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Announcements

- This Week: §5.2, 5.3 and 5.4
 - You need to have the “Math 125 course pak”.
((\$8.50 from the UW Copy Center in
Communications (CMU) B042.)
Always bring this to your Tu & Th sections.
 - Congratulations on making good use of the
Math 125 C&D email list!
 - Homework #1 (Week 1 Problems)
Due Tomorrow
(Covers §4.10, 5.1 and 5.2; see web for assignment)
Collected: Thursday, October 7
 - Quiz # 1 Thursday, October 7
(Covers §4.10, 5.1 and 5.2, Week 1 Problems).
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Today

- §5.2 The Definite Integral: definition and
properties.

When solving the area problem we encountered, **Riemann sums**, which are expressions of the form

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \Delta x =$$

$$f(x_1^*) \Delta x + f(x_2^*) \Delta x + \cdots + f(x_n^*) \Delta x.$$

We also studied their limits, i.e.

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

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [f(x_1^*) \Delta x + f(x_2^*) \Delta x \cdots + f(x_n^*) \Delta x].$$

Definition: Let f be a continuous function defined on the interval $[a, b]$. Divide the interval $[a, b]$ into n -subintervals of equal width

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

Let

$$x_0 = a, \quad x_n = b, \quad x_{i+1} = x_i + \Delta x$$

Let $x_i^* \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ be sample points.

The **definite integral of f from a to b** is

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

Proposition:

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

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

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

Proof (of the first): Note that

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n i &= 1 + 2 + \dots + n \\ \sum_{i=1}^n i &= n + (n-1) + \dots + 1 \end{aligned}$$

Adding we have

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \sum_{i=1}^n i &= (n+1) + (n+1) + \dots + (n+1) \\ &= n(n+1). \end{aligned}$$

To compute $\sum_{i=1}^n i^2$ we use a *telescoping sum*. Note that

$$(i + 1)^3 - i^3 = 3i^2 + 3i + 1$$

and

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n [(i + 1)^3 - i^3] &= [2^3 - 1^3] + [3^3 - 2^3] \\ &\quad + \cdots + [(n + 1)^3 - n^3] \\ &= (n + 1)^3 - 1 \\ &= n^3 + 3n^2 + 3n. \end{aligned}$$

Thus

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{i=1}^n [(i + 1)^3 - i^3] &= \sum_{i=1}^n 3i^2 + 3i + 1 \\ &= 3 \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + 3 \sum_{i=1}^n i + \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \\ &= 3 \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 + 3 \frac{n(n + 1)}{2} + n. \end{aligned}$$

Combining the 2 equalities above we have

$$\begin{aligned} 3 \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 &= n^3 + 3n^2 - 3 \frac{n(n+1)}{2} + 2n \\ &= n^3 + \frac{3}{2}n^2 + \frac{1}{2}n \\ &= \frac{2n^3 + 3n^2 + n}{2} \\ &= \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{2} \end{aligned}$$

Properties of sums

- $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda = n\lambda$
- $\sum_{i=1}^n \lambda a_i = \lambda \sum_{i=1}^n a_i$
- $\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i + b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$
- $\sum_{i=1}^n (a_i - b_i) = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$

Properties of the definite integral

If $c \in [a, b]$ and λ is a constant then

- $\int_a^b f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx + \int_c^b f(x) dx$
- $\int_a^a f(x) dx = 0$
- $\int_a^b f(x) dx = -\int_b^a f(x) dx$
- $\int_a^b \lambda dx = \lambda(b - a)$
- $\int_a^b [f(x) + g(x)] dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx$
- $\int_a^b \lambda f(x) dx = \lambda \int_a^b f(x) dx$

Comparison properties for the integral

- If $f(x) \geq 0$ for $x \in [a, b]$, then

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

- If $f(x) \geq g(x)$ for $x \in [a, b]$, then

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

- If $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for $x \in [a, b]$, then

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