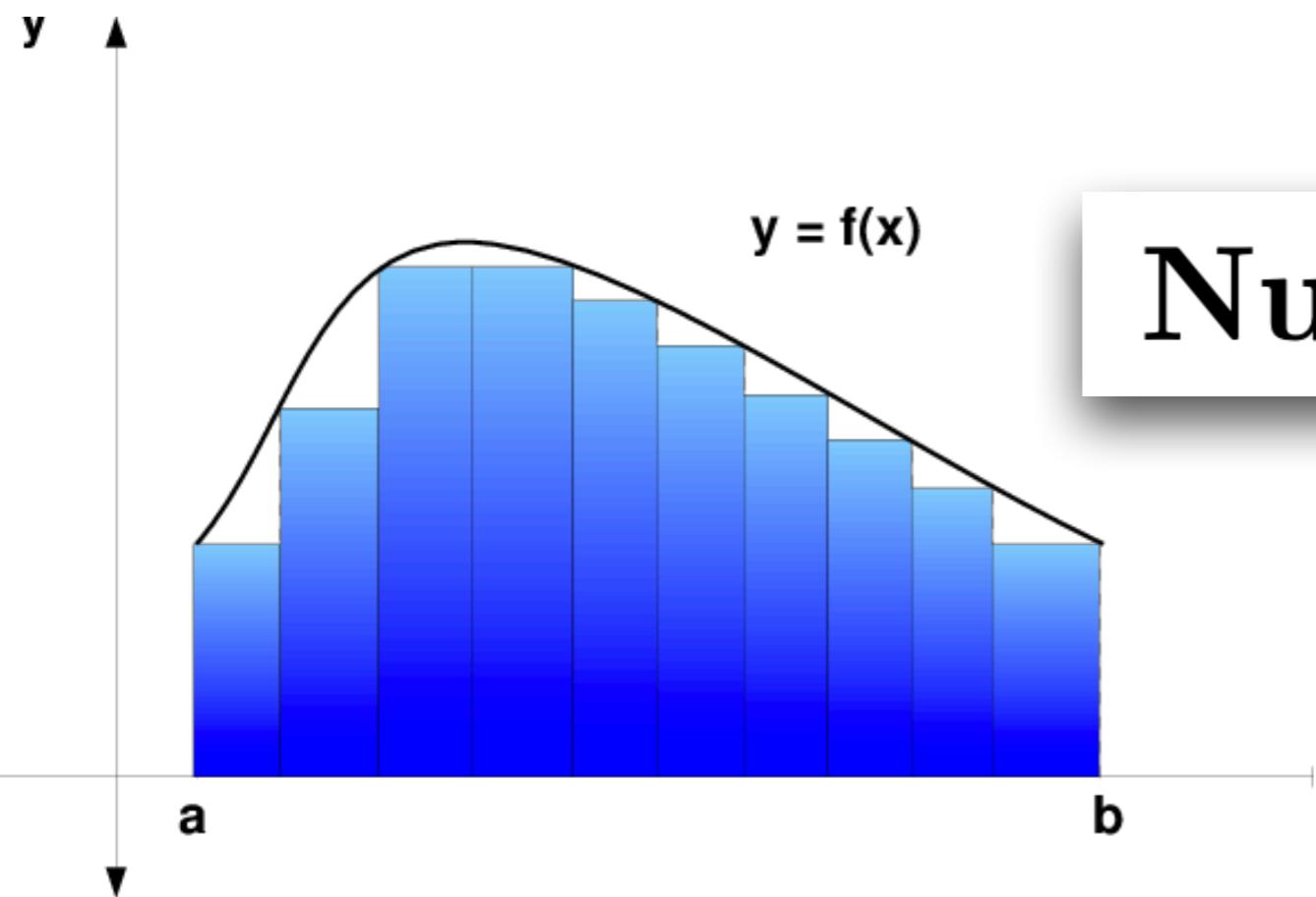


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Numerical Integration

[Book:4.3]



A function F is an *antiderivative* of f on an interval I if

$$F'(x) = f(x)$$

for all x in I .

Ex. $F(x) = 3x^2 + 2$ is an *antiderivative* of $f(x) = 6x$ Since $F'(x) = f(x)$.

