

Finding Integrals

1. Limit definition

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

Riemann sum

$f(x_i) = \text{Height}$
 $\Delta x = \text{Width} = \frac{b-a}{n}$
 $x_i = a + i\Delta x$

- We use an infinite number of rectangles to get the area under the curve.

- If we don't use an infinite number, we can use the left, right, midpoint, smallest y value (lower sum), or largest y value (upper sum) to estimate the area under the curve.

- We can also get a rough estimate by finding the max(M) and min(m) of $f(x)$.

$$\text{If } m \leq f(x) \leq M, \text{ then } m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f(x) dx \leq M(b-a)$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c = c \sum_{i=1}^n = cn$$

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

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i + b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i + \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \left(\frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right)^2$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i - b_i = \sum_{i=1}^n a_i - \sum_{i=1}^n b_i$$

2 Properties of integrals

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = - \int_b^a f(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^a f(x) dx = 0$$

$$\int_a^b c f(x) dx = c \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx = \int_a^c f(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b (f(x) + g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_a^b g(x) dx$$

$$\int_a^b (f(x) - g(x)) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx - \int_a^b g(x) dx$$