

*It might be useful to attempt the Revision and Exploration Exercises before the tutorial. Questions labelled with an asterisk are suitable for students aiming for a credit or higher.*

### Important Ideas and Useful Facts:

(i) Areas under curves and the definite integral:

Suppose that  $a < b$  and  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function. Divide  $[a, b]$  into  $n$  subintervals using

$$a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_{n-1} < t_n = b .$$

Choose  $x_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$  for each  $i$ , and put  $\Delta x_i = t_i - t_{i-1}$ , the width of the  $i$ th subinterval. Then the (signed) area under the curve  $y = f(x)$  over  $[a, b]$  is approximated by the *Riemann sum*

$$\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i) \Delta x_i = f(x_1) \Delta x_1 + f(x_2) \Delta x_2 + \dots + f(x_n) \Delta x_n .$$

Each summand  $f(x_i) \Delta x_i$  is the area of an approximating rectangle of width  $\Delta x_i$  and height  $f(x_i)$ . The exact value of the (signed) area under the curve is the limit, when it exists, of the Riemann sums

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

where we assume that widths of subintervals tend to zero as  $n$  increases. If this limit exists, independently of all possible choices of partitions and  $x_i$ , then  $f$  is called *Riemann integrable*, and  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  is called the *definite integral of  $f$  from  $a$  to  $b$* .

(ii) **Main Theorem:** Continuous functions are Riemann integrable.

(iii) **Approximations using upper and lower Riemann sums:**

If we choose  $x_i$  within the  $i$ th subinterval so that  $f(x_i)$  is a maximum value over the subinterval, then the Riemann sum is called an *upper sum*, denoted by  $U_n$  if there are  $n$  subintervals. If we choose  $x_i$  so that  $f(x_i)$  is a minimum value over the subinterval, then the Riemann sum is called a *lower sum*, denoted by  $L_n$ . Then

$$L_n \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq U_n ,$$

providing lower and upper bounds respectively for the area under the curve.

In the special case that the curve is increasing or decreasing over the entire interval  $[a, b]$ , then the various  $x_i$  used to form the Riemann sums will be either left-hand or right-hand endpoints of the subintervals (depending on whether the sum is upper or lower, and whether the function is increasing or decreasing).

(iv) Properties of the Definite Integral:

- (a)  $\int_a^b c \, dx = c(b-a)$  and  $\int_a^b cf(x) \, dx = c \int_a^b f(x) \, dx$  for any constant  $c$
- (b)  $\int_a^b f(x) \pm g(x) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$
- (c)  $\int_a^a f(x) \, dx = 0$  and  $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = - \int_b^a f(x) \, dx$  (defined also when  $a \geq b$ )
- (d)  $\int_a^c f(x) \, dx = \int_a^b f(x) \, dx + \int_b^c f(x) \, dx$
- (e) If  $f(x) \leq g(x)$  then  $\int_a^b f(x) \, dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) \, dx$ .
- (f) If  $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ , for constants  $m$  and  $M$ , then

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

**Revision and Exploration:**

1. Write out the definitions of *even function* and *odd function*. Verify that if  $f : \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is both even and odd then  $f$  is the zero function.
2. Differentiate  $y = \sin x$ ,  $y = \cos x$ ,  $y = \tan x$ ,  $y = \tan^{-1} x$ ,  $y = \frac{1}{x^2+1}$  and  $y = \frac{x}{x^2+1}$ .
3. Which of the functions in the previous exercise and their derivatives are even or odd? Can you make and prove a conjecture about derivatives of odd and even functions?
4. Write out the Mean Value Theorem. Use it to prove that if  $f : [0, \infty) \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is a function such that the derivative  $f'(x)$  is positive for all  $x > 0$ , then  $f$  is strictly increasing.
5. Use the derivative to explain why the curve  $y = \sqrt{1+x^3}$  is strictly increasing on  $[0, \infty)$ . Can you see this also without using calculus?

**Tutorial Exercises:**

6. Use upper and lower Riemann sums with 5 equal subintervals to estimate  $\int_1^2 \sqrt{1+x^3} \, dx$ .
7. A speedboat accelerates from rest (with increasing velocity), reaching a speed of 40 m/sec as it moves in a straight line over a period of 20 seconds. Velocities were measured every 4 seconds, and recorded in the following table:

time (sec)	0	4	8	12	16	20
vel (m/sec)	0	8	19	29	36	40

- (i) Use lower and upper Riemann sums to find bounds for the distance travelled by the boat.
- \*(ii) How often would measurements need to be taken to guarantee that lower and upper Riemann sums differ from the actual distance travelled by less than 10m?

