

Section 30 Properties of the Riemann Integral.

Theorem 30.1 A monotone function on $[a,b]$ is Riemann integrable.

Proof (Case of monotone increasing)

We apply Theorem 29.9 Riemann Integrability Critereon.

The function f is bounded (Why?)

Given $\varepsilon > 0$, we have $\frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} > 0$ (Why)

We can thus choose k such that $k < \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}$ (Why)

Thus $0 < k(f(b) - f(a)) < \varepsilon$.

Let $P = \{x_0, x_1, \dots, x_n\}$ be a partition of $[a,b]$ that has each subinterval of length $(x_i - x_{i-1}) \leq k$.

Then since f is increasing, $m_i = f(x_{i-1})$ and $M_i = f(x_i)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Then } U(f, P) - L(f, P) &= \sum_{i=1}^n M_i(x_i - x_{i-1}) - \sum_{i=1}^n m_i(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i)(x_i - x_{i-1}) - \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_{i-1})(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))(x_i - x_{i-1}) \\ &\leq \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1}))k \\ &= k \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})) \\ &= k(f(b) - f(a)) < \varepsilon \end{aligned}$$

Thus the integrability criterion is satisfied, and the monotone increasing function is integrable.