

Math IA : Forward Problem of Ordinary Differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dx} [F(x)] = f(x) = F'(x)$$

ordinary
derivative
operator

Known
single-variable
function

unknown and
desired derivative
function

Math IB: Backward Problem of Ordinary Anti-differentiation

$$\frac{d}{dx} [F(x)] = f(x)$$

ordinary derivative operator

unknown and desired "anti"-derivative function

Known derivative function

Example 1:

Find the following anti derivative

$$\int \cos(x) dx$$

integral sign

integrand

differential form

Solution:

$$\text{Let } f(x) = \cos(x).$$

$$F(x) = \int \cos(x) dx$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [F(x)] = f(x) = \cos(x)$$

$$\Rightarrow F(x) = \sin(x) + C$$

Note: Since there are no limits of integration, we classify this as indefinite integral.

Note that when "solving" an indefinite integral, our final "answer" is an entire class of functions.

$$\int \cos(x) dx = \sin(x) + c$$

$$= \{ \sin(x) + c : c \in \mathbb{R} \}$$

↑ this is a set of functions

In other words, for indefinite integrals the integral acts as an operator

$$\int [f(x)] dx = F(x) = A(x) + c$$

input a function

↑ output a class of functions

Math 1B: Backward Problem of Ordinary Antidifferentiation

The fundamental theorem of Calculus

Let $f: D \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be

a continuous function on $D = [a, b]$.

Then the area function

$$\underbrace{A(x)} = \int_a^{\otimes x} f(t) dt$$

this is a function
of variable x

← upper bound is variable

is continuous on $[a, b]$ and

differentiable on (a, b) . Moreover

$A'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [A(x)]$ has very special
properties.

$$A'(x) = \frac{d}{dx} [A(x)]$$

$$= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\int_t^x f(t) dt \right]$$

$$= f(x)$$

$\Rightarrow A(x)$ is the antiderivative of $f(x)$ on $[a, b]$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{d}{dx} [A(x)] = f(x)$$

"indefinite integral produces this Antiderivative function"

