

Ch 7 The Riemann Integral

§7.1 Riemann Integral

Def: If $I = [a, b]$ is a closed interval, then a partition of I is a finite, ordered set

$$\mathcal{P} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)$$

of points in I such that

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b$$

Note: A partition $\mathcal{P} = (x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n)$ is used to divide I into (interior) non-overlapping subintervals:

$$I_1 = [x_0, x_1], I_2 = [x_1, x_2], \dots, I_n = [x_{n-1}, x_n]$$

Hence an alternate notation for \mathcal{P} is

$$\mathcal{P} = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i] \}_{i=1}^n$$

Def: The norm (or mesh) of $\mathcal{P} = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i] \}_{i=1}^n$ is defined

$$\|\mathcal{P}\| = \max_{i=1, \dots, n} \{ x_i - x_{i-1} \}$$

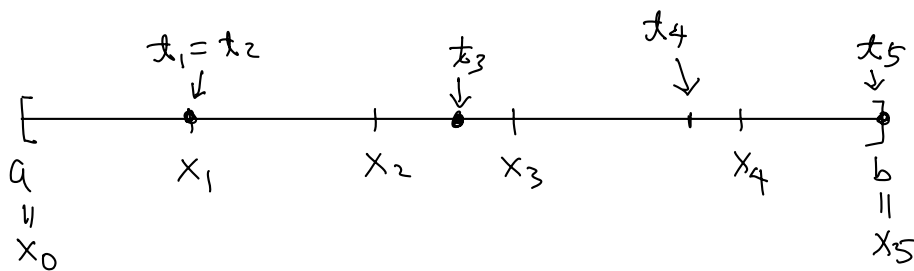
$$= \max \{ x_1 - x_0, x_2 - x_1, \dots, x_n - x_{n-1} \}$$

(= length of largest subinterval)

Def: (1) If $t_i \in I_i = [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, $\forall i=1, \dots, n$ has been selected of each subinterval of a partition $\mathcal{P} = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i]\}_{i=1}^n$ of $I = [a, b]$, then t_i are called tags of I_i .

(2) The partition $\mathcal{P} = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i]\}_{i=1}^n$, together with tags t_i is called a tagged partition of $I = [a, b]$ and is denoted by

$$\dot{\mathcal{P}} = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i\}_{i=1}^n$$

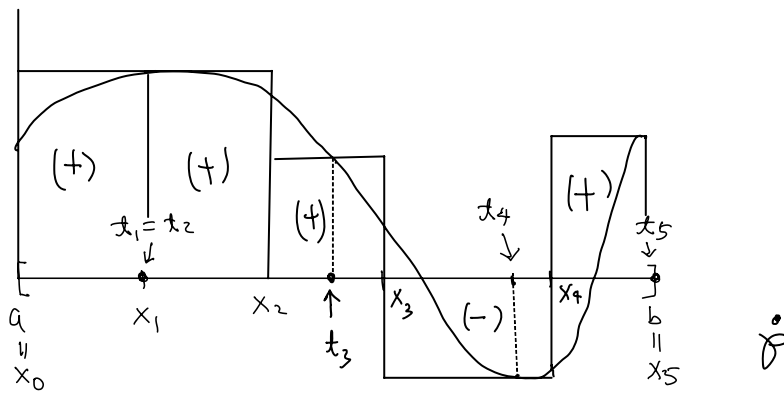


Def: If $\dot{\mathcal{P}} = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i\}_{i=1}^n$ is a tagged partition of $I = [a, b]$, then the Riemann sum of a function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is defined by

(may not "continuous")

$$S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) = \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1})$$

Remark: This definition works for the case that $\dot{\mathcal{P}}$ is a subset of a partition, and not the entire partition.



$S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) =$ sum of (signed) areas of the n rectangles with bases $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ & heights $f(t_i)$, $i=1, \dots, n$.

