

§5.2 The ~~definite~~ definite integral.

Def: Let f be cont. on $[a, b]$.

Divide $[a, b]$ into n subintervals of width $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$

Let $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b$ be the endpoints of these intervals. Let $x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*$ be

sample points from these intervals s.t.

$x_i^* \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$. Then we define

the definite integral of f from a to b to be

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x$$

Note: If we take the sample points to be the right end points, then

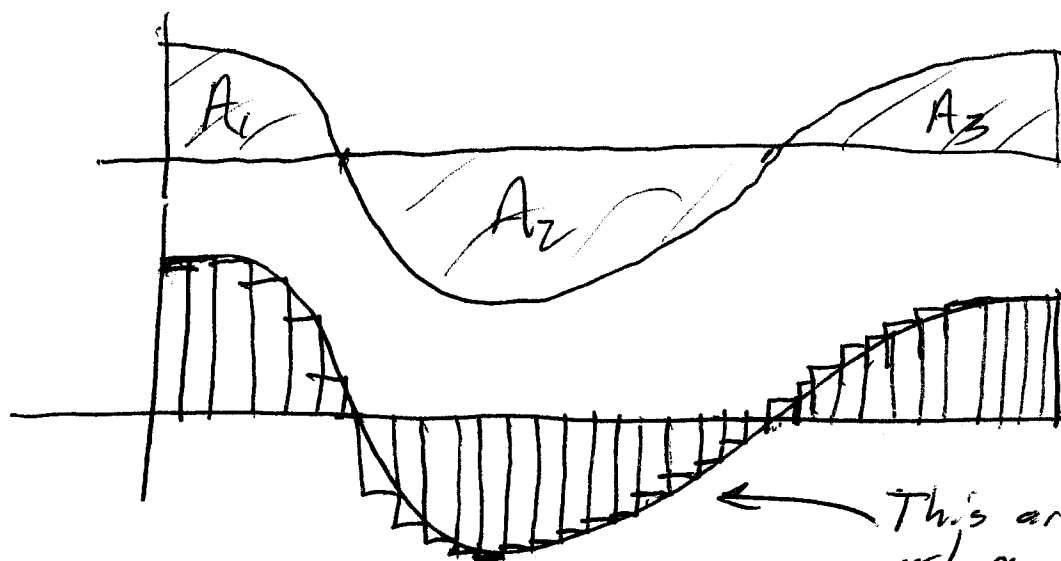
$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(a + i \Delta x) \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

If we use left endpoints,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b f(x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_{i-1}) \Delta x \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(a + (i-1) \Delta x) \Delta x \end{aligned}$$

Note: $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ is a number and

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(t) dt = \int_a^b f(u) du$$



* Note: If $f(x) < 0$ then
 $f(x_i^*) \Delta x < 0$.

Thus,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = A_1 - A_2 + A_3$$

Precise Def:

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

means for all $\varepsilon > 0$, $\exists$ an integer N such that if $n > N$ then

$$\left| A - \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x \right| < \varepsilon$$

eg. Express $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i^3 + x_i \cos(x_i)) \Delta x$ as an integral over $[0, \pi]$.

Summation identities $\sum_{i=1}^n c = cn$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1) \cancel{(n+1)}(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

Properties:

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c a_i = c \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i + b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i - b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n \cancel{a_i} (c a_i + d b_i) = c \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + d \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

eg: Evaluate

$$\int_0^3 (x^3 - 5x) dx.$$

Can this integral be interpreted
in terms of area?

9. Evaluate

$$\int_2^5 x^4 dx$$

eg: Evaluate $\int_0^3 \sqrt{9-x^2} dx$ by interpreting it as an area.

• Mid Point Rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n f(\bar{x}_i) \Delta x$$

where $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$ and

$$\bar{x}_i = \frac{1}{2}(x_{i-1} + x_i)$$

eg: Use the mid point rule w/ $n=5$ to approximate $\int_1^5 \frac{1}{x} dx$

Properties of the Definite integral,

$$1.) \int_a^b f(x) dx = - \int_b^a f(x) dx$$

$$2.) \int_a^a f(x) dx = 0$$

$$3.) \int_a^b c dx = c(b-a)$$

$$4.) \int_a^b (f(x) + g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$5.) \int_a^b c f(x) dx = c \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$6.) \int_a^b (f(x) - g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

eg. 1. Compute $\int_0^1 (4 + 3x^2) dx$

1. Fact:

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

eg: If $\int_0^{10} f(x) dx = 20$ and $\int_0^8 f(x) dx = 10$

then

$$\begin{aligned} \int_8^{10} f(x) dx &= \int_0^{10} f(x) dx - \int_0^8 f(x) dx \\ &= 20 - 10 = 10. \end{aligned}$$

Comparison Properties:

1) If $f(x) \geq 0$ for $a \leq x \leq b$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \geq 0$$

2) If $f(x) \geq g(x) \quad \forall a \leq x \leq b$ then

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

3) If $m \leq f(x) \leq M \quad \forall a \leq x \leq b$ then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a)$$

eg.: Estimate $\int_1^4 \sqrt{x} \, dx$

eg.: Estimate $\int_{10}^{12} \left(10 + \frac{1}{100} \sin(x)\right) dx$