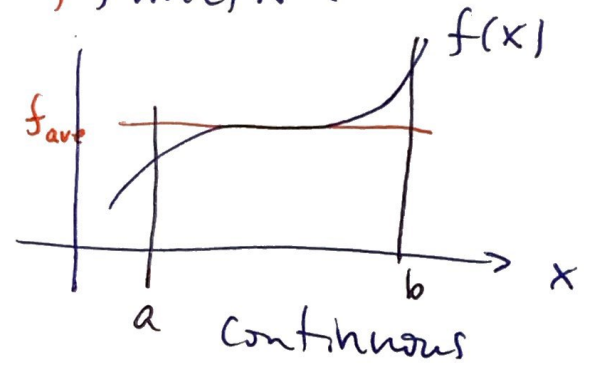
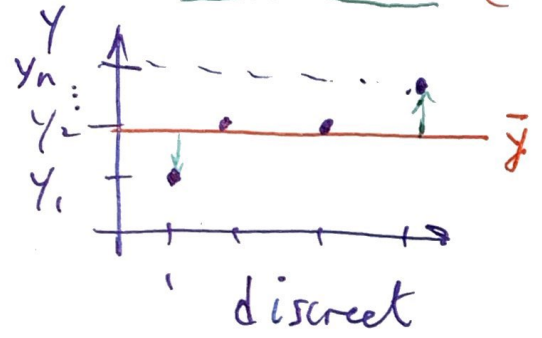


5.5 The average value of a function

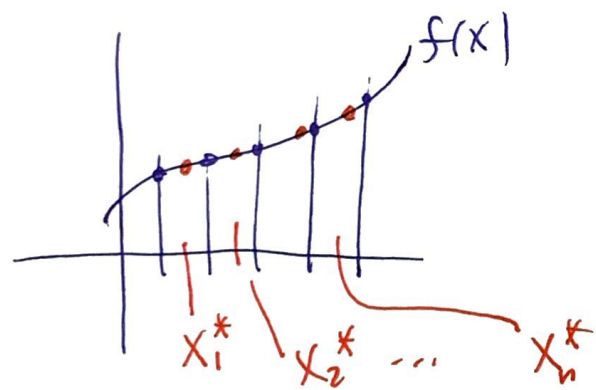
I f_{ave}

classically $\bar{y} = \frac{y_1 + y_2 + \dots + y_n}{n}$ "eggs" (discrete)

Q: Can we form an average value for a continuous (milk) function



Ans: Break the function up into small pieces...



and select a sample point within each piece and find $f(x)$ of those sample points...

$$\frac{a}{b} = \frac{1}{\frac{b}{a}}$$

Now $f_{ave} \approx \frac{f(x_1^*) + f(x_2^*) + \dots + f(x_n^*)}{n}$

changing continuous into discrete

but $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$ then $n = \frac{b-a}{\Delta x}$

so $f_{ave} \approx \frac{1}{[b-a]} \{ f(x_1^*) + f(x_2^*) + \dots + f(x_n^*) \} \Delta x$

Now as we take smaller and smaller
sampling spacings, we have then

(2)

$$f_{\text{ave}} = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\sum_{i=1}^n f(x_i^*) \right) \Delta x$$

$$f_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

This is the average
value of a continuous
function over $[a, b]$

Ex Find the average value of $f(x) = (3-2x)^{-2}$
over $[-1, 1]$

Formula $\bar{f} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$

$$= \frac{1}{1-(-1)} \int_{x=-1}^{x=1} (3-2x)^{-2} dx$$

let $u = 3-2x$
 $du = -2dx$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_{u=5}^{u=1} u^{-2} \left(\frac{du}{-2} \right)$$

 $u = 3-2(-1)$
 $= 3+2=5$

 $u = 3-2(1)$
 $= 3-2=1$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \frac{u^{-2+1}}{-2+1} \left(\frac{1}{-2} \right) \Big|_5^1$$

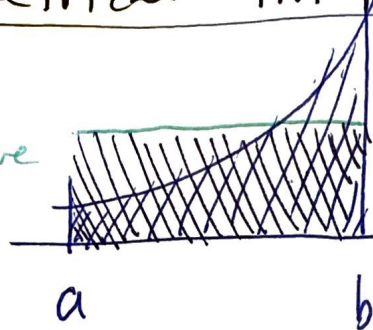
$$= -\frac{1}{4} \left[\frac{1^{-2+1}}{-1} - \frac{5^{-2+1}}{-1} \right] = -\frac{1}{4} \left[-1 + \frac{1}{5} \right] = -\frac{1}{4} \left(-\frac{4}{5} \right)$$

$$= \boxed{\frac{1}{5}}$$

Geometrical Interpretation

(3)

f_{ave}



$$f_{ave} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

cross-multiply

$$(f_{ave})(b-a) = \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

area of a rectangle

area under a curve

Same

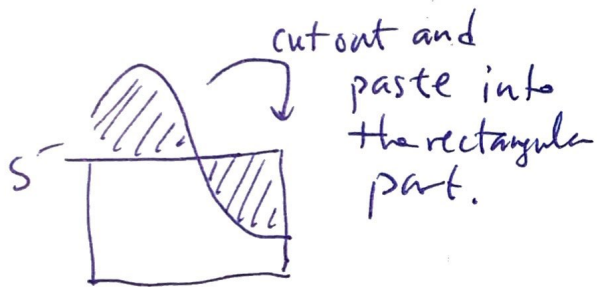
areas:



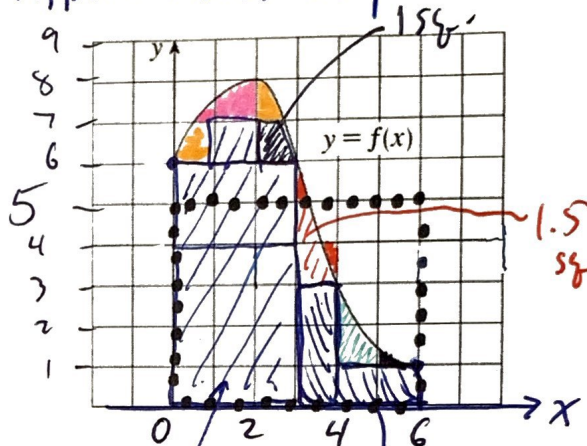
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$$h = \bar{f}$$



Application: Graphical evaluation



$$19 \text{ squares} + 5 \text{ sq.} + 1$$

$$+ 1.5 \text{ sq.} + 1.5 \text{ sq.}$$

$$+ 1 \text{ sq.} + 1 \text{ sq.} = 29.5 \text{ square units}$$

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{6-0} \int_0^6 f(x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} (29.5)$$

$$= \frac{1}{6} \cdot \frac{59}{2} = \frac{59}{12} \approx 5$$

II) MVT for Integrals

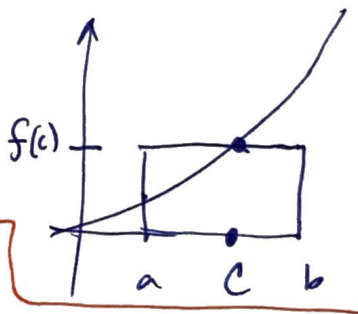
The mean value theorem for integrals:

let $f(x)$ be continuous on $[a, b]$

Then there exists a number "c" such that

$$f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

or $\int_a^b f(x) dx = f(c) \cdot (b-a)$



Proof:

• let $F(x) = \int_a^x f(t) dt$, the antiderivative

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

• $F(x)$ is diff'ble on (a, b)

• MVThm for derivatives (applied to F)

$$F(b) - F(a) = F'(c)(b-a)$$

• But by the Fund. Thm Calc, Part I

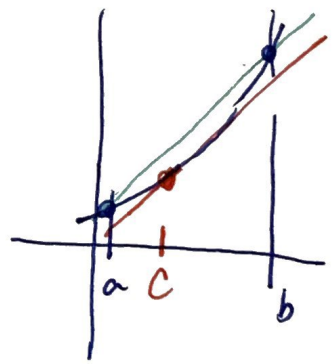
$$F'(x) = f(x)$$

• Therefore

$$F(b) - F(a) = f(c) \cdot (b-a)$$

I.E. $f(c) = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$ FTC II QED.

Recall MVT for derivatives



$$\frac{f(b) - f(a)}{b - a} = f'(c)$$

or $f(b) - f(a) = f'(c) \cdot (b-a)$

Ex In NYC the temperature can be modelled 5
in Fahrenheit

by $T(t) = 50 + 14 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right)$ so long as
 t resides between 9am and 9pm

Find the average temperature of the day

let $t=0$ be 9am, let $t=12$ be 9pm

then

$$T_{\text{ave}} = \frac{1}{12-0} \int_0^{12} \left[50 + 14 \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right) \right] dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \left[50t - 14 \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right)}{\pi/12} \right] \Bigg|_0^{12}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \left\{ \left[50 \cdot 12 - \frac{14 \cdot 12}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12} \cdot 12\right) \right] - \left[50 \cdot 0 - \frac{14 \cdot 12}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12} \cdot 0\right) \right] \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \left\{ 600 + \frac{168}{\pi} + \frac{168}{\pi} \right\}$$

$$= \frac{1}{12} \left\{ 600 + \frac{336}{\pi} \right\}$$

$$= \boxed{50 + \frac{28}{\pi}}$$

$$\approx \boxed{59^\circ \text{F}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} &\int \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right) dt \\ &\text{let } u = \frac{\pi}{12}t \\ &du = \frac{\pi}{12} dt \\ &\int \sin u \, du \left(\frac{12}{\pi}\right) \\ &= -(\cos u) \cdot \frac{12}{\pi} \\ &= -\frac{12}{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{\pi}{12}t\right) \end{aligned}$$