Thus, the "solution" to an anti derivative problem is a class of functions

$$F(x) = A(x) + c$$

any constant
since
 $\frac{d}{dx} [c] = 0$

general solution

called an

antiderivative

area-under
the curve
function

Example 2: Find the area under the curve

upper limit of integration

π
 \int
 0
lower limit
of integration

$\cos(x)$ dx

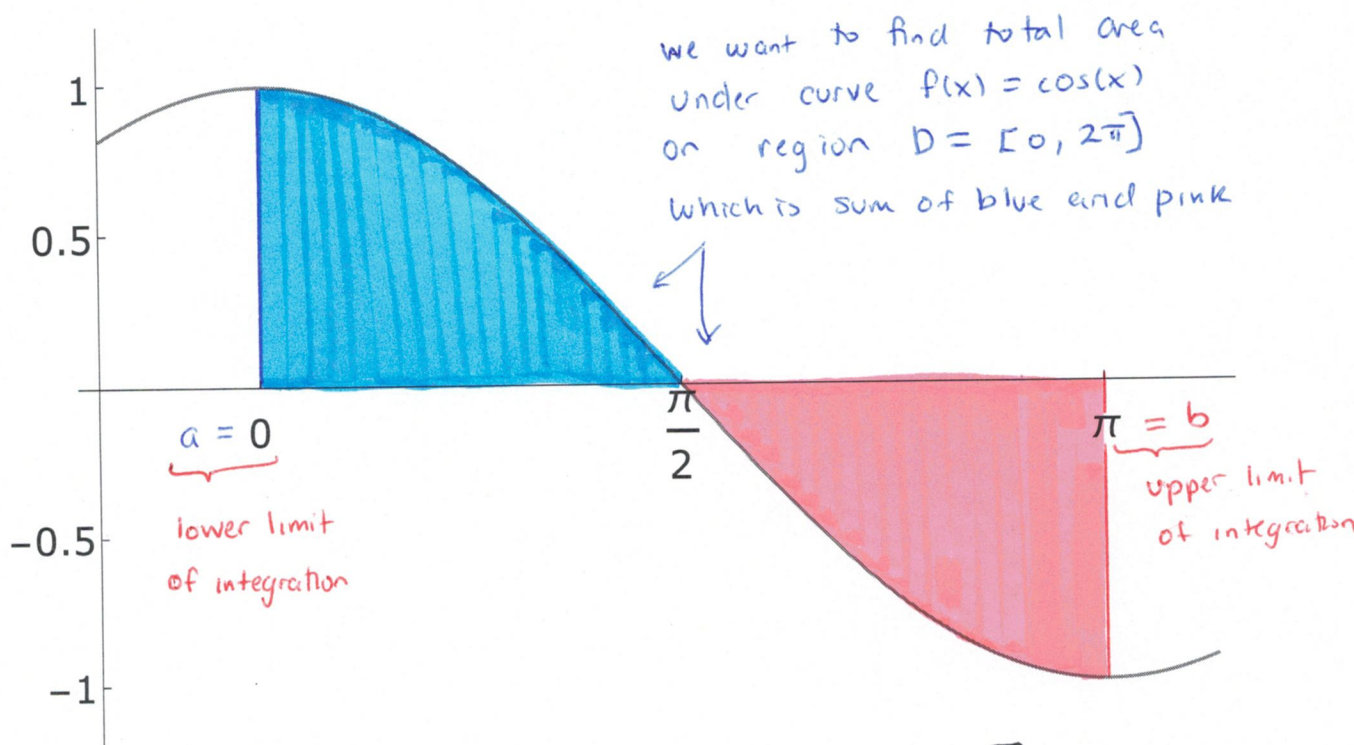
differential form

integrand

This is a definite integral!

The "answer" is a scalar representing area under a curve.

Solution: Let's begin by graphing the integrand on the region $D = [0, \pi]$ as seen on the following page.



Using this graph we guess that $\int_0^{\pi} \cos(x) dx = 0$

We confirm this via the Fundamental thm of calculus:

$$\int_0^{\pi} \cos(x) dx = \sin(x) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

