HOMEWORK 8 - SOLUTIONS

Note: Here the x_k and t_k are switched (compared to the notes)

Problem 1:

STEP 1: Partition

$$P = \{0 = t_0 < t_1 < \dots < t_n = 1\}$$

STEP 2: U(f, P)

Since x^2 is increasing, notice that:

$$\sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f(t) = f(t_k) = (t_k)^2$$
 (Right Endpoint)

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (t_k)^2 (t_k - t_{k-1})$$

STEP 3: *U*(*f*)

Given n, let P be the evenly spaced Calculus partition with $t_k = \frac{k}{n}$: In that case $t_k - t_{k-1} = \frac{1}{n}$ and

$$U(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(\frac{k}{n}\right)^{2} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right)$$
$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} \frac{k^{2}}{n^{3}}$$
$$= \frac{1}{n^{3}} \sum_{k=1}^{n} k^{2}$$
$$= \frac{1}{n^{3}} \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}\right)$$
$$= \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6n^{2}}$$

Upshot: Since U(f) is the inf over all partitions, we must have

$$U(f) \le U(f, P) = \frac{(n+1)(2n+1)}{6n^2}$$

Therefore, taking the limit as $n \to \infty$ of the right hand side¹, we get $U(f) \leq \frac{2}{6} = \frac{1}{3}$, and so $U(f) \leq \frac{1}{3}$

STEP 4: L(f)

This is similar to the above, except that here $\inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f(t) = (t_{k-1})^2$ (Left endpoint), and so, using sup we get $L(f) \geq \frac{1}{3}$.

Since $U(f) \leq \frac{1}{3} \leq L(f)$ and because $L(f) \leq U(f)$, we get $L(f) = U(f) = \frac{1}{3}$. Hence $f(x) = x^2$ is Darboux integrable and $\int_0^1 x^2 dx = \frac{1}{3}$.

Problem 2:

¹Here we used that if $a \leq s_n$, then so is $a \leq s$, where s is the limit of s_n

Proof: WLOG, assume f is strictly increasing, and so f(a) < f(b)

Main Observation: In that case, we have

$$\sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f(t) = f(t_{k-1}) \text{ and } \inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f(t) = f(t_k)$$

In order to show f is integrable, let's use the Darboux integrability criterion

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, let $\delta = \frac{\epsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}$ and let $P = \{a = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = b\}$ be any partition with mesh $< \delta$, then:

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(t_k)(t_k - t_{k-1}) - \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(t_{k-1})(t_k - t_{k-1})$$

$$= \sum_{k=1}^{n} (f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1}))(t_k - t_{k-1})$$

$$< \sum_{k=1}^{n} (f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})) \frac{\epsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{f(b) - f(a)} \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})$$

$$= \left(\frac{\epsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}\right) (f(t_n) - f(t_0)) \quad \text{(Telescoping sum)}$$

$$= \left(\frac{\epsilon}{f(b) - f(a)}\right) (f(b) - f(a))$$

$$= \epsilon \checkmark$$

Hence f is integrable

Problem 3:

Proof:

 (\Rightarrow) Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, then and consider:

$$L(f) - \frac{\epsilon}{2} < L(f) = \sup \{ L(f, P) \mid P \text{ partition } \}$$

By def of sup, there is a partition P_1 such that $L(f, P_1) > L(f) - \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Similarly there is a partition P_2 such that $U(f, P_2) < U(f) + \frac{\epsilon}{2}$

Let $P = P_1 \cup P_2$ (finer), then $L(f, P_1) \le L(f, P) \le U(f, P) \le U(f, P_2)$, and therefore:

