

Chapter 8 - Day 2

Ex: Estimate the area under the graph of $y = \frac{1}{x}$ for x between 1 and 31 by subdividing into 30 equal subintervals and using the left endpoint as a sample point.

width of subinterval $\frac{31-1}{30} = \frac{30}{30} = 1$

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Area} &= 1 \cdot f(1) + 1 \cdot f(2) + 1 \cdot f(3) + \dots + 1 \cdot f(30) \\ &= \frac{1}{1} + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{3} + \dots + \frac{1}{30} \\ &= \boxed{3.995} \end{aligned}$$

Sigma Notation

$$a_1 + a_2 + a_3 + \dots + a_n = \sum_{k=1}^n a_k$$

k is called the index or counter.

Ex: find $\sum_{k=2}^5 k^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=2}^5 k^2 &= 2^2 + 3^2 + 4^2 + 5^2 \\ &= 4 + 9 + 16 + 25 \\ &= \boxed{54} \end{aligned}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \sum_{k=1}^5 (2k-1)$$

$$= (2 \cdot 1 - 1) + (2 \cdot 2 - 1) + (2 \cdot 3 - 1) + (2 \cdot 4 - 1) \\ + (2 \cdot 5 - 1)$$

$$= 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + 9 = \boxed{25}$$

$$\underline{\text{Ex:}} \sum_{k=1}^5 (3k^2 + k)$$

$$= (3 \cdot 1^2 + 1) + (3 \cdot 2^2 + 2) + (3 \cdot 3^2 + 3) + (3 \cdot 4^2 + 4) \\ + (3 \cdot 5^2 + 5)$$

$$= 4 + 14 + 30 + 52 + 80$$

$$= \boxed{180}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma x}: \sum_{k=1}^{112} 75$$

$$= \underbrace{75 + 75 + 75 + \dots + 75}$$

112 times

$$= 112 \cdot 75$$

$$= \boxed{8400}$$

$$\underline{\Sigma x}: \sum_{k=15}^{273} 23$$

$$= \underbrace{23 + 23 + 23 + \dots + 23}$$

273 - 14 times

$$= 259 \cdot 23$$

$$= \boxed{5957}$$

The technical term for "subdivide an interval" is "partition an interval"

For example, when we subdivided $[0, 2]$ into 4 subintervals, we say it has the partition $\{0, \frac{1}{2}, 1, \frac{3}{2}, 2\}$

with subintervals $[0, \frac{1}{2}]$, $[\frac{1}{2}, 1]$, $[1, \frac{3}{2}]$, $[\frac{3}{2}, 2]$

The Definite Integral

Let $f(x)$ be a function defined on $[a, b]$.

Partition the interval $[a, b]$ into n

Subintervals of lengths $\Delta x_1, \dots, \Delta x_n$

respectively. For $k=1, \dots, n$ pick a representative point P_k in the k th subinterval.

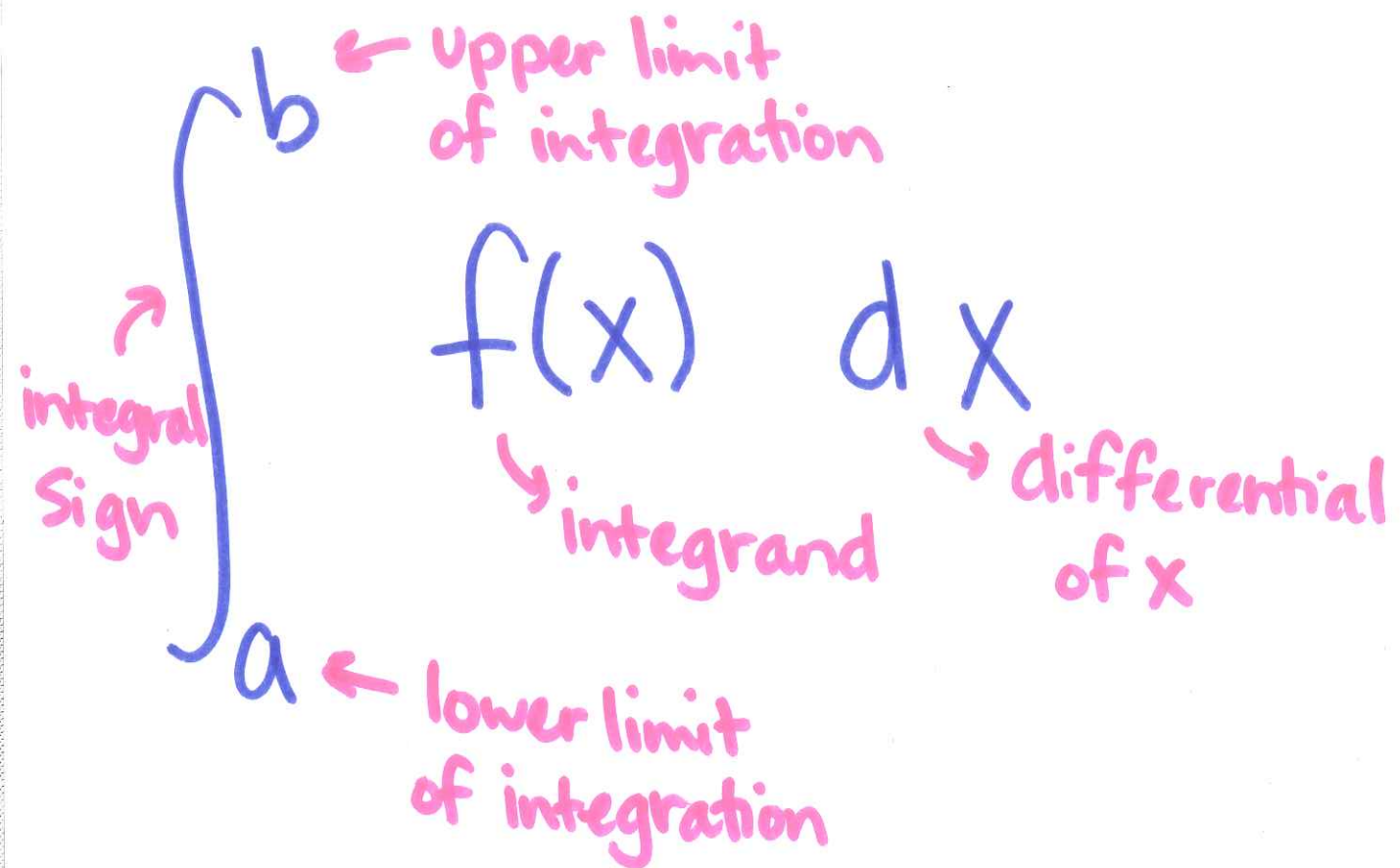
The definite integral of the function f from a to b is defined as

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(P_k) \cdot \Delta x_k$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} (f(P_1) \cdot \Delta x_1 + f(P_2) \cdot \Delta x_2 + \dots + f(P_n) \cdot \Delta x_n)$$

and is denoted

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx$$



"Riemann Sum"

Note: x is a dummy variable, that is

$$\int_a^b x^2 dx = \int_a^b t^2 dt$$

they represent the same number

but in Ch 3, we learned limits don't always exist

Theorem: let $f(x)$ be a continuous function on the interval $[a, b]$ then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \text{ exists.}$$