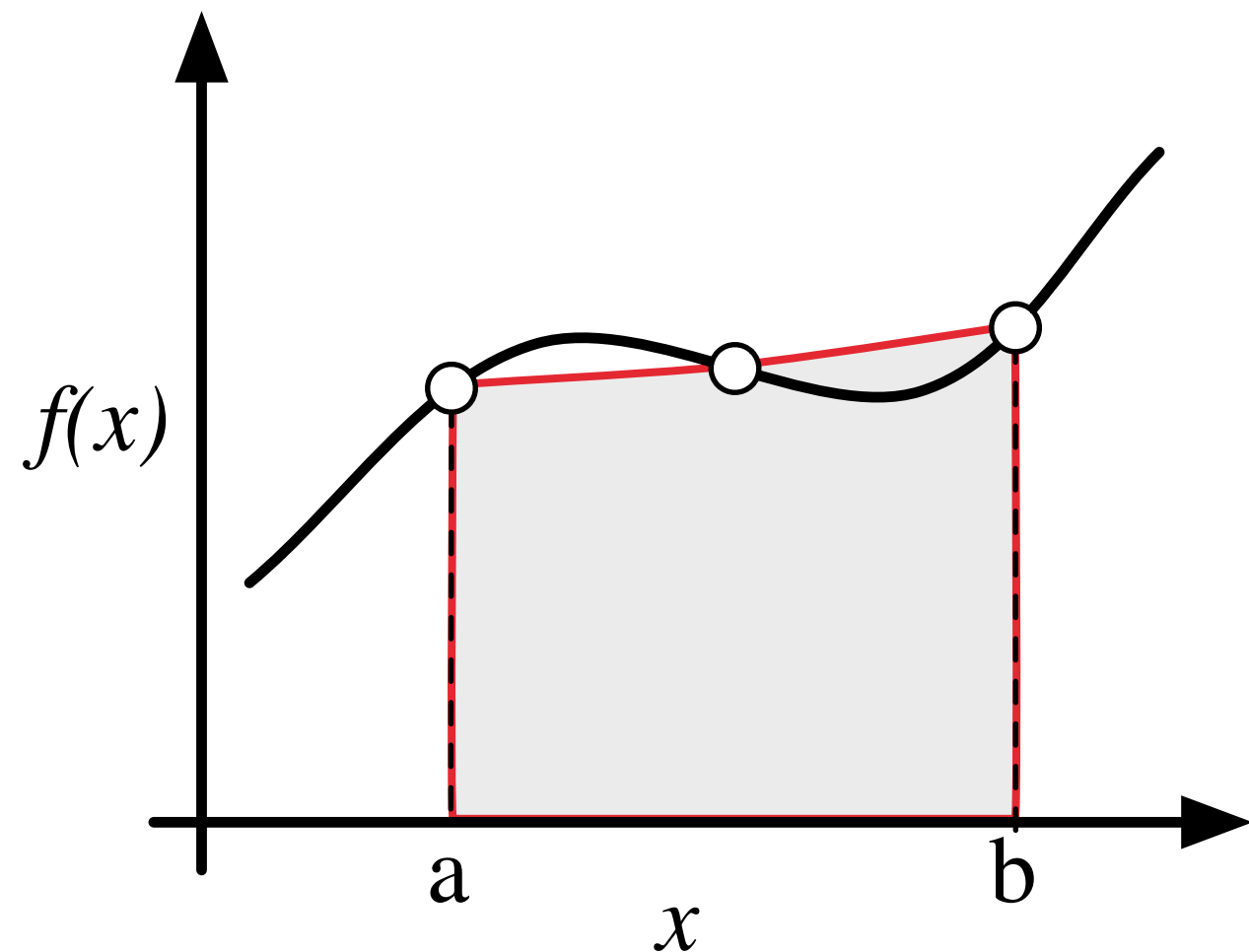
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# Simpson's 1/3 Rule

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$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{\Delta x}{3} [f(a) + 4f\left(\frac{a+b}{2}\right) + f(b)]$$

