

Definition 7.5:

For a function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ define functions f_+ , $f_- : D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ as follows:

$$f_+(x) := \begin{cases} f(x), & \text{if } f(x) > 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

$$f_-(x) := \begin{cases} -f(x), & \text{if } f(x) < 0, \\ 0 & \text{otherwise.} \end{cases}$$

Apparently we have $f = f_+ - f_-$ and $|f| = f_+ + f_-$.

Proposition 7.6:

Let $f, g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be integrable functions.

Then we have:

- i) The functions f_+, f_- and $|f|$ are integrable and we have

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx.$$

- ii) For every $p \in (1, \infty)$ the function $|f|^p$ is integrable.

- iii) The functions $f \cdot g: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is integrable.

Proof:

i) According to assumption, for given $\varepsilon > 0$ there exist step functions $\varphi, \psi \in S[a, b]$ with

$$\varphi \leq f \leq \psi \text{ and}$$

$$\int_a^b (\psi - \varphi)(x) dx \leq \varepsilon.$$

Then φ_+ and ψ_+ are also step functions with $\varphi_+ \leq f_+ \leq \psi_+$ and

$$\int_a^b (\psi_+ - \varphi_+)(x) dx \leq \int_a^b (\psi - \varphi)(x) dx \leq \varepsilon,$$

therefore f_+ is integrable. Analogously, f_- is integrable as well. According to Prop. 7.5 $|f|$ is then also integrable. As $f \leq |f|$ and $-f \leq |f|$, Prop. 7.5 iii) gives

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b |f(x)| dx.$$

ii) It suffices to show integrability of $|f|^p$ in the case $0 \leq f \leq 1$. For $\varepsilon > 0$ there are step functions $\varphi, \psi \in S[a, b]$ with

$$0 \leq \varphi \leq f \leq \psi \leq 1$$

and

$$\int_a^b (\varphi - \psi) dx \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{p}.$$

$\Rightarrow \varphi^p$ and ψ^p are also step functions
with $\varphi^p \leq f^p \leq \psi^p$ and due to

$$\frac{d}{dx}(x^p) = px^{p-1}$$

the mean value theorem gives

$$\psi^p - \varphi^p \leq p(\psi - \varphi).$$

Therefore,

$$\int_a^b (\psi^p - \varphi^p)(x) dx \leq p \int_a^b (\psi - \varphi)(x) dx \leq \varepsilon,$$

thus f^p is integrable.

iii) The claim follows from

$$fg = \frac{1}{4} [(f+g)^2 - (f-g)^2].$$

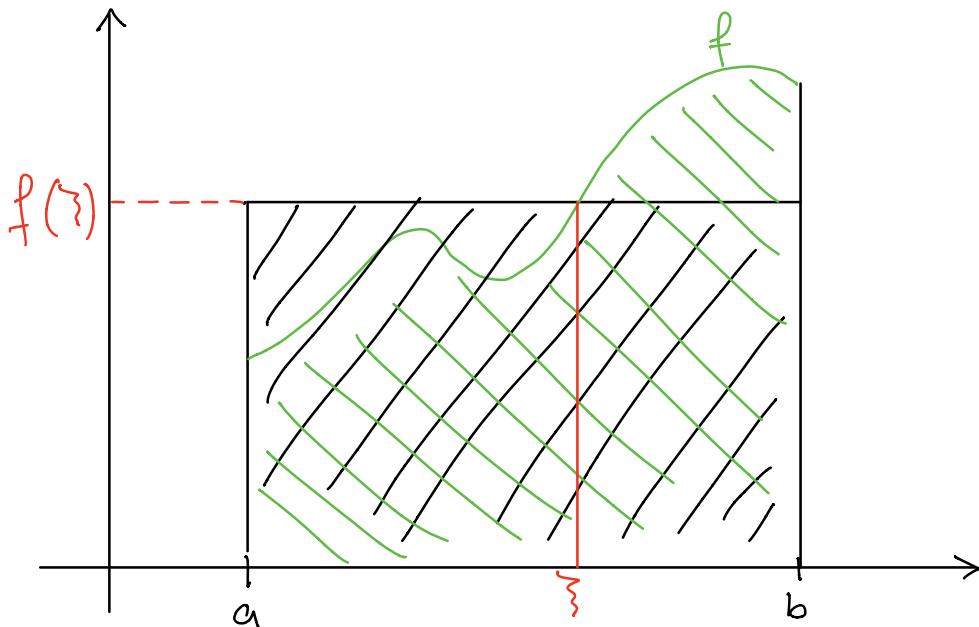
Proposition 7.7 (Mean value theorem of integration):

