

Presentation Problems 5

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For these problems, assume all sets are subsets of \mathbb{R} unless otherwise specified.

1. Let P and Q be partitions of $[a, b]$ such that $P \subseteq Q$. Then $U(f, P) \geq U(f, Q)$ and $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$. Use this to show that for any partitions P_1 and P_2 of $[a, b]$ that $L(f, P_1) \leq U(f, P_2)$.

Proof. First, we will prove that $U(f, P) \geq U(f, Q)$ and $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$. Let $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ be a subinterval of P and suppose there exists $z \in Q$ such that $x_{k-1} < z < x_k$. Denote

$$\begin{cases} M_k = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} \\ M'_k = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, z]\} \\ M''_k = \sup\{f(x) : x \in [z, x_k]\} \end{cases}$$

It follows that $M_k \geq M'_k$ and $M_k \geq M''_k$, and we have that

$$\begin{aligned} M_k \Delta_k &= M_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &= M_k(x_k - z + z - x_{k-1}) \\ &= M_k(x_k - z) + M_k(z - x_{k-1}) \\ &\geq M''_k(x_k - z) + M'_k(z - x_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Further, we can employ induction to prove this fact for any finite number of points in this interval $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ that are also in Q . As such, we know that the upper sum cannot get larger when we add more points to a partition. That is $U(f, P) \geq U(f, Q)$.

Similarly, denote

$$\begin{cases} m_k = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} \\ m'_k = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, z]\} \\ m''_k = \inf\{f(x) : x \in [z, x_k]\} \end{cases}$$

It follows that $m_k \leq m'_k$ and $m_k \leq m''_k$, and we have that

$$\begin{aligned} m_k \Delta_k &= m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &= m_k(x_k - z + z - x_{k-1}) \\ &= m_k(x_k - z) + m_k(z - x_{k-1}) \\ &\leq m''_k(x_k - z) + m'_k(z - x_{k-1}) \end{aligned}$$

Then the lower sum cannot get smaller when we add more points to a partition. That is $L(f, P) \leq L(f, Q)$.

Consider partitions P_1 and P_2 of $[a, b]$. Define $Q = P_1 \cup P_2$. Then $P_1 \subseteq Q$ and $P_2 \subseteq Q$. Then by our previously proved fact

$$L(f, P_1) \leq L(f, Q) \leq U(f, Q) \leq U(f, P_2).$$

□

2. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be bounded. Then f is integrable on $[a, b]$ if and only if for all $\varepsilon > 0$, there exists some partition P_ε of $[a, b]$ such that

$$U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) < \varepsilon.$$

Proof. (\Leftarrow) Let $\varepsilon > 0$. Then by assumption, there exists some partition P_ε such that

$$U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) < \varepsilon.$$

However, $U(f) \leq U(f, P_\varepsilon)$. $L(f) \geq L(f, P_\varepsilon)$. Then, $U(f) - L(f) \leq U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) < \varepsilon$. Thus, $0 \leq U(f) - L(f) < \varepsilon$ for all $\varepsilon > 0$, so $U(f) = L(f)$, and thus f is integrable.

(\Rightarrow) Since $U(f)$ is the infimum of all the upper sums, for $\varepsilon > 0$, we can find P_1 such that $U(f, P_1) < U(f) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Similarly, we can find P_2 such that $L(f, P_2) > L(f) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}$. Now, we can define $P_\varepsilon = P_1 \cup P_2$. Then,

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, P_\varepsilon) - L(f, P_\varepsilon) &\leq U(f, P_1) - L(f, P_2) \\ &< U(f) + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} - (L(f) - \frac{\varepsilon}{2}) \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{2} + \frac{\varepsilon}{2} \end{aligned}$$

because f is integrable, $U(f) = L(f)$

$$= \varepsilon$$

□

3. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be bounded. Then f is integrable on $[a, b]$ if and only if there exists some sequence of partitions (P_n) of $[a, b]$ such that

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) = 0.$$

Proof. (\Rightarrow) Let $\epsilon > 0$, \exists some natural number N such that $U(f, P_N) - L(f, P_N) < \epsilon$. It follows from the result of problem number 2 that f is integrable

(\Leftarrow) Assume f is integrable so P_n is a sequence of p guaranteed that $U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) < 1/n$ then it follows from the result of problem number 2 that there exists P_n such that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) = 0$

□

4. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be increasing. Then f is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof. Since $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is an increasing function, $f(a) \leq f(x) \leq f(b)$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Therefore, f is bounded on $[a, b]$.

