

MATH 2301 Section 110 (Barsamian) Meeting #46 (Wed Apr 12)

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Today: Section 5.2 The Definite Integral

Friday: Section 5.3 Evaluating Definite Integrals
Quiz Q8 covering sections 5.1, 5.2

Comments on Exam X3

[2] $f(x) = \ln(x^2 - x + 5/4)$ on interval $[-1, 1]$
continuous *closed interval*

To find abs extrema, must use closed interval method.

important x values	corresponding y values
$x = -1$ end	$\ln((-1)^2 - (-1) + 5/4) = \ln(13/4)$ <i>max</i>
$x = 1/2$ crit	$\ln((1/2)^2 - (1/2) + 5/4) = \ln(1) = 0$ <i>min</i>
$x = 1$ end	$\ln(1^2 - 1 + 5/4) = \ln(5/4)$

To find critical numbers, investigate $f'(x)$

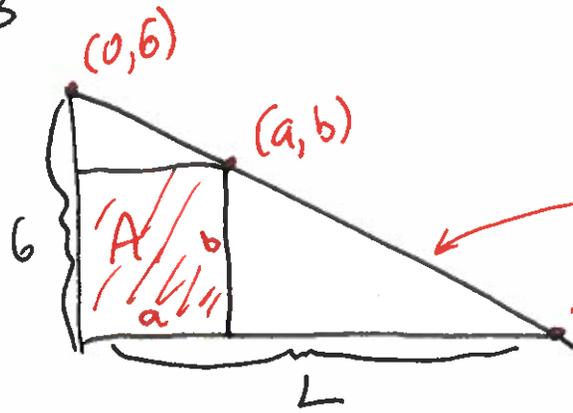
$$f'(x) = \frac{2x-1}{x^2-x+5/4}$$

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$\left. \begin{array}{l} \text{\{ numerator only zero when } x=1/2 \\ \text{\{ denominator will never be zero} \end{array} \right\}$

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Exam X3
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Slope $m = \frac{\Delta y}{\Delta x} = -\frac{6}{L}$

Line equation
 $y = \left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)x + 6$

So (a,b) must satisfy that equation

so $b = \left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)a + 6$

Maximize $A = a \cdot b = a \left(\left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)a + 6 \right) = \left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)a^2 + 6a$

This is a downward facing parabola. Will have max where $A' = 0$

$0 = A' = \frac{d}{da} \left(\left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)a^2 + 6a \right) = \left(-\frac{6}{L}\right)2a + 6$

$a = \frac{L}{2}$

$b = 3$

$\implies A = \frac{3L}{2}$

Monday we were talking Signed Area SA between graph of $f(x)$ and x axis from $x=a$ to $x=b$.

Definition of The Definite Integral

• Symbol: $\int_a^b f(x)dx$

• spoken: The definite integral of $f(x)$ from $x=a$ to $x=b$.

• meaning: the number that is the following limit

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} L_n$$

the Left Riemann Sum with n rectangles

• Remark: when f is a continuous function, this limit always exists and equals $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n$

• Additional terminology and notation: This definite integral can be denoted SA, and called the Signed area between graph of $f(x)$ and x axis from $x=a$ to $x=b$.

