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WebAssign: Riemann Sums
due Wednesday

Review

indefinite integral — antiderivative

rules for
antidifferentiation

Ex: $\int (3e^{2x} + x^{-2}) dx$

$$= 3 \int e^{2x} dx + \int x^{-2} dx$$

$$= 3 \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} + \frac{1}{-1} x^{-1} + C$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} e^{2x} - \frac{1}{x} + C$$

**definite
integral**

$$\text{Ex: } \int_1^2 (3e^{2x} + x^{-2}) dx$$

$$= \left. \frac{3}{2} e^{2x} - \frac{1}{x} \right|_1^2$$

$$= \left[\frac{3}{2} e^{2 \cdot 2} - \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$- \left[\frac{3}{2} e^{2 \cdot 1} - 1 \right]$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} e^4 - \frac{1}{2} - \frac{3}{2} e^2 + 1$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} (e^4 - e^2) + \frac{1}{2}$$

Note: We do not need to include the constant when evaluating definite integrals

6.2 - Definite integral and net change

Problem: Given a function f that represents a rate of change of a quantity y on an interval $[a, b]$ find the change in y .

$$f = y' \quad F = y$$

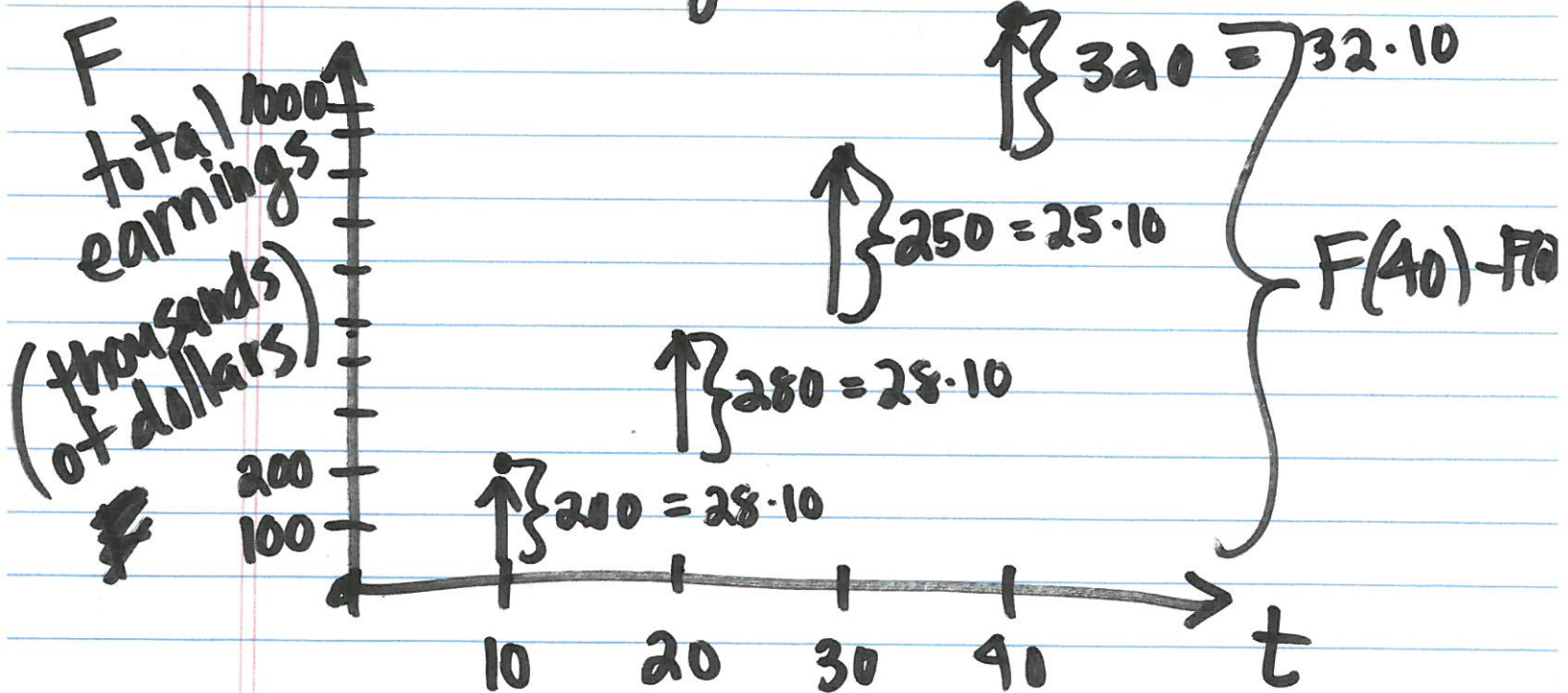
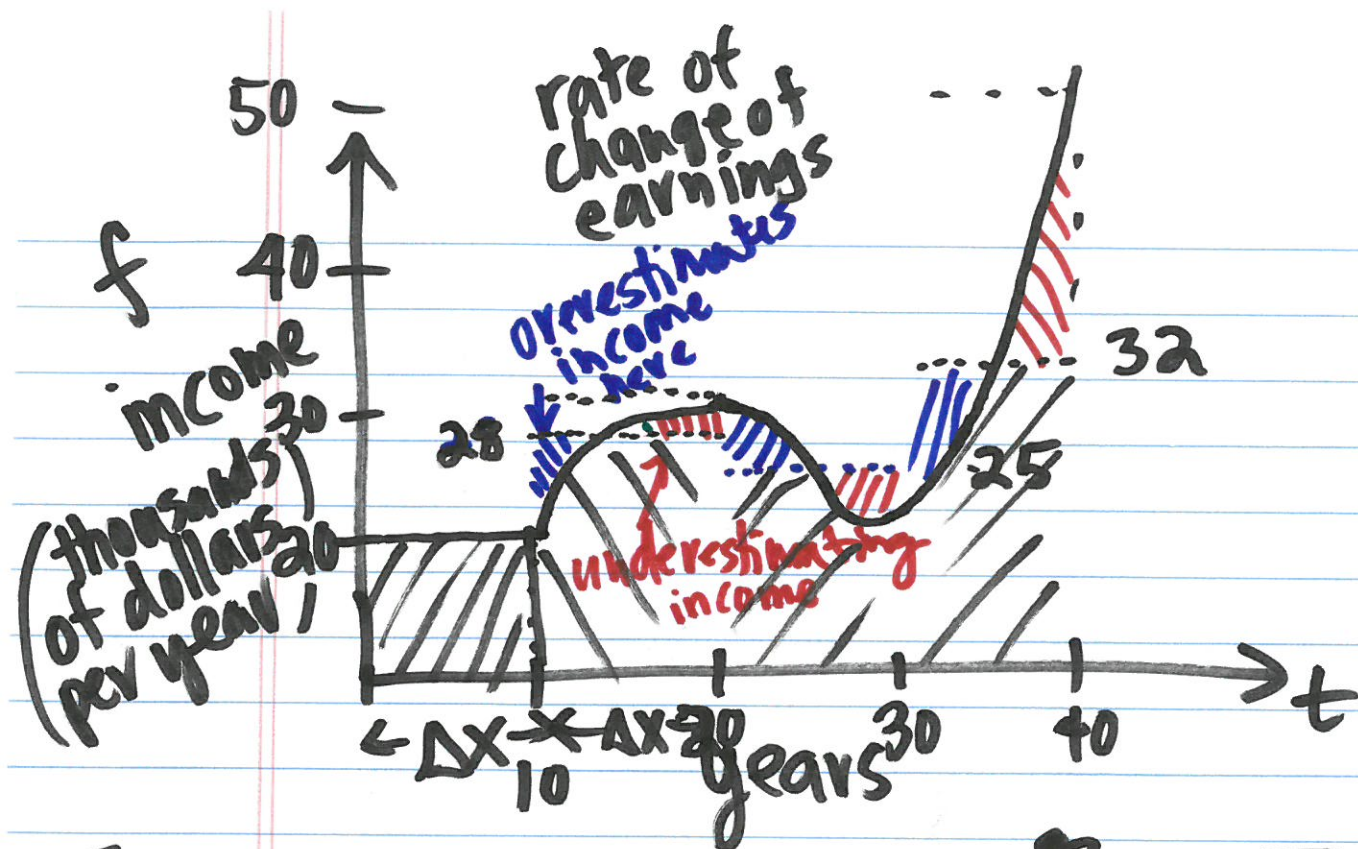
y is the antiderivative of the given function

$$\int_a^b \cancel{f(x)} dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

$f(x)$

End review

Suppose we are given a function f , Let's say it represents income and we want to know the total earnings after some time, say 40 years.



change in
total earnings = \$1050 thousand

Riemann Sums

Given a function f , and an interval $[a, b]$ we form the Riemann sum with n terms by dividing the interval into n and adding the area of rectangles that "fit under the graph"

A sum of the form $f(x_1)\Delta x + f(x_2)\Delta x + \dots + f(x_n)\Delta x$ is called a Riemann sum for f on the interval $[a, b]$ if $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$ and the values x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n are from each of the distinct subintervals of the partition of $[a, b]$ into n parts.