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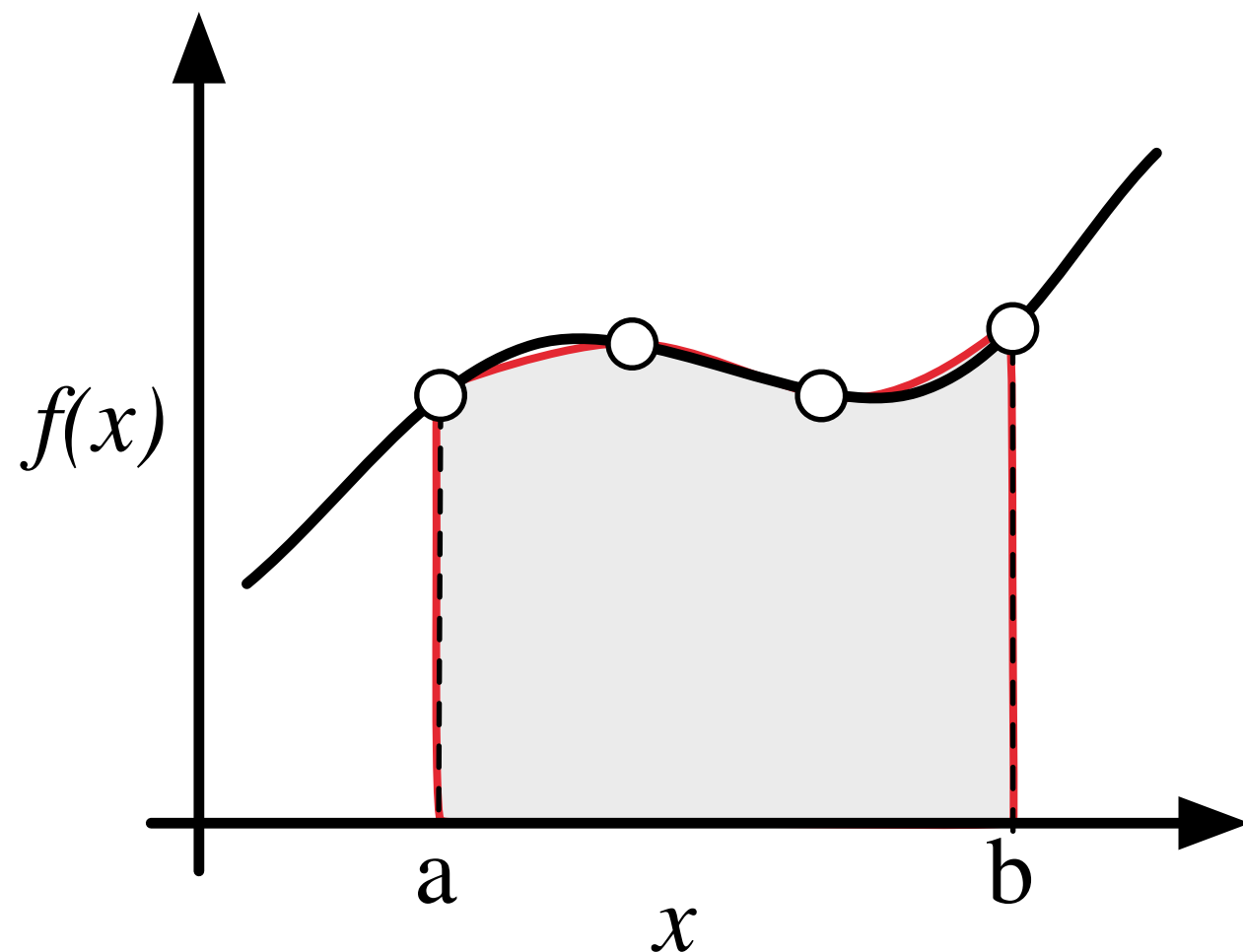
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Requires **four** equally spaced points on interval  $[a,b]$ .

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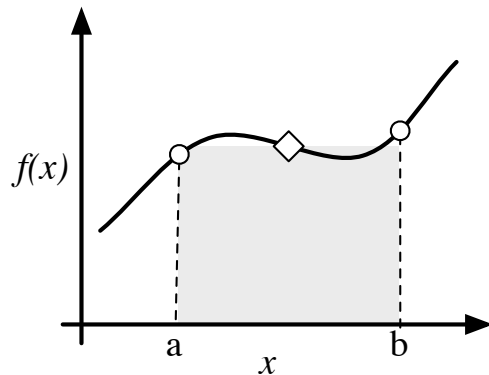
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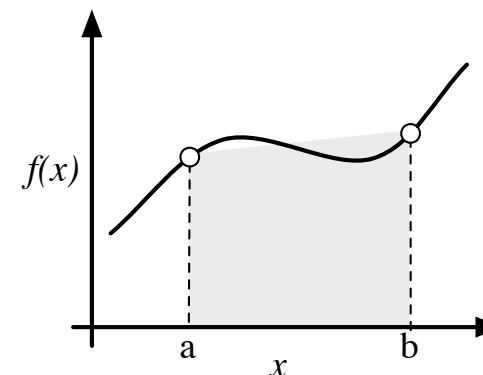