Fundamental theorem of calculus (FTC 2)

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a)$$

Numerical Quadrature

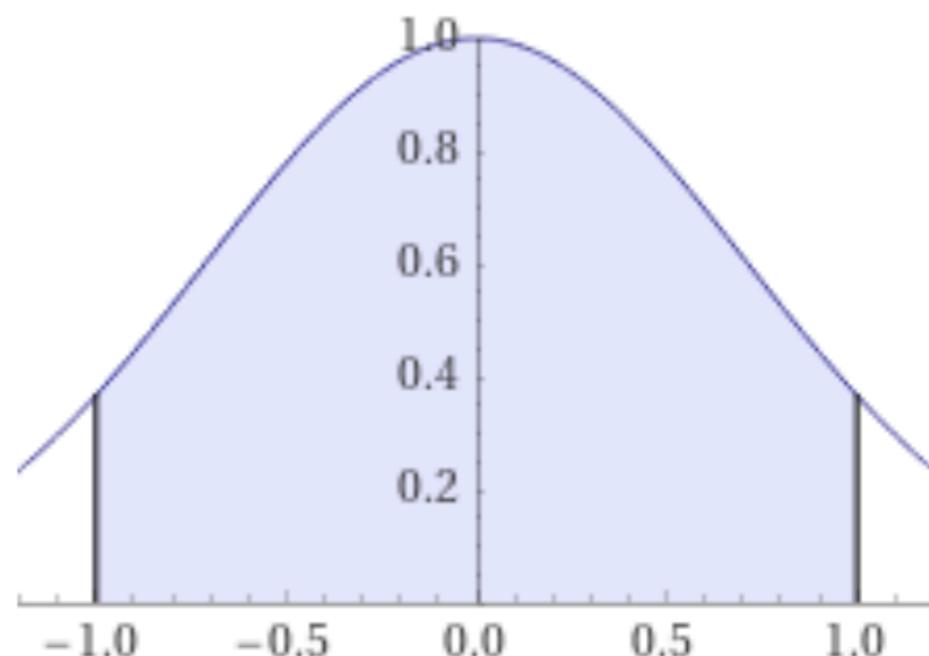
More or less another word for “numerical integration”...

GOAL:

approximate $\int_a^b f(x)dx$ when
no explicit antiderivative $F(x)$ is known.

Example 17.1. $\int_{-1}^1 e^{-x^2} dx$

There is no explicit antiderivative!



Definition 17.1.

