

Solution to Problem 1037.

Should it be $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty}$ rather than $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty}$?

Observe that $\lfloor nx \rfloor = i$ for some integer i and $x \in [\frac{i}{n}, \frac{i+1}{n})$, where (a, b) denotes $a < x < b$ and $[a, b]$ denotes $a \leq x \leq b$.

First, the interval $[0, 1]$ is divided into n sub-intervals of length $\frac{1}{n}$. Then the integrand is integrated over each sub-interval.

$$\begin{aligned}
 \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^1 \left(\frac{\lfloor nx \rfloor}{n} \right)^2 dx &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_{\frac{i}{n}}^{\frac{i+1}{n}} \left(\frac{\lfloor nx \rfloor}{n} \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \int_{\frac{i}{n}}^{\frac{i+1}{n}} \left(\frac{i}{n} \right)^2 dx \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{i}{n} \right)^2 x \Big|_{\frac{i}{n}}^{\frac{i+1}{n}} \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} \left(\frac{i}{n} \right)^2 \left(\frac{1}{n} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \right) \sum_{i=0}^{n-1} i^2 \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{1}{n^3} \right) \left(\frac{(n-1)n(2n-1)}{6} \right) \\
 &= \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{2n^3 - 3n^2 + n}{6n^3} \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3}
 \end{aligned}$$

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