

MAT137 Lecture 22

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A non-continuous function

Consider the function f defined on $[0, 1]$ given by

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 0, & x = 0, \\ 5, & 0 < x \leq 1. \end{cases}$$

- (a) Fix an arbitrary partition $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_N\}$ of $[0, 1]$. What is $U_P(f)$?
- (b) For the same partition, what is $L_P(f)$?
- (c) What is the upper integral, $\overline{I}_0^1(f)$?
- (d) What is the lower integral, $\underline{I}_0^1(f)$?
- (e) Is f integrable on $[0, 1]$?

A very non-continuous function

Consider the function defined on $[0, 1]$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1 & \text{for } x = 1, \frac{1}{2}, \frac{1}{3}, \frac{1}{4} \dots \\ 0 & \text{otherwise} \end{cases}$$

- (a) Compute *all* the lower sums.
- (b) Find a partition P such that $U_P(f) = 1$.
- (c) Find a partition P such that $U_P(f) < 1$.
- (d) Find a partition P with only 4 points such that $U_P(f) = 0.52$.
- (e) Find a partition P with only 4 points such that $U_P(f) = 0.5001$.
- (f) For $\varepsilon > 0$, find a partition P such that $U_P(f) < \varepsilon$.
- (g) Compute $\underline{I}_0^1(f)$ and $\overline{I}_0^1(f)$.
- (h) Is f integrable on $[0, 1]$?

A very, very non-continuous function

Consider the function defined on $[0, 1]$:

$$f(x) = \begin{cases} 1/2 & \text{if } 0 \leq x \leq 1/2 \\ 1 & \text{if } 1/2 < x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \in \mathbb{Q} \\ 0 & \text{if } 1/2 < x \leq 1 \text{ and } x \notin \mathbb{Q} \end{cases}$$

Question

Calculate $\overline{I}_0^1(f)$ and $\underline{I}_0^1(f)$. Is f integrable?

Hint: Think of different partitions and what their upper and lower sums are.

Computing an integral from Riemann sums

Exercise

Let $f(x) = x^2$ on $[0, 1]$.

Let $P_n = \{\text{breaking the interval into } n \text{ equal pieces}\}$.

- (a) Write an explicit formula for P_n .
- (b) What is Δx_i ?
- (c) Write the Riemann sum $S_{P_n}^*(f)$ with sigma notation when we choose x_i^* as the right end-point.
- (d) Add the sum
- (e) Compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_{P_n}^*(f)$.
- (f) Repeat the last 3 questions when we choose x_i^* as the left end-point.

Helpful formulas:

$$\sum_{i=1}^N i = \frac{N(N+1)}{2}, \quad \sum_{i=1}^N i^2 = \frac{N(N+1)(2N+1)}{6}$$

More on upper/lower sums

- ▶ Consider $f(x) = x$ on $[0, 1]$.
Is there a partition P of $[0, 1]$ such that $L_P(f) = U_P(f)$?
- ▶ Let f be a bounded function on $[a, b]$.
Assume f is not constant.
Prove that there exists a partition P of $[a, b]$ such that

$$L_P(f) \neq U_P(f).$$

Hint: This is easier than it looks.

Is this possible?

Find bounded functions f and g on $[0, 1]$ such that

- ▶ f is not integrable on $[0, 1]$,
- ▶ g is not integrable on $[0, 1]$,
- ▶ $f + g$ is integrable on $[0, 1]$.

Properties of the integral

Assume we know the following

$$\int_0^2 f(x)dx = 3, \quad \int_0^4 f(x)dx = 9, \quad \int_0^4 g(x)dx = 2.$$

Compute:

(a) $\int_0^2 f(t)dt$

(b) $\int_0^2 f(t)dx$

(c) $\int_2^0 f(x)dx$

(d) $\int_2^4 f(x)dx$

(e) $\int_0^1 f(x)dx$

(f) $\int_0^4 [f(x) - 2g(x)] dx$

Next Class: Monday January 15

Watch videos 8.1, 8.2, 8.3 in [Playlist 8](#).