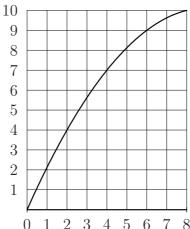
Math 132: Calculus for the Physical & Life Sciences 2

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Practice Questions for Midterm 2

1. The graph of the function f(x) is shown below.



(a) Use the graph of f to compute the following approximations of $\int_0^8 f(x) dx$.

LEFT(2):

RIGHT(2) : _____

MID(2): _____

TRAP(2): _____

SIMP(2):

(b) [6 points] For each method, decide whether the approximation of $\int_0^8 f(x) dx$ is an overestimate, an underestimate, or that this cannot be determined from the given information. In the case of an overestimate or underestimate, briefly explain your reasoning.

Method	Type of Estimate	Reason
LEFT		
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- 2. (a) Set up an integral that represents the arclength of the portion of the graph of $y = \sin(x)$ between x = 0 and $x = \pi$. Do not compute the integral.
 - (b) Approximate the integral in part (a) using a left hand sum with n=4 subintervals.
- 3. Rewrite each of the following improper integrals as a limit, or limits. State whether the integral converges or diverges, and compute its value if it converges.

(a)
$$\int_{-1}^{2} \frac{1}{x^3} dx$$

(b)
$$\int_0^2 \frac{1}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} dx$$

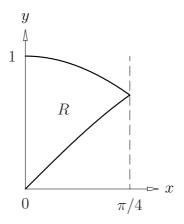
(c)
$$\int_0^\infty e^{-4x} \, dx$$

4. Use the comparison test to determine if each of the following improper integrals converges or diverges. You do not need to compute the value of the integral.

(a)
$$\int_1^\infty \frac{x^4}{x^5 + 1} \, dx$$

(b)
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\cos(x)}{\sqrt{x^3 + 5}} dx$$

5. Let R denote the region bounded by $y = \sin x$, $y = \cos x$, x = 0 and $x = \pi/4$.



- (a) Find the area of R.
- (b) Find the volume of the solid obtained by revolving R about the x-axis.
- 6. Consider the curve described in polar coordinates by the equation $r = \sin(3\theta)$.
 - (a) Sketch the curve.
 - (b) Find the area of the region enclosed by one loop of the curve.
 - (c) Write the equation of the curve in Cartesian coordinates. Hint: Multiply the equation of the curve by r^3 and use the identity $\sin(3\theta) = 3\sin\theta\cos^2\theta \sin^3\theta$.
- 7. Suppose a metal rod of length 2 meters has a mass density $\delta(x) = 5 + 1.2x^2$ kg per meter.
 - (a) Find the total mass of the rod.
 - (b) Find the center of mass of the rod.
- 8. The distribution of length in a certain population of inchworms is described by the pdf $p(x) = c(3x^2 x^3)$ for $0 \le x \le 3$.

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- (a) Find the value of the constant c.
- (b) Find the proportion of inchworms with length at most 2 cm.

9. Suppose

$$p(x) = \frac{4}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{1+x^2}$$

is the probability density function for the quantity x, for $0 \le x \le 1$.

- (a) Find the mean of x.
- (b) Find the median of x.