8. Suppose  $f$  is an odd function and  $g$  is an even function such that

$$\int_0^2 \frac{f(x)}{2} dx = 5, \quad \int_0^3 f(x) dx = 7, \quad \int_0^3 g(x) dx = -2.$$

Find

$$\begin{array}{lll} \text{(i)} & \int_2^3 f(x) dx & \text{(ii)} \quad \int_0^3 \frac{f(x) - 3g(x)}{2} dx & \text{(iii)} \quad \int_{-3}^3 f(x) dx \\ \text{(iv)} & \int_3^{-3} g(x) dx & \text{*(v)} \quad \int_{-3}^3 (x - f(x)g(x))^{\frac{1}{3}} dx \end{array}$$

- \*9. Recall from lectures that

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

Now find

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 + \dots + n^3.$$

[Hint: pretend  $n^4$  is a telescope.]

10. Use your answer to the previous exercise and upper Riemann sums for the partition

$$0 < \frac{1}{n} < \frac{2}{n} < \dots < \frac{n-1}{n} < \frac{n}{n} = 1$$

to find  $\int_0^1 x^3 dx$ .

11. (for general discussion) Is it obvious that  $\pi$  is sensibly defined? Given circles  $\mathcal{C}_1, \mathcal{C}_2$  with radii  $r_1, r_2$  and perimeters  $P_1, P_2$  respectively, show that we get the common ratio (being the definition of  $\pi$ ):

$$\frac{P_1}{2r_1} = \frac{P_2}{2r_2}$$

[Hint: consider a corresponding property for similar triangles and take limits.]

### Further Exercises:

12. In a chemical reaction, the rate at which a precipitate is formed is a decreasing function of time. In an experiment the following rates were recorded:

time (sec)	0	1	2	3	4	5	6
rate (g/sec)	12	8.4	5.9	4.1	2.9	2.0	1.4

- Find lower and upper bounds for the total mass of precipitate formed in these 6 seconds.
  - How often would measurements need to be taken to guarantee that lower and upper bounds differ from the actual mass of precipitate by less than 1g?
- \*13. Use the addition limit law to verify that the definite integral is additive.

\*14. Let  $f(x) = 1/x^2$  for  $0 < a \leq x \leq b$ . Let

$$a = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_{n-1} < t_n = b$$

be any partition of  $[a, b]$ . For each  $i$ , choose  $x_i = \sqrt{t_{i-1}t_i}$  (the geometric mean) and as usual put  $\Delta x_i = t_i - t_{i-1}$ . Verify that  $x_i \in [t_{i-1}, t_i]$  and that

$$f(x_i)\Delta x_i = \frac{1}{t_{i-1}} - \frac{1}{t_i}.$$

Deduce quickly the value of  $\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i)\Delta x_i$  and observe that it is independent of the partition. Therefore write down  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ .

\*15. Prove that between any two distinct real numbers lies both a rational and an irrational real number. (You may take it for granted that  $\sqrt{2}$  is irrational.)

\*\*16. Let  $f$  be the function defined by the following rule:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} x^2 & \text{if } x \text{ is irrational} \\ 0 & \text{if } x \text{ is rational.} \end{cases}$$

Is  $f$  continuous? Is  $f$  differentiable at any point? Is  $f$  Riemann integrable on  $[0, 1]$ ?

\*\*17. Suppose that  $f$  is continuous and nonnegative on  $[a, b]$ . Show that if  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = 0$  then  $f(x) = 0$  for all  $x \in [a, b]$ . What happens if we drop the assumption of continuity?

### Short Answers to Selected Exercises:

6. lower bound 1.97, upper bound 2.29

7. (i) lower bound 368, upper bound 528 (ii) 4 times per second

8. (i)  $-3$  (ii)  $\frac{13}{2}$  (iii)  $0$  (iv)  $4$  (v)  $0$

9.  $\left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2}\right)^2$

10.  $\frac{1}{4}$

12. (i) lower bound 24.7, upper bound 35.3 (ii) about 11 times per second

14.  $\frac{1}{a} - \frac{1}{b}$