Def 7.1.1(1) A function $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is said to be

Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$ if

$\exists L \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$\forall \varepsilon > 0$, $\exists \delta_\varepsilon > 0$ such that

\forall tagged partition $\dot{\mathcal{P}}$ of $[a, b]$ with $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta_\varepsilon$,

$$|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) - L| < \varepsilon.$$

(2) The set of all Riemann integrable functions on $[a, b]$ will be denoted by $\mathcal{R}[a, b]$.

(3) If $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, the number L is uniquely determined (Thm 7.1.2), called the Riemann integral of f over $[a, b]$, & is

denoted by $\int_a^b f$ or $\int_a^b f(x) dx$

(x is a dummy variable, can be replaced by any other notation)

Remark: One often says that L is "the limit" of $S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}})$ as $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| \rightarrow 0$. However $S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}})$ is not a function of $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\|$, it is not the limit (of functions) that defined before.
(there are many $\dot{\mathcal{P}}$ with same $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\|$)

Thm 7.1.2 If $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, then the value of the integral is uniquely determined.

Pf: Suppose L' and L'' both satisfy the definition 7.1.1.

Then $\forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists \delta'_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} > 0$ such that

$$|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_1) - L'| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall \dot{\mathcal{P}}_1 \text{ with } \|\dot{\mathcal{P}}_1\| < \delta'_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}$$

and $\exists \delta''_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}} > 0$ such that

$$|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2) - L''| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \quad \forall \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2 \text{ with } \|\dot{\mathcal{P}}_2\| < \delta''_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}.$$

Let $\delta_{\varepsilon} = \min\{\delta'_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}, \delta''_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}\} > 0$.

If $\dot{\mathcal{P}}$ is a tagged partition with $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta_{\varepsilon}$,

then $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta'_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}$ and $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta''_{\frac{\varepsilon}{2}}$.

Hence $|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) - L'| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$ and $|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) - L''| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$.

$$\Rightarrow |L' - L''| \leq |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - L'| + |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - L''|$$

$$< \frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon.$$

Since $\epsilon > 0$ is arbitrary, we have $L' = L''$. $\#$

Thm 7.1.3 If

- $g \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ (Riemann integrable)
- $f(x) = g(x)$ except for a finite number of points.

Then

- $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ and

- $\int_a^b f = \int_a^b g$.

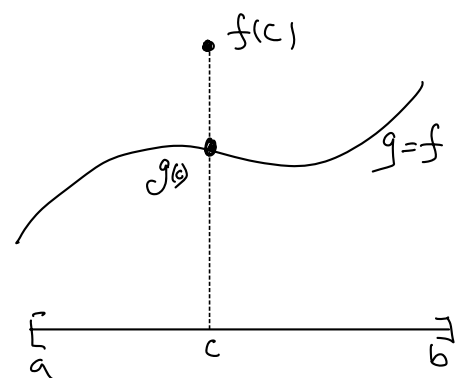
Pf: Only need to prove the case that

$f(x) = g(x)$ except for one point in $[a, b]$.

Then induction implies the Theorem.

Let c be the point in $[a, b]$

s.t. $f(c) \neq g(c)$.



Then $f(x) = g(x)$, $\forall x \in [a, b] \setminus \{c\}$.

Let $L = \int_a^b g$. (By assumption that $g \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$, it exists)

For any tagged partition $\mathcal{P} = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i \}_{i=1}^n$,

then (i) $c \in (x_{i_0-1}, x_{i_0})$ for some $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$

or (ii) $c = x_{i_0}$ for some $i_0 \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

For case (i), $f(x) = g(x)$ for all $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$, $i \neq i_0$

$$\Rightarrow f(t_i) = g(t_i)$$

And hence

$$\begin{aligned} S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P}) &= \sum_{i \neq i_0} \cancel{f(t_i)}(x_i - x_{i-1}) - \sum_{i \neq i_0} \cancel{g(t_i)}(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &\quad + f(t_{i_0})(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) - g(t_{i_0})(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) \\ &= (f(t_{i_0}) - g(t_{i_0}))(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P})| &\leq |f(t_{i_0}) - g(t_{i_0})| (x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) \\ &\leq (|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \|\mathcal{P}\|. \end{aligned}$$

