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Express the limit  $\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n (c_k^5 - 2c_k) \Delta x_k$ , where  $P$  is a partition of  $[-3, 1]$ , as a definite integral.

The symbolism  $\int_a^b f(x)dx$  is related to  $\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(c_k) \Delta x_k$ , where  $P$  is a partition of the interval  $[x_1, x_2]$ , as follows.

The symbol  $\int_a^b$  replaces  $\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n$ .

The partition  $P$  of  $[x_1, x_2]$  becomes the range of integration,  $a = x_1$ ,  $b = x_2$ .

The function  $f(c_k)$  becomes  $f(x)$ .

The length of the sub-intervals  $\Delta x_k$  becomes  $dx$ .

In this problem,  $a = -3$  and  $b = 1$ .

The integral sign with the limits of integration becomes  $\int_{-3}^1$ .

In the given summation,  $f(c_k) = c_k^5 - 2c_k$ .

In the integration,  $f(x)$  replaces  $f(c_k)$  and  $dx$  replaces  $\Delta x_k$ . Substituting  $x = c_k$  into  $f(c_k) = c_k^5 - 2c_k$ , results in  $f(x) = x^5 - 2x$ .

Thus,  $\lim_{\|P\| \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n (c_k^5 - 2c_k) \Delta x_k$ , where  $P$  is a partition of  $[-3, 1]$ , expressed as a definite integral is  $\int_{-3}^1 (x^5 - 2x) dx$ .