

PROPOSITION (Integration by Parts)

Let $f \in R(\alpha; a, b)$. Then, $\alpha \in R(f; a, b)$, and we have $\int_a^b f d\alpha + \int_a^b \alpha df = f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)$

Proof

Let $\varepsilon > 0$, take $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$, s.t. $\forall P \geq P_\varepsilon$ and tagged points, $|S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha| < \varepsilon$ (*)

Consider $P \geq P_\varepsilon$, tagged points t of P , we write $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha(t_k) \Delta f_k = \sum_{k=1}^n \alpha(t_k) [f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})]$

Note that $f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a) = \sum_{k=1}^n [f(x_k)\alpha(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})\alpha(x_{k-1})]$, i.e. $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - [f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)] = \sum_{k=1}^n [\alpha(t_k)[f(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})] - [f(x_k)\alpha(x_k) - f(x_{k-1})\alpha(x_{k-1})]$

$$\therefore S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - [f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)] = \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k)[\alpha(t_k) - \alpha(x_k)] + \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_{k-1})[\alpha(x_{k-1}) - \alpha(t_k)]$$

Now, by taking a new partition, $Q = (x_0, t_1, x_1, t_2, x_2, t_3, \dots)$, $S = (x_0, x_1, x_1, x_2, x_2, x_3, x_3, \dots)$, then $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - [f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)] = -S_{Q,S}(f, \alpha)$

The partition Q is finer than P so also finer than P_ε .

From (*), we find that $| -S_{Q,S}(f, \alpha) | < \varepsilon \Leftrightarrow | S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - [f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)] | < \varepsilon$

\therefore This shows that $\alpha \in R(f)$ and $\int_a^b \alpha df = f(b)\alpha(b) - f(a)\alpha(a)$ \square

PROPOSITION (Change of Variables)

(necessary condition for any change of variables of RS integrals)

Let $c \leq d$ and $g: [c, d] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is a continuous injective monotonic function.

Define $a = g(c)$, $b = g(d)$. Given $f \in R(\alpha; a, b) = R(\alpha; b, a)$, define $h(x) = f \circ g(x)$, $\beta(x) = \alpha \circ g(x)$, $\forall x \in [c, d]$.

Then, $h \in R(\beta; c, d)$ and $\int_c^d h(t) d\beta(t) = \int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_c^d h d\beta = \int_c^d f(g(x)) d\alpha(g(x))$

Proof

WLOG, suppose that g is a strictly increasing function. In particular, g is bijective.

For any tagged partition (P, t) of $[a, b]$, define its "image" tagged partition (P', t') under g^{-1} as below, $P' = (y_k)_{0 \leq k \leq n}$, $t' = (t'_k)_{0 \leq k \leq n}$, with $y_k = g^{-1}(x_k)$, $t'_k = g^{-1}(t_k)$

$$\text{Then, } S_{P',t'}(h, \beta) = \sum_{k=1}^n h(t'_k) [\beta(y_k) - \beta(y_{k-1})] = \sum_{k=1}^n f(g(t'_k)) [\alpha(g(y_k)) - \alpha(g(y_{k-1}))] = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k) [\alpha(x_k) - \alpha(x_{k-1})] = S_{P,t}(f, \alpha)$$

$\therefore (h, \beta)$ satisfies (RS) $\Leftrightarrow (f, \alpha)$ satisfies (RS). Moreover, they have the same limit, i.e. $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_c^d h d\beta$ \square

PROPOSITION

Let $f \in R(\alpha; a, b)$. Suppose that $\alpha \in C^1$. Then, $f\alpha' \in R(x; a, b)$ and we have the identity $\int_a^b f(x) d\alpha(x) = \int_a^b f(x) \alpha'(x) dx$

Proof

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ and $P_\varepsilon^{(1)} \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$, s.t. $|S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha| < \varepsilon \forall P \geq P_\varepsilon^{(1)}$ and tagged points t .

Let $g(x) = f(x)\alpha'(x)$ for $x \in [a, b]$.