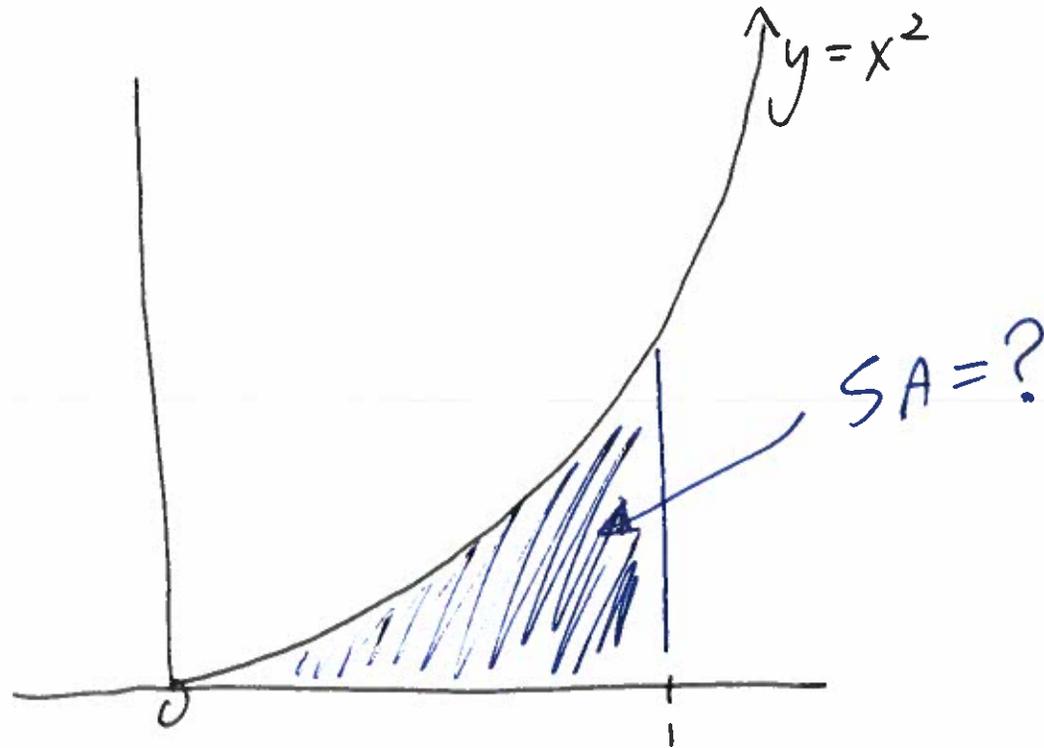
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Example

Find

$$\int_0^1 x^2 dx$$

the signed area between graph

of $f(x) = x^2$ and x axis from $x=0$ to $x=1$ 

On Monday, we estimated $SA \approx 0.333$

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Strategy • Build expression for R_n