A quadrature formula to approximate $\int_a^b f(x)dx$

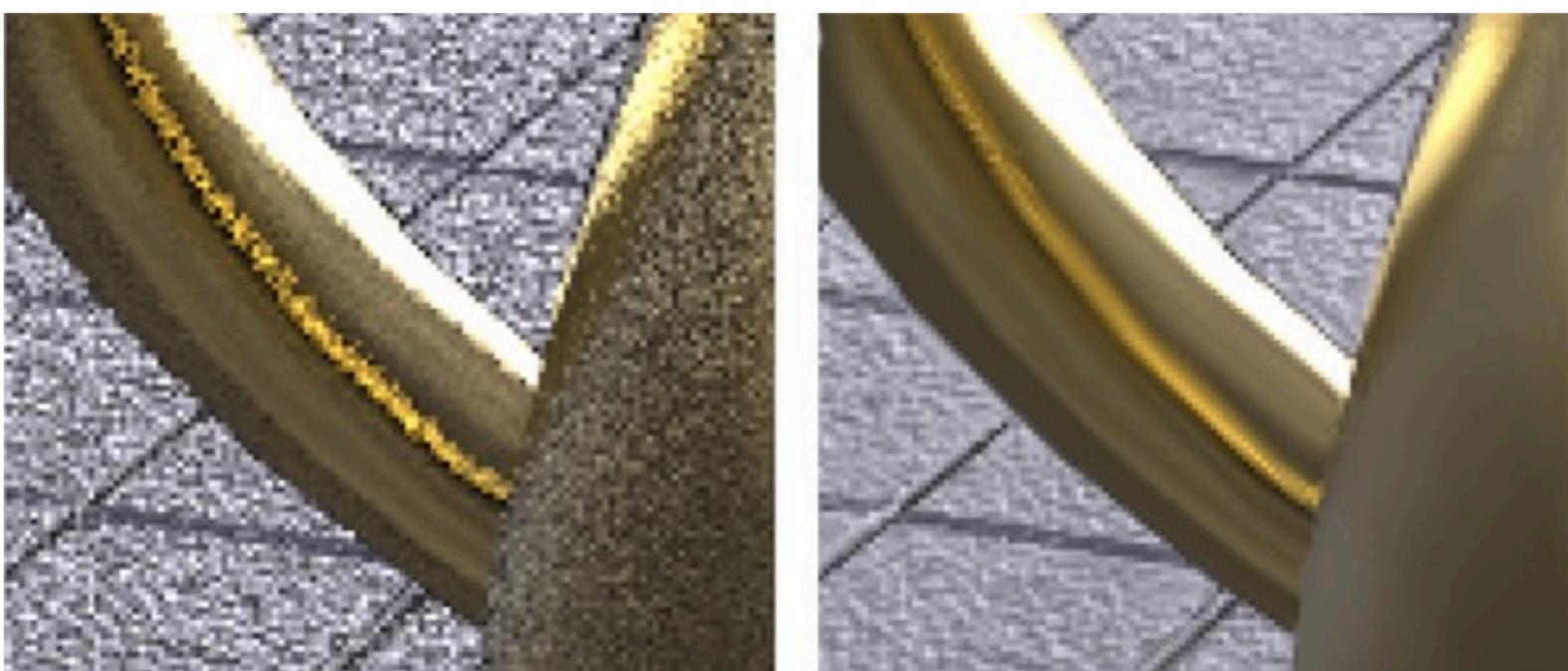
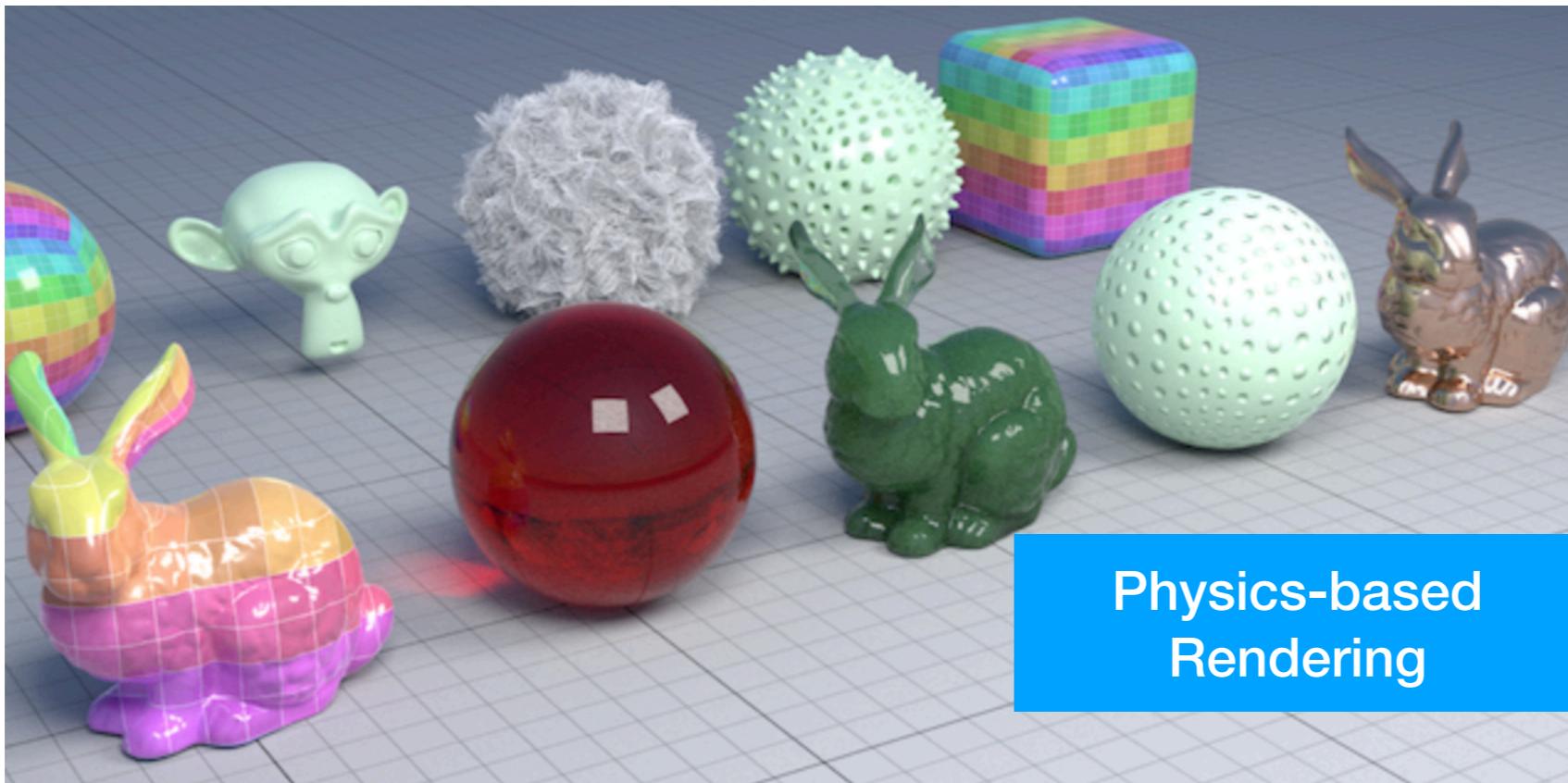
$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \text{nodes } \{x_i\}_{i=0}^n \\ \text{weights } \{w_i\}_{i=0}^n \end{array} \right.$$

and is given by

$$\sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i)$$

□

Using properly chosen nodes and weights...



