

- **Riemann Sums:**

- Evaluates integrals by treating them as rectangles of subintervals.
- Approximating using Riemann sums:
 - $\int f(x)dx = \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*)\Delta x$ $n =$ number of subintervals.
 - Divide the region up into rectangles and find their areas, then add.
 - Lower Riemann sum: uses the lower boundary of a subinterval for x_i^*
 - Upper Riemann sum: uses the upper boundary of a subinterval for x_i^*
 - Midpoint Riemann sum: uses the midpoint of a subinterval for x_i^*
- Exactly evaluating an integral using a Riemann Sum:
 - Divide into infinitely many subintervals: $\int f(x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*)\Delta x$
 - By extension: $\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=1}^n f\left(a + \frac{b-a}{n}i\right)\left(\frac{b-a}{n}\right)$
 - A limit of a Riemann sum is the most fundamental definition of an integral.
 - It may be necessary to flip the order of integration (i.e. rewrite with respect to y)

- Summation formulas (derived from discrete mathematics):

$$\sum_{i=1}^n c = cn \quad \sum_{i=1}^n i = \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n i^2 = \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \quad \sum_{i=1}^n i^3 = \frac{n^2(n+1)^2}{4}$$

- **Trapezoidal Rule**

- Approximates integrals by dividing the region into trapezoids (i.e. first-degree linear approximation)

- Know the area of a trapezoid: $A = \frac{1}{2}h(b_1 + b_2)$

- For our purposes: $A = \frac{1}{2}(f(x_1) + f(x_2))(x_2 - x_1)$

- Let the interval $[a, b]$ be divided into n subintervals, with the i^{th} subinterval with lower and upper bounds being x_{i-1} and x_i respectively. By the Trapezoidal Rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{2}(f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_i))(x_{i-1} - x_i)$$

- **Simpson's Rule**

- Approximates integrals using a second-degree Taylor polynomial to approximate the curve on each interval (this can be extended to n degrees for better accuracy)
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$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{6} \left(f(x_{i-1}) + 4f\left(\frac{x_{i-1} + x_i}{2}\right) + f(x_i) \right) (x_{i-1} - x_i)$$