Similarly for case (ii)

$$\begin{aligned} S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P}) &= \sum_{\substack{i \neq i_0 \\ i_0+1}} \cancel{[f(t_i) - g(t_i)]}(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &\quad + f(t_{i_0})(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) - g(t_{i_0})(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) \\ &\quad + f(t_{i_0+1})(x_{i_0+1} - x_{i_0}) - g(t_{i_0+1})(x_{i_0+1} - x_{i_0}) \\ &= (f(t_{i_0}) - g(t_{i_0}))(x_{i_0} - x_{i_0-1}) + (f(t_{i_0+1}) - g(t_{i_0+1}))(x_{i_0+1} - x_{i_0}) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \therefore |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P})| &\leq (|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \|\mathcal{P}\| + (|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \|\mathcal{P}\| \\ &= 2(|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \|\mathcal{P}\|. \end{aligned}$$

Hence, in both cases,

$$|S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P})| \leq 2(|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \|\mathcal{P}\|$$

Therefore, $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, for $\delta_1 = \frac{\varepsilon}{5(|f(c)| + |g(c)|)}$, we have

$\forall \mathcal{P}$ with $\|\mathcal{P}\| < \delta_1$,

$$|S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P})| \leq 2(|f(c)| + |g(c)|) \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{5(|f(c)| + |g(c)|)} < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Now, by $g \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ & $L = \int_a^b g$, $\exists \delta_2 > 0$ s.t.,

$\forall \mathcal{P}$ with $\|\mathcal{P}\| < \delta_2$,

$$|S(g; \mathcal{P}) - L| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2}.$$

Letting $\delta = \min\{\delta_1, \delta_2\} > 0$, we have

$\forall \mathcal{P}$ with $\|\mathcal{P}\| < \delta$,

$$\begin{aligned} |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - L| &\leq |S(f; \mathcal{P}) - S(g; \mathcal{P})| + |S(g; \mathcal{P}) - L| \\ &< \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} = \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

$\therefore f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$ and $\int_a^b f = L = \int_a^b g$. ~~✗~~

Eg 7.1.4

(a) If $f \equiv \text{const.}$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$

PF: Let the const. be k .

Then $f(x) = k \quad \forall x \in [a, b]$

If $\dot{\mathcal{P}} = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], \tau_i \}_{i=1}^n$ be a tagged partition of $[a, b]$,

then corresponding Riemann sum

$$\begin{aligned} S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) &= \sum_{i=1}^n f(\tau_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n k(x_i - x_{i-1}) = k(b-a) \end{aligned}$$

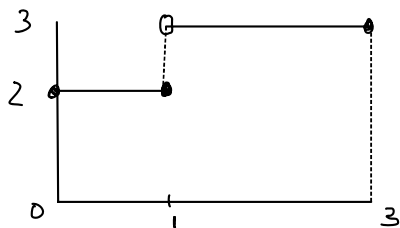
$\therefore \forall \varepsilon > 0$, we can just pick any $\delta > 0$ and have

$$|S(f; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) - k(b-a)| = 0 < \varepsilon, \quad \forall \dot{\mathcal{P}} \text{ with } \|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta$$

$\therefore f \equiv k \in \mathcal{R}[a, b]$.

In fact, we have proved that $\int_a^b k = k(b-a)$ ~~###~~

(b) $g: [0, 3] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined by $g(x) = \begin{cases} 3, & 1 < x \leq 3 \\ 2, & 0 \leq x \leq 1 \end{cases}$



is (Riemann) integrable & $\int_0^3 g = 8$.

Pf: Let $\dot{\mathcal{P}} = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i \}_{i=1}^n$

Let $k=1, \dots, n$ such that

$$0 \leq t_1 \leq \dots \leq t_k \leq 1 \quad \text{and}$$

$$1 < t_{k+1} \leq \dots \leq t_n \leq 3$$

Let $\dot{\mathcal{P}}_1 = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i \}_{i=1}^k$

and $\dot{\mathcal{P}}_2 = \{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], t_i \}_{i=k+1}^n$

(Using the remark of the definition of Riemann sum)

we have

$$\begin{aligned} S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}) &= \sum_{i=1}^k g(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) + \sum_{i=k+1}^n g(t_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &= S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_1) + S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2) \end{aligned}$$

Suppose that $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta$ for some $\delta > 0$.