To quantify accuracy,

Definition 17.2 (The Degree of Exactness (D.O.E.))

D.O.E. of a quadrature formula is the largest non-zero integer \mathbf{N} s.t. the quadrature formula is exact for

$$f(x) = x^k, k = 0, 1, \dots, N.$$

I.e., reproducing up to degree N polynomials. \square

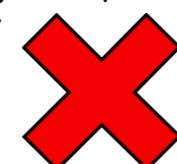
$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i)$$



$$f(x) = a_N x^N + a_{N-1} x^{N-1} + \cdots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$



$$f(x) = a_{N+1} x^{N+1} + a_N x^N + a_{N-1} x^{N-1} + \cdots + a_2 x^2 + a_1 x + a_0$$



How to derive quadrature formulas?

It has something to do with integrating polynomials...

And we do know how to approximate functions with polynomials.

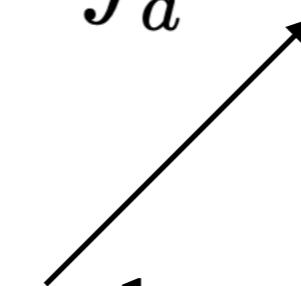
$$\begin{aligned} \text{function} &\approx \text{polynomial} \\ &\quad + \text{some error terms} \\ \text{function integration} &\approx \text{polynomial integration} \\ &\quad + \text{some error terms} \end{aligned}$$

One way to derive quadrature formulas is to approximate $f(x)$ with polynomial interpolants:

$$f(x) = P(x) + E(x)$$

Thus, $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b P(x)dx + \int_a^b E(x)dx,$

We know how to find
antiderivatives for
polynomials!



$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b P(x)dx + \int_a^b E(x)dx$$

$$P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i)L_i(x)$$

↓

$$E(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi(x))}{(n+1)!}(x-x_0)\dots(x-x_n)$$

$$\int_a^b P(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i) \int_a^b L_i(x)dx$$