Let $\varphi: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}_+$ be a non-negative integrable function. Then there exist for every continuous function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a $\xi \in [a, b]$, s.t.

$$\int_a^b f(x) \varphi(x) dx = f(\xi) \int_a^b \varphi(x) dx.$$

In the special case $\varphi=1$ one gets

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = f(\tilde{x})(b-a) \text{ for } \tilde{x} \in [a, b].$$



For an arbitrary integrable function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ one calls

$$M(f) := \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

the mean value of f over the interval $[a, b]$. More generally, we call

$$M_\varphi(f) := \frac{1}{\int_a^b \varphi(x) dx} \int_a^b f(x) \varphi(x) dx$$

the "weighted mean value" of f (if $\int_a^b \varphi(x) dx \neq 0$).

Proof:

According to Prop. 7.6 the function $f\varphi$ is integrable. We set

$$m := \inf \{ f(x) \mid x \in [a, b] \},$$

$$M := \sup \{ f(x) \mid x \in [a, b] \}.$$

Then we have $m\varphi \leq f\varphi \leq M\varphi$, so according to Prop. 7.5:

$$m \int_a^b \varphi(x) dx \leq \int_a^b f(x)\varphi(x) dx \leq M \int_a^b \varphi(x) dx.$$

Therefore, there exists a number $\mu \in [m, M]$

s.t.

$$\int_a^b f(x)\varphi(x) dx = \mu \int_a^b \varphi(x) dx.$$

Int. value theorem $\Rightarrow \exists \gamma \in [a, b]$ s.t.

$f(\gamma) = \mu$. \Rightarrow claim follows. □

Recall:

Theorem 7.1:

Let $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a Riemann-integrable function. Then there exists for every $\epsilon > 0$ a $\delta > 0$, such that for every choice Z of points x_k and ξ_k of fineness $\mu(Z) < \delta$ we have:

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - S(Z, f) \right| \leq \epsilon.$$

One can also write this as follows:

$$\lim_{\mu(Z) \rightarrow 0} S(Z, f) = \int_a^b f(x) dx.$$

Proof:

Let φ, ψ be step functions with $\varphi \leq f \leq \psi$

\Rightarrow For all sub-divisions Z :

$$S(Z, \varphi) \leq S(Z, f) \leq S(Z, \psi)$$

Thus it suffices to prove the claim in the case where f is a step function.

Choose the sub-division

$$a = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_m = b$$

As f is bounded, there exists

$$M := \sup \{ |f(x)| \mid x \in [a, b] \} \in \mathbb{R}_{(>0)}.$$

Let $\mathcal{Z} := ((x_k)_{0 \leq k \leq n}, (\xi_k)_{1 \leq k \leq n})$ some sub-division of the interval $[a, b]$ and $F \in S[a, b]$ the step function defined by

$$F(a) = f(a) \text{ and } F(x) = f(\xi_k) \text{ for } x_{k-1} < x \leq x_k.$$

Then we have

$$S(\mathcal{Z}, f) = \int_a^b F(x) dx,$$

therefore

$$\left| \int_a^b f(x) dx - S(\mathcal{Z}, f) \right| \leq \int_a^b |f(x) - F(x)| dx.$$

The functions f and F are equal on all sub-intervals (x_{k-1}, x_k) with $t_j \notin [x_{k-1}, x_k] \forall j$.
 \Rightarrow different at most on $2n$ sub-intervals (x_{k-1}, x_k) of total length $2m\mu(\mathcal{Z})$. Moreover,

$$|f(x) - F(x)| \leq 2M,$$

thus

$$\int_a^b |f(x) - F(x)| dx \leq 4m M \mu(\mathcal{Z})$$

As $\mu(Z) \rightarrow 0$, the claim follows. \square

Example 7.3:

