

Riemann Sums and Definite Integrals

-What happens if the intervals aren't even? A big rectangle here, a smaller rectangle there could still work.

- Does it matter, given the amount of rectangles we are using?

-The "long-way" of finding the area under the curve is known as a **Riemann Sum**.

-Consider the case where the number of rectangles increases and the width of the rectangle decreases.

As the number of rectangles increase, we say that the **norm** of the partition (or the width of the largest subinterval) decreases.

$$\text{As } n \rightarrow \infty, \|\Delta\| \rightarrow 0$$

This makes another version of our limit-sum definition:

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

Definite Integrals

If f is defined on the closed interval $[a, b]$ and the limit

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

exists, then f is **integrable** on $[a, b]$ and the limit is denoted by

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

The limit is called the **definite integral** of f from a to b . The number a is the **lower limit** of integration, and the number b is the **upper limit** of integration.

Continuity Implies Integrability

If a function f is continuous on the closed interval $[a, b]$, then f is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Example

Evaluate the definite integral $\int_{-2}^1 2x \, dx$

$$\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{3}{n}$$

$$c_i = a + i\Delta x = -2 + \frac{3i}{n}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-2}^1 2x \, dx &= \lim_{\|\Delta\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i) \Delta x \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n 2 \left(-2 + \frac{3i}{n} \right) \left(\frac{3}{n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(-2 + \frac{3i}{n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{6}{n} \left\{ -2n + \frac{3}{n} \left[\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right] \right\} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(-12 + 9 + \frac{9}{n} \right)$$

$$= -3$$

-This function wasn't non-negative so it muddles the true definition of area!!

Properties of Definite Integrals

$$\text{a) } \int_a^b k \cdot f(x) \, dx = k \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

$$\text{b) } \int_a^b [f(x) \pm g(x)] \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$$

Preservation of Inequality

If f is integrable and non-negative on $[a, b]$ then

$$0 \leq \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$$

If f and g are integrable on the closed interval $[a, b]$ and $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for every x in $[a, b]$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$$

The Definite Integral as the Area of a Region

If f is continuous and non-negative on the closed interval $[a, b]$, then the area of the region bounded by the graph of f , the x-axis, and the lines $x = a$ and $x = b$ is:

$$\text{Area} = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Properties of Definite Integrals

If f is defined at $x = a$, then we define $\int_a^a f(x) dx = 0$

If f is integrable on $[a, b]$, then we define $\int_b^a f(x) dx = -\int_a^b f(x) dx$

If f is integrable on 3 closed intervals determined by a , b , and c , then

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

Fundamental Theorem of Calculus

Consider the connection between the uses of differentiation and definite integration.

Slope

$$\frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x}$$

Area

$$\Delta y \Delta x$$

If a function f is continuous on $[a, b]$ and F is an antiderivative of f on $[a, b]$ then

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

Notation

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

$$= F(b) - F(a)$$

$$\text{b) } \int_a^b f(x) dx = [F(x) + C]_a^b$$

$$= [F(b) + C] - [F(a) + C]$$

$$= F(b) - F(a)$$

'So we don't need the constant of integration for definite integrals!!

Example

Evaluate each definite integral.

$$\int_1^2 (x^2 - 3) dx$$

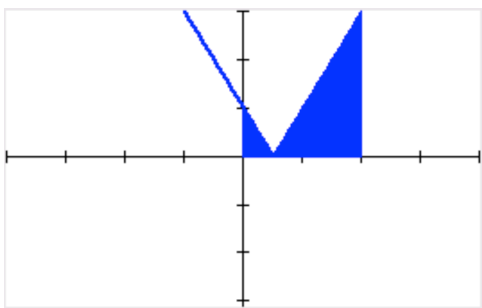
$$= \left[\frac{x^3}{3} - 3x \right]_1^2 = \left(\frac{8}{3} - 6 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{3} - 3 \right) = -\frac{2}{3}$$

$$\int_1^4 3\sqrt{x} dx$$

$$= 3 \int_1^4 x^{1/2} dx = 3 \left[\frac{x^{3/2}}{3/2} \right]_1^4 = 2(4)^{3/2} - 2(1)^{3/2} = 14$$

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2(x) dx$$

$$= \tan(x) \Big|_0^{\pi/4} = 1 - 0 = 1$$

Example

$$y = |2x - 1|$$

Evaluate $\int_0^2 |2x - 1| dx$

$$|2x-1| = \begin{cases} -(2x-1) & x < 1/2 \\ 2x-1 & x \geq 1/2 \end{cases}$$

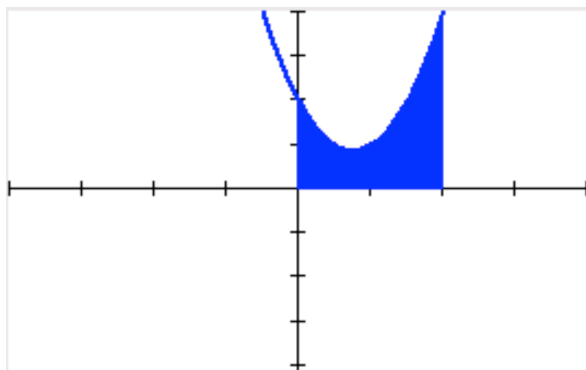
Rewrite:

$$\int_0^2 |2x-1| dx = \int_0^{1/2} -(2x-1) dx + \int_{1/2}^2 (2x-1) dx$$

$$= \left[-x^2 + x \right]_0^{1/2} + \left[x^2 - x \right]_{1/2}^2$$

$$= \left(-\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{2} \right) - (0 + 0) + (4 - 2) - \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \right) = \frac{5}{2}$$

Example



Find the area of the region bounded by the graph of $y = 2x^2 - 3x + 2$, the x -axis, and the vertical lines $x = 0$ and $x = 2$.

$$\text{Area} = \int_0^2 (2x^2 - 3x + 2) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \left[\frac{2x^3}{3} - \frac{3x^2}{2} + 2x \right]_0^2 \\ &= \left(\frac{16}{3} - 6 + 4 \right) - (0 - 0 + 0) \\ &= \frac{10}{3} \end{aligned}$$