

Conditions

Use Riemann sums and a limit to compute the exact area under the curve. $y=x^2 + 5x$ on $[3,10]$.

Solution

As we know, the area under the curve is the integral:

$$\int_3^{10} (x^2 + 5x) dx = \lim_{d(\pi) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\xi_i) \Delta x_i$$

Let's do a substitution:

$$x = t + 3; dx = dt, x^2 + 5x = t^2 + 6t + 9 + 5t + 15 = t^2 + 11t + 24$$

$$\int_3^{10} (x^2 + 5x) dx = \int_0^7 (t^2 + 11t + 24) dt$$

Let's take the partition:

$$t_i = \frac{7i}{n}, t_n = 7$$

Let's points $\xi_i = t_i$. Then:

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{d(\pi) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\xi_i) \Delta x_i &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\left(\frac{7^2}{n} \cdot \frac{7}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot \left(\frac{7i}{n} \right)^2 + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot 7^2 \right) + 11 \left(\frac{7}{n} \cdot \frac{7}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot \frac{7i}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot 7 \right) \right) \end{aligned}$$

$$\left(\frac{7}{n} \cdot \frac{7}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot \left(\frac{7i}{n} \right)^2 + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot 7^2 \right) = \frac{7^3}{n^3} (1 + \dots + i^2 + \dots + n^2) =$$

$$= \frac{7^3}{n^3} \left(\frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6} \right) = \frac{7^3}{n^3} \left(\frac{2n^3 + 3n^2 + n}{6} \right) = \frac{7^3}{3} + \frac{7^3}{2n} + \frac{7^3}{6n^2}$$

$$11 \left(\frac{7}{n} \cdot \frac{7}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot \frac{7i}{n} + \dots + \frac{7}{n} \cdot 7 \right) = \frac{11 \cdot 49}{n^2} (1 + \dots + i + \dots + n) = \dots = \frac{11 \cdot 49 n(n+1)}{2n^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \lim_{d(\pi) \rightarrow 0} \sum_{i=1}^n f(\xi_i) \Delta x_i &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{7^3}{3} + \frac{7^3}{2n} + \frac{7^3}{6n^2} + \frac{11 \cdot 49 n(n+1)}{2n^2} + 24 \cdot 7 \right) \\ &= \frac{7^3}{3} + \frac{11 \cdot 49}{2} + 24 \cdot 7 = \frac{3311}{6} \end{aligned}$$