

EXERCISE 7.8

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Evaluate the following definite integrals as limit of sums.

1. $\int_a^b x \, dx$

Solution:

Given:

$$\int_a^b x \, dx$$

We know that $f(x)$ is continuous in $[a, b]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

By substituting the value of h in the above expression we get

$$\int_a^b f(x) \, dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f \left(a + \frac{(b-a)r}{n} \right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{(b-a)r}{n} \right) + a$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{b-a}{n} \right) \left(\frac{(b-a)(n-1)(n)}{2n} + a(n-1) \right)$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(b-a)}{n} \cdot \frac{(b-a)(n^2 - n) + 2an^2 - 2an}{2n} \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(b-a)}{n} \cdot \frac{(b+a)n^2 - (b+a)n}{2n} \end{aligned}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{(b+a)(b-a)n^2 - (b+a)(b-a)n}{2n^2}$$

On computing we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{(b+a)(b-a)}{2} - \frac{(b+a)(b-a)}{n} \right)$$

$$= \frac{(b+a)(b-a)}{2}$$

$$= \frac{b^2 - a^2}{2}$$

2. $\int_0^5 (x+1) dx$

Solution:

Given:

$$\int_0^5 (x+1) dx$$

We know that $f(x)$ is continuous in $[a, b]$ i.e., $[0, 5]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a+rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_0^5 (x+1) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{5}{n} \right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(\frac{5r}{n}\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{5}{n} \right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{5r}{n} \right) + 1$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{5}{n} \right) \left(\frac{5(n-1)(n)}{2n} + (n-1) \right)$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{n} \cdot \frac{5n^2 - 5n + 2n^2 - 2n}{2n} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{5}{n} \cdot \frac{7n^2 - 7n}{2n} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{35n^2 - 35n}{2n^2} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{35}{2} - \left(\frac{35}{2n}\right) \\
 &= \frac{35}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

3. $\int_2^3 x^2 dx$

Solution:

Given:

$$\int_2^3 x^2 dx$$

We know that $f(x)$ is continuous in $[a, b]$ i.e., $[2, 3]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_2^3 (x^2) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(2 + \left(\frac{r}{n}\right)\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(2 + \left(\frac{r}{n}\right)\right)^2$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{r^2}{n^2} + 4 + \frac{4r}{n}\right)$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6n^2} + 4n + \frac{4(n-1)(n)}{2n} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{(n^2-n)(2n-1)}{6n^2} + 4n + \frac{2(n^2-n)}{n} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{(2n^3 - 2n^2 - n^2 + n)}{6n^2} + 4n + \frac{2(n^2-n)}{n} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{(2n^3 - 3n^2 + n) + (24n^3) + (12n^3 - 12n^2)}{6n^2} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{38n^3 - 15n^2 + n}{6n^2} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{38n^3 - 15n^2 + n}{6n^3} \right)
 \end{aligned}$$

On computing we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{38}{6} \right) - \left(\frac{15}{6n} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{6n^2} \right) \\
 &= \frac{38}{6} \\
 &= \frac{19}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

4. $\int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx$

Solution:

Given:

$$\int_1^4 (x^2 - x) dx$$

We know that $f(x)$ is continuous in $[a, b]$ i.e., $[1, 4]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = (b - a)/n$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_1^4 (x^2 - x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(1 + \frac{3r}{n}\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\left(1 + \frac{3r}{n}\right)^2 - \left(1 + \frac{3r}{n}\right) \right)$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(1 + \frac{9r^2}{n^2} + \frac{6r}{n} - 1 - \frac{3r}{n}\right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{3}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{9r^2}{n^2} + \frac{3r}{n}\right) \end{aligned}$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left(\frac{9(n-1)(n)(2n-1)}{6n^2} + \frac{3n(n-1)}{2n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left(\frac{9(n^2 - n)(2n-1)}{6n^2} + \frac{3n(n-1)}{2n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left(\frac{9(2n^3 - 2n^2 - n^2 + n)}{6n^2} + \frac{3n(n-1)}{2n} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left(\frac{(18n^3 - 27n^2 + 9n) + (9n^3 - 9n^2)}{6n^2} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{3}{n} \left(\frac{27n^3 - 36n^2 + 9n}{6n^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