$$= \sin(\pi) - \sin(0)$$

$$= 0 - 0 = 0. \quad \checkmark$$

LQ, p10

Example 3: Find the area under

the curve

upper limit of integration

π

integral sign

\int

$\cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt$

differential form

0

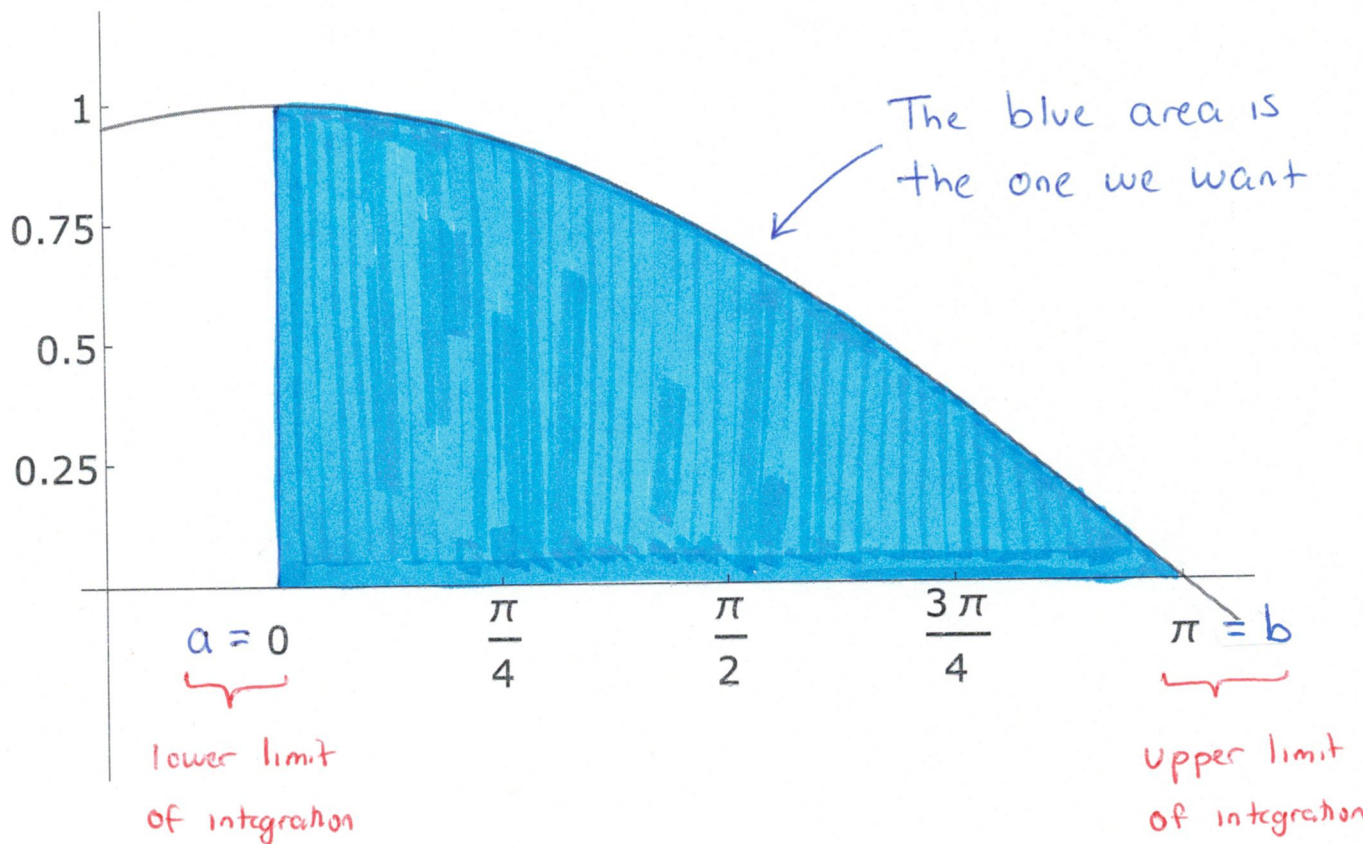
integrand

lower limit

of integration

Note: the moment we see the limits of integration, we classify this as a definite integral... Moreover, we make some subtle assumptions to empower analysis.

Solution: Let's begin with a graph:



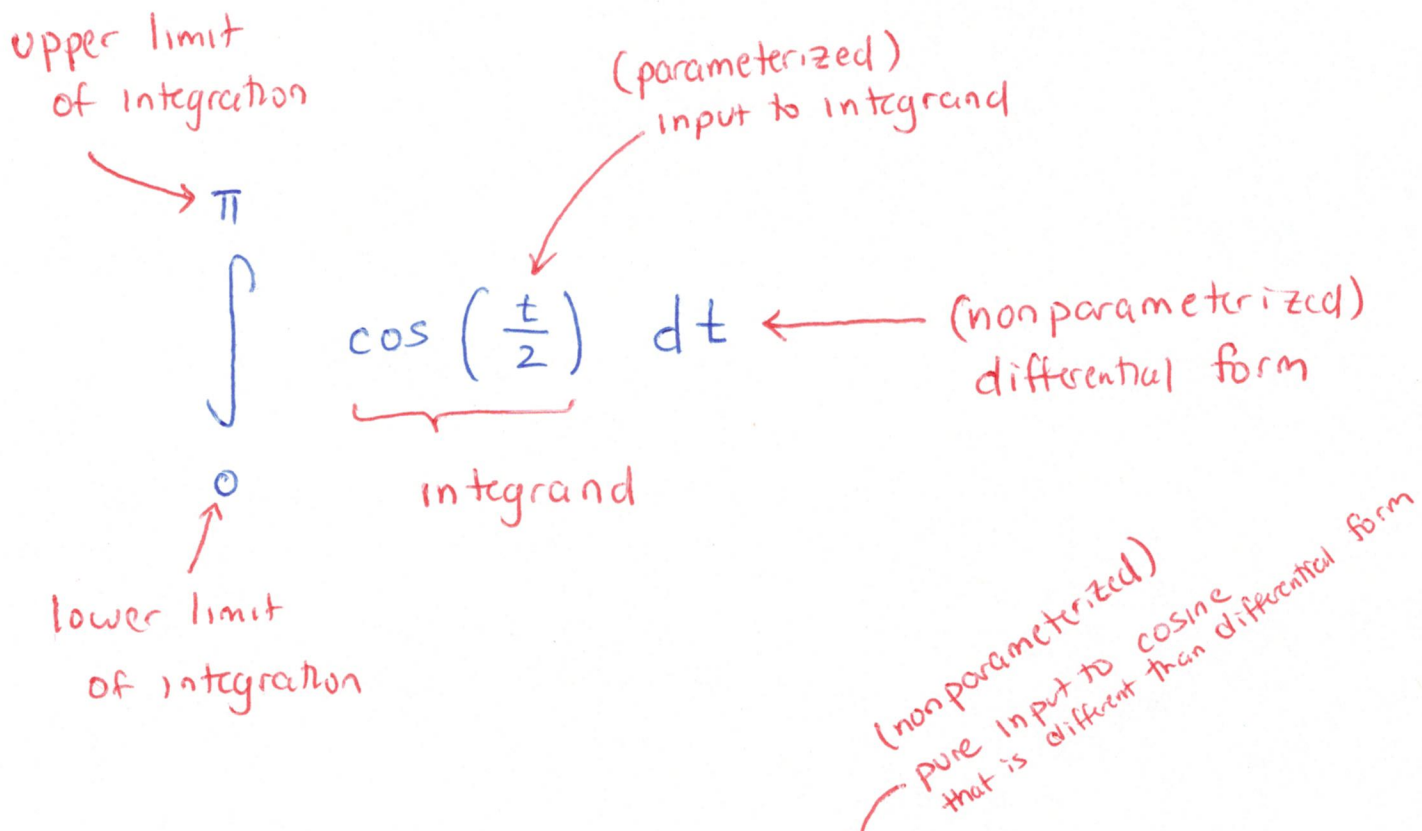
Using the fundamental theorem of calculus, we know

$$\int_0^{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt = 2 \sin\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) \Big|_0^{\pi}$$

$$= 2 \cdot \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - 2 \sin(0) = 2$$

