

1. Suppose that  $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ ,  $a < b$  and that  $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$  is bounded. What does it mean to say that  $f$  is (Riemann) integrable on  $[a, b]$ ?

$f$  is Riemann integrable on  $[a, b]$  if for every  $\epsilon > 0$ , there exists a partition  $P$  on  $[a, b]$  such that:

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

2. Let  $f(x) = \begin{cases} 2 & 0 \leq x < 1 \\ 5 & 1 \leq x \leq 2 \end{cases}$

Prove, using the definition, that  $f$  is integrable on  $[0, 2]$ .

Let  $\epsilon > 0$ .

Take the partition  $P$  on  $[0, 2]$  s.t.

$P = \{0, x_1, x_2, 2\}$  where  $0 < x_1 < 1 < x_2 < 2$ , and  $x_2 - x_1 < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ . Since

$0 < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + x_1$ , so there is a real number  $x_2$  s.t.  $0 < x_2 < \frac{\epsilon}{3} + x_1 \Rightarrow x_2 - x_1 < \frac{\epsilon}{3}$ .

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = (M_1 - m_1)(x_1 - 0) + (M_2 - m_2)(x_2 - x_1) + (M_3 - m_3)(2 - x_2)$$

Where:

$$M_1 = \sup(f) = 2, \quad M_2 = \sup(f) = 5, \quad M_3 = \sup(f) = 5.$$

$$m_1 = \inf(f) = 2, \quad m_2 = \inf(f) = 2, \quad m_3 = \inf(f) = 5.$$

$$\rightarrow U(f, P) - L(f, P) = (2-2)x_1 + (5-2)(x_2 - x_1) + (5-5)(2-x_2)$$

$$= 3(x_2 - x_1)$$

$$< 3 \cdot \frac{\epsilon}{3}$$

$$= \epsilon.$$

So  $\forall \epsilon > 0$ ,  $P = \{0, x_1, x_2, 2\}$  on  $[0, 2]$  satisfies  $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$ .

So  $f(x)$  is Riemann integrable on  $[0, 2]$ .  $\#$