Let $d = \frac{b-a}{n}$. Let P_n be a finite set of points $\{x_0, x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n\}$ such that $x_k = a + kd$. Then P_n is a partition of $[a, b]$ because $a = x_0 < a + d = x_1 < a + 2d = x_2 < \dots < a + nd = x_n = b$. Since f is increasing, we have

$$m_k = \inf_{x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]} f(x) = f(x_{k-1}).$$

$$M_k = \sup_{x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]} f(x) = f(x_k).$$

Therefore,

$$U(f, P_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n M_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \frac{b-a}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k)$$

$$L(f, P_n) = \sum_{k=1}^n m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \frac{b-a}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_{k-1})$$

And

$$\begin{aligned}
\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) &= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) - \frac{b-a}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_{k-1}) \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) - \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_{k-1}) \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \left(\sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k) - \sum_{k=0}^{n-1} f(x_k) \right) \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} (f(x_n) - f(x_0)) \right) \\
&= \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(b-a)(f(b) - f(a))}{n} \right) \\
&= 0
\end{aligned}$$

Therefore, by Presentation 5 Problem 3, we have f is integrable on $[a, b]$. \square

5. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. Then f is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Proof. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be continuous

Notice that $[a, b]$ is compact, therefore f is uniformly continuous.

Arbitrarily pick $\epsilon > 0$

$\exists \delta > 0$ such that $|x - y| < \delta \implies |f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon/(b - a)$

Now let P be a partition of $[a, b]$ where the distance between any consecutive term is smaller than δ

Given a particular subinterval $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$ of the P

Based on the extreme value theorem, the function achieves extreme value somewhere in the bound.

Hence $M_k = f(z_k)$ for some $z_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$ and also $m_k = f(y_k)$ for some $y_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$

Since $|x_k - x_{k-1}| < \delta$ and $z_k, y_k \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$

$|z_k - y_k| < \delta$

So $M_k - m_k = f(z_k) - f(y_k) < \epsilon/(b - a)$

$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n (M_k - m_k)(x_k - x_{k-1})$

$< \sum_{k=1}^n \epsilon/(b - a) * (x_k - x_{k-1})$

$= \epsilon/(b - a) * (b - a)$

$= \epsilon$

Hence $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$

Therefore f is integrable. \square

6. Let f, g be integrable on $[a, b]$ and let $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$. Then $\alpha f + \beta g$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ and

$$\int_a^b \alpha f + \beta g \, dx = \alpha \int_a^b f \, dx + \beta \int_a^b g \, dx.$$

Proof. Since f, g are integrable, by presentation problem 3, we know there exists sequence of partitions $(P_n), (Q_n)$ s.t.

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n)] = 0 \quad \& \quad \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(g, Q_n) - L(g, Q_n)] = 0$$

Then, we can create a sequence of partitions $(K_n) = (P_n \cup Q_n)$. Since $P_n \subseteq K_n$ and $Q_n \subseteq K_n$, we know (by problem 1):

- $L(f, P_n) \leq L(f, K_n) \leq U(f, K_n) \leq U(f, P_n)$
- $L(g, Q_n) \leq L(g, K_n) \leq U(g, K_n) \leq U(g, Q_n)$

which means:

$$U(f, K_n) - L(f, K_n) \leq U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n) \quad \text{and} \quad U(g, K_n) - L(g, K_n) \leq U(g, Q_n) - L(g, Q_n).$$

Because $U(f, K_n) - L(f, K_n) \geq 0$ while it is less than or equal to $U(f, P_n) - L(f, P_n)$, the $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(f, K_n) - L(f, K_n)]$ is squeezed to 0; it is the same case for $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(g, K_n) - L(g, K_n)] = 0$.