LO, P12

You might have noticed a problem with this definite integral that requires us to think slowly:



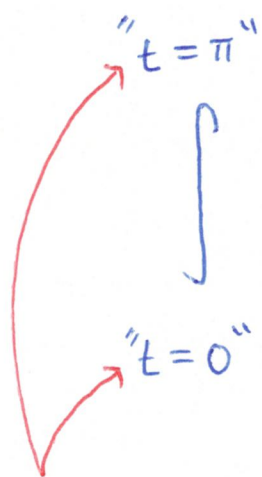
If we set $f(x) = \cos(x)$, then

we see the cosine function is the integrand.

In the easy case $\int \cos(x) dx = \sin(x)$

However, our life is not so easy.

Rewriting this integral, we have



A diagram showing an integral symbol with a vertical line through it. A red arrow points from the top of the vertical line to the text "t=pi". Another red arrow points from the bottom of the vertical line to the text "t=0".

the input to cosine is not a "pure" t variable

$$\cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt$$

the differential form dt suggests we want to work with "pure t " variables ...

the limits of integration are assumed to be "purely" in t (non parameterized)

As we will see, I will beg you to think about the differential form as suggesting a mechanism to measure "sizes" (or weights) of intervals in the input domain space of integral. Here the problem is that the suggested size recommendation is not aligned exactly with input to Inter

How do we deal with this?

Consider the following definite integral

upper limit of integration

→ π

$$\int_0^{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt$$

0

↑

lower limit of

Integration

(assumed to be

with respect to t)

" $t = \pi$ "

$$= \int_{t=0}^{t=\pi} \cos\left(\frac{1}{2} \cdot t\right) dt$$

" $t = 0$ "

"u"-substitution

$$\text{Let } x(t) = \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{2} dt$$

$$\Rightarrow dt = 2 dx$$

and we know:

$$t = \pi \Rightarrow x(t) = x(\pi) = \pi/2$$

$$t = 0 \Rightarrow x(t) = x(0) = 0$$

$$= \int_{x=0}^{x=\pi/2} \cos(x) \cdot 2 dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/2} 2 \cdot \cos(x) dx$$

$$= 2 \sin(x) \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = 2 (\sin(\pi/2) - \sin(0)) = \boxed{2}$$

WARNING: When I was in "Math 1B" at UCSB, I remember my teacher told me: "when doing U-substitution you can use the following steps

$$\int_0^{\pi} \cos(t/2) dt$$

$$\text{Let } x(t) = \frac{t}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{2} dt$$

$$\frac{dx}{dt} \cdot dt = \frac{1}{2} \cdot dt$$

NO

this is absurd! dt is not a real number and thus the intuition in \mathbb{R} does not apply rigorously here $\hat{=}$

← as if I can "multiply" both sides by dt .

If we do this, make sure to track and appropriately account for values of integral limits.

That advice was complete and
utter nonsense designed to get
me through Math 1B with as little
friction as possible (even at the expense
of deep understanding).

Indeed: this is bull shit math

$$\frac{dx}{dt} = \frac{1}{2} \Rightarrow \frac{dx}{dt} \cdot dt = \frac{1}{2} \cdot dt$$

NO! Illegal
(albiet intuitive)

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{1}{2} dt$$

NO! NOT like this

(this last line is what we want...
the steps together are not valid)

Instead, as we work together, I will be encouraging you to develop intuition about the differential forms we use in all integrals.

For now, I will encourage you to analyze the notation more carefully.

Anatomy of an ordinary \int integral

upper limit of integration

b

\int

$f(x)$

dx

a

integrand

differential form

lower limit

of integration

Note on the "dx" notation :

There are a few useful ways to think about this notation :

