

THE RIEMANN-STIELTJES INTEGRAL

$f_1, f_2 \in R(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ then

$(f_1 + f_2) \in R(\alpha)$ on $[a, b]$ also

$$\int_a^b (f_1 + f_2) d\alpha = \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha.$$

Proof

$f_1, f_2 \in R(\alpha)$

$\therefore \exists$ partitions P_1 and P_2 s.t.

$$U(P_1, f_1, \alpha) - L(P_1, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2$$

$$U(P_2, f_2, \alpha) - L(P_2, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2$$

Let $P = P_1 \cup P_2$ is common refinement of P_1 and P_2

$$U(P, f_1, \alpha) - L(P, f_1, \alpha) < \epsilon/2$$

$$U(P, f_2, \alpha) - L(P, f_2, \alpha) < \epsilon/2$$

Let m_i and M_i are bounds of $f(x) = f_1(x) + f_2(x)$

also m'_i and M'_i are bounds of $f_1(x)$

m''_i and M''_i are bounds of $f_2(x)$

$$m_i \geq m'_i + m''_i \quad \text{--- (i)} \quad \text{and} \quad M_i \leq M'_i + M''_i \quad \text{--- (ii)}$$

from (i)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n m_i \Delta \alpha_i \geq \sum_{i=1}^n m_i' \Delta \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^n m_i'' \Delta \alpha_i$$

$$L(P, f, \alpha) \geq L(P, f_1, \alpha) + L(P, f_2, \alpha)$$

from (ii) $-L(P, f, \alpha) \leq -L(P, f_1, \alpha) - L(P, f_2, \alpha)$ — (iv)

$$\sum_{i=1}^n M_i \Delta \alpha_i \leq \sum_{i=1}^n M_i' \Delta \alpha_i + \sum_{i=1}^n M_i'' \Delta \alpha_i$$

$$U(P, f, \alpha) \leq U(P, f_1, \alpha) + U(P, f_2, \alpha) \quad \text{--- (v)}$$

Add (ii) and (iv)

$$\begin{aligned} U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) &\leq U(p, f_1, \alpha) + U(p, f_2, \alpha) - \\ &\quad L(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_2, \alpha) \\ &= [U(p, f_1, \alpha) - L(p, f_1, \alpha)] + [U(p, f_2, \alpha) \\ &\quad - L(p, f_2, \alpha)] \\ &< \epsilon/2 + \epsilon/2 = \epsilon \end{aligned}$$

$$U(p, f, \alpha) - L(p, f, \alpha) < \epsilon.$$

$$\Rightarrow f \in R(\alpha)$$

$$\Rightarrow (f_1 + f_2) \in R(\alpha)$$

$$\int_a^b f d\alpha = \int_a^b f d\alpha \leq U(P, f, \alpha)$$

$$\leq U(P_1, f_1, \alpha) + U(P_2, f_2, \alpha)$$

$$< L(P_1, f_1, \alpha) + \epsilon_2 + L(P_2, f_2, \alpha) + \epsilon_2$$

$$= L(P_1, f_1, \alpha) + L(P_2, f_2, \alpha) + \epsilon.$$

$$\leq \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon \quad \left[\because \int_a^b f d\alpha = \sup \{ L(P, f, \alpha) \} \right]$$

$$= \int_a^b f_1 d\alpha + \int_a^b f_2 d\alpha + \epsilon \quad [f \in R(\alpha)]$$

where ϵ is arbitrary a small value.

$$\therefore \int_a^b f dx \leq \int_a^b f_1 dx + \int_a^b f_2 dx \quad \text{---(i)}$$

Now take f_1 and f_2 are $-f_1$ and $-f_2$ respectively.

$$\int_a^b f dx \geq \int_a^b f_1 dx + \int_a^b f_2 dx. \quad \text{---(ii)}$$

from (i) and (ii)

$$\int_a^b f dx = \int_a^b f_1 dx + \int_a^b f_2 dx$$

$$\int_a^b (f_1 + f_2) dx = \int_a^b f_1 dx + \int_a^b f_2 dx$$

Hence Proved.