Using Algebraic Limit Thm, we obtain $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n)$ and $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n)$.

Lemma: $U(\alpha f + \beta g, P) = \alpha X(f, P) + \beta Y(g, P)$, where $X = U$ if $\alpha > 0$, $X = L$ otherwise, and $Y = U$ if $\beta > 0$, $Y = L$ otherwise. And vice versa for $L(\alpha f + \beta g, P)$.

Proof: We know that if $A \subseteq \mathbb{R}$ and $cA := \{c \cdot a \mid a \in A\}$, then if $c \geq 0$, $\sup cA = c \sup A$ and $\inf cA = c \inf A$, but if $c < 0$ then $\sup cA = c \inf A$ and $\inf cA = c \sup A$.

So if $f(x) = a \cdot g(x)$ for some $a \geq 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} m_k &= \inf\{f(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} = \inf\{a \cdot g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} = a \inf\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} \\ M_k &= \sup\{f(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} = \sup\{a \cdot g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} = a \sup\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\} \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^n a \inf\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}(x_k - x_{k-1}) = aL(g, P) \\ U(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n M_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^n a \sup\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}(x_k - x_{k-1}) = aU(g, P) \end{aligned}$$

And if $f(x) = a \cdot g(x)$ for some $a < 0 \in \mathbb{R}$ and $g : \mathbb{R} \mapsto \mathbb{R}$, then

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n m_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^n a \sup\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}(x_k - x_{k-1}) = aU(g, P) \\ U(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n M_k(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^n a \inf\{g(x) \mid x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}(x_k - x_{k-1}) = aL(g, P) \end{aligned}$$

So we have scalar multiplication of L and U , with the property we are trying to show. Also on a homework problem, we went over that suprema add, which can be used to say that infima add as well. Thus, U and L satisfy the claim. Now we will resume the proof. \square

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n)] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f, K_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\beta g, K_n)
\end{aligned}$$

Now we will case on α and β being greater than or equal to zero.

If $\alpha \geq 0$ and $\beta < 0$ then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n)] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f, K_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\beta g, K_n) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n) - \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) - \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Similarly, if $\alpha < 0$ and $\beta \geq 0$, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n)] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f, K_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\beta g, K_n) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n) + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) - \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n) - \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) = 0
\end{aligned}$$

If both are less than 0, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n)] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f, K_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\beta g, K_n) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n) + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n) - \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) - \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) = 0 \\
&= -\alpha(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n)) - \beta(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n)) \\
&= -\alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(f, K_n) - L(f, K_n)] - \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(g, K_n) - L(g, K_n)] \\
&= -\alpha \cdot 0 - \beta \cdot 0 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

If both are greater than 0, then

$$\begin{aligned}
& \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) - L(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n)] \\
&= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f, K_n) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\beta g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\alpha f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(\beta g, K_n) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) - \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n) - \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n) = 0 \\
&= \alpha(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(f, K_n)) + \beta(\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L(g, K_n)) \\
&= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(f, K_n) - L(f, K_n)] + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} [U(g, K_n) - L(g, K_n)] \\
&= \alpha \cdot 0 + \beta \cdot 0 = 0
\end{aligned}$$

Since in all cases the limit is zero, we have that $\alpha f + \beta g$ is integrable.