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) \leq U(f, P_2) - L(f, P_1)$$

$$< U(f) + \frac{\epsilon}{2} - \left(L(f) - \frac{\epsilon}{2}\right)$$

$$= \underbrace{U(f) - L(f)}_{0} + \epsilon$$

$$= \epsilon$$

Here we used U(f) = L(f), since f is integrable \checkmark

(\Leftarrow) Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given and let P be such that $U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \epsilon$. Then by definition of U(f) as an inf, we get:

$$U(f) \leq U(f, P)$$

= $U(f, P) - L(f, P) + L(f, P)$
 $<\epsilon + L(f, P)$
 $\leq \epsilon + L(f)$

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Hence $U(f) < L(f) + \epsilon$ for all $\epsilon > 0$, hence $U(f) \le L(f)$, but since $L(f) \le U(f)$ as well, we get $U(f) = L(f) \checkmark$

Problem 4:

Beautiful application of uniform continuity!

Since f is continuous on [a, b], it is uniformly continuous on [a, b]

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, then there is $\delta > 0$ such that for all x and y, if $|x - y| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \frac{\epsilon}{b-a}$

Let $P = \{a = t_0 < t_1 < \cdots < t_n = b\}$ be any part. with mesh $(P) < \delta$.

Since f is continuous on each sub-piece $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$, it attains a maximum and a minimum for some x_k and y_k in $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$

Therefore, by definition,

$$\sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} = f(x_k) \text{ and } \inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} = f(y_k)$$

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} (f(x_k) - f(y_k)) (t_k - t_{k-1})$$

$$\leq \sum_{k=1}^{n} |f(x_k) - f(y_k)| (t_k - t_{k-1})$$

$$< \sum_{k=1}^{n} \left(\frac{\epsilon}{b-a}\right) (t_k - t_{k-1}) \quad \text{(Uniform Continuity)}$$

$$= \frac{\epsilon}{b-a} \sum_{k=1}^{n} t_k - t_{k-1} = \left(\frac{\epsilon}{b-a}\right) (b-a) = \epsilon \checkmark$$

Hence, by the Darboux Integrability Criterion, f is integrable on [a, b]

Problem 5:

Fix a partition P, then for any x and y in a given sub-piece $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$, we have

$$(f(x))^{2} - (f(y))^{2} = (f(x) + f(y)) (f(x) - f(y))$$

$$\leq |f(x) + f(y)| |f(x) - f(y)|$$

$$\leq (|f(x)| + |f(y)|) |f(x) - f(y)|$$

$$\leq (B + B) |f(x) - f(y)|$$

$$= 2B |f(x) - f(y)|$$

Here $B = \sup_x |f(x)|$

Then, taking the sup over $x \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]$ and then the inf over $y \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]$, we get

$$\sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f^2 - \inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f^2 \leq 2B \left| \sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f - \inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f \right|$$
$$= 2B \left(\sup_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f - \inf_{t \in [t_{k-1}, t_k]} f \right)$$

Finally, summing over k, we get

$$U(f^2, P) - L(f^2, P) \le 2B(U(f, P) - L(f, P))$$

Now, let $\epsilon > 0$ be given, then since f is integrable on [a, b], by the Darboux Integrability Criterion, there is a partition P such that

$$U(f, P) - L(f, P) < \frac{\epsilon}{2B}.$$

With the same P, we get

$$U(f^2, P) - L(f^2, P) \le 2B \left(U(f, P) - L(f, P) \right) < (2B) \left(\frac{\epsilon}{2B} \right) = \epsilon \checkmark$$

Hence, by the Darboux Integrability criterion again, f^2 is integrable on [a, b]

For the counterexample, let $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}$ then

$$\int_0^1 f(x)dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}dx = \left[2\sqrt{x}\right]_0^1 = 2$$

But $f^2 = \frac{1}{x}$ and

$$\int_0^1 f^2(x)dx = \int_0^1 \frac{1}{x} = \left[\ln|x|\right]_0^1 = \infty$$

Problem 6:

Proof: The idea is to choose a clever x_k that makes the Riemann sum equal to f(b) - f(a)

Let P be any partition of $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$

