

18.01A Practice Problems for Exam 1 (70 minutes, 140 pts, 2 pts./min.)

Directions: No books, notes, or calculators. (The actual exam will be 50 minutes.)

1. (30) Evaluate: a) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{1 - \sqrt{1-x}}$ b) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^3 u \sin u \, du$ c) $\int \frac{\ln^2 x \, dx}{2x}$
2. (10) Find the best linear and the best quadratic approximations to $f(x) = e^{-2x} \cos x$, for values of x near 0. (Suggestion: use algebraic methods.)
3. (20; 10, 10) The bottom of a small shallow circular pond has the shape of the parabola $y = (x/10)^2$, rotated around the y -axis (units: meters). Its radius is 10 meters; its depth in the center is one meter. Algae are in the pond, but not spread uniformly.
Set up (but **do not evaluate**) two definite integrals which give the total mass of algae in the pond if the concentration C of algae (in g/m^3) at each point P in the pond is as given below (two cases):
 - a) C is numerically equal to the depth (in meters) of the point P .
 - b) C is numerically equal to $\frac{1}{1+r^2}$, where r is the horizontal distance of P from the center of the pond.
4. (10) The decay law for mitium is $A = A_0 e^{-kt}$ (A gms., t yrs.; $k > 0$ constant)
At time $t = 0$, A_0 grams of mitium are left to decay for two years. What's the average amount (over time) of undecayed mitium present during those two years?
5. (10) If $\int_0^x f(t) \, dt = e^{2x} \cos x + c$, determine the constant c and the function $f(t)$.
6. (10) Differentiate $\tan^{-1}(x^2)$ and use the result to evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{x \, dx}{1+16x^4}$.
7. (15) If $\int \frac{x^2+2}{(x+1)^2(x+4)} \, dx = f(x) + \ln(g(x))$, find the rational functions f and g .
8. (15) Evaluate $\int_0^3 \frac{dx}{(x^2+9)^2}$ by substituting $x = 3 \tan u$.
9. (20) The bowl of a martini glass has the shape obtained by rotating the graph of $y = \sin x$, $0 \leq x \leq \pi/2$, about the y -axis. Find its volume.

Other possible types of problems not represented above:

Applications of integration to calculating Work, Arclength, Mass;

Other applications of integration (as in Exercises 4J);

Finding properties of functions defined by a definite integral (like 3D-3).


1) $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0} \frac{\sin x}{1 - \sqrt{1-x}} \stackrel{L'H\text{osp}}{=} \frac{\cos x}{\frac{1}{2}(1-x)^{-1/2}} \Big|_{x=0} = \frac{1}{1/2} = 2$


or: vs 1/2 approx: $\approx \frac{x}{1 - (1 - \frac{1}{2}x)} = \frac{x}{\frac{1}{2}x} = 2$

b) $\int_0^{\pi/2} \cos^3 u \sin u \, du = -\frac{1}{4} \cos^4 u \Big|_0^{\pi/2} = \frac{1}{4}$

c) $\int \frac{\ln^2 x}{2x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{\ln^3 x}{3} = \frac{\ln^3 x}{6}$

2) Algebraically: $e^{-2x} \approx 1 - 2x + \frac{4x^2}{2!}$
 $\cos x \approx 1 - \frac{x^2}{2}$
 $e^{-2x} \cos x \approx (1 - 2x + 2x^2)(1 - \frac{x^2}{2})$
 $\approx 1 - 2x + \frac{3}{2}x^2$
 [calculating derivatives $f'(0), f''(0)$ is tedious, but also works]

3) a) Divide into horizontal discs since algae conc. is constant on a disc

 algae in disc = $(1-y) \cdot \pi r^2 \cdot dy$
 conc. area thickness
 total = $\int_0^1 (1-y) \pi \cdot 100y \, dy$

b) Divide into cylindrical shells since algae conc. is constant in shell

 algae in shell = $\frac{1}{4x} \cdot 2\pi x dx \cdot (1-y)$
 conc. area ht of shell
 shell top view

total = $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{4x} \cdot 2\pi x (1 - \frac{x^2}{100}) dx$

4) Average = $\frac{1}{2} \int_0^2 A_0 e^{-kt} dt$
 avg [0, 2]
 $= \frac{A_0}{2} \left[\frac{e^{-kt}}{-k} \right]_0^2 = \frac{A_0}{2k} [1 - e^{-2k}]$


5) By 2nd FT: $\int_0^x f(t) dt = F(x)$ so
 $f(x) = \frac{d}{dx} e^{-2x} \cos x = e^{-2x} (-2 \cos x - \sin x)$
 To find c: put $x=0$ $f(0) = ?$ but use
 $\int_0^x f(t) dt = 0 = e^{-2x} \cos x + c$
 $= 1 + c \implies c = -1$

6) $D \tan^{-1}(x^2) = \frac{1}{1+x^2} \cdot 2x = \frac{2x}{1+x^2}$

$\int_0^1 \frac{x dx}{1+16x^4} = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^2 \frac{u du}{1+u^4}$
 (put $u = 2x$
 $du = 2 dx$
 $u du = 4x dx$)
 $= \frac{1}{8} \tan^{-1}(u^2) \Big|_0^2 = \frac{1}{8} \tan^{-1} 4$

7) $\frac{x^2+2}{(x+1)^2(x+4)} = \frac{1}{(x+1)^2} - \frac{1}{x+1} + \frac{2}{x+4}$
 (find 1st & 2nd coeffs by cover-up middle one by putting $x=0$ or by undetermined coeffs method)
 $\int \frac{x^2+2}{(x+1)^2(x+4)} dx = \frac{-1}{x+1} - \ln|x+1| + 2 \ln|x+4|$
 $= \frac{-1}{x+1} + \ln \frac{(x+4)^2}{x+1} + c$

8) $\int_0^3 \frac{dx}{(x^2+9)^{3/2}} = \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{3 \sec^2 u \, du}{9^3 (\sec^3 u)^2}$
 $x = 3 \tan u \implies x=0, u=0$
 $dx = 3 \sec^2 u \implies x=3, u=\pi/4$
 $= \frac{1}{27} \int_0^{\pi/4} \cos u \, du = \frac{1}{27} \left[\frac{u}{1} + \frac{\sin 2u}{2} \right]_0^{\pi/4} = \frac{1}{27} \left[\frac{\pi}{8} + \frac{1}{4} \right]$

9)  By shells:
 $V = \int_0^{\pi/2} 2\pi x (1 - \sin x) dx$
 $= \int_0^{\pi/2} 2\pi x - 2\pi x \sin x dx$

By parts:
 $\int_0^{\pi/2} x \sin x dx = -x \cos x \Big|_0^{\pi/2} - \int_0^{\pi/2} -\cos x dx$
 $= -x \cos x \Big|_0^{\pi/2} + \sin x \Big|_0^{\pi/2}$
 $= 0 - 0 + 1 - 0 = 1$

$V = 2\pi \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{2} \right)^2 - 1 \right] = 2\pi \left[\frac{\pi^2}{8} - 1 \right]$