

Math 148 Note Week 1

Area under a Curve

- Consider a bounded function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. We know this function is bounded because of the **dExtreme Value Theorem**. Let P denotes a partition of $[a, b]$:

$$P : a = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = b$$

This partition divides $[a, b]$ into subintervals $[t_{i-1}, t_i], 1 \leq i \leq n$.

- Let M, m be the supremum and infimum, ie.

$$M_i = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]\}$$

$$m_i = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]\}$$

- By the **Extreme Value Theorem**, if f is continuous, then there exists $c_i, d_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$ such that $M_i = f(c_i), m_i = f(d_i)$.

Upper Riemann Sum and Lower Riemann Sum

- Formula.*

$$U(f, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(t_i - t_{i-1})$$

$$L(f, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1})$$

- The value of these two functions depend on the function f and also the partition p .
- M_i and m_i is the local max/min on the interval $[t_{i-1}, t_i]$; they are the "height" of the function.
- Multiplying M_i and m_i with the "width" $(t_i - t_{i-1})$, we get a bunch of areas of rectangles.
- Taking the sum of all the rectangles, we get an approximation of the area under the curve.
- Note that URS is always an over-estimate; LRS is always an under-estimate. That is,
$$\text{LRS} \leq \text{"Area"} \leq \text{URS}$$
$$L(f, p) \leq \int_a^b f(x)dx \text{ (if exists)} \leq U(f, p)$$

Refinement

- Definition.** A refinement of partition p is a partition Q which contains all the points of p (and more).
- Remark.** The subintervals don't have to be evenly spaced.

- Now what would happen if we use a refined partition to $L(f, p)$ and $U(f, 0)$?
 - Since refinement makes $L(f, p)$ and $U(f, p)$ better approximations of the actual area, we have the following inequalities: $U(f, q) \leq U(f, p)$ $L(f, q) \geq L(f, p)$ That is, URS would fall and LRS would rise.
- **Observation.** Let p_i, p_j be two partitions of $[a, b]$. Let Q be the common refinement of p_i, p_j , ie. $Q = p_i \cup p_j$. Then we have

$$L(f, p_i) \leq L(f, Q) \leq U(f, Q) \leq U(f, p_j), \quad \forall i, j \in \cup \text{partitions}$$

Hence, any URS is bounded below by any LRS. From this, we can conclude that

$$I = \inf\{U(f, p) \mid \text{all partition of } [a, b] \text{ exists}\}$$

$$S = \sup\{L(f, p) \mid \text{all partition of } [a, b] \text{ exists}\}$$

Moreover,

$$S = \sup\{L(f, p) : \text{all partitions } p\} \leq \int_a^b f(x)dx \leq \inf\{U(f, p) : \text{all partitions } p\} = I$$

Thus, if $S = I$, we have $S = \int_a^b f(x)dx = I$.

- **Definition.** We say $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable over $[a, b]$ if $S = \sup\{L(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\} = \inf\{U(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\} = I$. We write $\int_a^b f = I = S$. When f is positive and continuous, $\int_a^b f$ is the area under f over $[a, b]$
- **Definition.** We define the area under f over $[a, b]$ for $f \geq 0$ as $\int_a^b f$, provided that f is integrable.

Riemann Sum

- Given any partition p of $[a, b]$, say $p : a = t_0 < \dots < t_n = b$. Pick $c_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$, then $R(f, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(c_i)(t_i - t_{i-1})$.
Note that $L \leq R \leq U$ since $m_i \leq f(c_i) \leq M_i$.
- Moreover, if f is continuous, there exists a choice of $c_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$ such that $M = f(c_i)$ and $m = f(c'_i)$

Characterization Theorem

- **Theorem.** Suppose $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is bounded. Then f is integrable iff for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a partition p^* such that $U(f, p^*) - L(f, p^*) < \epsilon$.
- **Proof.**
 - Assume for each $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a partition p_ϵ such that $U(f, p_\epsilon) - L(f, p_\epsilon) < \epsilon$. We want to show that $I = S$. Since

$$I = \inf\{U(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\} \leq U(f, p_\epsilon), \quad S = \sup\{L(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\} \geq L(f, p_\epsilon),$$

we have $I - S \leq U(f, p_\epsilon) - L(f, p_\epsilon) < \epsilon$.

This is true for all ϵ , thus $I = S$, and f is integrable.