Compare with

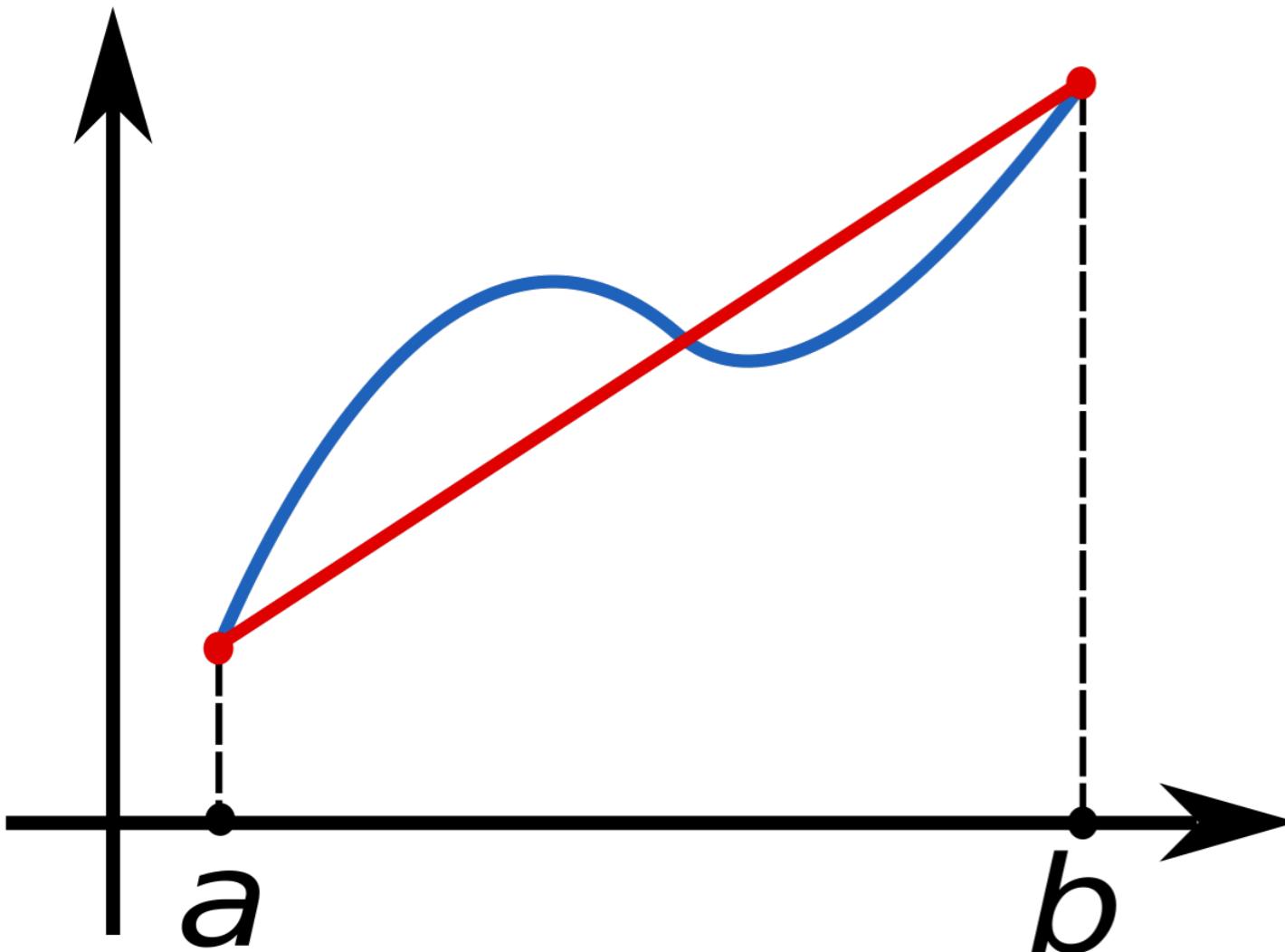
$$\sum_{i=0}^n w_i f(x_i)$$

$$\Rightarrow w_i := \int_a^b L_i(x)dx.$$

We can also compute the error (integral of E(x)).

Trapezoidal Rule

Idea: Approximate f with a line



$$n = 1$$

$$x_0, x_1$$

linear interpolation

The area under a linear
interpolant is a trapezoid

$f(x)$ defined in $[a, b]$, let $x_0 = a$ and $x_1 = b$

Then we know $P(x) = f(x_0) \frac{x - x_1}{x_0 - x_1} + f(x_1) \frac{x - x_0}{x_1 - x_0}$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \int_a^b P(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^1 w_i f(x_i), \quad (\text{quadrature formula})$$

$$\text{where } w_i = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} L_i(x)dx.$$

We can do the integrals (we know how to integrate linear functions!): we get $w_0 = w_1 = \frac{x_1 - x_0}{2} = \frac{h}{2}$

Therefore finally

$$\boxed{\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x)dx \approx \frac{h}{2} (f(x_0) + f(x_1))}$$

Traperzoidal rule: it is the area of the trapezoid below the line.
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$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b P(x)dx + \int_a^b E(x)dx$$

$$P(x) = \sum_{i=0}^n f(x_i)L_i(x)$$

$$E(x) = \frac{f^{(n+1)}(\xi(x))}{(n+1)!}(x - x_0)\dots(x - x_n)$$

The error in the Trapezoidal Rule is

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} E(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{f''(\xi(x))}{2}(x - x_0)(x - x_1)dx$$

How do we understand this error?

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} E(x)dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{f''(\xi(x))}{2}(x - x_0)(x - x_1)dx$$

Theorem 17.1 (Weighted Mean Value Theorem).

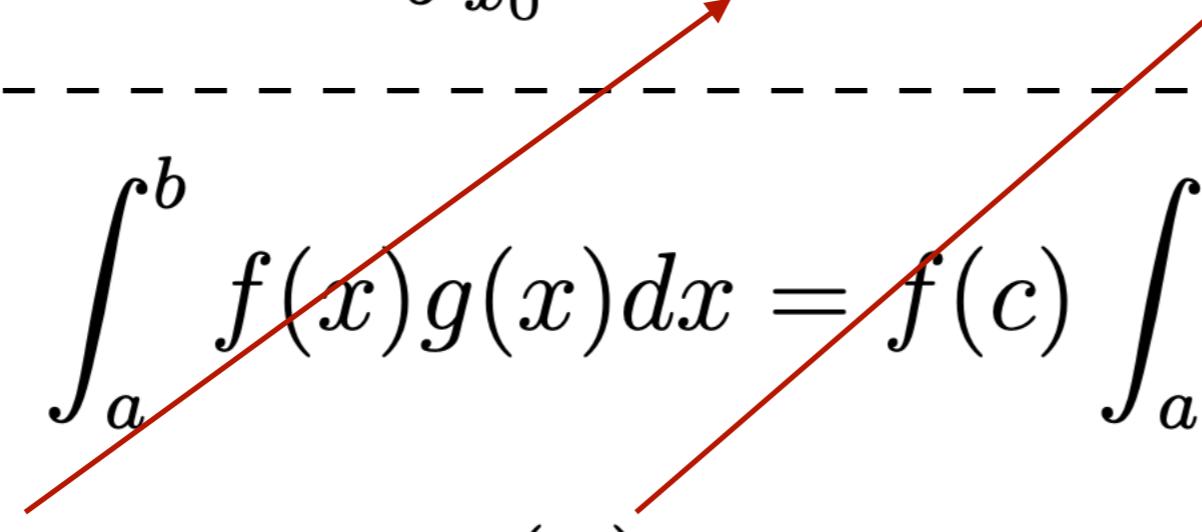
Suppose $f \in C([a, b])$ and the integral of $g(x)$ exists on $[a, b]$. Suppose further that the sign of $g(x)$ does not change on $[a, b]$. Then $\exists c \in (a, b)$ s.t.

