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We can use the Cauchy

Criterion to show that

the Dirichlet function

$$f(x) = 1, \text{ if } x \in [0, 1]$$

and $f(x) = 0$ if $x \in (0, 1)$ is

irrational.

Set $\epsilon_0 = \frac{1}{2}$. Let P be any

partition such that every

tag is rational, and let

Q be any partition of $[0,1]$

with each tag an irrational

number. Then

$$S(f; P) = \sum_{i=1}^n 1 \cdot (x_i - x_{i-1}) = 1 - \alpha \\ = 1$$

Also

$$S(f; Q) = \sum_{i=1}^n 0 \cdot (x_i - x_{i-1}) = 0$$

The same formulas are true

for any such partitions

with arbitrarily small norm.

This shows $|S(f; P) - S(f; Q)| = 1$,

it's clear that the Cauchy

Criterion implies $f \notin R[a, b]$.

Some examples of
integrable functions

Theorem If $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

is continuous, then $f \in R[a, b]$

We know that since f is continuous on $[a, b]$, f is uniformly continuous.

\therefore Given $\epsilon > 0$, there is $\delta_\epsilon > 0$

so that if $u, v \in [a, b]$ and

$|u - v| < \delta_\epsilon$, then

$$\{f(u) - f(v)\} < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}.$$

Let $P = \{I_i\}_{i=1}^n$ be a partition

with $\|P\| < \delta_\varepsilon$. Let

$u_i \in I_i$ be a point where

f attains its minimum value

and let $v_i \in I_i$ where f

attains its maximum. on I_i

Let α_ε be the step fcn.

defined by

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$$\alpha_\varepsilon(x) = f(v_i) \text{ for } x \in [x_{i-1}, x_i)$$

for $i = 1, \dots, n-1$ and $\alpha_\varepsilon(x) = f(v_n)$
for $x \in [x_{n-1}, x_n]$.

Similarly we define w_ε ,

using v_i instead of u_i . Then

$$\alpha_\varepsilon(x) \leq f(x) \leq w_\varepsilon(x),$$

for $x \in [a, b]$.

Moreover we have

$$0 \leq \int_a^b (\omega_\varepsilon - \alpha_\varepsilon)$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^n (f(v_i) - f(u_i))(x_i - x_{i-1})$$

$$\leq \sum_{i=1}^n \left\{ \frac{\varepsilon}{b-a} \right\} (x_i - x_{i-1}) = \varepsilon.$$

The Squeeze Thm implies $f \in R[a, b]$

Recall a function f is

monotone on $[a, b]$ if

$$x' < x'' \rightarrow f(x') < f(x'').$$

Thm. If $f: [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is

monotone, then $f \in R[a, b]$.



Pf. We partition $[a, b]$ into

n equal subintervals. with

$$x_k - x_{k-1} = \frac{(b-a)}{n}.$$

We define a step function

$$\alpha(x) = f(x_{k-1}) \text{ and}$$

$$\omega(x) = f(x_k) \text{ for } x \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$$

and

$$\alpha(x) = f(x_{n-1}) \text{ and}$$

$$\omega(x) = f(x_n) \text{ for } x \in [x_{n-1}, x_n].$$

Then $\alpha(x) \leq f(x) \leq \omega(x)$

for all $x \in I$, and

$$\int_a^b \alpha = \frac{b-a}{n} \left\{ f(x_0) + f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_{n-1}) \right\}$$

$$\int_a^b \omega = \frac{b-a}{n} \left\{ f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n) \right\}$$

By subtracting, we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_a^b (\omega - \alpha) &= \frac{b-a}{n} \left\{ f(x_n) - f(x_0) \right\} \\ &= \frac{b-a}{n} \left\{ f(b) - f(a) \right\}. \end{aligned}$$

For a given $\epsilon > 0$, we choose

$$n > \frac{b-a}{\epsilon} \{f(b) - f(a)\} / \epsilon.$$

This gives $\int_a^b (w-a) < \epsilon$

and the Squeeze Theorem

implies $f \in R[a, b]$.

The First Form of the

Fundamental Theorem of

Calculus gives us a tool

7.3. Fundamental Thm. of

Calculus, (First Form)

Suppose there is a finite set E in $[a, b]$ and functions

$f, F : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ such that

(a) F is continuous on $[a, b]$,

(b) $F'(x) = f$ for all $x \in [a, b] \setminus E$

(c) f belongs to $R[a, b]$.

$$\text{Then } \int_a^b f = F(b) - F(a). \quad (1)$$

Proof. We prove the theorem

where where $E = \{a, b\}$.

The general case can be

obtained by breaking the

interval into a union of

a finite number of intervals.

Let $\epsilon > 0$. Since $f \in R[a, b]$

by (cs), there is $\delta_\epsilon > 0$ such

that if \dot{P} is any tagged

partition with $\|\dot{P}\| < \delta_\epsilon$,

then $|S(f, \dot{P}) - \int_a^b f | < \epsilon$. (23)

If the subintervals are

$[x_{i-1}, x_i]$, then the

Mean Value Thm. applied

to F on $[x_{i-1}, x_i]$ implies

that there is $u_i \in (x_{i-1}, x_i)$

such that

$$F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1}) = F'(u_i) \cdot (x_i - x_{i-1})$$

for $i=1, \dots, n$.

If we add these terms,

(and use telescoping), and

use the fact that $F'(u_i) = f(u_i)$

we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} F(b) - F(a) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (F(x_i) - F(x_{i-1})) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n f(u_i) (x_i - x_{i-1}). \end{aligned}$$

Now let $\dot{P}_u = \left\{ [x_{i-1}, x_i], u_i \right\}_{i=1}^n$

so the sum on the right

equals $S(f, ; \dot{P}_u)$. If

If we substitute

$F(b) - F(a) = S(f, P_0)$ into

(1), we get

$$\left| F(b) - F(a) - \int_a^b f \right| < \epsilon.$$

Since ϵ is arbitrary, we

conclude that (1) holds

Example : If $F(x) = \frac{1}{3}x^3$

for all $x \in [a, b]$, then

$$F'(x) = x^2 \text{ for all } x \in [a, b].$$

Further, $f = F'$ is continuous
so it is in $R[a, b]$.

Therefore the Fundamental
Theorem (with $E = \emptyset$) implies
that

$$\int_a^b x^2 dx = F(b) - F(a) = \frac{1}{3} (b^3 - a^3).$$