- Now assume that f is integrable. Let $\epsilon > 0$. We know (given) $I = S$.

$$I = \inf\{U(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\}, \quad S = \sup\{L(f, p) \mid \text{all } p\}.$$

Uses the definition of supremum and infimum, pick p_1 such that

$I \leq U(f, p_1) < I + \epsilon/2$ and p_2 such that $S - \epsilon/2 < L(f, p_2) \leq S$. But $I = S$, so

$$I - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L(f, p_2) \leq I \leq U(f, p_1) < I + \frac{\epsilon}{2}.$$

Let p be the common refinement for p_1, p_2 . Then

$$U(f, p) - L(f, p) \leq U(f, p_1) - L(f, p_2) < \epsilon.$$

- Application.**

- Show that $f(x) = x^2$ on $[0, 1]$.

- Proof.** Apply the above theorem.

- Let $\epsilon > 0$. Choose $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $\frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$. Let

$$P_n := 0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{n-1} < t_n = 1 \text{ where } t_i = \frac{i}{n}.$$

- Then $M_i = f(t_i) = (\frac{i}{n})^2$, $m_i = f(t_{i-1}) = (\frac{i-1}{n})^2$.

- Then

$$U(f, P_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$L(f, P_n) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{i-1}{n}\right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^{n-1} i^2 = \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \frac{(n-1)n(2n-1)}{6}$$

- Then

$$U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) = \frac{(n+1)(2n+1) - (n-1)(2n-1)}{6n^2} = \frac{1}{n} < \epsilon$$

- By the characterization theorem, $f(x) = x^2$ is integrable.

Uniform Continuity

- Definition.** Continuity.

Let E be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} and $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then f is said to be **continuous** at a point $a \in E$ if and only if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ st. } |x - a| < \delta \wedge x \in E \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(a)| < \epsilon$$

- Definition.** Uniform continuity.

Let E be a nonempty subset of \mathbb{R} and $f : E \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. Then f is said to be **uniformly continuous** on E if and only if

$$\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0 \text{ st. } |u - v| < \delta \wedge u, v \in E \Rightarrow |f(u) - f(v)| < \epsilon$$

- **Remark.** Difference between continuity and uniform continuity.
 - Continuity is about a point a , such that all points around a behave nicely.
 - Uniform continuity is about every two points in the domain, as long as they satisfy the condition $|u - v| < \delta$.

Prove that $f(x) = x^2$ is not uniformly continuous.

- **Proof.** Let $\epsilon = 1$. Suppose we can find a δ that works. Consider $x = a, y = a + \frac{\delta}{2}$.
 $|x - y| < \frac{\delta}{2}$, but $|f(x) - f(y)| = |a^2 - a^2 - a\delta + \frac{\delta^2}{4}|$. Thus $a \rightarrow \infty \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| > \epsilon$.

Prove that $f(x) = \frac{1}{x}$ is not uniformly continuous on $(0, \infty)$.

- **Proof.** Let $\epsilon = 1$. Suppose we can find δ that works. Let $x = \frac{1}{N}, y = \frac{1}{2N}$, then
 $|x - y| < \frac{1}{2N} < \delta$ given that N is big enough. But
 $|f(x) - f(y)| = |\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{y}| = |N - 2N| = N > 1 = \epsilon$.

Prove if $f(a, b) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ and f' is bounded, then f is uniformly continuous.

- **Proof.** Since f' is bounded, pick μ such that $|f'(x)| \leq \mu$ for all $x \in (a, b)$. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Take $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{\mu}$. Then if $x, y \in (a, b)$, by *Mean Value Theorem* $\left| \frac{f(x) - f(y)}{x - y} \right| = |f'(t)| \leq \mu$ for $t \in [x, y]$. Rewriting this, we have $|f(x) - f(y)| \leq \mu|x - y|$. Then $|x - y| < \delta = \frac{\epsilon}{\mu} \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$.

Prove if $f[a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous, then f is uniformly continuous.

