

The definition of Area as a Limit; Sigma Notation  
Solutions To Selected Problems  
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1. Evaluate

$$(a) \sum_{k=1}^3 k^3 = 1^3 + 2^3 + 3^3 = 1 + 8 + 27 = \boxed{36}$$

$$(b) \sum_{n=0}^5 1 = 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 + 1 = \boxed{6}$$

$$(c) \sum_{k=0}^4 (-2)^k = (-2)^0 + (-2)^1 + (-2)^2 + (-2)^3 + (-2)^4 = 1 - 2 + 4 - 8 + 16 = \boxed{11}$$

$$(d) \sum_{k=0}^{10} \cos(k\pi)$$
$$= \cos(0) + \cos(\pi) + \cos(2\pi) + \cos(3\pi) + \cos(4\pi) + \cos(5\pi) + \cos(6\pi)$$
$$+ \cos(7\pi) + \cos(8\pi) + \cos(9\pi) + \cos(10\pi)$$
$$= 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1 - 1 + 1$$
$$= \boxed{1}$$

2. Write each expression in sigma notation but not evaluate.

$$(a) 1 + 2 + 3 + \cdots + 10 = \boxed{\sum_{n=1}^{10} n}$$

$$(b) 2 + 4 + 6 + 8 + \cdots + 100 = \boxed{\sum_{k=1}^{50} 2k}$$

$$(c) 1 + 3 + 5 + 7 + 9 + 11 + \cdots + 99 = \boxed{\sum_{k=1}^{50} 2k - 1}$$

3. Use Theorem 4.4.2 to evaluate the sums.

$$(a) \sum_{k=1}^{100} k = \frac{100(101)}{2} = 50(101) = \boxed{5050}$$

$$(b) \sum_{k=1}^{30} k(k-2)(k+2)$$

$$\begin{aligned} &= \sum_{k=1}^{30} k(k^2 - 4) \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{30} k^3 - 4k \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^{30} k^3 - 4 \sum_{k=1}^{30} k \\ &= \left( \frac{30(31)}{2} \right)^2 - 4 \left( \frac{30(31)}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{30(31)}{2} \left( \frac{30(31)}{2} - 4 \right) \\ &= \frac{930}{2} \left( \frac{930}{2} - 4 \right) \\ &= 465(465 - 4) = 465(461) = \boxed{214365} \end{aligned}$$

4. Express the sums in closed form.

$$(a) \quad \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{3k}{n} = \frac{3}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{3}{n} \left( \frac{n(n+1)}{2} \right) = \boxed{\frac{3}{2}(n+1)}$$

$$(b) \quad \sum_{n=1}^{n-1} \frac{k^2}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \cdot \frac{(n-1)((n-1)-1)(2(n-1)+1)}{6} \\ = \frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6n} = \boxed{\frac{(n-1)(2n-1)}{6}}$$

$$(c) \quad \sum_{k=1}^{n-1} \frac{k^3}{n^2} = \frac{1}{n^2} \left( \frac{(n-1)n}{2} \right)^2 = \frac{(n-1)^2 n^2}{4n^2} = \boxed{\frac{(n-1)^2}{4}}$$

5. Given  $f(x) = 3x + 1$ ;  $[2, 6]$

Divide the interval into  $n = 4$  subintervals of equal length and then compute

$$\sum_{k=1}^4 f(x_k^*) \Delta x$$

with  $x_k^*$  as (a) the left endpoint of each subinterval, and (b) the right endpoint of each subinterval.

(a) Left endpoint:

Each subinterval has length  $\Delta x = \frac{6-2}{4} = \frac{4}{4} = 1$   
Left endpoints will be  $x_k^* = 2 + (k - 1)1 = 1 + k$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^4 f(x_k^*) \Delta x &= \sum_{k=1}^4 f(1 + k)(1) \\ &= f(1 + 1) + f(1 + 2) + f(1 + 3) + f(1 + 4) \\ &= f(2) + f(3) + f(4) + f(5) \\ &= (3(2) + 1) + (3(3) + 1) + (3(4) + 1) + (3(5) + 1) \\ &= 7 + 10 + 13 + 16 = \boxed{46} \end{aligned}$$