Since

$$\int_a^b f \, dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(f, K_n)$$

and

$$\int_a^b g \, dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(g, K_n)$$

Given $\alpha f + \beta g$ is integrable, we know that $\int_a^b f \, dx = L(f, K_n) = U(f, K_n)$ and $\int_a^b g \, dx = L(g, K_n) = U(g, K_n)$. Thus, we can say

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b \alpha f + \beta g \, dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} U(\alpha f + \beta g, K_n) \\ &= \alpha \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} X(f, K_n) + \beta \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} Y(g, K_n) \\ &= \alpha \int_a^b f \, dx + \beta \int_a^b g \, dx \quad \text{since } X, Y \text{ are either } U \text{ or } L \end{aligned}$$

□

7. Let f, g be integrable on $[a, b]$

(a) If $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then

$$m(b-a) \leq \int_a^b f \, dx \leq M(b-a).$$

Proof. Recall that

$$L(f) = \sup \{L(f, P) : P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])\}$$

$$U(f) = \inf \{U(f, P) : P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])\}$$

Let $P \in \mathcal{P}([a, b])$ where $|P| = n$.

Then by definition of supremum and infimum, we have

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

By definition, we know that

$$L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n m_k(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^n M_k(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

where

$$m_k = \inf \{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$$

$$M_k = \sup \{f(x) : x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]\}$$

Since M, m are upper and lower bounds on f , we have that

$$m \leq m_k$$

$$M_k \leq M$$

Then we can see that

$$\begin{aligned} L(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n m_k (x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &\geq m \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &= m(x_n - x_0) \\ &= m(b - a) \end{aligned}$$

Similarly, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} U(f, P) &= \sum_{k=1}^n M_k (x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &\leq M \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ &= M(x_n - x_0) \\ &= M(b - a) \end{aligned}$$

By definition of integrability, we know that

$$L(f) = \int_a^b f \, dx = U(f)$$

It follows that

$$m(b - a) \leq \int_a^b f \, dx \leq M(b - a)$$

□

(b) If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ on $[a, b]$, then

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

Proof. Since $f(x) \leq g(x)$, we know that

$$h(x) = f(x) - g(x) \leq 0$$

Then by part (a), we know that

$$\int_a^b h = \int_a^b (f - g) dx \leq 0 \cdot (b - a) = 0$$

By linearity, we know that

$$\int_a^b (f - g) dx = \int_a^b f dx - \int_a^b g dx$$

It follows that

$$\int_a^b f dx - \int_a^b g dx \leq 0$$

so

$$\int_a^b f dx \leq \int_a^b g dx$$

□

(c) $|f|$ is integrable on $[a, b]$ and

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

Proof. First, we prove that $|f|$ is integrable. Let $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ be an arbitrary partition of $[a, b]$.

Claim: We show that for any interval $I_k = [x_{k-1}, x_k]$,

$$\sup_{I_k} |f| - \inf_{I_k} |f| \leq \sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f$$

Proof: By the triangle inequality, for any $x, y \in I_k$,

$$|f(x)| - |f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f(y)|$$

Since

$$|f(x)| - |f(y)| \leq |f(x) - f(y)| = \max\{f(x), f(y)\} - \min\{f(x), f(y)\} \leq \sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f$$

then $\sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f$ is an upper bound on $|f(x)| - |f(y)|$ and so

$$\sup\{|f(x)| - |f(y)| : x, y \in I_k\} \leq \sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f$$

Since

$$\sup\{|f(x)| - |f(y)| : x, y \in I_k\} = \sup_{I_k} |f| - \inf_{I_k} |f|$$

the claim holds.

So we have, for all $k = 1, \dots, n$,

$$\begin{aligned} \sup_{I_k} |f| - \inf_{I_k} |f| &\leq \sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f \\ \sum_{k=1}^n (\sup_{I_k} |f| - \inf_{I_k} |f|)(x_k - x_{k-1}) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^n (\sup_{I_k} f - \inf_{I_k} f)(x_k - x_{k-1}) \\ U(|f|, P) - L(|f|, P) &\leq U(f, P) - L(f, P) \end{aligned}$$

By the theorem from class, a function g is integrable on $[a, b]$ if and only if for all $\epsilon > 0$, there exists $P_\epsilon \in \mathcal{P}$ such that $U(g, P_\epsilon) - L(g, P_\epsilon) < \epsilon$.

