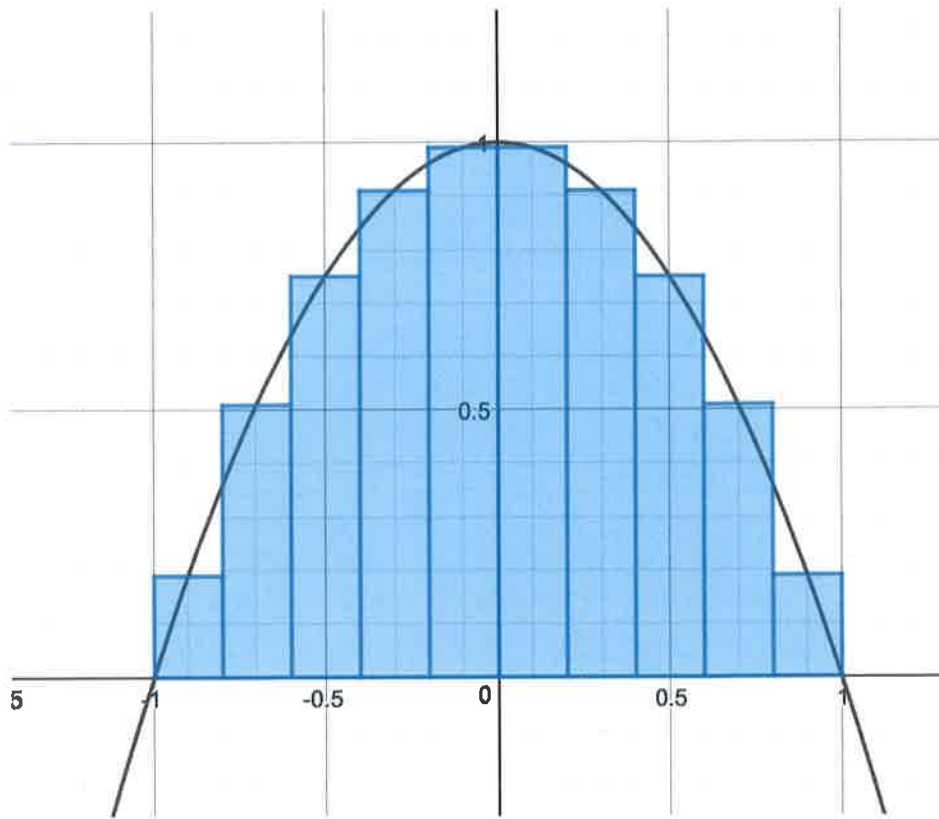


Algebra of Summations



Integral
Calculus :
Use rectangles
to approximate
areas of regions.

Example 1:

Suppose

$$\sum_{i=1}^n a_i = 2 + 4 + 6 + \dots + 64 \quad . \text{ Find } a_i \text{ and } n .$$

Greek letter sigma
index i

$a_i = i$ -th term

$$a_i = 2i, \quad n = 32$$

Example 2:

Write the following using sigma notation.

$$13 - \frac{13}{2} + \frac{13}{3} - \frac{13}{4} + \dots + \frac{13}{46}$$

The signs are alternating.

What is the i -th term
that will represent the
pattern?

$$a_i = (-1)^{i+1} \frac{13}{i}$$

$$\sum_{i=1}^{46} (-1)^{i+1} \frac{13}{i}$$