## Lecture 2 5.2 The Definite Integral Riemann Sum

**Definition 1**. The set of points  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\} = \{x_i\}_{i=0}^n$  where  $a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$ , is called a partition of [a, b].

**Definition 2.** The set of points  $x_1^*, x_2^*, \dots, x_n^*$  such that  $x_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$ , is called **sample points**.

**Definition 3.** The sum  $S_p = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \triangle x$  is called a **Riemann Sum** for the function f on the interval [a, b].

**Definition 4**. Norm of the partition P is

$$||P|| = \max_{i=\overline{1,n}} |\triangle x_i|$$

## The Definite Integral as a Limit of Riemann Sums

**Definition 5.** Let f be a function defined on [a, b] and  $P = \{x_0, x_1, \ldots, x_n\}$  be an arbitrary partition of [a, b]. The **definite** integral of f from a to b is the following limit

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{\|P\|=\max \triangle x_i \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \triangle x_i,$$

where  $x_i^* \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$ ,  $\triangle x_i = x_i - x_{i-1}$ ,  $i = \overline{1, n}$ .

## Integrable and Nonintegrable Functions

**Theorem 1.** If f is a continuous function on [a, b], or if f has only a finite number of jump discontinuoties, then f is integrable on [a, b]; that is, the definite integral  $\int_a^b f(x) dx$  exists.

## Properties of the Definite Integral

- **1** Reversing the Limits of Integration  $\int_a^b f(x)dx = -\int_b^a f(x)dx$
- **2** Zero Width Integral  $\int_a^a f(x)dx = 0$
- **3** Integral of Constant  $\int_a^b c dx = c(b-a)$
- 4 Linearity of the Definite Integral
  - (a)  $\int_a^b (f(x) \pm g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx \pm \int_a^b g(x) dx$
  - (b)  $\int_a^b cf(x)dx = c \int_a^b f(x)dx$
- 5 Additivity for Adjacent Intervals  $\int_{a}^{c} f(x)dx + \int_{c}^{b} f(x)dx = \int_{a}^{b} f(x)dx$
- 6 Comparison Properties
  - (a) If  $f(x) \ge 0$  for  $a \le x \le b$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx \ge 0$
  - (b) If  $f(x) \ge g(x)$  for  $a \le x \le b$ , then  $\int_a^b f(x) dx \ge \int_a^b g(x) dx$
  - (c) If  $m \le f(x) \le M$  for  $a \le x \le b$ , then  $m(b-a) \le \int_a^b f(x) dx \le M(b-a)$