We are given that it holds for f . For arbitrary $\epsilon > 0$, we know that $U(|f|, P_\epsilon) - L(|f|, P_\epsilon) \leq U(f, P_\epsilon) - L(f, P_\epsilon) < \epsilon$, so it also holds for $|f|$. Therefore, $|f|$ is integrable on $[a, b]$.

Next, since $|f|$ is integrable,

$$-|f(x)| \leq f(x) \leq |f(x)|$$

Then by part (b), we know that

$$\int_a^b -|f| \, dx \leq \int_a^b f \, dx \leq \int_a^b |f| \, dx$$

By linearity, we have

$$-\int_a^b |f| \, dx \leq \int_a^b f \, dx \leq \int_a^b |f| \, dx$$

It follows that

$$\left| \int_a^b f \, dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f| \, dx$$

□

8. Let (f_n) be a sequence of real-valued functions on $[a, b]$ integrable on $[a, b]$. If $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly on $[a, b]$, then f is integrable on $[a, b]$ and

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n \, dx = \int_a^b f \, dx.$$

Proof. We will begin by showing that f is bounded on $[a, b]$. Since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, for any $\epsilon > 0$ there exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}^+$ such that for all $n > N$, $x \in [a, b]$, we have $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \epsilon$. Let $\epsilon = 1$ be arbitrary and choose an $M > N$ that is guaranteed by our assertion. f_n is integrable for any function in our sequence so we also know it is bounded. Then let us choose

a $B > 0$ that is guaranteed by this property, giving us $|f(x)| < B$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. Then by the Triangle Inequality,

$$\begin{aligned} |f(x)| &= |f(x) - f_M(x) + f_M(x)| \leq |f(x) - f_M(x)| + |f_M(x)| \Rightarrow \\ |f(x)| - |f_M(x)| &\leq |f(x) - f_M(x)| < 1 \end{aligned}$$

Adding $|f_M(x)|$ to both sides of the outermost inequality gives us

$$|f(x)| < 1 + |f_M(x)|$$

This holds for any $x \in [a, b]$, so we have proven that f is bounded as well.

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Again, since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, there exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}$ (for all $n > N$, and all $x \in [a, b]$). Choose an $M > N$. Then f_M is integrable by assumption. By our integrability criterion, we know there is a partition $P_\epsilon \in \mathcal{P}[a, b]$ (let the number of components in the partition be $P := |P_\epsilon|$) such that

$$U(f_M, P_\epsilon) - L(f_M, P_\epsilon) = \sum_{k=1}^P M_{f_M, k}(x_k - x_{k-1}) - \sum_{k=1}^P m_{f_M, k}(x_k - x_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^P (M_{f_M, k} - m_{f_M, k})(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

Now, since $M > N$, we have that $|f_M(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{4(a-b)}$ for all $x \in [a, b]$. For such x , by properties of absolute values,

$$f_M(x) - \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} < f(x) < f_M(x) + \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}$$

By the fact that every upper integral over a function is at least equal to the lower integral,

$$m_{f_M, k} - \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} < m_{f, k} \leq M_{f, k} < M_{f_M, k} + \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)}.$$

By using the definitions of upper and lower integrals,

$$U(f, P_\epsilon) - L(f, P_\epsilon) = \sum_{k=1}^P M_{f, k}(x_k - x_{k-1}) - \sum_{k=1}^P m_{f, k}(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

Combine the sums: the above is equivalent to

$$\sum_{k=1}^P (M_{f, k} - m_{f, k})(x_k - x_{k-1})$$

By our above chain of inequalities,

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^p (M_{f,k} - m_{f,k})(x_k - x_{k-1}) &\leq \sum_{k=1}^p \left(\left(M_{f_M,k} + \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} \right) - \left(m_{f_M,k} - \frac{\epsilon}{4(b-a)} \right) (x_k - x_{k-1}) \right) = \\ &\sum_{k=1}^p (M_{f_M,k} - m_{f_M,k})(x_k - x_{k-1}) + \sum_{k=1}^p \frac{2\epsilon}{4(b-a)}(x_k - x_{k-1}) < \\ &\frac{\epsilon}{2} + \frac{\epsilon}{2} = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