• Find $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n$

Riemann sum with n right rectangles

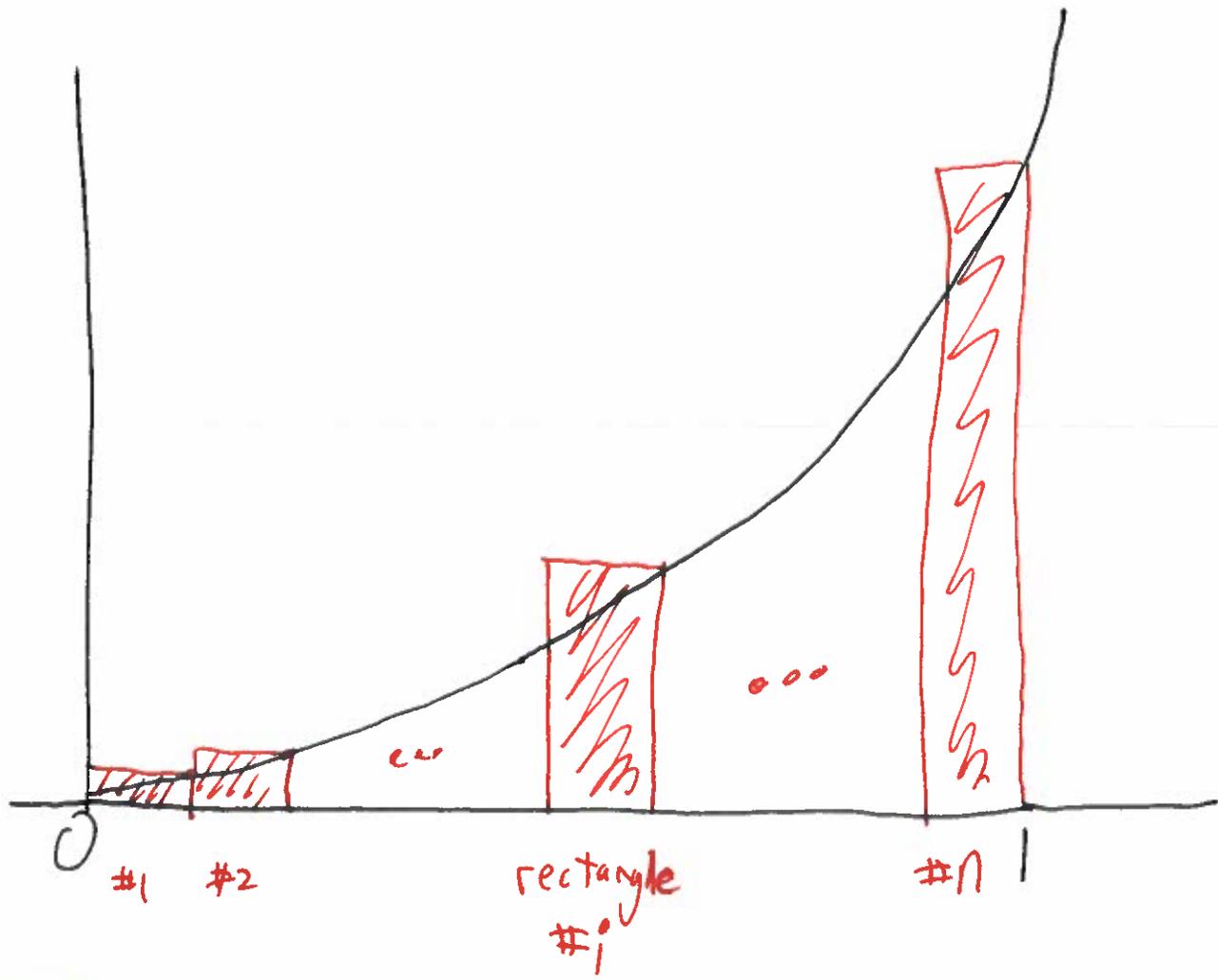
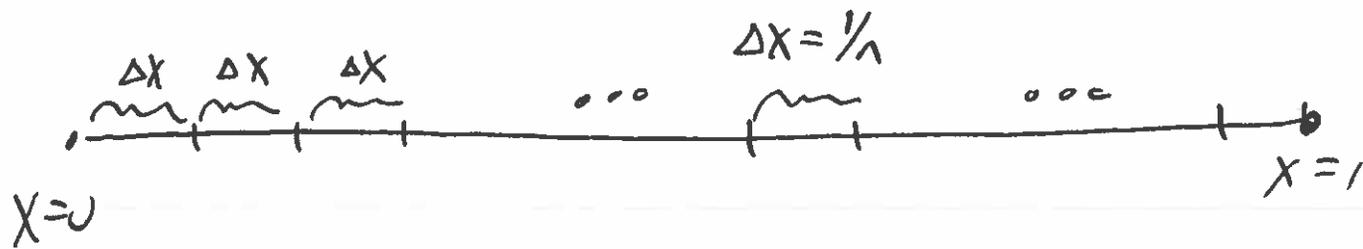


Figure out the widths

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Rectangle widths are all the same

$$\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{1-0}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$$

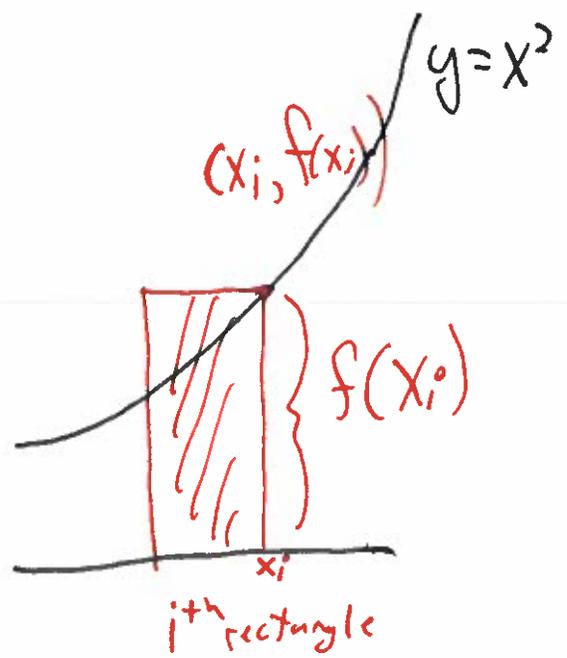


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Figure out the heights of rectangles

Each Rectangle touches graph at rectangles right edge.