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

□

Proof. Not covered in this course.

$$\int_{x_0}^{x_1} E(x) dx = \int_{x_0}^{x_1} \frac{f''(\xi(x))}{2} (x - x_0)(x - x_1) dx$$



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

$f(x)$ $g(x)$ clearly it does not change sign

$$= \frac{f''(c)}{2} \int_{x_0}^{x_1} (x - x_0)(x - x_1) dx = -\frac{f''(c)}{2} \frac{h^3}{6}$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\int_{x_0}^{x_1} f(x)dx = \frac{h}{2}(f(x_0) + f(x_1)) - \frac{f''(c)}{2} \frac{h^3}{6}}$$

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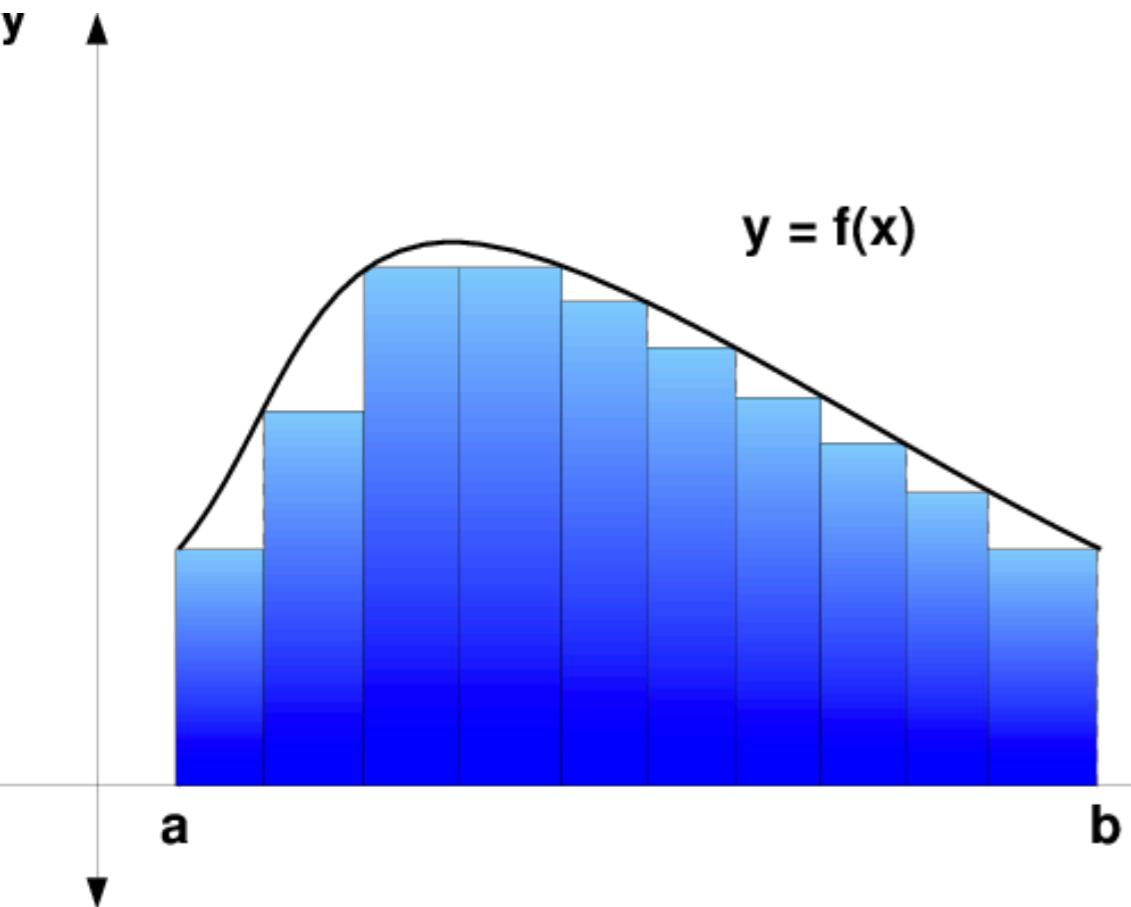
So what is the D.O.E. for this?

only when f is a linear polynomial $f''(c)$ vanishes.