As a result, $U(f, P_\epsilon) - L(f, P_\epsilon) < \epsilon$ for an arbitrary ϵ . By our integrability criteria (Problem 2, Presentation Set 5), f is integrable on $[a, b]$. It remains to show that $\int_a^b f dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n dx$. Let $\epsilon > 0$ be arbitrary. Since $f_n \rightarrow f$ uniformly, there exists an $N \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $|f_n(x) - f(x)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$ for all $n \in \mathbb{N}$ such that $n > N$ and $x \in [a, b]$. As a result of linearity of integration (Problem 6, Presentation Set 5):

$$\left| \int_a^b f_n dx - \int_a^b f dx \right| = \left| \int_a^b (f_n - f) dx \right|$$

for all such n . Then by Problem 7, Presentation Set 5, we obtain the absolute value bounds

$$\left| \int_a^b (f_n - f) dx \right| \leq \int_a^b |f_n - f| dx < \int_a^b \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} dx = (b-a) \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} = \epsilon$$

Since ϵ was arbitrary, we conclude that $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left| \int_a^b (f_n - f) dx \right| = 0$, and by properties of absolute values we acquire $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^b f_n dx = \int_a^b f dx$, as desired. \square

9. Let $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ be countable. Then A has measure zero. (Note: the converse is not true.)

Proof. Suppose $A = \{x_n\}$ where $n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \infty$
Let $\epsilon > 0$, define open intervals

$$I_n = (x_n - \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+2}}, x_n + \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+2}}) \text{ where } n = 1, 2, 3, \dots, \infty$$

Then the length of each interval $\ell(I_n) = \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+1}}$

And $A \subset \bigcup_{n=1}^{\infty} I_n$

We get $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \ell(I_n) = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{\epsilon}{2^{n+1}} < \epsilon$

Therefore if $A \subset \mathbb{R}$ is countable, then A has measure zero. \square

10. Let $\{A_k\}_{k=1}^n$ be a finite collection of sets of measure zero. Show that

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k$$

also has measure zero.

Proof. Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since each A_k is of measure zero, then for $\frac{\epsilon}{n}$, there exists a collection of open intervals $\{O_{k_m}\}$ for each A_k such that

$$A_k \subseteq \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} O_{k_m}$$

and

$$\sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |O_{k_m}| < \frac{\epsilon}{n}.$$

Then

$$\bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k \subseteq \bigcup_{k=1}^n \bigcup_{m=1}^{\infty} O_{k_m}$$

and

$$\sum_{k=1}^n \sum_{m=1}^{\infty} |O_{k_m}| < n \left(\frac{\epsilon}{n}\right) = \epsilon$$

because each collection of open intervals is countable, so the unions and summations are all well defined. Thus $\bigcup_{k=1}^n A_k$ has measure zero. \square

11. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be continuous. Then there exists $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\int_a^b f \, dx = f(c)(b - a).$$

Proof. Let $f : [a, b] \mapsto \mathbb{R}$ be continuous.

Define

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

Thus, F is continuous on $[a, b]$.

If f is continuous at c , then F is differentiable at c and $F'(c) = f(c)$. Thus for all $c \in (a, b)$, $F'(c) = f(c)$.

Since F is continuous on $[a, b]$ and differentiable on (a, b) , we can invoke the Mean Value Theorem. Thus there exists $c \in (a, b)$ such that

$$\begin{aligned} F'(c) &= \frac{F(b) - F(a)}{b - a} \\ &= \frac{1}{b - a} \left(\int_a^b f(t) \, dt - \int_a^a f(t) \, dt \right) = \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(t) \, dt. \end{aligned}$$

So we have

$$f(c) = F'(c) = \frac{1}{b - a} \int_a^b f(t) \, dt,$$

or

$$f(c)(b - a) = \int_a^b f(t) \, dt.$$

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