

1. Fix an integer  $r \geq 0$  and define  $f : [1, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = x^r$ , where  $b > 1$ .

(a) Let  $P_n = (1, b^{1/n}, b^{2/n}, \dots, b^{(n-1)/n}, b)$  be a partition of  $[1, b]$ . Compute the lower Darboux sum  $L(f, P_n)$ , and show that  $U(f, P_n) = b^{r/n}L(f, P_n)$ .

(b) Prove that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, P_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n)$ , and compute their common value.

2. Define a function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 1, & x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ -1, & x \notin \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$

Prove that  $f$  is not integrable, but that  $f^2$  is.

3. Prove that any monotone increasing function  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is integrable, by considering its Darboux sums for partitions where every subinterval  $[x_i, x_{i+1}]$  has the same length.

4. Define the *mesh* of a partition  $P = (x_0, \dots, x_k)$  to be the maximal length of any subinterval:

$$\text{mesh}(P) = \max_{0 \leq i \leq k-1} \Delta x_i = \max_{0 \leq i \leq k-1} (x_{i+1} - x_i).$$

Show that if  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is continuous and  $(P_n)$  is any sequence of partitions of  $[a, b]$  such that  $\text{mesh}(P_n) \rightarrow 0$  as  $n \rightarrow \infty$ , then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, P_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n).$$

The proof should follow the argument we used in lecture to show that continuous functions are integrable.

5. (a) Prove for any  $\theta \in \mathbb{R}$  and  $n \in \mathbb{N}$  that if  $\sin(\frac{\theta}{2}) \neq 0$ , then

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

using the formula  $\sin(\alpha) \sin(\beta) = \frac{1}{2}(\cos(\alpha - \beta) - \cos(\alpha + \beta))$ .

(b) Fix  $t \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$  so that  $\sin(x)$  is monotone increasing on the interval  $[0, t]$ , and consider the partition  $P_n = (0, \frac{t}{n}, \frac{2t}{n}, \dots, \frac{(n-1)t}{n}, t)$  of  $[0, t]$ . Compute the upper Darboux sum  $U(\sin(x), P_n)$ , and show that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\sin(x), P_n) = 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{t}{2}\right).$$

Remark: This limit is equal to  $1 - \cos(t)$  by the double-angle formula  $\cos(2\theta) = 1 - 2 \sin^2(\theta)$ , so problem 4 tells us that

$$\int_0^t \sin(x) dx = 2 \sin^2\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) = 1 - \cos(t)$$

for all  $t \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2}]$ .

6. Let  $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be bounded functions such that  $f(x)$  and the product  $f(x)g(x)$  are both integrable, and  $f(x) \geq 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . If  $c \leq g(x) \leq d$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ , prove that

$$c \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)g(x) dx \leq d \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

7. (\*) Define  $f : [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  by  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x \notin \mathbb{Q} \\ 1/|q|, & x = \frac{p}{q} \in \mathbb{Q}. \end{cases}$

We proved in problem sheet 1 that  $f$  is discontinuous at all rational numbers.

- (a) Compute the lower Darboux integral  $\underline{\int}_0^1 f(x) dx$ .
  - (b) Consider the partition  $P_n = (0, \frac{1}{n^3}, \frac{2}{n^3}, \dots, \frac{n^3-1}{n^3}, 1)$  of  $[0, 1]$ . Show for  $n$  large that there are at most  $n^2$  subintervals  $[\frac{i}{n^3}, \frac{i+1}{n^3}]$  on which
- $$M_i = \sup_{\frac{i}{n^3} \leq t \leq \frac{i+1}{n^3}} f(t)$$
- is at least  $\frac{1}{n}$ .
- (c) Prove that  $U(f, P_n) \leq \frac{2}{n}$  for  $n$  large. (Hint: break the sum into terms where  $M_i \geq \frac{1}{n}$  and terms where  $M_i < \frac{1}{n}$ .)
  - (d) Conclude that  $f$  is integrable, and compute  $\int_0^1 f(x) dx$ .
  - 8. Prove that if  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  is continuous and  $f(c) \neq 0$  for some  $c \in [a, b]$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx > 0$ .
  - 9. Suppose for some  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  and integer  $n \geq 1$  that the  $n$ th power  $f^n$  of  $f$  is integrable. Prove that if  $n$  is odd, then  $f$  is integrable. Why doesn't this work for  $n$  even, and can you find additional hypotheses on  $f$  that make it true in that case?