Ex: Let $f(x) = x^2$. Find the Riemann sum of f on the interval $[0, 1]$ with $n=4$ terms, using the right endpoints of each subinterval as x_1, x_2, x_3, x_4

Procedure for computing Riemann sum

1. compute Δx
2. partition interval / find the endpoints of subintervals
3. choose x values x_1, \dots, x_n
4. evaluate $f(x_i)$ and form the Riemann sum

→ 1. Here $a=0, b=1, n=4$

$$\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{1-0}{4} = \frac{1}{4}$$

~~1 f~~ $F(t)$ is our total earnings

$$F'(t) = f(t)$$

income is rate of
change of total
earnings

~~$F(b) - F(a)$~~

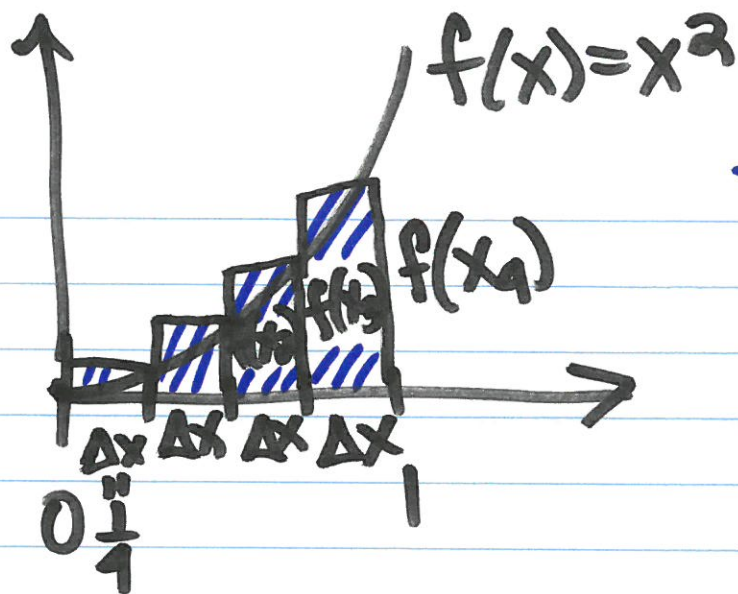
$F(b) - F(a) \cong$ area under the
graph of f

The fundamental theorem of
calculus:

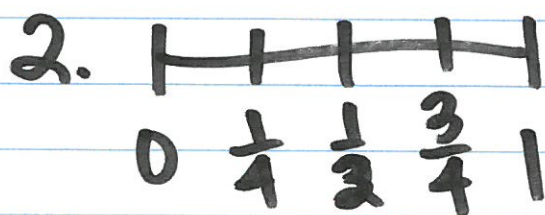
The area
under the
graph of f
on the interval
 $[a, b]$

=

~~Diff~~ Change
in the anti-
derivative of f
between a
and b



The Riemann Sum gives the area of these 4 rectangles



left endpoints

right endpoints

1st interval

0

$\frac{1}{4}$

2nd

$\frac{1}{4}$

$\frac{1}{2}$

3rd

$\frac{1}{2}$

$\frac{3}{4}$

4th

$\frac{3}{4}$

1

3.

$$x_1 = \frac{1}{4}$$

$$x_2 = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$x_3 = \frac{3}{4}$$

$$x_4 = 1$$

these are the x-values of the right endpoints

$$\begin{aligned}
 4. \quad f(x_1) &= \left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2 \\
 f(x_2) &= \left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \\
 f(x_3) &= \left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2 \\
 f(x_4) &= (1)^2
 \end{aligned}$$

Riemann sum:

$$\begin{aligned}
 R &= f(x_1)\Delta x + f(x_2)\Delta x \\
 &\quad + f(x_3)\Delta x + f(x_4)\Delta x \\
 &= [f(x_1) + f(x_2) + f(x_3) + f(x_4)] \cdot \Delta x \\
 &= \left[\frac{1}{16} + \frac{1}{4} + \frac{9}{16} + 1\right] \cdot \frac{1}{4} \\
 &= 0.46875 \\
 &\approx \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \left.\frac{1}{3}x^3\right|_0^1 \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} - 0 = \frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$