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## Daily Challenge 16.4

(Due: Wednesday 10/31 at 12:00 noon Eastern)

Time for integration! I haven't written CD 5 yet so let's work in Piazza for now.

## (1) Finishing a lemma.

Suppose  $P \subset Q$  (that is, every point of the partition P is also in the partition Q). Prove that  $U(f,P) \geq U(f,Q)$ .

This is the second half of our lemma from session 40 which I did not prove; you can mimic the argument for lower sums.

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We begin by supposing that Q has just one more point than P. We shall take note of this as

$$P = \{t_0, \cdots, t_n\}$$

$$Q = \{t_0, \cdots, t_{k-1}, t_k, t_{k+1}, \cdots, t_n\}.$$

We define

$$m' = \sup \left( \left\{ f(x) \mid t_{k-1} \le x \le u \right\} \right)$$

$$m'' = \sup \left( \left\{ f(x) \mid u \le x \le t_k \right\} \right).$$

We can then see by the definition of upper sums that

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

$$U(f,Q) = \sum_{i=1}^{i-1} m_i(t_i - t_{i-1}) + m'(u - t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k - u)$$

$$\sum_{i=k+1}^{n} m_i(t_i-t_{i-1}).$$

And we see that we would like to prove that

$$m_k(t_k - t_{k-1}) \ge m'(u - t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k - u).$$

To do so, we note that the interval

$$\{f(x)|t_{k-1} \le x \le t_{k+1}\}$$

contains all numbers in

$$\{f(x)|t_k \le x \le t_{k+1}\}$$

and a few greater, then the least upper bound of the first set is greater than or equal to the least upper bound of the lower set, and therefore  $m_k \ge m'$ , and identically  $m_k \ge m''$ , therefore

$$m_k(t_k-t_{k-1}) \geq m'(u-t_{k-1}) + m''(t_k-u).$$

We then see that this is true for all sizes of partition, simply by a case of repeated application of adding a point; we loosely define a few intermediate partitions in the manner

$$P=P_1\subset P_2\subset \cdots \subset P_a=Q$$

where each  $P_{n+1}$  has one point more than  $P_n$  . Then

$$U(f,P) = U(f,P_1) \ge U(f,P_2) \ge \cdots \ge U(f,P_\alpha) = U(f,Q)$$

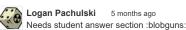
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