

Math 16B
Section 5.4

Definite Integrals

Definition: If $F(x)$ is any antiderivative for $f(x)$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = F(x) \Big|_a^b = F(b) - F(a).$$

We call $\int_a^b f(x) dx$ a definite integral.

Example: Evaluate each Definite Integral.

$$\begin{aligned} 1.) \quad \int_1^3 (2x+1) dx &= (x^2+x) \Big|_1^3 \\ &= (3^2+3) - (1^2+1) = 12-2 = 10 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} 2.) \quad \int_{-1}^0 (x^3-x^2) dx &= \left(\frac{1}{4}x^4 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right) \Big|_{-1}^0 \\ &= \left(\frac{1}{4}(0)^4 - \frac{1}{3}(0)^3 \right) - \left(\frac{1}{4}(-1)^4 - \frac{1}{3}(-1) \right) \\ &= (0) - \left(\frac{1}{4} + \frac{1}{3} \right) = -\left(\frac{3}{12} + \frac{4}{12} \right) = -\frac{7}{12} \end{aligned}$$

$$3.) \int_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos x \, dx = \sin x \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{6}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{6}\right) = 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$4.) \int_0^{\ln 3} (e^x - 1) \, dx = (e^x - x) \Big|_0^{\ln 3}$$

$$= (e^{\ln 3} - \ln 3) - (e^0 - 0)$$

$$= 3 - \ln 3 - 1 = 2 - \ln 3$$

$$5.) \int_{-2}^2 (3x - 2x^3) \, dx = \left(\frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{2}x^4\right) \Big|_{-2}^2$$

$$= \left(\frac{3}{2}(2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(2)^4\right) - \left(\frac{3}{2}(-2)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(-2)^4\right)$$

$$= (6 - 8) - (6 - 8) = 0$$

$$6.) \int_{e-1}^{e^2-1} \frac{1}{x+1} \, dx = \ln|x+1| \Big|_{e-1}^{e^2-1}$$

$$= \ln|(e^2-1)+1| - \ln|(e-1)+1|$$

$$= \ln e^2 - \ln e = 2 - 1 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 7.) \quad \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{9}} \sec^2 3x \, dx &= \frac{1}{3} \tan 3x \Big|_0^{\frac{\pi}{9}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \tan 3\left(\frac{\pi}{9}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \tan 3(0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \tan\left(\frac{\pi}{3}\right) - \frac{1}{3} \tan(0) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} (\sqrt{3}) - \frac{1}{3}(0) = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$8.) \quad \int_0^1 x (x^2 + 2)^3 \, dx$$

(Let $u = x^2 + 2 \xrightarrow{D} du = 2x \, dx \rightarrow$
 $\frac{1}{2} du = x \, dx$; and $x: 0 \rightarrow 1$, so
 $u: (0)^2 + 2 \rightarrow (1)^2 + 2$, i.e., $u: 2 \rightarrow 3$)

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_2^3 u^3 \, du = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{4} u^4 \Big|_2^3 \\
 &= \frac{1}{8} (3)^4 - \frac{1}{8} (2)^4 = \frac{81}{8} - \frac{16}{8} = \frac{65}{8}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$9.) \quad \int_0^{\ln 2} \frac{e^x}{e^x + 1} \, dx$$

(Let $u = e^x + 1 \xrightarrow{D} du = e^x \, dx$)