For a fixed tagged partition (P, t) with $P \geq P_\varepsilon^{(1)}$, we have $S_{P,t}(g, x) = \sum_{k=1}^n g(t_k) \Delta x_k$ and $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k) [\alpha(x_k) - \alpha(x_{k-1})]$

By taking their difference, we have $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - S_{P,t}(g, x) = \sum_{k=1}^n f(t_k) [\alpha'(x_k) - \alpha'(t_k)] \Delta x_k$

Since α' is continuous on $[a, b]$, it is also uniformly continuous

Let us take $\delta > 0$, s.t. $\forall s, t \in [a, b]$, $|s - t| < \delta \Rightarrow |\alpha'(s) - \alpha'(t)| < \varepsilon$

Thus, by taking $P_\varepsilon := P_\varepsilon^{(1)} \vee P_\varepsilon^{(2)}$ with $P_\varepsilon^{(2)} \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$ with $\|P_\varepsilon^{(2)}\| \leq \frac{\delta}{2}$,

Then, $\forall P \geq P_\varepsilon$, we also have $\|P\| \leq \frac{\delta}{2}$, and $|S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - S_{P,t}(g, x)| \leq \sum_{k=1}^n M \varepsilon \Delta x_k = M(b-a)\varepsilon = \varepsilon$, with $M = \sup_{x \in [a, b]} |f(x)| < \infty$ \square

COROLLARY

If we take $f \equiv 1$, we find $\alpha(b) - \alpha(a) = \int_a^b d\alpha(x) = \int_a^b \alpha'(x) dx$, which is the second fundamental theorem of calculus

STEP FUNCTION INTEGRATORS**DEFINITION**

Given a function $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, it is called a step function if there is a partition $P = \mathcal{P}([a, b])$ s.t. $f|_{(x_{k-1}, x_k)}$ is constant for $1 \leq k \leq n$.

We define the jump at x_k to be $\alpha_k := \alpha(x_k+) - \alpha(x_k-)$, with $\alpha_0 := \alpha(x_0+) - \alpha(x_0)$ and $\alpha_n := \alpha(x_n) - \alpha(x_{n-1})$

LEMMA

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Let $c \in [a, b]$, and $\alpha: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be defined by $\alpha(x) = \begin{cases} \alpha(a), & a \leq x < c \\ \alpha(b), & c \leq x \leq b \end{cases}$

Let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, s.t. (1) f or α is continuous from the left at c
(2) f or α is continuous from the right at c

Then, $f \in R(\alpha; a, b)$ and we have $\int_a^b f d\alpha = f(c)[\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)]$

Proof

Let $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$, s.t. $x_k = c$ for some $1 \leq k \leq n-1$

Consider a choice of tagged points t at P , we have $S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) = f(t_k)[\alpha(x_k) - \alpha(x_{k-1})] + f(t_{k+1})[\alpha(x_{k+1}) - \alpha(x_k)]$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow \Delta = \Delta(P, t) &= S_{P,t}(f, \alpha) - f(c)[\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)] \\ &= \underbrace{[f(t_k) - f(c)][\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)]}_{\Delta_1} + \underbrace{[f(t_{k+1}) - f(c)][\alpha(c) - \alpha(c)]}_{\Delta_2} \end{aligned}$$

Let us bound $|\Delta_1|$ from above.

- If α is left continuous at c , i.e. $\alpha(c-) = \alpha(c)$, then $\Delta_1 = 0$
- If f is left continuous at c . Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Take $\delta_1 > 0$, s.t. $x \in (c - \delta_1, c) \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(c)| < \varepsilon$

Then, if $\|P\| < \delta_1$, then $t_k \in (c - \delta_1, c)$ and we find $|\Delta_1| < \varepsilon |\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)|$

The similar applies to Δ_2 .

In conclusion, for $\varepsilon > 0$, we can find $\delta > 0$, s.t. for $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$ satisfying $\|P\| < \delta$ and $c \in \text{Supp}(P)$, then $|\Delta| \leq \varepsilon |\alpha(c) - \alpha(c-)| + \varepsilon |\alpha(c) - \alpha(c)| \square$