

Lecture 1

DEFINITE INTEGRALS

In calculus we define indefinite integrals

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) + c, \text{ } c \text{ is an arbitrary constant}$$

$f(x)$ is called the integrand
 x is the integration variable
 c is called the constant of integration

Function $F(x)$ is called an anti-derivative or primitive function

It is any function such that

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

Example 1

$$\int x \, dx = \frac{x^2}{2} + C$$

Example 2

$$\int x^2 \, dx = \frac{x^3}{3} + C$$

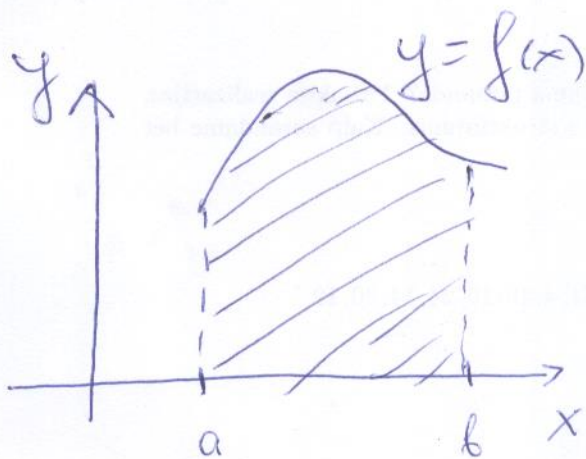
It was explained for you that F exists if the integrand function

$$f \in C[a, b] \quad (\text{a sufficient condition})$$

How to prove this fact?

We start by solving practical problems :

how to calculate areas,
volumes, find displacement
from velocity.



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The area of the region bounded from the above by graph of $f(x)$, base - x axis, and vertical lines at $x = a$ and $x = b$.

Procedure :

- define a partition of a closed interval $[a, b]$

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b.$$

The width of subinterval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ is denoted as

$$\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

The space mesh width is defined as

$$\Delta = \max_{1 \leq i \leq n} \Delta x_i$$

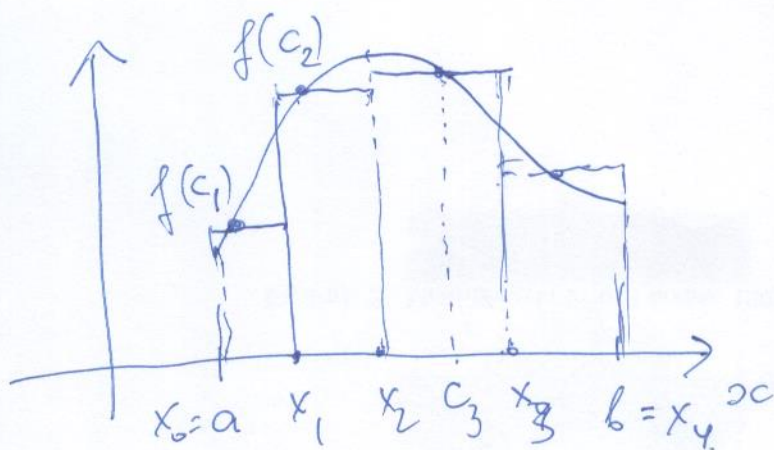
- select in each subinterval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ a point

$$c_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i], \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

- define rectangles, ^{with} base length $\Delta x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$, and height $f(c_i)$.

The area of such a rectangle is equal to

$$s_i = f(c_i) \cdot \Delta x_i$$



The sum of areas of all rectangles is calculated as

$$\sigma = \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

It give approximations of the exact value S .

Taking more points of the mesh and making $\Delta \rightarrow 0$ we get in a limit the required value of S .

$$S = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sigma = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n(\Delta)} f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

Definition of definite integrals.

Consider a bounded function $f(x)$ in the closed interval $[a, b]$.
(as an example take continuous functions $f \in C[a, b]$)

1. Define a mesh in $[a, b]$ (a partition of this interval)

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_n = b.$$

2. Select a point in each subinterval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$:

$$c_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i], \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n$$

3. Calculate a sum of ~~of~~ f over $[a, b]$

$$S_n = \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

This sum is called a Riemann sum.