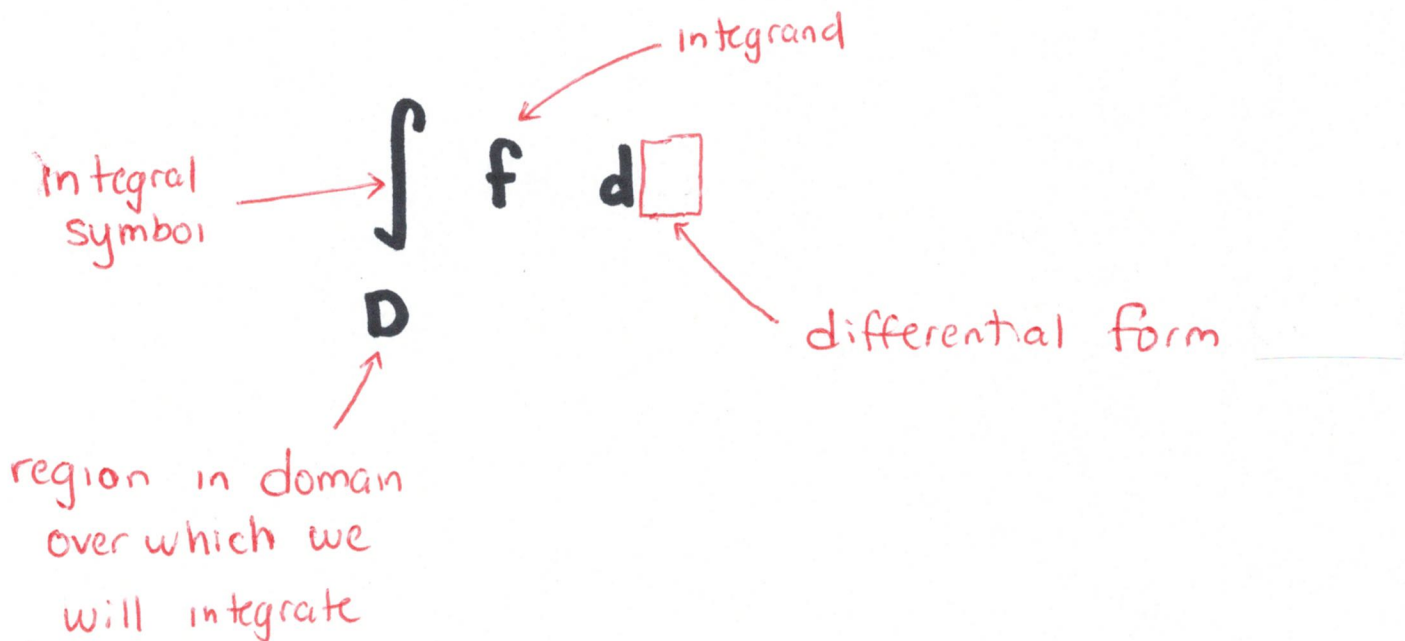
- referred to as a differential form
- dx indicates we are integrating with respect to x : when we perform our limiting process

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \Delta x_k$$

We measure the size of intervals Δx_k along a path on x-axis.

- delimits the integrand (indicates where the integrand ends)
- I want you to think about this as a symbol to represent "sizes" in domain

In other words, when we see



where $f: D \subseteq \mathbb{R}^n \rightarrow \mathbb{R}^m$

multiple variable (input)

if $m=1$: real-valued output
if $m>1$: vector-valued output

the symbol immediately after the "d"

d \square

A major part of
will encode lots of juicy info. Your job
in this class is to interpret this symbol accurately

LO, P2

In our simple case, think of dt in

$$\int_0^{\pi} \cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right) dt = \int_D f dt$$

as a function $t = t(\text{input to integral})$

defined only on the geometric object

that creates the domain of integrand

$$\cos(x) = \cos\left(\frac{t}{2}\right)$$

here is function t

here is input
to integral

We want these to "align": $x = \frac{t}{2}$

$$\Rightarrow t(x) = 2 \cdot x$$

This function $t: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$

and the corresponding differential form

notation

$$d \boxed{t} = 2 dx$$

measuring domain

region in t suggests a region twice as large as measuring in x

tell us how we should measure the

"size" (or weight) of objects in the

domain region D .

Habit: Spend at least 60 seconds every time you see the "d"

$d \boxed{}$

asking yourself: what does this mean about "size" measure

Math 1B: Area under the Curve

Definite Integrals

In Math 1B we studied a related problem known as definite integration

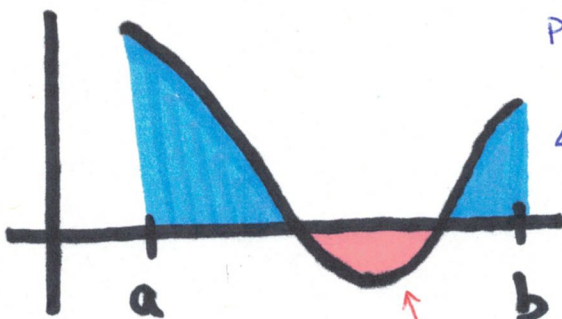
to find "area under a curve" in

the form

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \in \mathbb{R}$$

Net area "under" curve

Blue represents positive (+) area



Red represents negative area

← the "solution" to such a problem is a signed scalar representing an area

In order to construct the single-variable definite
✓ integral, we start by studying the
problem of computing area "under"
a curve. To do so, we let
 $f: D \subseteq \mathbb{R} \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be a continuous
function on the interval