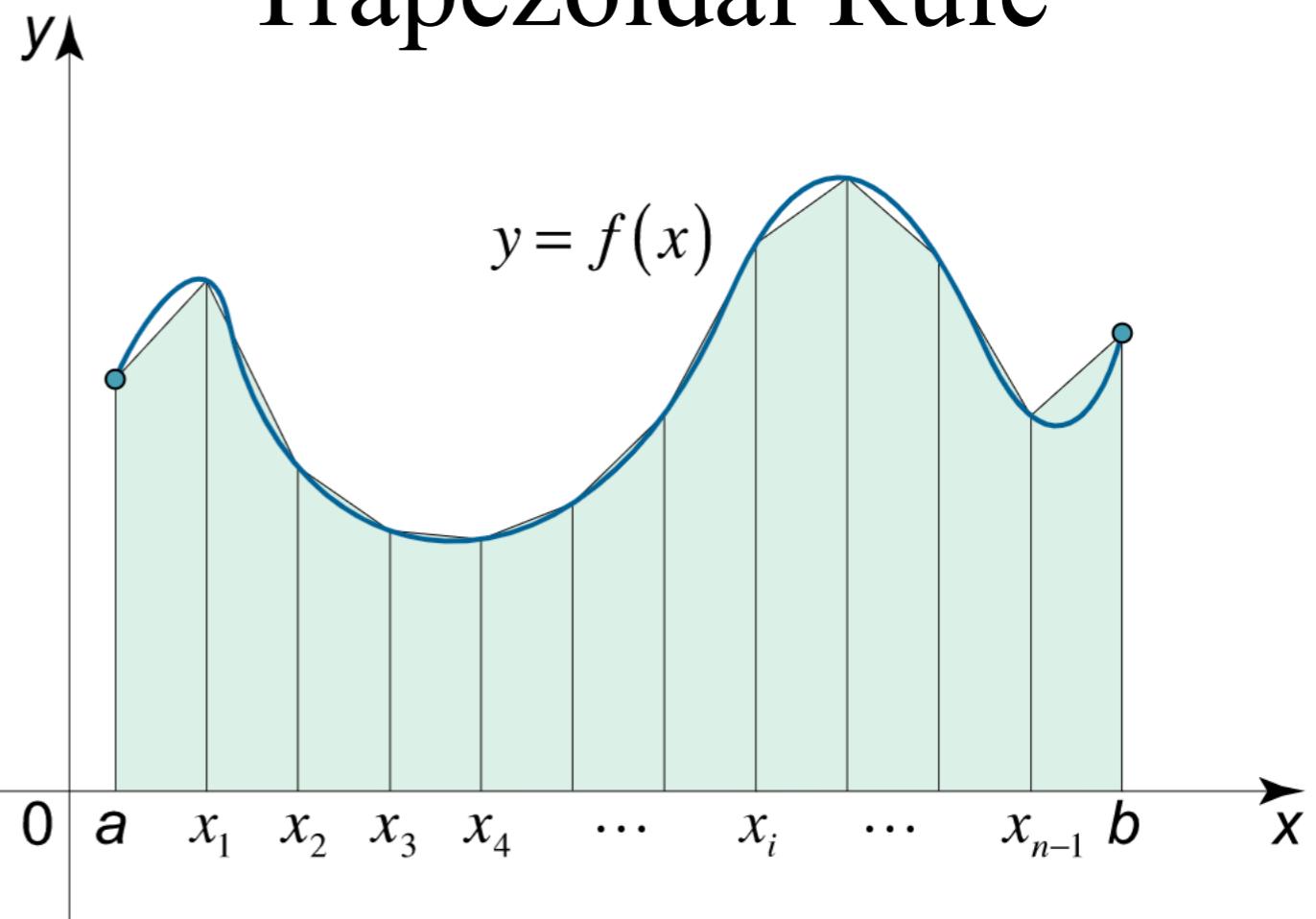
Therefore D.O.E. for Traperzoidal Rule is 1.