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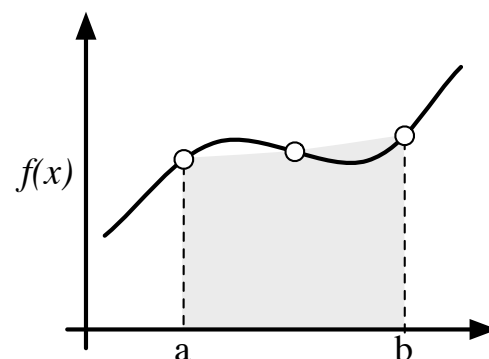


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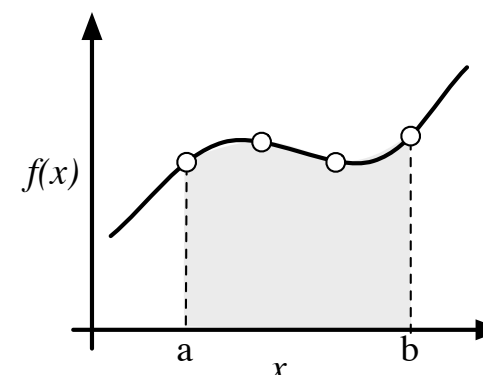


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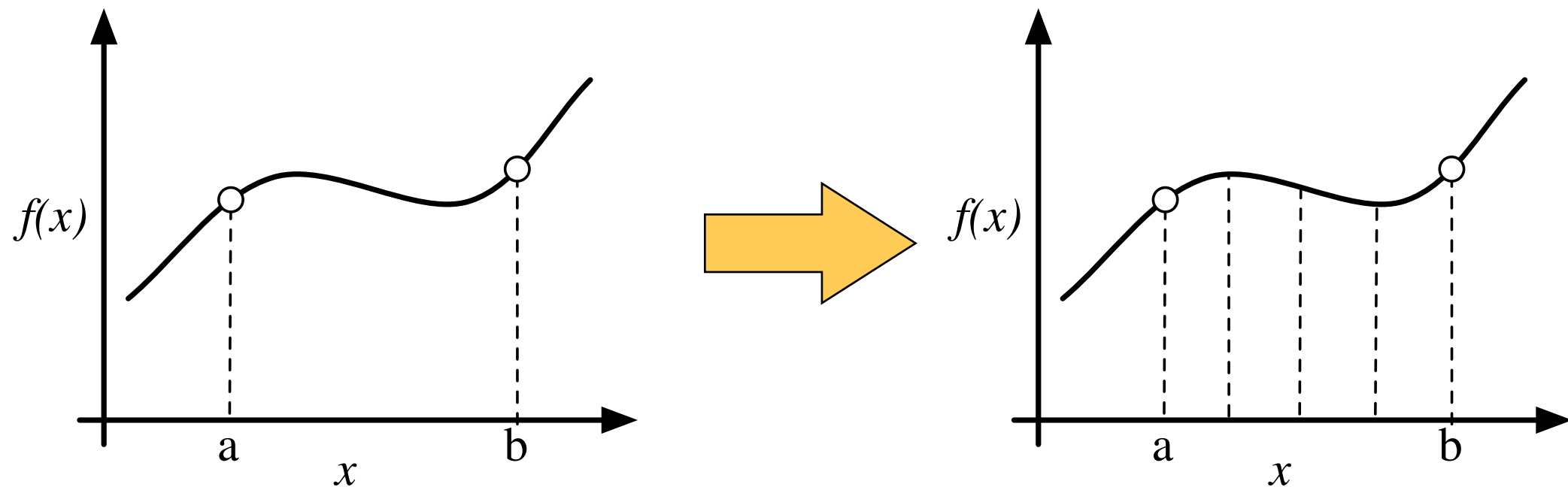
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Which of the three Simpson's rules can be easily applied to discrete data?

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### **Coding Activity 4 (3 min, Group):**

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### **Coding Activity 5 (3 min, Group):**

Using the Trapezoidal rule, develop a Python routine that computes the integral of discrete data  $(x_i, y_i)$ . Test your routine on the World Emissions of CO2.

# Error Bounds

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx$$

$n$  = Number of segments

$$|f''(x)| \leq K \quad |f'''(x)| \leq M \quad \text{on } [a,b]$$

**Midpoint**

**Trapezoid**

**Simpson's 1/3**

$$E_M \leq K \frac{(b-a)^3}{24n^2}$$

$$E_T \leq K \frac{(b-a)^3}{12n^2}$$

$$E_S \leq M \frac{(b-a)^5}{18n^4}$$

**Note, these are only UPPER bounds. The actual error may be much smaller depending on the function.**