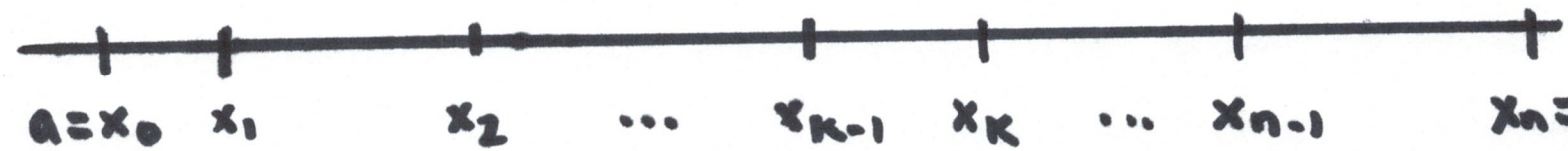
$$D = [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

where $a, b \in \mathbb{R}$ with $a < b$.

In order to create a finite approximation for our area, we begin by constructing a general finite partition of the domain

$$D = [a, b]$$

into n subintervals that are not necessarily equal in "length":



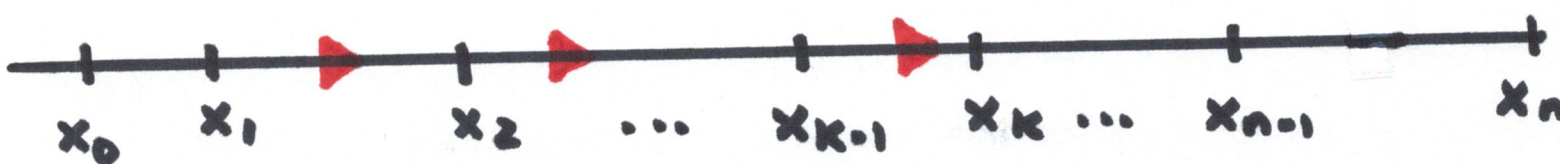
Since we read left to right, we

suppose our orientation is such that

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_2 \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b$$

left endpoint
of D

right endpoint
of D



orientation: $- \rightarrow +$

positive "right"
toward the

In other words, to take a definite integral, the domain space $D = [a, b]$ is assumed to be oriented (we will return to this idea throughout the course).

