

Chapter: 7. Integrals

Exercise: 7.8

1. Find the value of $\int_a^b x dx$

Solution:

The given integral is $\int_a^b x dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{b-a}{n}$

Plug in $f(x) = x$

Hence,

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_a^b x dx &= (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [a + a+h + \dots + a+(n-1)h] \\
 &= (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [na + h(1+2+3+\dots+n-1)] \\
 &= (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[na + h \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[na + \frac{(b-a)}{n} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[a + \left(\frac{(n-1)(b-a)}{2n} \right) \right] \\
 &= (b-a) \left(a + \left(\frac{b-a}{2} \right) \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} (b-a)(b+a) \\
 &= \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_a^b x dx = \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2}$

2. Find the value the definite integral $\int_0^b (x+1) dx$ using the limit as sum concept.

Solution:

Consider the integral $\int_0^5 (x+1) dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{b-a}{n} = \frac{5}{n}, a=0, b=5$

Plug in $f(x) = x+1$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^5 (x+1) dx &= (5) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [1 + 1+h + \dots + 1 + (n-1)h] \\
 &= 5 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [n + h(1+2+3+\dots+n-1)] \\
 &= 5 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[1 + \frac{5}{n} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= 5 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[1 + \frac{5}{n^2} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= 5 \left(1 + \frac{5}{2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{35}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_0^5 (x+1) dx = \frac{35}{2}$

3. Find the value of $\int_2^3 x^2 dx$ using limit as sum concept

Solution:

Consider the integral $\int_2^3 x^2 dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{3-2}{n} = \frac{1}{n}, a=2, b=3$

Plug in $f(x) = x^2$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^3 x^2 dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [2^2 + (2+h)^2 + \dots + (2+(n-1)h)^2] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [n(2^2) + h^2(1^2 + 2^2 \dots + (n-1)^2) + 4h(1+2+\dots+(n-1))] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[n2^2 + h^2 \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \right) + 4h \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[4 + \frac{1}{n^3} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \right) + 4 \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2n^2} \right) \right] \\ &= 4 + \frac{2}{6} + 4 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{19}{3} \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_2^3 x^2 dx = \frac{19}{3}$

4. Find the value of $\int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx$ using limit as sum concept

Solution:

Consider the integral $\int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{4-1}{n} = \frac{3}{n}, a=1, b=4$

Plug in $f(x) = x^2 - x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left[1^2 + (1+h)^2 + \dots + (1+(n-1)h)^2 \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - (1+1+h+1+2h+\dots+1+(n-1)h) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left[n(1^2) + h^2(1^2 + \dots + (n-1)^2) + 2h(1+2+\dots+(n-1)) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. - n - h(1+2+\dots+(n-1)) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left[n + h^2 \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \right) + 2h \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) - n - h \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left[h^2 \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \right) + h \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2} \right) \right] \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{27}{n^3} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6} \right) + \frac{9}{n} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)}{2n^2} \right) \right] \\
 &= 27 \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) + \frac{9}{2} \\
 &= \frac{27}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx = \frac{27}{2}$

5. Find the value of $\int_{-1}^1 e^x dx$ using limit as sum concept.

Solution:

Consider the integral $\int_{-1}^1 e^x dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{1+1}{n} = \frac{2}{n}, a = -1, b = 1$

Plug in $f(x) = e^x$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_{-1}^1 e^x dx &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[f\left(-1\right) + f\left(-1 + \frac{2}{n}\right) + f\left(-1 + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{n}\right) + \dots + f\left(-1 + \frac{(n-1) \cdot 2}{n}\right) \right] \\
 &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[e^{-1} + e^{\left(-1 + \frac{2}{n}\right)} + e^{\left(-1 + 2 \cdot \frac{2}{n}\right)} + \dots + e^{\left(-1 + \frac{(n-1) \cdot 2}{n}\right)} \right] \\
 &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[e^{-1} \left\{ 1 + e^{\frac{2}{n}} + e^{\frac{4}{n}} + e^{\frac{6}{n}} + e^{\frac{(n-1) \cdot 2}{n}} \right\} \right] \\
 &= 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{e^{-1}}{n} \left[\frac{e^{\frac{2n-1}{n}}}{e^{\frac{2-1}{n}}} \right] \\
 &= e^{-1} \times 2 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{e^2 - 1}{e^{\frac{2-1}{n}}} \right] \\
 &= \frac{e^{-1} \times 2(e^2 - 1)}{\lim_{\frac{2}{n} \rightarrow 0} \left(\frac{e^{\frac{2-1}{n}}}{\frac{2}{n}} \right) \times 2} \\
 &= e^{-1} \left[\frac{2(e^2 - 1)}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{e^2 - 1}{e} \\
 &= e - \frac{1}{e}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_{-1}^1 e^x dx = e - \frac{1}{e}$

6. Find the value of $\int_0^4 (x + e^{2x}) dx$ using limit as sum

Solution:

Consider the integral $\int_0^4 (x + e^{2x}) dx$

Use the limit as sum formula

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = (b-a) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(a) + f(a+h) + \dots + f(a+(n-1)h)]$$

Here $h = \frac{4-0}{n} = \frac{4}{n}$, $a=0$, $b=4$

Plug in $f(x) = x + e^{2x}$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^4 (x + e^{2x}) dx &= (4-0) \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} [f(0) + f(h) + f(2h) + \dots + f((n-1)h)] \\
 &= 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[(0 + e^0) + (h + e^{2h} + (2h + e^{2 \cdot 2h}) + \dots + \{(n-1)h + e^{2(n-1)h}\}) \right] \\
 &= 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[\{h + 2h + 3h + \dots + (n-1)h\} + (1 + e^{2h} + e^{4h} + \dots + e^{2(n-1)h}) \right] \\
 &= 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[h\{1 + 2 + \dots + (n-1)\} + \left(\frac{e^{2hn} - 1}{e^{2h} - 1} \right) \right] \\
 &= 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{(h(n-1)n)}{2} + \left(\frac{e^{2hn} - 1}{e^{2h} - 1} \right) \right] \\
 &\Rightarrow 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left[\frac{4}{n} \cdot \frac{(n-1)n}{2} + \left(\frac{e^8 - 1}{e^{\frac{8}{n}} - 1} \right) \right] \\
 &= 4(2) + 4 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(e^8 - 1)}{\left(\frac{\frac{8}{n} - 1}{\frac{8}{n}} \right) 8} \\
 &= 8 + \frac{e^8 - 1}{2} \\
 &= \frac{e^8 + 15}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

Therefore, $\int_0^4 (x + e^{2x}) dx = \frac{e^8 + 15}{2}$