10. Evaluate  $\int_1^x \frac{\sqrt{t^2 - 1}}{t} dt$  for  $x \geq 1$ . (Hint: what is the inverse of the integrand?)

11. In problem sheet 4 we constructed a smooth (i.e., infinitely differentiable) function  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $f(x) > 0$  if and only if  $x \in (0, 1)$ .
- (a) Construct a smooth, monotone increasing function  $g : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $g(x) = 0$  for all  $x \leq 0$  and  $g(x) = 1$  for all  $x \geq 1$ .
  - (b) Given  $a < b < c < d$ , construct a smooth function  $h : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  satisfying

$$h(x) = 0 \text{ for all } x \notin [a, d], \quad h(x) = 1 \text{ for all } x \in [b, c],$$

and with  $h$  monotone increasing on  $(-\infty, b]$  and decreasing on  $[c, \infty)$ .

12. (a) Given  $a < b < 0$ , evaluate  $\int_a^b \frac{1}{x} dx$ . Be careful not to take the logarithm of a negative number along the way!

- (b) Check that  $\tan(x) = \frac{\sin(x)}{\cos(x)}$  is strictly monotone increasing on the interval  $(-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$ , with

$$\lim_{x \downarrow -\frac{\pi}{2}} \tan(x) = -\infty \quad \text{and} \quad \lim_{x \uparrow \frac{\pi}{2}} \tan(x) = +\infty.$$

- (c) Let  $\tan^{-1} : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow (-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2})$  be the inverse function to  $\tan(x)$ . Prove for all  $x \in \mathbb{R}$  that

$$\cos(\tan^{-1}(x)) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}}.$$

- (d) Fix  $\theta \in (0, \frac{\pi}{2})$ . Find a convenient substitution which proves that

$$\int_0^\theta \tan(x) dx = -\log(\cos(\theta)).$$

- (e) Prove for  $x > 0$  that  $\int_0^x \tan^{-1}(t) dt = x \tan^{-1}(x) - \frac{1}{2} \log(1+x^2)$ .

13. (a) Check that the derivative of  $x \log(x) - x$  is  $\log(x)$ .  
(b) Use Darboux sums to prove for all integers  $n \geq 1$  that

$$\log((n-1)!) \leq \int_1^n \log(x) dx \leq \log(n!).$$

- (c) Evaluate the integral in (b) and deduce that

$$\frac{1}{n} \leq \frac{\log(n!)}{n} - \log\left(\frac{n}{e}\right) \leq \log\left(1 + \frac{1}{n}\right) + \frac{\log(n+1)}{n}$$

for all  $n \geq 1$ .

- (d) Conclude that  $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n}{\sqrt[n]{n!}} = e$ .

Remark: this is a weak version of *Stirling's formula*  $n! \sim \sqrt{2\pi n} \left(\frac{n}{e}\right)^n$ .

14. (\*) Let  $f : [N, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be a nonnegative, monotone decreasing function.

- (a) Let  $S_n = \sum_{k=N}^n f(k)$  for all integers  $n \geq N$ . Use Darboux sums to prove that

$$S_n - f(N) \leq \int_N^n f(x) dx \leq S_{n-1}.$$

- (b) Prove that the series  $\sum_{k=N}^{\infty} f(k)$  converges if and only if the limit

$$\int_N^{\infty} f(x) dx \stackrel{\text{def}}{=} \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \int_N^x f(t) dt$$

(called an *improper integral*) exists. This is the *integral test* for convergence.

