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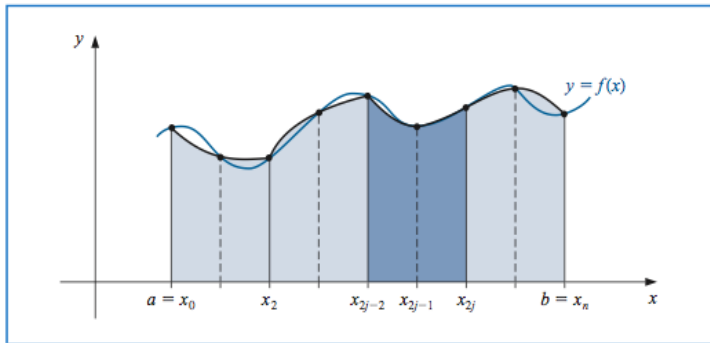


Degree of precision = 3

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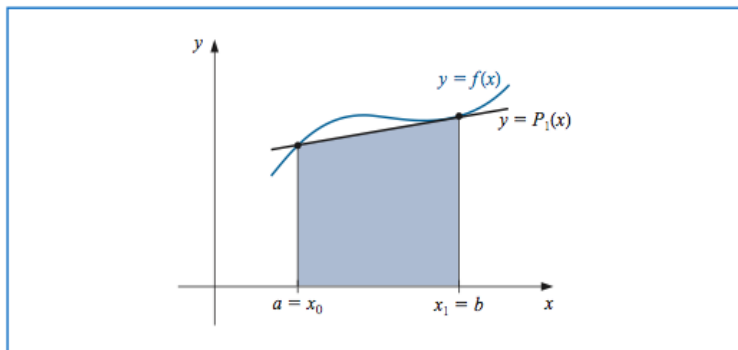
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Trapezoidal Rule: $n = 1$, $x_0 = a$, $x_1 = b$, $h = b - a$.

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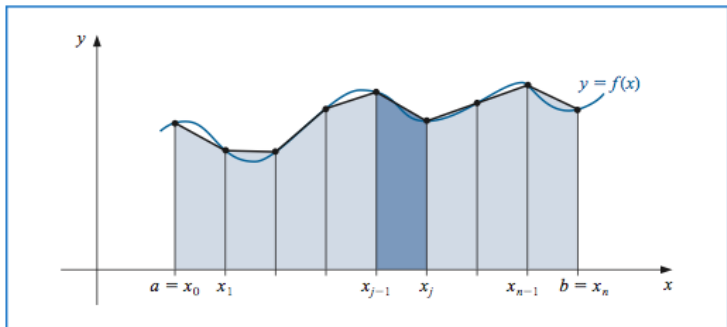


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FOR THE SAME WORK, COMPOSITE SIMPSON YIELDS
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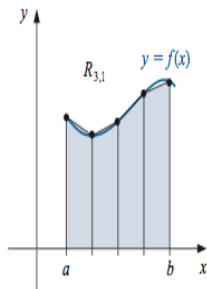
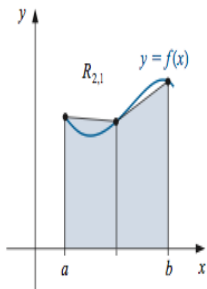
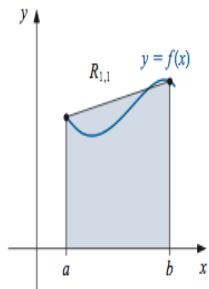
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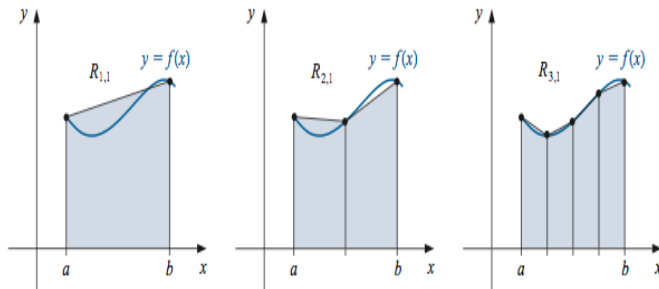
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Romberg Extrapolation for

