

# Criteria of Integrability

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(Goal: e.g. to prove that  $\forall$  continuous  $f$  on  $(a,b)$  is integrable)

## THM (Sequential Criterion)

$f \in R[a,b] \Leftrightarrow \forall$  seq. of partitions  $(P_n)$  s.t.  $\|P_n\| \rightarrow 0$ ,  $S(f, P_n)$  converges.

Moreover, in this case  $\lim S(f, P_n) = \int_a^b f$ .  $\forall P_n, \|P_n\| \rightarrow 0$ .

( $\Rightarrow$ ) Assume (1) ~~is integrable~~; (2)  $\|P_n\| \rightarrow 0$ .

WTS:  $S(f, P_n) \rightarrow L$ .

(Let  $\epsilon > 0$ )  $\Rightarrow$

(1)  $\exists \delta > 0$ :  $\forall$  partition  $P, \|P\| < \delta$ , satisfies  $|S(f, P) - L| < \epsilon$ .

(2)  $\forall \delta > 0 \exists N$ :  $\forall n > N$  we have  $\|P_n\| < \delta$ .

Choose  $\delta$  from (1), put it into (2).

(2)  $\Rightarrow \exists N$ .  $\forall n > N$  we have  $\|P_n\| < \delta \xrightarrow{(1)} |S(f, P_n) - L| < \epsilon$ .

$\Rightarrow S(f, P_n) \rightarrow L$ .

QED

( $\Leftarrow$ ) ~~First note that~~ Assume ~~the~~ the assumption in RHS holds.

Note that  $S(f, P_n)$  converges to the same limit  $\forall (P_n)$ , i.e.

$\exists L$ :  $\forall (P_n)$  s.t.  $\|P_n\| \rightarrow 0$  we have  $S(f, P_n) \rightarrow L$ . (\*)

(Otherwise  $\exists (P_n), (Q_n)$ :  $\|P_n\| \rightarrow 0, \|Q_n\| \rightarrow 0, S(f, P_n) \rightarrow L_1, S(f, Q_n) \rightarrow L_2, L_1 \neq L_2$ )  
Then the alternating seq.  $R_n = (P_1, Q_1, P_2, Q_2, P_3, Q_3) \dots$  satisfies  $\|R_n\| \rightarrow 0$   
but  $S(f, R_n)$  diverges

Fix this  $L$ .

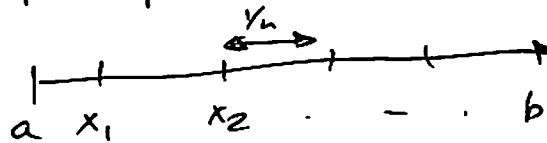
$\nexists f$  not integrable  $\Rightarrow \exists \epsilon > 0 \forall \delta > 0 \exists P$  s.t.  $\|P\| < \delta$  but  $|S(f, P) - L| > \epsilon$ .

Apply this for  $\delta_n = \frac{1}{n}$ .  $\Rightarrow \exists (P_n)$ :  $\|P_n\| < \frac{1}{n}$  but  $|S(f, P_n) - L| > \epsilon$ .

$\Rightarrow \|P_n\| \rightarrow 0$  but  $S(f, P_n) \nrightarrow L$ .

This contradicts (\*). QED

Remark If  $f \in R(a, b)$ , we can approximate it using the uniform partition



and with tags  $t_i$  e.g. at  $x_i$ :

In particular, for  $[a, b] = [0, 1]$ :  $x_i = \frac{i}{n}$ ,  $t_i = \frac{i}{n}$ .