4. Find a limit as $\Delta \rightarrow 0$:

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n(\Delta)} f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

If a limit exists and doesn't depend on selection of points of meshes (partitions) and points c_i , then this limit of discrete sums is called the integral of f in the interval $[a, b]$ and f is called Riemann integrable, notation

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n(\Delta)} f(c_i) \Delta x_i$$

a is the lower limit and b is the upper limit for a function $f(x)$.

Example 3. Compute

$$\int_0^1 x \, dx.$$

Since a limit of a Riemann sum don't depend on a mesh, we use a uniform mesh

$$x_i = \frac{1}{n} i, \quad i = 0, 1, \dots, n$$

and take

$$c_i = x_i, \quad i = 1, 2, \dots, n.$$

Then we get a sum: $(x_i - x_{i-1} = \frac{1}{n})$

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

Recalled that for the progression sequence

$$1 + 2 + \dots + n = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

thus

$$\sigma_n = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2n} \xrightarrow{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{2} = \int_0^1 x \, dx.$$

Example 4 Calculate :

$$\int_0^1 x^2 dx$$

Hint: $1^2 + 2^2 + \dots + n^2 = \frac{n(2n+1)(n+1)}{6}$

(mathematical induction can be used to get a proof of it).

Remark 1. The integral $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ depends not only on the integrand function f , but also on the interval $[a, b]$.

The same function f can be integrable in one interval, but not integrable in the other interval.

Remark 2. In order to define sums σ_n we require that f be a bounded function.

For non-bounded functions integrals also can be defined, but we must relax (change) the definition.

Here we consider only Riemann definite integrals.

Next we give some ~~p~~ strict justification when a limit of integrable sums exist.

It is clear that we restrict of a class of functions f , suited to guarantee that the proof is valid.

Darboux sums

Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a bounded function and let

$$M_i = \sup_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{the} \\ \text{supremum} \end{array} \right)$$

$$m_i = \inf_{x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x) \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{the} \\ \text{infimum} \end{array} \right)$$

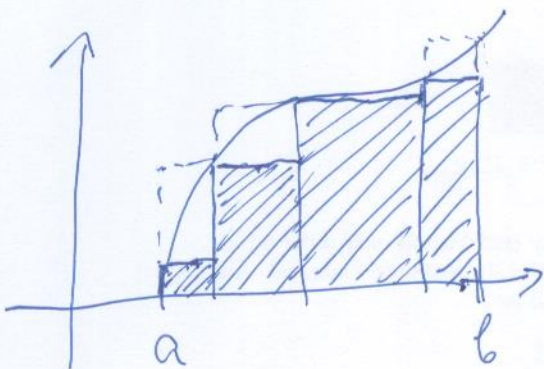
The upper Darboux sum of f with respect to mesh $P = (x_0, \dots, x_n)$ is

$$U_n = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - x_{i-1}) M_i$$

and the lower Darboux sum of f with respect to P is

$$L_n = \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i - x_{i-1}) m_i.$$

Geometrical view :



The lower and upper sums.

Remark. For a given mesh P :

$$L_n \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x_i \leq U_n.$$

Lemma. If a new point is added to P , then Lower sum can only increase and upper sum to decrease.

$$L_n \leq L_{n+1} \quad \text{and} \quad U_{n+1} \leq U_n.$$

Proof. Let's assume that \tilde{x} is added to $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$:

