

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-2}^2 f &= \sup_P L(f, P) \\ &= \sup\{8, 10, 10.666\bar{6}, 11, 11.2, 11.333\bar{3}, \dots, 12\} = 12\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}\int_{-2}^{\bar{2}} f &= \inf_P U(f, P) \\ &= \inf\{16, 14, 13.333\bar{3}, 13, 12.8, 12.666\bar{6}, \dots, 12\} = 12\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_{-2}^2 f = \int_{-2}^2 f = \int_{-2}^{\bar{2}} f = 12$$

$\therefore f$ is Riemann integrable on $[-2, 2]$, (or $f \in \mathcal{R}[-2, 2]$).

Example (2.8): Let $f: [0, 1] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as $f(x) = x^2$, prove that f is Riemann integrable on $[0, 1]$.

Solution:

$$\text{Let } P_n = \left\{ \left[0, \frac{1}{n}\right], \left[\frac{1}{n}, \frac{2}{n}\right], \left[\frac{2}{n}, \frac{3}{n}\right], \dots, \left[\frac{i-1}{n}, \frac{i}{n}\right], \dots, \left[1 - \frac{1}{n}, 1\right] \right\}$$

We have

$$\delta x_i = \frac{1}{n}, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n.$$

and

$$m_i = \inf \left\{ f(x) : x \in \left[\frac{i-1}{n}, \frac{i}{n}\right] \right\} = \frac{(i-1)^2}{n^2}, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n.$$

$$M_i = \sup \left\{ f(x) : x \in \left[\frac{i-1}{n}, \frac{i}{n}\right] \right\} = \frac{i^2}{n^2}, \quad \forall i = 1, 2, 3, \dots, n.$$

It follows that

$$\begin{aligned}L(f, P_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \delta x_i = m_1 \delta x_1 + m_2 \delta x_2 + m_3 \delta x_3 + \dots + m_n \delta x_n \\ &= \frac{0^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \frac{1^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \frac{2^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \dots + \frac{(n-1)^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} \\ &= 0 + \frac{1^2}{n^3} + \frac{2^2}{n^3} + \dots + \frac{(n-1)^2}{n^3}\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \frac{1}{n^3} (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + (n-1)^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} (n(n+1)(2n+1) - n^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} (2n^3 + 2n^2 + n) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} n^3 (2 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}) = \frac{1}{6} (2 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2})
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
U(f, P_n) &= \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \delta x_i = M_1 \delta x_1 + M_2 \delta x_2 + M_3 \delta x_3 + \cdots + M_n \delta x_n \\
&= \frac{1^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \frac{2^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \frac{3^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} + \cdots + \frac{n^2}{n^2} \times \frac{1}{n} \\
&= \frac{1^2}{n^3} + \frac{2^2}{n^3} + \frac{3^2}{n^3} + \cdots + \frac{n^2}{n^3} \\
&= \frac{1}{n^3} (1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \cdots + n^2) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} n(n+1)(2n+1) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} (2n^3 + 3n^2 + n) \\
&= \frac{1}{6n^3} n^3 (2 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}) = \frac{1}{6} (2 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2})
\end{aligned}$$

We get

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^1 f &= \sup_{P_n} L(f, P_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, P_n) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{6} (2 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}) \right\} = \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
\int_0^{\bar{1}} f &= \inf_{P_n} U(f, P_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left\{ \frac{1}{6} (2 + \frac{3}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2}) \right\} = \frac{1}{3}
\end{aligned}$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_0^1 f = \int_0^1 f = \int_0^{\bar{1}} f = \frac{1}{3}$$

$\therefore f$ is Riemann integrable on $[0,1]$, (or $f \in \mathcal{R}[0,1]$).

Exercises (2.1): (Homework)

(1) Find the upper and lower Riemann integrals for $f(x) = x^3$ on the interval $[0, b]$.

(2) Let $f: [0, 2] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ defined as $f(x) = \begin{cases} 5 & \text{if } x < 1 \\ 3 & \text{if } x \geq 1 \end{cases}$. Is f Riemann integrable on $[0, 2]$.

Basic Properties of Riemann Integration

Theorem (2.2): Let f be a bounded function on an interval $[a, b]$. Then:

(a) The lower Riemann integral $\int_a^b f$ and the upper Riemann integral $\int_a^{\bar{b}} f$ both exist;

(b) $\int_a^b f \leq \int_a^{\bar{b}} f$.

Proof:

(a) Since f is bounded on $[a, b]$,

$\Rightarrow \exists$ some number M such that $|f(x)| \leq M$ on $[a, b]$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \leq M$, for $x \in [a, b]$

$\Rightarrow f(x) \leq M$, for $x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, $\forall P = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i]: 1 \leq i \leq n\}$ of $[a, b]$

We have

$$m_i = \inf_{[x_{i-1}, x_i]} f(x) \leq M$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow L(f, P) &= \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \delta x_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M \delta x_i \\ &= M \sum_{i=1}^n \delta x_i = M(b - a) \end{aligned}$$

Since $L(f, P) \leq M(b - a)$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_P L(f, P) \text{ exist}$$

$$\therefore \int_a^b f \text{ exist}$$

By the same way we can prove the existence of $\int_a^{\bar{b}} f$.

(b) From Theorem (2.1), we have

$$L(f, P) \leq U(f, P)$$

$$\Rightarrow \sup_P L(f, P) \leq \inf_P U(f, P)$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f \leq \int_a^{\bar{b}} f.$$

Theorem (2.3): (Riemann's Criterion for Integrability)

Let f be a bounded function on an interval $[a, b]$. Then f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$ if and only if for each positive number ε , there is a partition P of $[a, b]$ for which $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \varepsilon$.

Theorem (2.4): Let f be a bounded function on $[a, b]$. If f continuous on $[a, b]$. Then f is Riemann integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof:

Since f is continuous on closed interval $[a, b]$

$\Rightarrow f$ is uniformly continuous on $[a, b]$.

$\Rightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)} > 0, \exists \delta > 0$ such that

$$|x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(b-a)}, \quad \forall x, y \in [a, b] \quad \dots(1)$$

Now, let $P = \{[x_{i-1}, x_i]\}_{i=1}^n$ be a partition of $[a, b]$ with mesh $\|P\| < \delta$. Then

We have

$$|x - y| \leq x_i - x_{i-1} \quad (\text{for each } i, \forall x, y \in [x_{i-1}, x_i])$$