$$\int_0^\pi \sin(x) dx, \quad n = 1, 2, 2^2, 2^3, 2^4, 2^5.$$

$$R_{1,1} = \frac{\pi}{2} (\sin(0) + \sin(\pi)) = 0,$$

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$$R_{4,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(R_{3,1} + \frac{\pi}{4} \sum_{j=1}^4 \sin\left(\frac{(2j-1)\pi}{8}\right) \right) = 1.97423160,$$

$$R_{5,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(R_{4,1} + \frac{\pi}{8} \sum_{j=1}^8 \sin\left(\frac{(2j-1)\pi}{16}\right) \right) = 1.99357034,$$

$$R_{6,1} = \frac{1}{2} \left(R_{5,1} + \frac{\pi}{16} \sum_{j=1}^{2^4} \sin\left(\frac{(2j-1)\pi}{32}\right) \right) = 1.99839336.$$

Romberg Extrapolation, $\int_0^\pi \sin(x) dx = 2$

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1.57079633	2.09439511				
1.89611890	2.00455976	1.99857073			
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33 FUNCTION EVALUATIONS USED IN THE TABLE.

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Tricks of the Trade, $\int_a^b f(x)dx$

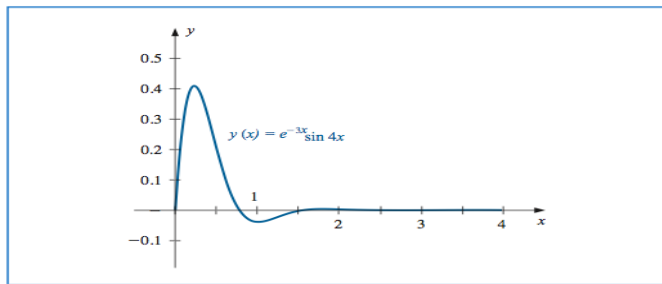
- ▶ Composite Simpson/Trapezoidal rules:
 - ▶ Adding more EQUI-SPACED points.
- ▶ Romberg extrapolation:
 - ▶ Obtain higher order rules from lower order rules.
- ▶ Adaptive quadratures:
 - ▶ Adding more points ONLY WHEN NECESSARY.

quad function of `matlab`: clever combination of all three.

Adaptive Quadrature Methods: step-size matters

$$y(x) = e^{-3x} \sin 4x.$$

- ▶ Oscillation for small x ; nearly 0 for larger x .
 - ▶ Mechanical engineering
(spring and shock absorber systems)
 - ▶ Electrical engineering
(circuit simulations)



- ▶ $y(x)$ behaves different for small x and for large x .

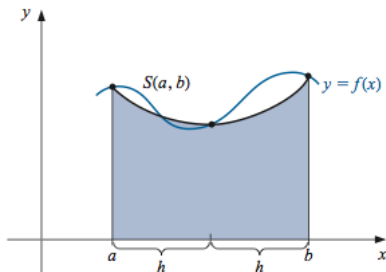
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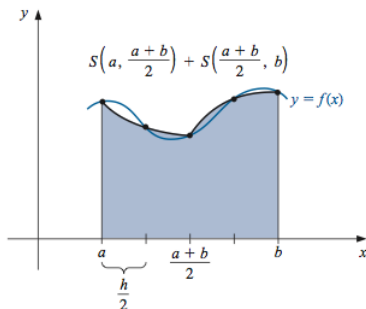
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Simpson on $[a, b]$



Composite Simpson



Adaptive Quadrature (II)



$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = S(a, b) - \frac{h^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi), \quad \xi \in (a, b),$$



$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \int_a^{\frac{a+b}{2}} f(x) dx + \int_{\frac{a+b}{2}}^b f(x) dx \\ &= S(a, \frac{a+b}{2}) + S(\frac{a+b}{2}, b) \\ &\quad - \frac{(h/2)^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi_1) - \frac{(h/2)^5}{90} f^{(4)}(\xi_2) \\ &= S(a, \frac{a+b}{2}) + S(\frac{a+b}{2}, b) - \frac{1}{16} \left(\frac{h^5}{90} \right) f^{(4)}(\widehat{\xi}), \end{aligned}$$

where

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then $S(a, \frac{a+b}{2}) + S(\frac{a+b}{2}, b)$ is sufficiently accurate approximation to $\int_a^b f(x)dx$;

