

Midterm # 1 solutions

A cartoon cricket bat

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Hi kids! Here are the solutions to the first midterm. Enjoy!!!

1. (a) We break the interval up into 4 pieces, each with width $\Delta x = \frac{1}{4} = .25$. So, for a right approximation, we would have inputs $x_1 = 1.25, x_2 = 1.5, x_3 = 1.75, x_4 = 2$. So $f(x_1) = 3.5, f(x_2) = 4, f(x_3) = 4.5, f(x_4) = 5$. So the approximate area with a right hand estimate is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_1)\Delta x + f(x_2)\Delta x + f(x_3)\Delta x + f(x_4)\Delta x &= 3.5 \cdot .25 + 4 \cdot .25 + 4.5 \cdot .25 + 5 \cdot .25 \\ &= .25(3.5 + 4 + 4.5 + 5) = .25(17) = \frac{17}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

The right hand approximation is the same except $x_0 = 1, f(x_0) = 3$, and the approximation is

$$\begin{aligned} f(x_0)\Delta x + f(x_1)\Delta x + f(x_2)\Delta x + f(x_3)\Delta x &= 3 \cdot .25 + 3.5 \cdot .25 + 4 \cdot .25 + 4.5 \cdot .25 \\ &= \frac{15}{4}. \end{aligned}$$

- (b) Using the limit process, we have $\Delta x = \frac{2-1}{n} = \frac{1}{n}$. We also have $x_k = 1 + \frac{k}{n}$, and $f(x_k) = 2x_k + 1 = \frac{2k}{n} + 3$. So the Riemann sum is $\sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k)\Delta x = \sum_{k=1}^n (\frac{2k}{n} + 3)\frac{1}{n} = \sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2k}{n^2} + \frac{3}{n}$. Now $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{3}{n} = 3$, and $\sum_{k=1}^n \frac{2k}{n^2} = \frac{2}{n^2} \sum_{k=1}^n k = \frac{n+1}{n}$. So

$$\int_1^2 (2x + 1)dx = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \sum_{k=1}^n f(x_k)\Delta x = \lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{n+1}{n} + 3 = 4.$$

- (c) We have $\int_1^2 (2x + 1)dx = x^2 + x|_1^2 = 6 - 2 = 4$.
2. See the quiz solutions, problem #1.
3. (a) $\sum_{i=1}^3 (2i + 1) = 3 + 5 + 7 = 15$.
(b) $\sum_{i=1}^4 (i - 1) = 0 + 1 + 2 + 3 = 6$.
(c) According to our formula for $n = 100$, we have $\sum_{k=1}^{100} i = 5050$.
4. (a) We have $\int x^2 - 6x + 1dx = \frac{1}{3}x^3 - 3x^2 + x + C$.
(b) $\int \cos x - \sin x dx = \sin x + \cos x + C$.
(c) $\int \frac{\sqrt{x}-1}{\sqrt{x}} dx = \int 1 - x^{-1/2} dx = x - 2x^{1/2} + C$.
(d) $\int \frac{x^2}{1+x^2} dx = \int \frac{1+x^2-1}{1+x^2} dx = \int 1 - \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = x - \arctan x + C$.
5. (a) $\int_0^4 4x^3 - 2x dx = x^4 - x^2|_0^4 = 256 - 16 = 240$.
(b) $\int_0^\pi \sin x dx = -\cos x|_0^\pi = (-\cos \pi) - (-\cos 0) = 1 + 1 = 2$.
- ROCK ON!!!!