(b) Right endpoint:

Each subinterval is still  $\Delta x = 1$   
Right endpoints will be  $x_k^* = 2 + k(1) = 2 + k$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^4 f(x_k^*) \Delta x &= \sum_{k=1}^4 f(2 + k) \\ &= f(1 + 2) + f(1 + 3) + f(1 + 4) + f(1 + 5) \\ &= f(3) + f(4) + f(5) + f(6) \\ &= (3(3) + 1) + (3(4) + 1) + (3(5) + 1) + (3(6) + 1) \\ &= 10 + 13 + 16 + 19 = \boxed{58} \end{aligned}$$

6. Use definition 4.4.3 with  $x_k^*$  as the *right* endpoint of each subinterval to find the area under the curve  $y = x/2$  over the interval  $[1, 4]$ .

$$f(x) = \frac{x}{2}; \quad [1, 4]$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{4 - 1}{n} = \frac{3}{n}$$

$$x_k^* = 1 + k \Delta x = 1 + k \left( \frac{3}{n} \right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \frac{x_k^*}{2} \right) \left( \frac{3}{n} \right) \quad (\text{Write in closed form, then take the limit}) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left( 1 + \frac{3}{n} \right) \left( \frac{3}{n} \right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \sum_{k=1}^n \left( \frac{3}{n} + \frac{9k}{n^2} \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) + \frac{9}{2} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{3}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{9}{2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) + \frac{9}{2} \left( \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{2}(1) + \frac{9}{2} \left( \frac{1}{2} \right) \\ &= \frac{6}{4} + \frac{9}{4} = \boxed{\frac{15}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

7. Use definition 4.4.3 with  $x_k^*$  as the *left* endpoint of each subinterval to find the area under the curve  $y = 9 - x^2$  over the interval  $[0, 3]$ .

$$f(x) = 9 - x^2; \quad [0, 3]$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{3 - 0}{n} = \frac{3}{n}$$

$$x_k^* = 0 + (k - 1) \Delta x = \frac{3}{n}(k - 1)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x &= \sum_{k=1}^n (9 - (x_k^*)^2) \frac{3}{n} \\ &= \frac{3}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n \left( 9 - \left( \frac{3}{n} \right)^2 (k - 1)^2 \right) \\ &= \frac{3}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 9 - \left( \frac{3}{n} \right)^3 \sum_{k=1}^n (k - 1)^2 \\ &= \frac{3(9)}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 - \left( \frac{3}{n} \right)^3 \sum_{k=1}^n (k^2 - 2k + 1) \\ &= \frac{27}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 - \left( \frac{3}{n} \right)^3 \left[ \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 - 2 \sum_{k=1}^n k + \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right] \\ &= 27 \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) - 3^3 \left( \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \right) - \frac{27(2)}{n} \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) + \frac{27}{n^2} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} A &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x \\ &= 27 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) - 27 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 \right) - \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{27(2)}{n} \right) \left( \frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k \right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{27}{n^2} \right) \left( \frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1 \right) \\ &= 27 - (27 \frac{1}{3} - (0) \frac{1}{2} + (0)(1)) = 27 - 9 = \boxed{18} \end{aligned}$$

*Note that limit of the product is the product of the limits ONLY if each term has a limit that exists and is finite. (See Theorem 1.2.2, page 63)*

8. Use definition 4.4.3 with  $x_k^*$  as the *midpoint* of each subinterval to find the area under the curve  $y = x^2$  over the interval  $[0, 1]$ .

$$f(x) = x^2 \quad [0, 1]$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{n}$$

$$x_k^* = 0 + \left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right) \frac{1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right)$$

$$\begin{aligned} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x &= \sum_{k=1}^n (x_k^*)^2 \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{n} \left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right)\right)^2 \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{1}{n^2} \left(k - \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 \frac{1}{n} \\ &= \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n \left(k^2 - k + \frac{1}{4}\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2 + \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k\right) + \frac{1}{4n^2} \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1\right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \rightarrow A &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \sum_{k=1}^n k^2\right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k\right) + \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{4n^2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{n} \sum_{k=1}^n 1\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} - 0 \left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 0(1) = \boxed{\frac{1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$