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Adaptive Simpson (I)

```
function [Int,flg, fcnt,level] = AdaptSimpson(FunFcn,interv,tol,L)

a = interv(1);
b = interv(2);

%
% Evaluate the function at three nodal points
%
x = [a;(a + b)/2;b];
f = FunFcn(x);

fx      = [x, f];
simpson = ([1 4 1] * f)*(b-a)/6;
[Int,flg,fcnt,level] = AdaptSimpson2(FunFcn,tol,L,fx,simpson);
fcnt     = fcnt + 3;
level    = L - level + 1;
```

Adaptive Simpson (II)

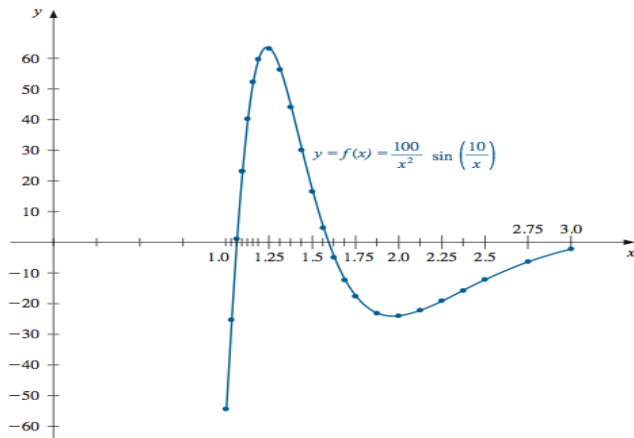
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%
% Recursive Adaptive Simpson's Rule
%
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%
xnew = [fx(1,1)+fx(2,1);fx(2,1)+fx(3,1)]/2;
fnew = FunFcn(xnew);
fcnt = 2;
h2 = (fx(3,1)-fx(1,1))/4;
simpson1 = sum([1 4 1] .* [fx(1,2) fnew(1) fx(2,2)])*h2/3;
simpson2 = sum([1 4 1] .* [fx(2,2) fnew(2) fx(3,2)])*h2/3;
Int = simpson1+simpson2;
level = L;
if (abs(Int-simpson)<15*tol)
    flg = 0;
    return;
end
if (L == 1)
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[Int2,flg2,fcnt2,level2] = AdaptSimpson2(FunFcnIn,tol/2,L-1,fx2,simpson2);
Int = Int1 + Int2;
flg = max(flgl, flg2);
fcnt = 2 + fcnt1 + fcnt2;
level= min(level1,level2);
```

Adaptive Simpson, example

- ▶ Integral $\int_1^3 f(x) dx$,

$$f(x) = \frac{100}{x^2} \sin\left(\frac{10}{x}\right).$$

- ▶ Tolerance $\tau = 10^{-4}$.



function quad(f , [a , b], τ) of matlab

For a given tolerance τ ,

- ▶ **composite Simpson:** $S(a, b)$, $S(a, \frac{a+b}{2})$ and $S(\frac{a+b}{2}, b)$.
- ▶ **Romberg extrapolation:**

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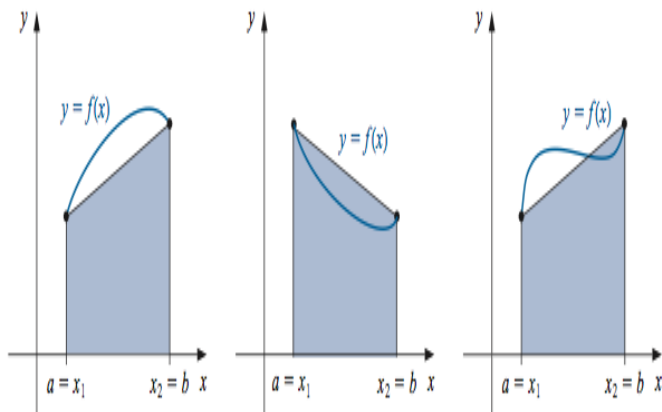
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- ▶ Likely better node choices.



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which implies $c_1 = c_2 = 1$, $x_2 = \frac{1}{\sqrt{3}}$.

- ▶ Gaussian quadrature for $n = 2$

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