

6.5. Program for Simpson's Rule

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$$\Delta x = \frac{B-A}{N}, \quad x_i = A + (i-1)\Delta x \quad x_{i+0.5} = x_i + \frac{\Delta x}{2} \quad x_{i+1} = x_i + \Delta x$$

$$\text{area} \approx \sum_{i=1}^N \frac{1}{6} [f(x_i) + 4f(x_{i+0.5}) + f(x_{i+1})] \Delta x$$

prgm SR (Simpson's Rule)

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:ClrHome
:Disp "FROM:"
:Prompt A
:Disp "TO:"
:Prompt B
:Disp "NUMBER"
:Disp "SUBDIVISIONS:"
:Prompt N
:(B-A)/N → C      Δx ≡ C
:Φ → S
:For (I, 1, N, 1)
:  A + (I-1)*C → D      xi ≡ D
:  D + 0.5*C → E      xi+0.5 ≡ E
:  D + C → F      xi+1 ≡ F
:  S + (Y(D) + 4*Y(E) + Y(F)) * C / 6 → S
:End
:Disp S
    
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Example. For $\int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2 x dx$ the program gives

N	area
2	1.000 548 895
10	1.000 001 048
50	1.000 000 002

The exact value is $\int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2 x dx = [\tan x]_0^{\pi/4} = 1 - 0 = 1$

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MATH fnInt uses Simpson's Rule with an algorithm which decides the optimal number of subdivisions.

Using fnInt to calculate $\int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2 x dx$ gives

Plot1 Plot2 Plot3
V1=1/(cos(X))^2
V2=
V3=
V4=
V5=
V6=

$\int_0^{\pi/4} (Y1(X)) dX$
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CLASS WORK

Use prgmSR to estimate $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin x dx$ for 2, 10, 40 and 50 subdivisions.

SOLUTION

N	area
2	1.000 134 585
10	1.000 000 212
40	1.000 000 001
50	1