In the simplest case of a domain

$$D = [a, b] \subseteq \mathbb{R}$$

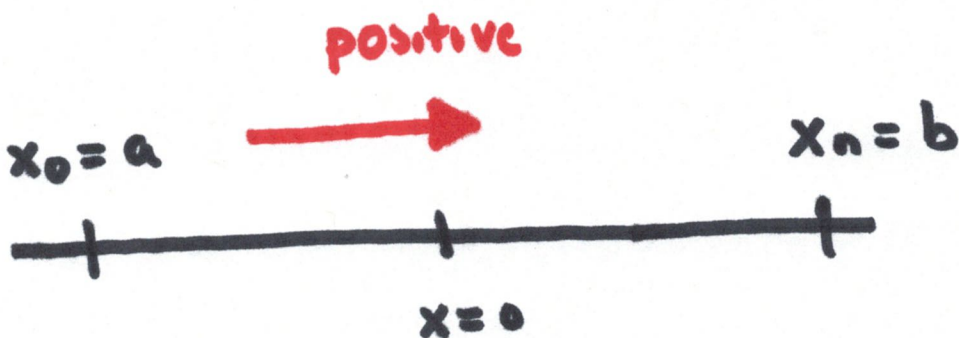
the orientation represents a mechanism

to assign positive signs or negative

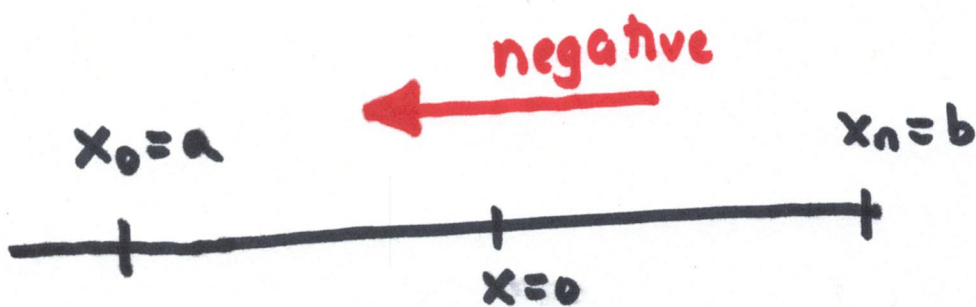
signs with reference to a path

traveled

positive
orientation



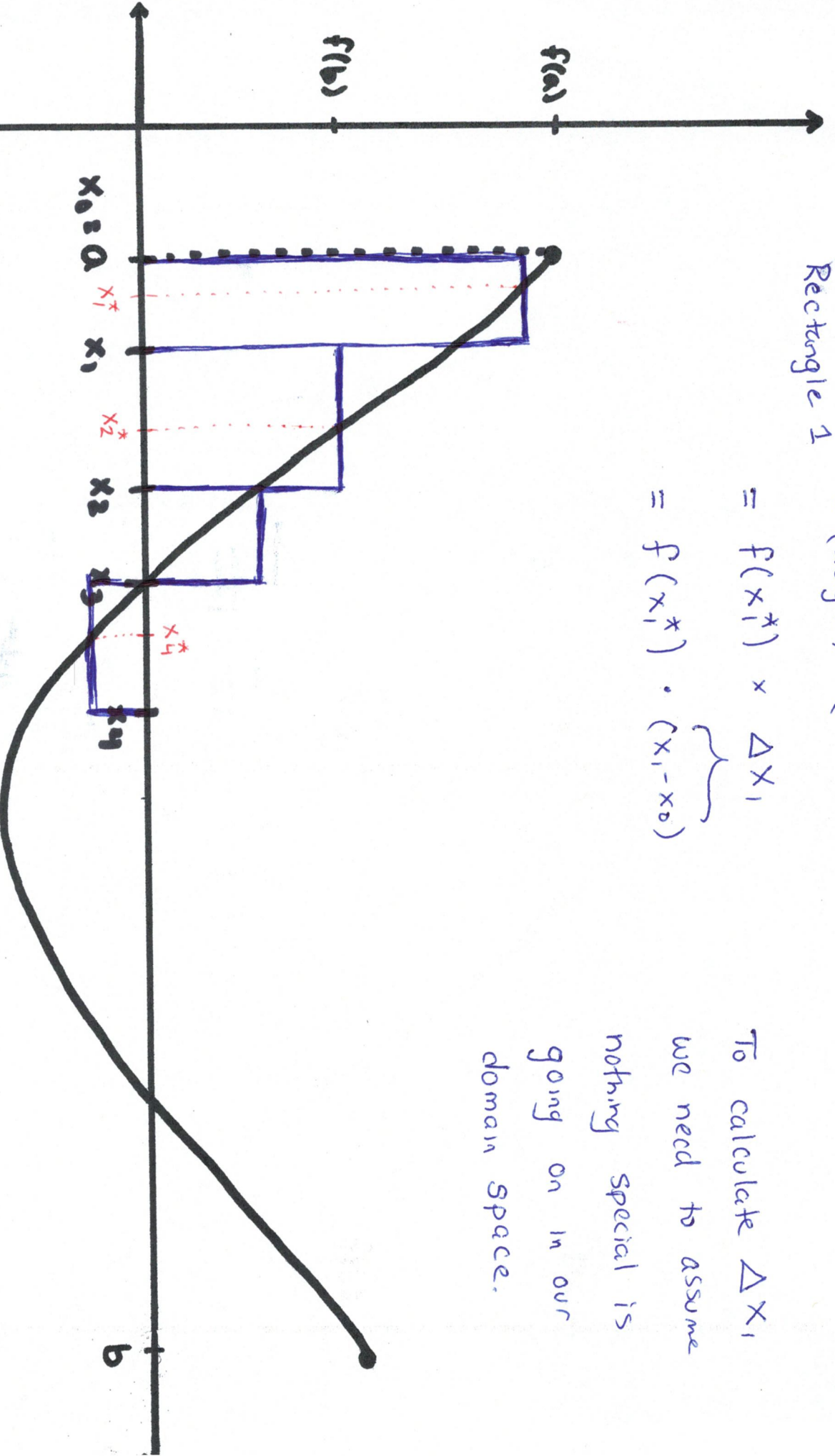
negative
orientation



Area of Rectangle 1

$$\begin{aligned} &= (\text{height}) \times (\text{interval size}) \\ &= f(x_1^*) \times \Delta x_1 \\ &= f(x_1^*) \cdot \underbrace{(x_1 - x_0)} \end{aligned}$$

To calculate Δx_1 we need to assume nothing special is going on in our domain space.