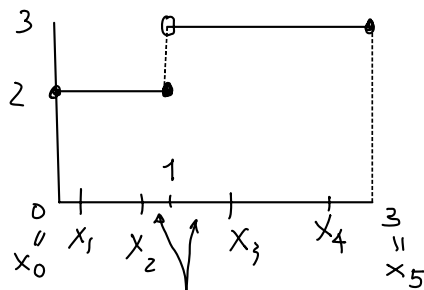
Then $t_k \leq 1$, $x_{k-1} \leq t_k \leq x_k$ and $x_k - x_{k-1} < \delta$,

we have
$$x_k < \delta + x_{k-1} \leq \delta + t_k \leq 1 + \delta$$

\therefore (notation in textbook)
$$\cup_1 = \bigcup_{i=1}^k [x_{i-1}, x_i] = [0, x_k] \subset [0, 1 + \delta].$$

On the other hand, we claim that $1 - \delta \leq x_k$.

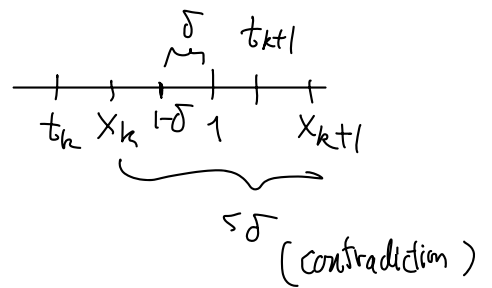
Suppose not, then $1 - \delta > x_k$.



2 possible situations of tag $t_k \geq 1$

From the choice of k , $t_{k+1} > 1$.

$$\therefore X_{k+1} \geq t_{k+1} > 1$$



Hence $\delta > X_{k+1} - X_k > 1 - (1 - \delta) = \delta$,

which is a contradiction.

$$\therefore 1 - \delta \leq X_k.$$

Together we have

$$[0, 1 - \delta] \subset U_1 = \bigcup_{i=1}^k [X_{i-1}, X_i] = [0, X_k] \subset [0, 1 + \delta]$$

Therefore

$$S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_1) = \sum_{i=1}^k g(t_i)(X_i - X_{i-1}) = 2X_k$$

($t_i \leq 1 \Rightarrow g(t_i) = 2$)

$$\Rightarrow 2(1 - \delta) \leq S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_1) \leq 2(1 + \delta) \quad \text{--- } (*)_1$$

Similarly,

$$S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2) = \sum_{i=k+1}^n g(t_i)(X_i - X_{i-1}) = 3(3 - X_k)$$

($t_i > 1 \Rightarrow g(t_i) = 3$)

$$\Rightarrow 3(3 - (1 + \delta)) \leq S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2) \leq 3(3 - (1 - \delta))$$

$$3(2 - \delta) \leq S(g; \dot{\mathcal{P}}_2) \leq 3(2 + \delta) \quad \text{--- } (*)_2$$

By $(*)_1 + (*)_2$, we have, for $\dot{\mathcal{P}}$ satisfying $\|\dot{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta$,

$$2(1-\delta) + 3(2-\delta) \leq S(g; \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}) \leq 2(1+\delta) + 3(2+\delta)$$

i.e. $8 - 5\delta \leq S(g; \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}) \leq 8 + 5\delta$

$$\therefore |S(g; \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}) - 8| \leq 5\delta.$$

Therefore $\forall \varepsilon > 0$, we can take $\delta_\varepsilon = \frac{\varepsilon}{10} > 0$ to have

$\forall \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}$ with $\|\overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}\| < \delta_\varepsilon$,

$$|S(g; \overset{\circ}{\mathcal{P}}) - 8| \leq 5 \cdot \frac{\varepsilon}{10} < \varepsilon. \quad \times$$