- **Proof.**
 - Suppose false. Let $\epsilon > 0$, then δ_ϵ does not exist (fails to exist). That is,
 $\forall \delta > 0 \exists x, y \in \text{dom } f \text{ st } |x - y| < \delta \rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| \geq \epsilon$. Think about $\delta = \frac{1}{n}, n \in \mathbb{N}$.
 - For all $n \in \mathbb{N}$, there exists $x_n, y_n \in \text{dom } f = [a, b]$ st. $|x_n - y_n| < \frac{1}{n}$, but $|f(x_n) - f(y_n)| \geq \epsilon$.
 - Take sequences $(x_n), (y_n)_{n=1}^\infty \in [a, b]^\mathbb{N}$ (they are bounded sequences), by *BWT*, there exists a subsequence (x_{n_k}) which converges to $x_0 \in [a, b] = \text{dom } f$.
 - For $(y_n)_{n=1}^\infty$, $x_n - \frac{1}{n} < y_n < x_n + \frac{1}{n}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$. Then $x_{n_k} - \frac{1}{n_k} < y_{n_k} < x_{n_k} + \frac{1}{n_k}$. By *SQZ* $(y_{n_k})_{k=1}^\infty$ converges to x_0 .
 - Now f is continuous at x_0 . Since $(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow x_0, f(x_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$. Similarly, $(y_{n_k}) \rightarrow x_0 \Rightarrow f(y_{n_k}) \rightarrow f(x_0)$. Thus $|f(x_{n_k}) - f(y_{n_k})| = 0$.
 - But $|f(x_{n_k}) - f(y_{n_k})| \geq \epsilon$ for all k . This is a contradiction. QED.

Bounded, Continuous Functions are Integrable.

- **Theorem.** If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is continuous (it's automatically bounded by *EVT*, and note that integrability only makes sense if f is bounded.), then f is integrable.
- **Strategy:** Show that for all $\epsilon > 0$ there exists partition p such that $U(f, p) - L(f, p) < \epsilon$.
 - Let p be a partition, $a = t_0 < \dots < t_n = b$.
 - Let $M_i = \sup f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = \max f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = f(c_i)$ and $m_i = \inf f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = \min f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = f(d_i)$. We know they are attained because of

continuity and EVT.

◦ Then

$$U(f, p) - L(f, p) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) - \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) = \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)(t_i - t_{i-1})$$

◦ We know $(t_i - t_{i-1})$ is a fixed value, and we can control M_i and m_i using uniform continuity, so we can make this sum less than ϵ .

• **Proof.** Let $\epsilon > 0$.

◦ By the above theorem, f is continuous on $[a, b]$ implies it's uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$. That is, $\forall \epsilon \exists \delta$ st $x, y \in [a, b] \wedge |x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$ (we deliberately choose the value $\frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$).

◦ Take any partition p of $[a, b]$, $p : a = t_0 < \dots < t_n = b$ with the property that the length of each subinterval $|t_i - t_{i-1}| < \delta$.

◦ Now $M_i = \sup f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = \max f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = f(c_i)$ for some $c_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$, $m_i = \inf f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = \min f|_{[t_{i-1}, t_i]} = f(d_i)$ for some $d_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$, hence $|c_i - d_i| \leq t_i - t_{i-1} < \delta$. Therefore $|f(c_i) - f(d_i)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$.

◦ So,

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, p) - L(f, p) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)(t_i - t_{i-1}) \\ &< \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} (t_i - t_{i-1}) \\ &= \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} \cdot (b-a) = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

◦ Hence it is integrable.

Bounded and Monotonic Functions are Integrable.

• **Theorem.** If $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is monotonic, then it's integrable.

• **Proof.**

◦ Note that f is bounded by EVT. We prove the case that f is increasing.

◦ Let $\epsilon > 0$, take a uniform partition $p_n : a = t_0 < \dots < t_n$, where $t_j = a + j(\frac{b-a}{n})$.

◦ Since f is increasing, for each interval $[t_{i-1}, t_i]$, $M_i = f(t_i)$, $m_i = f(t_{i-1})$.

◦ Then

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, p) - L(f, p) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i)(t_i - t_{i-1}) \\ &= \frac{b-a}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) - f(t_{i-1}) \text{ -- Note that this is a telescoping sum!} \\ &= \frac{b-a}{n} \cdot (f(t_n) - f(t_0)) \\ &= \frac{b-a}{n} \cdot (f(b) - f(a)) \end{aligned}$$

$= \frac{c}{n}$ -- where c is some constant.

- Pick n such that $\frac{c}{n} < \epsilon$. Then $U(f, p) - L(f, p) = \frac{c}{n} < \epsilon$. Hence f is integrable.