$$x_{i-1} < \tilde{x} < x_i.$$

We define

$$m_i = \inf_{x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i} f(x),$$

$$\omega_i = \inf_{x_{i-1} \leq x \leq \tilde{x}} f(x),$$

$$y_i = \inf_{\tilde{x} \leq x \leq x_i} f(x).$$

A difference between
A new lower sum and L is equal to

$$(\omega_i - m_i)(\tilde{x} - x_{i-1}) + (y_i - m_i)(x_i - \tilde{x})$$

Since

$$\omega_i \geq m_i, \quad y_i \geq m_i,$$

then $L_n \leq L_{n+1}$. The proof of

the second estimate is similar \blacktriangleright

Lemma 2. Let consider two different partitions P_1 and P_2 of $[a, b]$. Then

$$L_{P_1} \leq U_{P_2}.$$

Proof. Let denote lower and upper sums corresponding to P_1 and P_2 as

$$L_{P_1}, L_{P_2}, U_{P_1} \text{ and } U_{P_2}.$$

Next we consider one more mesh $P_3 = P_1 \cup P_2$. It follows from Lemma 1

that

$$\underbrace{L_{P_1} \leq L_{P_3}}_{\text{Lemma 1}} \leq \underbrace{U_{P_3} \leq U_{P_2}}_{\text{Lemma 1}}. \quad \blacktriangleright$$

Lemma 3.

Since a set of $\{L_n\}$ is bounded from above by any U_m , then $\exists \underline{I}$:
(the exact bound from above)
exact upper bound

$$\underline{I} = \sup_p L_n$$

Similarly

$$\bar{I} = \inf_p U_n \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{the exact bound} \\ \text{from below,} \\ \text{exact lower bound} \end{array} \right)$$

$$L \leq \underline{I} \leq \bar{I} \leq U$$

Theorem 1. A function f is Riemann integrable in $[a, b]$ if and only if for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists $\delta = \delta(\epsilon)$ such that for every mesh P with $\Delta \leq \delta$ the estimate

$$U_P - L_P < \epsilon \quad (\text{i.e. } \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} (U - L) = 0)$$

Proof. Necessity. Let's assume that function f integrable in $[a, b]$, i.e.

$$\lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n(\Delta)} f(c_i) \Delta x_i = I \quad \left(\begin{array}{l} \text{limit} \\ \text{exists} \end{array} \right)$$

It mean that

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 : \text{for } \Delta < \delta(\epsilon) \Rightarrow$$

$$|\sigma_n - I| < \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Then it follows that

$$I - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < \sigma_n < I + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

Next we fix the partition P with $\Delta < \delta$:

$$P = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n).$$

Then the upper and lower sums are also fixed, but σ_n can change for different sets of $c_i, i=1, \dots, n$.

It is clear that U_P and L_P are exact upper and lower bounds of the set $\{\sigma_n\}$ (for different c_i).

$$I - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L_P \leq \sigma_n \leq U_P < I + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow U_P < I + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$$

$$L_P > I - \frac{\epsilon}{2} \Rightarrow (-L_P) < \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2} - I \right)$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{U_P - L_P < \epsilon}$$

2. Sufficiency $\forall \epsilon > 0$

Let assume, that \forall for some P partition

$$U_p - S_p < \epsilon \quad (*)$$

It follows from Lemma 3, that

$$\overline{I} = \overline{\overline{I}} = \overline{I}$$

and we have ~~for~~ any L, U (from sets of lower and upper sums)

$$L \leq \overline{I} \leq U$$

By definition, for any σ_n :

$$L \leq \sigma_n \leq U$$

Since both \overline{I} and σ_n are between L and U and estimate (*) is valid, ~~then~~ for Δ sufficiently small

$$|\overline{I} - \sigma_n| < \epsilon \Rightarrow \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sigma_n = \overline{I}$$



Let us denote

$$\omega_i = M_i - m_i, \quad i = 1, \dots, n.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} U - L &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta x_i \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \Delta x_i \end{aligned}$$

Then the integrability condition can be rewritten as

$$\forall \varepsilon > 0 \quad \exists \delta > 0 : \Delta < \delta$$

$$\Rightarrow \boxed{\sum_{i=1}^n \omega_i \Delta x_i < \varepsilon}$$

We use the result, that condition

$$\underline{I} = \overline{I} = I$$

is not only sufficient but also necessary condition for the integrability of f in $[a, b]$.