

DEFINITE INTEGRAL

REGULAR PARTITION

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Regular Partition of $[a, b]$

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

$$x_i = a + i\Delta x$$

$$I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$$

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Let $[a, b] = [2, 5]$ and let $n = 3$

APPROXIMATING SUMS

MIN/MAX

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$$m_i = \min\{f(x) : x \in I_i\}$$

$$M_i = \max\{f(x) : x \in I_i\}$$

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$$f(x) = x + 4$$

$$x \in [2, 5]$$

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MIN/MAX SUM

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$$m_f(n) = (m_1 + \cdots + m_n)\Delta x$$

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For f continuous, the definite integral is

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} m_f(n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} M_f(n)$$

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$$\int_0^1 x dx = \frac{1}{2}$$