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Theorem 6.7 (a) If $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ (*) for some P_ε and some ε , then

(*) for $P^* \supset P_\varepsilon$; (b) If (*) for $P_\varepsilon = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots, x_n = b\}$ and

$s_i, t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, (***) then $\sum_{i=1}^n |f(s_i) - f(t_i)| \Delta\alpha_i < \varepsilon$; (c) If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ and

(***) then $\left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta\alpha_i - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \varepsilon.$

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Summary Let $\alpha : [a, b] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be monotone increasing and bounded.

Choose a partition, $P = \{a = x_0 \leq x_1 \leq \dots \leq x_n = b\}.$

For $M_i = \sup_{x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i} f(x)$, $m_i = \inf_{x_{i-1} \leq x \leq x_i} f(x)$, and $\Delta\alpha_i$ where $\Delta\alpha_i = \alpha(x_i) - \alpha(x_{i-1}),$

Lower Riemann Stieltjes sum = $L(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta\alpha_i$ and

Upper Riemann Stieltjes sum = $U(P, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta\alpha_i.$

f is Riemann integrable with respect to α if

$\sup_P L(P, f, \alpha) = \inf_P U(P, f, \alpha)$, that is, $\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha.$

$\int_a^b f d\alpha$ is called the Riemann-Stieltjes integral.

We say $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha).$

Theorem 6.4 If P^* is a refinement of P , then $m(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) \leq L(P, f, \alpha) \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha) \leq M(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)).$

Theorem 6.5 $\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha.$

Proof:

Let P be a fixed partition. Let P^* be a refinement of $P.$

From Theorem 6.4, we know $L(P, f, \alpha) \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha).$

Since $L(P, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha) \leq \inf_{P^*} U(P^*, f, \alpha) = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha$ and

$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \sup_P L(P, f, \alpha) \leq L(P, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$, then $\int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha.$

Theorem 6.6 If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b] \Leftrightarrow \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists P_\varepsilon \ni U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$.

Proof:

$$\Rightarrow: f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha) \text{ on } [a, b] \Rightarrow \sup_P L(P, f, \alpha) = \int_a^b f d\alpha = \inf_P U(P, f, \alpha).$$

$$\text{Let } \varepsilon > 0. \text{ Then } \exists Q_\varepsilon \ni \int_a^b f d\alpha - L(Q_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon/2.$$

$$\text{And } \exists R_\varepsilon \ni U(R_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha < \varepsilon/2. \text{ Thus } U(R_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(Q_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

$$\text{Choose } P_\varepsilon = Q_\varepsilon \cup R_\varepsilon. \text{ Then, by Theorem 6.4, } U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

$$\Leftarrow: \text{Assume } \forall \varepsilon > 0, \exists P_\varepsilon \ni U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

$$\text{Then we have } L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) \leq \sup_{P_\varepsilon \subset P^*} L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) + \varepsilon \leq \sup_{P_\varepsilon \subset P^*} L(P^*, f, \alpha) + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \int_a^b f d\alpha + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq \inf_{P_\varepsilon \subset P^*} U(P^*, f, \alpha) = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha < \int_a^b f d\alpha + \varepsilon$$

$$\Rightarrow \int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^{\bar{b}} f d\alpha. \therefore f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha).$$

Theorem 6.7 (a) If $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ for some P_ε and some ε , then $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ for any refinement of P_ε .

(b) If $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ for $P_\varepsilon = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots, x_n = b\}$ and $\forall i = 1, 2, \dots, n, s_i, t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, then $\sum_{i=1}^n |f(s_i) - f(t_i)| \Delta\alpha_i < \varepsilon$.

(c) If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ for $P_\varepsilon = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots, x_n = b\}$ and $t_i \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$, then $\left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta\alpha_i - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \varepsilon$.

