

Math Xb Spring 2004

Worksheet: Properties of the Definite Integral

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1. Show why each of the following properties of the definite integral is true, first in terms of net change in amount (use a velocity-position example) and then in terms of area under a curve.

(a) If k is a constant, then $\int_a^b kf(x) dx = k \int_a^b f(x) dx$.

See section 22.4 in
your textbook.

(b) If $f(x) \leq g(x)$ for all x in the interval $[a, b]$, then $\int_a^b f(x) dx \leq \int_a^b g(x) dx$.

(c) $\int_a^c f(x) dx = \int_a^b f(x) dx + \int_b^c f(x) dx$