By the MVT, for every k, there is x_k in $[t_{k-1}, t_k]$ such that

$$f'(x_k) = \frac{f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})}{t_k - t_{k-1}}$$

This implies

$$f'(x_k) (t_k - t_{k-1}) = f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})$$

With this choice of x_k the Riemann sum of f' becomes

$$\sum_{k=1}^{n} f'(x_k) (t_k - t_{k-1}) = \sum_{k=1}^{n} f(t_k) - f(t_{k-1})$$

= $f(t_1) - f(t_0) + f(t_2) - f(t_1) + \dots + f(t_n) - f(t_{n-1})$
= $f(t_n) - f(t_0)$
= $f(b) - f(a)$

Since this is true for any partition P, we get

$$\int_{a}^{b} f'(x)dx = f(b) - f(a) \quad \Box$$

Problem 7:

Proof: Beautiful application of uniform continuity (!)

STEP 1: Scratchwork

Our goal is to show that F'(x) = f(x), that is

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = f(x)$$

$$\left|\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x)\right| = \left|\frac{\int_{a}^{x+h} f(t)dt - \int_{a}^{x} f(t)dt}{h} - f(x)\right| = \left|\frac{\int_{x}^{x+h} f(t)dt}{h} - f(t)\right| = \left|\frac{\int_{x}^{x+h}$$

Clever Observation: It would be nice if we could write f(x) as an integral of the same form, but notice that:

$$f(x) = \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(x)dt}{h}$$

Why? Since f(x) doesn't depend on t, we get

$$\int_{x}^{x+h} f(x)dt = f(x) \int_{x}^{x+h} 1 \, dt = f(x)(x+h-x) = f(x)h$$

And solving for f(x), we get the desired identity.

Continuing, we get:

$$\left|\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x)\right| = \left|\frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t)dt}{h} - \frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(x)dt}{h}\right|$$
$$= \left|\frac{\int_x^{x+h} f(t) - f(x)dt}{h}\right|$$
$$\leq \frac{1}{h} \int_x^{x+h} |f(t) - f(x)| dt$$

(WLOG, assume h > 0 here)

And this is where continuity kicks in!

STEP 2: Actual Proof

Let $\epsilon > 0$ be given

Since f is continuous on [a, b], f is uniformly continuous on [a, b], and so there is $\delta > 0$ such that if $|x - y| < \delta$, then $|f(x) - f(y)| < \epsilon$. With the same δ , if $0 < h < \delta$ then $|f(t) - f(x)| < \epsilon$ **Why?** If t is in [x, x+h] then $|x - t| \le h < \delta$, and so $|f(t) - f(x)| < \epsilon$ We can continue the calculation to get

$$\left|\frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x)\right| \leq \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} |f(t) - f(x)| dt$$
$$< \frac{1}{h} \int_{x}^{x+h} \epsilon dt$$
$$= \frac{\epsilon}{h} (x+h-x)$$
$$= \epsilon \left(\frac{h}{h}\right)$$
$$= \epsilon$$

Hence if
$$0 < h < \delta$$
, then $\left| \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} - f(x) \right| < \epsilon$
Therefore $\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{F(x+h) - F(x)}{h} = f(x)$ that is $F'(x) = f(x)$

(Technically we've only shown the limit as $h \to 0^+$, but the other limit is similar)

Problem 8:

$$\int_0^1 x \tan^{-1}(x) dx = \left[\left(\frac{x^2 + 1}{2} \right) \tan^{-1}(x) \right]_0^1 - \int_0^1 \left(\frac{x^2 + 1}{2} \right) \left(\frac{1}{x^2 + 1} \right) dx$$
$$= \left(\frac{2}{2} \right) \tan^{-1}(1) - \frac{1}{2} \tan^{-1}(0) - \int_0^1 \frac{1}{2} dx$$
$$= \frac{\pi}{4} - \frac{1}{2}$$