$$= \int_{x=0}^{x=\ln 2} \frac{1}{u} du = \ln|u| \Big|_{x=0}^{x=\ln 2}$$

$$= \ln|e^x + 1| \Big|_0^{\ln 2}$$

$$= \ln|e^{\ln 2} + 1| - \ln|e^0 + 1|$$

$$= \ln(2+1) - \ln(1+1)$$

$$= \ln 3 - \ln 2$$

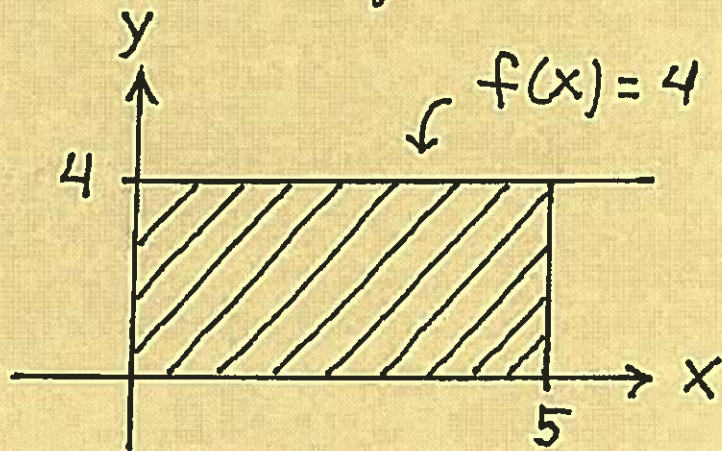
$$= \ln\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)$$

QUESTION : What is the meaning of a Definite Integral?

ANSWER : SEE next 4 pages.

Areas of Geometric Shapes and Definite Integrals

Example:

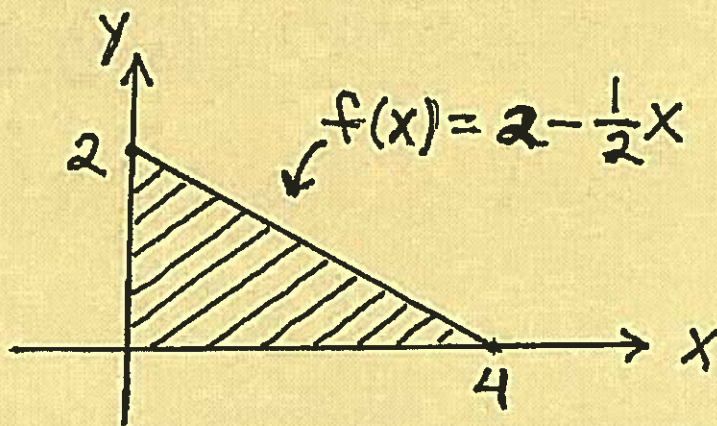


Area of $\square = (5)(4) = 20$ and

$$\int_0^5 f(x) dx = \int_0^5 4 dx = 4x \Big|_0^5$$

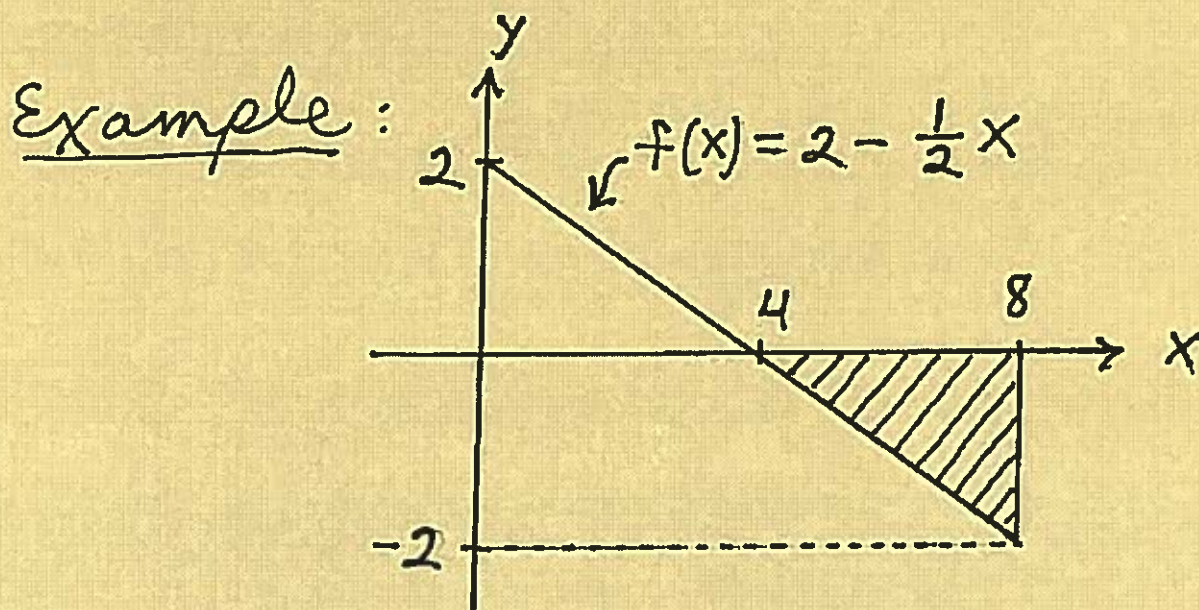
$$= 4(5) - 4(0) = 20$$

Example:



Area of $\triangle = \frac{1}{2}(4)(2) = 4$ and

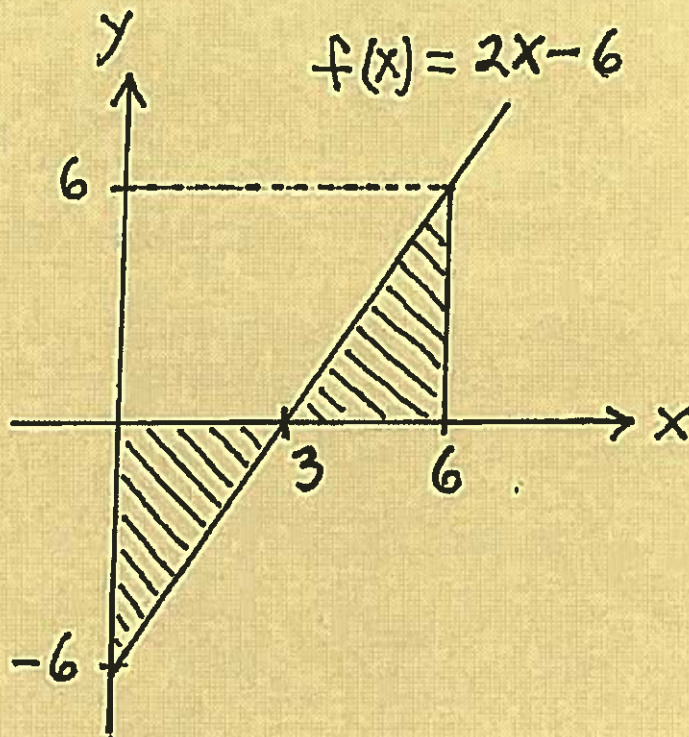
$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_0^4 f(x) dx &= \int_0^4 \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) dx \\
 &= \left(2x - \frac{1}{4}x^2\right) \Big|_0^4 = \left(2(4) - \frac{1}{4}(4)^2\right) - \left(2(0) - \frac{1}{4}(0)^2\right) \\
 &= 8 - 4 - 0 = 4.
 \end{aligned}$$



Area of $\triangle = \frac{1}{2}(4)(2) = 4$, and

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int_4^8 \left(2 - \frac{1}{2}x\right) dx &= \left(2x - \frac{1}{4}x^2\right) \Big|_4^8 \\
 &= \left(2(8) - \frac{1}{4}(8)^2\right) - \left(2(4) - \frac{1}{4}(4)^2\right) \\
 &= 16 - 16 - (8 - 4) = -4!
 \end{aligned}$$

Example :



$$\text{Area of } \nabla + \triangle = \frac{1}{2}(3)(6) + \frac{1}{2}(3)(6) = 18$$

$$\text{and } \int_0^6 f(x) dx = \int_0^6 (2x - 6) dx$$

$$= (x^2 - 6x) \Big|_0^6 = ((6)^2 - 6(6)) - ((0)^2 - 6(0))$$

$$= 36 - 36 - 0 = 0 !$$

CONCLUSION :

I.) If $f(x) \geq 0$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \text{AREA}$$

II.) If $f(x) \leq 0$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = -\text{AREA}$$