In this case, the subintervals are given by

1st subinterval: $[x_0, x_1]$

2nd subinterval: $[x_1, x_2]$

⋮

kth subinterval: $[x_{k-1}, x_k]$

⋮

nth subinterval: $[x_{n-1}, x_n]$

Notice, we make the assumption that the domain set is oriented (ordered) in a very special way

To create a finite approximation for the area under the curve, we choose a representative point x_k^* in the k th subinterval

$$x_k^* \in [x_{k-1}, x_k]$$

Then, we sample the "height" of the curve at x_k^* and multiply by the "oriented weight (size)" of the subinterval

Then, the definite integral is a limit calculated as

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \cdot \Delta x_k$$

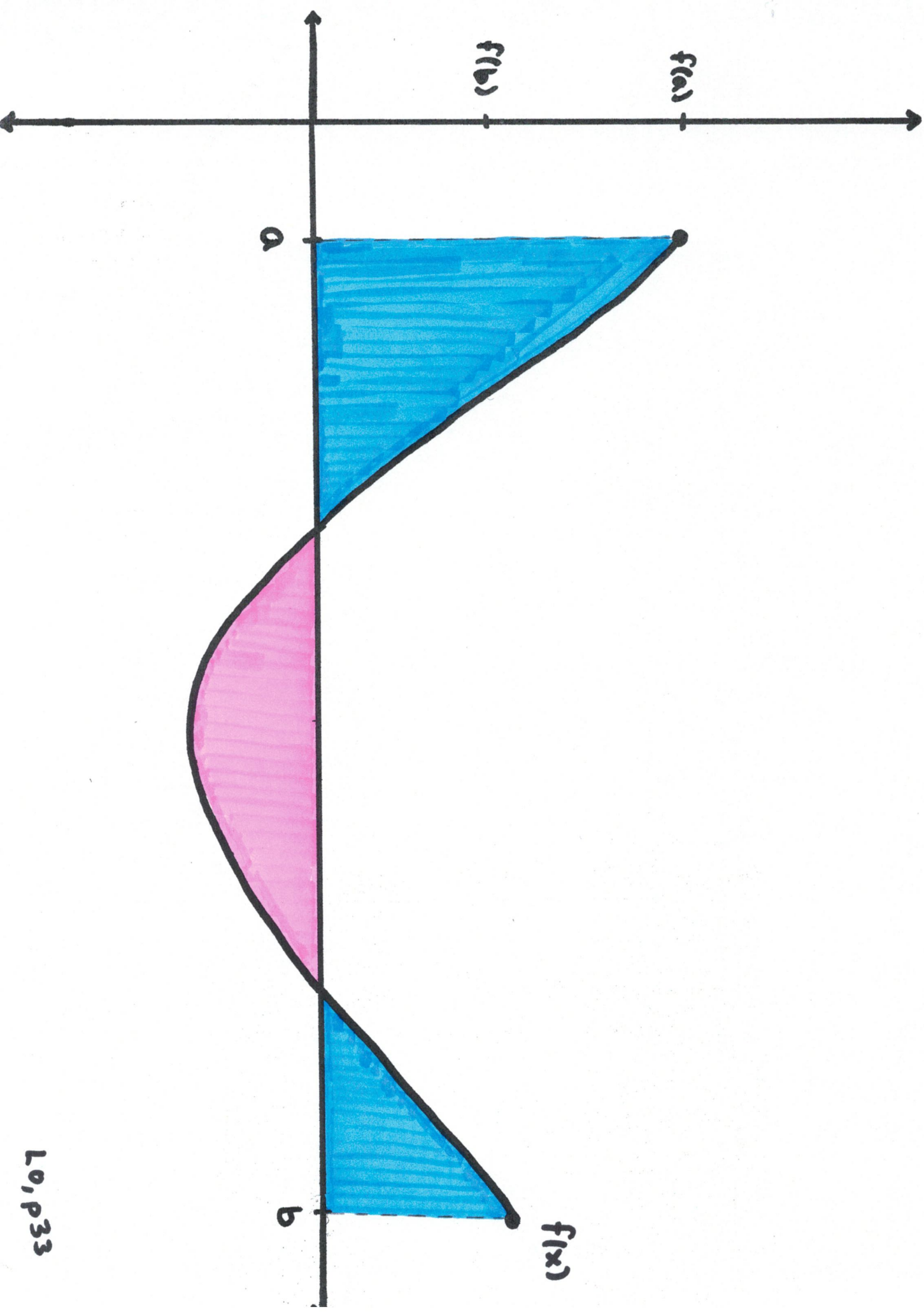
One underlying assumption is that endpoints stay fixed with

$$x_0 = a$$

$$x_n = b$$

$$= \lim_{\Delta \rightarrow 0} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k^*) \cdot \Delta x_k$$

where $\Delta = \max_{k \in \mathbb{N}} \Delta x_k$



L0, p33