Integrate by summing through subintervals

“Naive Rule”



Trapezoidal Rule

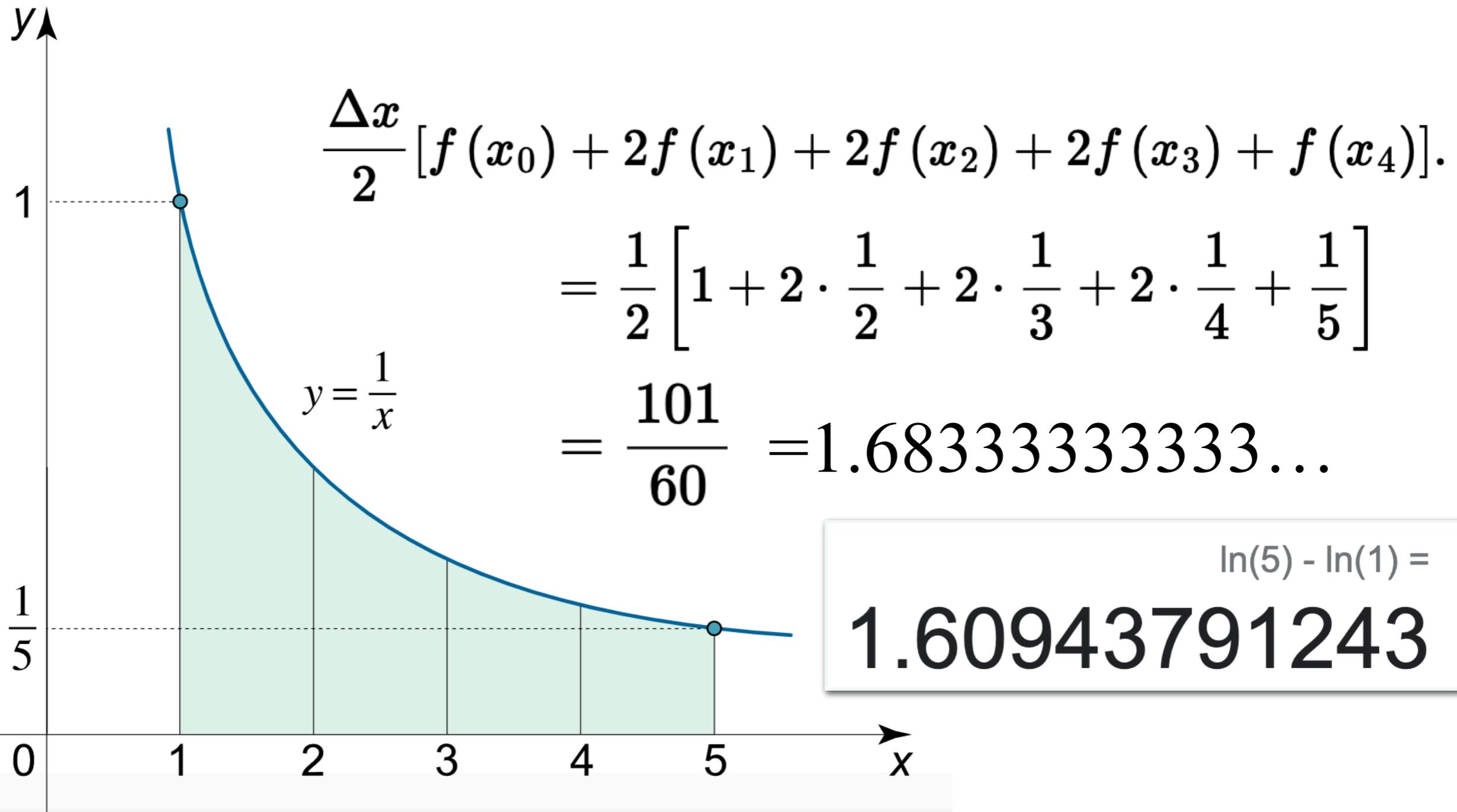


$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx T_n = \frac{\Delta x}{2} [f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \cdots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n)]$$

Example

$$\int_1^5 \frac{1}{x} dx,$$

use 4 subintervals.



Simpson's Rule

Let's next derive Simpson's Rule with 3 points ($n = 2$):

$$a = x_0, x_1 = \frac{a+b}{2}, x_2 = b.$$

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^b P(x)dx + \int_a^b E(x)dx,$$

$$\int_a^b P(x)dx = \sum_{i=0}^2 w_i f(x_i), \quad w_i = \int_a^b L_i(x)dx$$

$$\int_a^b E(x)dx = \int_a^b \frac{f'''(\xi(x))}{3!} (x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2) dx$$

$(x - x_0)(x - x_1)(x - x_2)$ changes sign
we cannot use Weighted M.V.T. here