~~or~~  $f$

$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n f\left(\frac{i}{n}\right) \rightarrow \int_0^1 f$$

Discrete average  $\rightarrow$  continuous average

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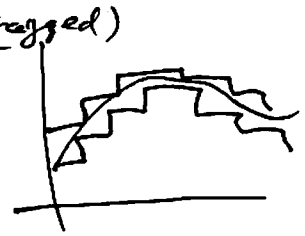
$$\frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^2 \rightarrow \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} \quad (n \rightarrow \infty)$$

$$\frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}$$

$$\Rightarrow \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n^3}{3} + o(n^3)$$

(Actual, Exact value =  $\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$ )

Def (Upper/lower Riemann sums) Given a part.  $f$  <sup>(untagged)</sup>



$$M_i := \sup \{ f(x) : x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \}$$

$$m_i = \inf \{ f(x) : x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i] \}$$

$$S^*(f, P) := \sum_{i=1}^n M_i (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

$$S_*(f, P) := \sum_{i=1}^n m_i (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

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- ~~forall~~  $\forall P, S_*(f, P) \leq S(f, P) \leq S^*(f, P)$ .
  - $\forall P$  untagged  $\exists$  tags:  $S^*(f, P) \leq S(f, P) \leq S^*(f, P)$   
 $\exists$  tags:  $S_*(f, P) \leq S(f, P) \leq S_*(f, P) + \epsilon$ .

Def. THM (Darboux Criterion)  $f \in R[a, b] \Leftrightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$   
 $\forall$  untagged  $P, \|P\| < \delta$  satisfies  $|S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P)| < \epsilon$ .

Moreover in this case,  $S^*(f, P) - \epsilon \leq \int_a^b f \leq S_*(f, P) + \epsilon$ .

THM (Darboux Criterion) TFAE:

(i)  $f \in R[a, b]$

(ii)  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ : ~~forall~~  $\forall$  partition  $P$  satisfying  $\|P\| < \delta$   
 we have  $S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P) < \epsilon$

(iii)  $\forall \epsilon > 0 \exists$  partition  $P$  satisfying  $S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P) < \epsilon$ .

Moreover, if (i)-(iii) hold, we have

$$S^*(f, P) - \epsilon \leq \int_a^b f \leq S_*(f, P) + \epsilon$$

Proof (i)  $\Rightarrow$  (ii): Assume  $f$  is integrable.  $\int_a^b f = L$

$\Rightarrow \forall \epsilon > 0 \exists \delta > 0$ : ~~forall~~  $\forall P, \|P\| < \delta$  satisfies  $|S(f, P) - L| < \epsilon/4$   
 by Exercise (prev. p),  $\exists$  tags:  $|S(f, P) - S^*(f, P)| < \epsilon/4$ .

$$\Delta \Rightarrow |S^*(f, P) - L| < \epsilon/2.$$

Similarly,  $|S_*(f, P) - L| < \epsilon/2$

$$\Delta \Rightarrow |S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P)| < \epsilon. \quad \checkmark$$

(ii)  $\Rightarrow$  (iii) is trivial.

(iii)  $\Rightarrow$  (i): Define

$$L^* := \inf \{ S^*(f, P) : \text{partitions } P \}, \quad L_* := \sup \{ S_*(f, P) : \text{partitions } P \}$$

~~forall~~  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ , choose

let  $\epsilon > 0$ . Choose  $P$  as in (iii).  $\Rightarrow S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P) < \epsilon$

Since  $[L_*, L^*] \subset [S_*(f, P), S^*(f, P)] \Rightarrow$

$$\Rightarrow 0 \leq L^* - L_* < \epsilon$$

This holds  $\forall \epsilon \Rightarrow L^* = L_* = L.$

("Darboux integral")

Remains to show that  $f$  is integrable,  $\int_a^b f = L$ .

Note:  $\forall P$ , both  $S_*(f, P)$  and  $L_*$  are  $\in [S_*(f, P), S^*(f, P)]$ .

Apply (\*)  $\Rightarrow |S(f, P) - L| \leq |S^*(f, P) - S_*(f, P)| < \epsilon. \quad \forall \|P\| < \delta.$

QED

Ex Dirichlet function is not integrable.