On computing we get,

$$\begin{aligned} &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{81n^3 - 108n^2 + 27n}{6n^3} \right) \\ &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{81}{6} \right) - \left(\frac{108}{6n} \right) + \left(\frac{27}{6n^2} \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$= 27/2$$

5. $\int_{-1}^1 e^x dx$

Solution:

Given:

$$\int_{-1}^1 e^x dx$$

We know that $f(x)$ is continuous in $[a, b]$ i.e., $[-1, 1]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_0^2 (e^x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(-1 + \frac{2r}{n}\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} e^{\frac{2r}{n}-1}$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{ne}\right) (e^0 + e^h + e^{2h} + \dots \dots \dots + e^{nh})$$

sum of = $e^0 + e^h + e^{2h} + \dots \dots \dots + e^{nh}$

Whose g.p has common ratio with $e^{1/n}$.

Whose sum is:

$$= \frac{e^h(1-e^{nh})}{1-e^h}$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{ne} \right) \left(\frac{e^h(1 - e^{nh})}{1 - e^h} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{ne} \right) \cdot \frac{e^h(1 - e^{nh})}{\frac{1 - e^h \cdot h}{h}} \\
 &= \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1 - e^h}{h} \\
 &= -1 \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{ne} \right) \left(\frac{e^h(1 - e^{nh})}{-h} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2}{ne} \right) \left(\frac{e^{\left(\frac{2}{n}\right)} \left(1 - e^{n \times \left(\frac{2}{n}\right)} \right)}{-\frac{2}{n}} \right) \quad [\text{Since, } h = 2/n] \\
 &= \frac{e^2 - 1}{e} \\
 &= e - e^{-1}
 \end{aligned}$$

6. $\int_0^4 (x + e^{2x}) dx$

Solution:

Given:

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

$$h(x) = \int_0^4 x \cdot dx$$

$$g(x) = \int_0^4 e^{2x} \cdot dx$$

So, $f(x) = h(x) + g(x)$

Now let us solve for $h(x)$

We know that $h(x)$ is continuous in $[0, 4]$

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b h(x) dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b - a}{n}$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_0^4 (x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(\frac{4r}{n}\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{4r}{n}\right)$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4}{n}\right) \left(\frac{2(n-1)(n)}{n}\right)$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n} \cdot \frac{2n^2 - 2n}{n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{4}{n} \frac{2n^2 - 2n}{n}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{8n^2 - 8n}{n^2}$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} 8 - \left(\frac{8}{n}\right)$$

$$= 8$$

Now let us solve for g(x)

We know that g(x) is continuous in [0, 4]

Then we have,

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} h \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f(a + rh), \text{ where } h = \frac{b-a}{n}$$

Substituting the value of h in the above expression we get,

$$\int_0^4 (e^{2x})dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{4}{n}\right) \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} f\left(\frac{4r}{n}\right)$$

Since, $f(a) = a$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} \sum_{r=0}^{n-1} e^{\frac{4r}{n}}$$

By expanding the summation we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} (e^0 + e^h + e^{2h} + \dots + e^{nh})$$

sum of = $e^0 + e^h + e^{2h} + \dots + e^{nh}$

Whose g.p is common with ratio $e^{1/n}$

Whose sum is:

$$= \frac{e^h(1-e^{nh})}{1-e^h}$$

Upon simplification we get,

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} \left(\frac{e^h(1-e^{nh})}{1-e^h} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} \left(\frac{e^h(1-e^{nh})}{\frac{1-e^{h \cdot n}}{h}} \right)$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} \left(\frac{e^h(1-e^{nh})}{-h} \right) \quad \left[\text{Since, } \lim_{h \rightarrow 0} \frac{1-e^h}{h} = -1 \right]$$

$$= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \binom{4}{n} \left(\frac{e^{\frac{4}{n}} \left(1 - e^{n \times \frac{4}{n}} \right)}{-\frac{4}{n}} \right) \quad \left[\text{Since, } h = \frac{4}{n} \right]$$

$$= (e^8 - 1)$$

On computing we get,

$$f(x) = h(x) + g(x) \\ = 8 + e^8 - 1$$