So height of rectangle = height of graph of $f(x)$ at right end of that little interval.

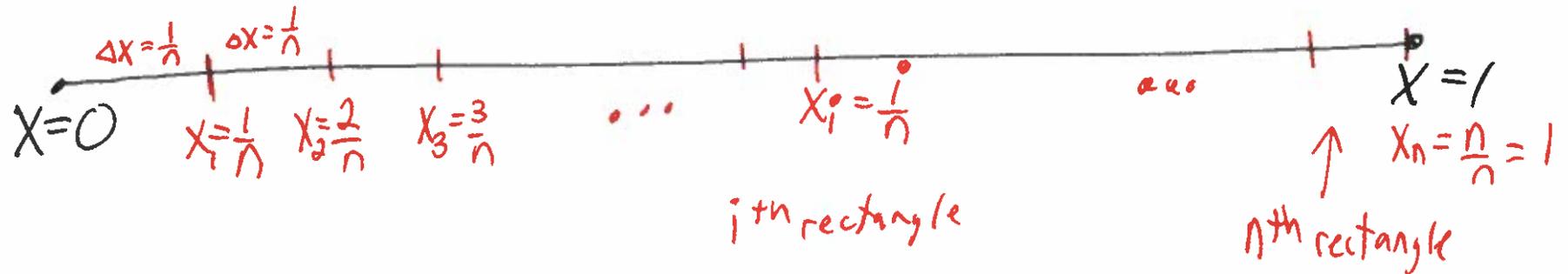


$$= f(x_i)$$

$$= (x_i)^2$$

We need to figure out the values of the X_i

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So the heights of the rectangles are

$$\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2, \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^2, \left(\frac{3}{n}\right)^2, \dots, \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^2, \dots, \left(\frac{n}{n}\right)^2$$

So rectangle areas are height \cdot width

$$\left(\frac{1}{n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}, \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}, \dots, \left(\frac{i}{n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}, \dots, \left(\frac{n}{n}\right)^2 \cdot \frac{1}{n}$$
$$\frac{1^2}{n^3}, \frac{2^2}{n^3}, \dots, \frac{(i)^2}{n^3}, \dots, \frac{n^2}{n^3}$$

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Total area is the sum

$$\text{R}_n = \frac{1^2}{n^3} + \frac{2^2}{n^3} + \dots + \frac{i^2}{n^3} + \dots + \frac{n^2}{n^3}$$

$$= \frac{1}{n^3} \left(\underbrace{1^2 + 2^2 + 3^2 + \dots + i^2 + \dots + n^2}_{\text{Sum of the squares of the first } n \text{ positive integers}} \right)$$

Sum of the squares of the first n positive integers

$$= \frac{1}{n^3} \cdot \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$

$$= \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6n^2}$$

Simplify to a form that is easier for the limit

$$= \frac{2n^2 + 3n + 1}{6n^2}$$

$$R_n = \frac{2n^2}{6n^2} + \frac{3n}{6n^2} + \frac{1}{6n^2}$$

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$$R_n = \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{6n^2}$$

Now take the limit as $n \rightarrow \infty$ to find SA

$$SA = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{2n} + \frac{1}{6n^2} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{2n} \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{6n^2} \right)$$

1 / huge number = small

$$= \frac{1}{3} + 0 + 0$$

Conclusion

$$SA = \int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3} \quad \text{Final answer}$$

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Notice that this answer agrees with our
estimate on Monday, when we
estimated that the signed area

was ~~going to~~ probably around 0.333

~~Question~~

Question for Friday:

Finding Definite Integrals by finding the limit of a Riemann sum

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} R_n$$

Is really hard!!

Is there an easier way to find the value of a definite integral?!?

end of meeting