We want to compute the integral $\int_0^a \cos x dx$, ($a > 0$), using Riemann sums. For a natural number $n \in \mathbb{N}$, we set:

$$x_k := \frac{ka}{n}, \quad k=0, 1, \dots, n,$$

giving an equidistant sub-division of the interval $[0, a]$ of fineness $\frac{a}{n}$. As support points we choose $\xi_k = x_k$. The corresponding Riemann sum is

$$S_n = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{a}{n} \cos \frac{ka}{n} \quad (*)$$

Now use the following:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \cos kt = \frac{\sin\left(n+\frac{1}{2}\right)t}{2 \sin \frac{1}{2}t} \quad \text{for } t \notin 2\pi\mathbb{Z}$$

Proof:

We have $\cos kt = \frac{1}{2}(e^{ikt} + e^{-ikt})$, thus

$$\frac{1}{2} + \sum_{k=1}^n \cos kt = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=-n}^n e^{ikt}.$$

On the other hand, we have

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=-n}^n e^{ikt} &= e^{-int} \sum_{k=0}^{2n} e^{ikt} = e^{-int} \frac{1 - e^{(2n+1)it}}{1 - e^{it}} \quad (\text{use induction}) \\ &= \frac{e^{i(n+\frac{1}{2})t} - e^{-i(n+\frac{1}{2})t}}{e^{it/2} - e^{-it/2}} = \frac{\sin(n+\frac{1}{2})t}{\sin \frac{t}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

□

Plugging this into (*), we get (setting $t = \frac{a}{n}$):

$$\begin{aligned} S_n &= \frac{a}{n} \left(\frac{\sin(n+\frac{1}{2})\frac{a}{n}}{2 \sin \frac{a}{2n}} - \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{\frac{a}{2n}}{\sin \frac{a}{2n}} \cdot \sin \left(a + \frac{a}{2n} \right) - \frac{a}{2n}. \end{aligned}$$

As $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{\sin \frac{a}{2n}}{\frac{a}{2n}} = 1$, we get

$$\int_0^a \cos x dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} S_n = \sin a.$$

□

Proposition 7.8:

Let $a < b < c$ and $f: [a, c] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ a function. f is integrable if and only if both $f|_{[a, b]}$ and $f|_{[b, c]}$ are integrable and we then have

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

Definition 7.6:

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

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx := - \int_b^a f(x) dx, \quad \text{if } b < a.$$

§ 7.2 Indefinite Integral

Let $I \subset \mathbb{R}$ be an arbitrary interval and $a \in I$.

Proposition 7.9:

For $x \in I$ let

$$F(x) := \int_a^x f(t) dt. \quad \text{"indefinite integral"}$$

Then $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is differentiable and we have $F' = f$.

Proof:

For $h \neq 0$ we have

$$\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = \frac{1}{h} \left(\int_a^{x+h} f(t) dt - \int_a^x f(t) dt \right) = \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt.$$

According to the mean value theorem of integration (Prop. 7.7) there exists a $\xi \in [x, x+h]$ such that

$$\int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt = h f(\tilde{x}_h).$$

As $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \tilde{x}_h = x$ and f is continuous, we get

$$F'(x) = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} f(t) dt = \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1}{h} (h f(\tilde{x}_h)) = f(x).$$

□

Definition 7.7:

A differentiable function $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called "primitive function" of a function $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$, if $F' = f$. Thus the indefinite integral is a primitive function of the integrand.

Proposition 7.10:

Let $F: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an indefinite integral of $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$. A second function $G: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is then also an indefinite integral of f if and only if $F - G$ is a constant.

Proof:

i) Let $F - G = c$ with a constant $c \in \mathbb{R}$.

Then $G' = (F - c)' = F' = f$.

ii) Let G be indefinite integral of f , i.e. $G' = f = F'$.

Then $(F - G)' = 0 \Rightarrow F - G$ is constant. \square

Theorem 7.2 (Fundamental theorem of Calculus):

Let $f: I \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous function and F an indefinite integral of f . Then we have for all $a, b \in I$:

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

Proof:

For $x \in I$ let

$$F_o(x) := \int_a^x f(t) dt.$$

Is F an arbitrary indefinite integral of f , then there exists according to Prop. 7.10 a $c \in \mathbb{R}$ with $F - F_o = c$. Therefore,

$$F(b) - F(a) = F_o(b) - F_o(a) = F_o(b) = \int_a^b f(t) dt.$$

\square

Notation:

One sets $F(x) \Big|_a^b := F(b) - F(a)$.

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b.$$