Proof:

(a) By Theorem 6.4,

$$L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) \leq L(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P^*, f, \alpha) \leq U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) \text{ for any refinement of } P_\varepsilon.$$

$$\text{Thus } U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon \Rightarrow L(P^*, f, \alpha) - U(P^*, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

(b) Case 1: $f(s_i) \leq f(t_i) \Rightarrow m_i \leq f(s_i) \leq f(t_i) \leq M_i$.

$$\text{So then } f(t_i) - f(s_i) \leq M_i - f(s_i) \leq M_i - m_i.$$

Case 2: $f(t_i) \leq f(s_i) \Rightarrow f(s_i) - f(t_i) \leq M_i - m_i$, or equivalently

$$-(M_i - m_i) \leq f(t_i) - f(s_i).$$

Thus, $|f(t_i) - f(s_i)| \leq M_i - m_i$. So then $\sum_{i=1}^n |f(s_i) - f(t_i)| \Delta\alpha_i \leq$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta\alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta\alpha_i - \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta\alpha_i = U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 6.7 (c) If $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon$ for $P_\varepsilon = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots, x_n = b\}$ and $t_i \in [x_i - x_{i-1}]$, then $\left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \varepsilon$.

(c) $m_i \leq f(t_i) \leq M_i \Rightarrow$

$$L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) = \sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i = U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha).$$

Since $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$, then $L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) \leq \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha)$.

So then $U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon \Rightarrow$

$$0 < U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i < U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon \text{ and}$$

$$0 < U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha < U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \varepsilon. \text{ Thus}$$

$$-\varepsilon < \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i - U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) < \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i - \int_a^b f d\alpha < U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - \int_a^b f d\alpha < \varepsilon.$$

$$\therefore \left| \sum_{i=1}^n f(t_i) \Delta \alpha_i - \int_a^b f d\alpha \right| < \varepsilon.$$

Theorem 6.8 If $f \in C[a, b]$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$.

Proof:

Let $\varepsilon > 0$ be fixed, but arbitrary. By the uniform continuity of f on $[a, b]$,

$$\exists \delta > 0 \ni |s - t| < \delta \Rightarrow |f(s) - f(t)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))}.$$

Choose $P_\varepsilon \ni \Delta x_i < \delta \forall i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}$.

$$\therefore M_i - m_i \leq \frac{\varepsilon}{2(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))}, i \in \{1, 2, \dots, n\}. \text{ Thus } U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) =$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i < \frac{\varepsilon}{2(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))} \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta \alpha_i = \frac{\varepsilon}{2(\alpha(b) - \alpha(a))} \cdot (\alpha(b) - \alpha(a)) = \varepsilon.$$

\therefore By Theorem 6.6 above, $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$.

Theorem 6.9 If f is monotonic on $[a, b]$, and if α is continuous on $[a, b]$, then $f \in \mathcal{R}(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$.

Proof:

Let $\varepsilon > 0$.

α is continuous on $[a, b] \Rightarrow \alpha$ is uniformly continuous.

$$\therefore \exists \delta > 0 \ni |x - y| < \delta \Rightarrow |\alpha(x) - \alpha(y)| < \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}.$$

Let $P = \{a = x_0 < x_1 < \dots < x_n = b\} \ni \Delta x_i < \delta$.

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

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Thus } U(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) - L(P_\varepsilon, f, \alpha) &= \sum_{i=1}^n (M_i - m_i) \Delta \alpha_i = \sum_{i=1}^n (f(x_i) - f(x_{i-1})) \Delta \alpha_i \\ &= [f(x_1) - f(x_0)][\alpha(x_1) - \alpha(x_0)] + \dots + [f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})][\alpha(x_n) - \alpha(x_{n-1})] \\ &\leq [f(x_1) - f(x_0)] \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} + \dots + [f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})] \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} [f(x_1) - f(x_0) + f(x_2) - f(x_1) + \dots + f(x_n) - f(x_{n-1})] \\ &= \frac{\varepsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} [f(b) - f(a)] = \varepsilon. \end{aligned}$$