

Let f and g be Riemann Integrable functions on the interval $[a, b]$, and $k \in \mathbb{R}$.

Prove the following:

1. The function $f + g$ is Riemann Integrable on $[a, b]$, and $\int_a^b (f + g)dx = \int_a^b f dx + \int_a^b g dx$.
2. The function kf is Riemann Integrable on $[a, b]$, and $\int_a^b (kf)dx = k \int_a^b f dx$.
3. If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f dx \leq \int_a^b g dx$.

Proof:

1. Let P be a partition.

For each k , let $m_k = \inf\{f(x)|x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$ and $n_k = \inf\{g(x)|x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$. Then, for all $x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$,

$$\begin{aligned}
 m_k &\leq f(x) \\
 \Leftrightarrow m_k + g(x) &\leq f(x) + g(x) \\
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 \Leftrightarrow m_k + n_k &\leq \inf\{f(x) + g(x)\} \\
 \Leftrightarrow \sum (m_k + n_k)(x_k - x_{k-1}) &\leq \sum \inf\{f(x) + g(x)\}(x_k - x_{k-1}) \\
 \Leftrightarrow L(f, P) + L(g, P) &\leq L(f + g, P)
 \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have $U(f + g, P) \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P)$, so the inequality becomes $L(f, P) + L(g, P) \leq L(f + g, P) \leq U(f + g, P) \leq U(f, P) + U(g, P)$.

Since P is arbitrary and f, g are Riemann Integrable, we have

$L(f) + L(g) = L(f + g) = U(f + g) = U(f) + U(g)$, so $f + g$ is Riemann Integrable. And, $\int_a^b f dx + \int_a^b g dx = U(f) + U(g) = U(f + g) = \int_a^b (f + g) dx$.

2. Let $\epsilon > 0$.

Assume $k = 0$, then $kf(x) = 0$, and it is Riemann Integrable, and

$$\int_a^b (kf) dx = 0 = k \int_a^b f dx$$

Assume $k < 0$. Let P be the partition such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \frac{\epsilon}{|k|}$. For each i , for all $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, $m_i \leq f(x)$, so $km_i \geq kf(x)$, so $km_i \geq \sup\{kf(x)\}$. Similarly, $kM_i \leq \inf\{kf(x)\}$. Then,

$$U(kf, P) - L(kf, P) \leq k(m_i - M_i) < -k \frac{\epsilon}{|k|} < \epsilon.$$

Assume $k > 0$. Let P be the partition such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \frac{\epsilon}{k}$. For each i , for all $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, $m_i \leq f(x)$, so $km_i \leq kf(x)$, so $km_i \leq \inf\{kf(x)\}$. Similarly, $kM_i \geq \sup\{kf(x)\}$. Then,

$$U(kf, P) - L(kf, P) \leq k(M_i - m_i) < k \frac{\epsilon}{k} < \epsilon.$$

WLOG, let $k > 0$. For any partition P , $kU(f) = k \inf\{U(f, P)\} = \inf\{kU(f, P)\} = \inf\{U(kf, P)\} = U(kf)$. Similarly, $kL(f) = L(kf)$. So $\int_a^b (kf) dx = U(kf) = kU(f) = k \int_a^b f dx$.

3. Let P be an arbitrary partition. For any i , for all $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$,

$$f(x) \leq g(x), \text{ so } \inf(f(x)) \leq f(x) \leq \inf(g(x)) \leq g(x).$$

So, $L(f, P) \leq L(g, P)$, which results in

$$L(f, P) \leq L(f) = \sup\{L(f, P)\} \leq L(g, P) \leq \sup\{L(g, P)\} = L(g).$$

Thus, $\int_a^b f dx \leq \int_a^b g dx$. \square .