- (c) Prove that if the series  $S = \sum_{k=N}^{\infty} f(k)$  converges, so  $I = \int_N^{\infty} f(x) dx$  exists, then  $I \leq S \leq I + f(N)$ .
15. Evaluate  $\int_0^x \frac{1}{1+e^t} dt$ . Does  $\int_0^{\infty} \frac{1}{1+e^t} dt$  exist, and if so, what is it?
16. The prime number theorem says that the number  $\pi(n)$  of primes between 1 and  $n$  is approximately  $\int_2^n \frac{1}{\log(x)} dx$ .
- Prove that this integral equals  $\frac{n}{\log(n)} + \int_2^n \frac{1}{(\log x)^2} dx$ , up to a constant which does not depend on  $n$ .
  - Prove that there is a constant  $C > 0$  such that  $\int_2^n \frac{1}{(\log x)^2} dx < \frac{Cn}{(\log n)^2}$  for all sufficiently large  $n$ , by splitting the integral up into one with domain  $[2, \sqrt{n}]$  and one with domain  $[\sqrt{n}, n]$  and estimating each one separately.
17. Let  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  be uniformly continuous, and suppose that  $\int_0^{\infty} f(x) dx$  exists.
- For each  $\epsilon > 0$ , prove that there is a  $\delta > 0$  such that for all  $y > 0$ , if  $f(y) \geq \epsilon$  then
- $$\int_y^{y+\delta} f(t) dt \geq \frac{\epsilon\delta}{2}.$$
- Prove that  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} f(x) = 0$ .
  - Describe a continuous function  $g : [0, \infty) \rightarrow [0, \infty)$  such that  $\int_0^{\infty} g(x) dx$  exists but  $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} g(x)$  does not. Can you make  $g$  differentiable as well?
18. Let  $\Gamma(t) = \int_0^{\infty} x^{t-1} e^{-x} dx$ .
- Prove that this improper integral converges for all  $t > 0$ . (In how many ways is it improper?)
  - Compute  $\Gamma(1)$ .
  - Prove that  $\Gamma(n+1) = n\Gamma(n)$  for all integers  $n \geq 1$ , and deduce that  $\Gamma(n+1) = n!$  for all  $n \geq 0$ .
19. (\*) Let  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  be continuous, with  $f''(x)$  continuous and bounded on  $(a, b)$ .
- Use integration by parts twice to prove that

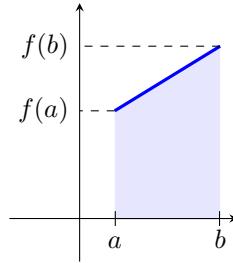
$$\int_a^b \frac{(x-a)(x-b)}{2} f''(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx - (b-a) \left( \frac{f(a) + f(b)}{2} \right).$$

(b) If  $|f''(x)| \leq M$  for all  $x \in (a, b)$ , prove that

$$\left| \int_a^b \frac{(x-a)(x-b)}{2} f''(x) dx \right| \leq \frac{M(b-a)^3}{12}.$$

In other words,  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is the area of the trapezium shown at right, up to an error of at most  $\frac{M(b-a)^3}{12}$ .

(Hint: check that  $(x-a)(x-b) \leq 0$  on  $[a, b]$ , and compute that  $\int_a^b (x-a)(x-b) dx = -\frac{(b-a)^3}{6}$ .)



(c) Apply this to  $f(x) = \log(x)$  to show that

$$\int_1^n \log(x) dx = \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \left( \frac{\log(k) + \log(k+1)}{2} + e_k \right),$$

where  $|e_k| \leq \frac{1}{12k^2}$  for all  $k$ .

(d) Evaluate both the integral and the sum from part (c) to show that there is some constant  $C > 0$  such that

$$\left| \log(n!) - \log \left( \frac{n^{n+1/2}}{e^{n-1}} \right) \right| \leq C$$

for all  $n$ , or equivalently if  $C_1 = e^{1-C}$  and  $C_2 = e^{1+C}$  then

$$C_1 \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{n}{e} \right)^n \leq n! \leq C_2 \sqrt{n} \left( \frac{n}{e} \right)^n.$$