

OFFICIAL 'CHEAT SHEET' FOR MIDTERM I

Darboux sums and partitions Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a bounded function. For a partition $P = \{x_0 = a, x_1, \dots, x_n = b\}$, where $x_i < x_{i+1}$ for $0 \leq i < n$, we have the *upper* and *lower Darboux sums*

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(x_i - x_{i-1}) \quad \text{and} \quad L(f, P) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(x_i - x_{i-1});$$

here m_i and M_i are infimum and supremum of f on the interval $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$. A *refinement* P^* of P is a partition of the same interval which contains all the points of P .

Lemma (a) If there are numbers m, M such that $m \leq f(x) \leq M$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then $m(b - a) \leq L(f, P)$ and $U(f, P) \leq M(b - a)$ for any partition P of $[a, b]$.

(b) (Refinement lemma) If P^* is a refinement of P , then $L(f, P) \leq L(f, P^*)$ and $U(f, P^*) \leq U(f, P)$.

Definition of integral We define the upper and lower integrals by

$$\int_a^b f = \inf U(f, P), \quad \int_a^b f = \sup L(f, P),$$

where the inf and sup are taken over all partitions of $[a, b]$. A bounded function is called *integrable* if upper and lower integrals coincide.

Theorem (a) The lower integral of f is always less or equal than the upper integral.

(b) (Archimedes-Riemann) A bounded function $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is integrable if and only if there exists a sequence of partitions (P_n) such that

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

Properties of integrals Let $f, g : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be integrable functions. Then we have

(a) $\int_a^b f = \int_a^c f + \int_c^b f$, for $a < c < b$,

(b) If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all $x \in [a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f \leq \int_a^b g$,

(c) If α and β are numbers, then $\int_a^b (\alpha f + \beta g) = \alpha \int_a^b f + \beta \int_a^b g$.

Continuous functions Recall that $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ is called continuous at x_0 if for every $\epsilon > 0$ there exists a $\delta > 0$ such that $|f(x) - f(x_0)| < \epsilon$ if $|x - x_0| < \delta$.

Theorem (a) All continuous functions are integrable.

(b) Let $f : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbf{R}$ be a function which is continuous and bounded on (a, b) . Then f is integrable, and the value of the integral $\int_a^b f$ does not depend on the values of f at a and b .