Spring 2013

Solutions

1. [5 points] Find f if  $f'(x) = e^x + 5(1+x^2)^{-1}$  and f(0) = -1.

Solution: The general antiderivative of  $f'(x) = e^x + \frac{5}{1+x^2}$  is  $f(x) = e^x + 5\tan^{-1}x + C$ .

To determine C we use f(0) = -1:  $f(0) = e^0 + 5 \tan^{-1} 0 + C = 1 + 0 + C = C + 1$ .

Then C + 1 = -1 and C = -2. Hence,

$$f(x) = e^x + 5\tan^{-1}x - 2$$

2. [5 points] Let A be the area of the region that lies under the graph of  $f(x) = \sqrt{x}$  between 2 and 4. Using right endpoints, find an expression for A as a limit. Do not evaluate the limit.

Solution: Since a=2 and b=4, the width of a subinterval is  $\Delta x=\frac{4-2}{n}=\frac{2}{n}$ .

So 
$$x_1 = a + \Delta x = 2 + 2/n$$
,  $x_2 = a + 2\Delta x = 2 + 4/n$ , ...

$$x_i = a + i\Delta x = 2 + 2i/n, \dots, x_n = a + n\Delta x = 2 + 2n/n.$$

The sum of the areas of the approximating rectangles is

$$R_n = \sqrt{x_1} \Delta x + \sqrt{x_2} \Delta x + \sqrt{x_3} \Delta x + \dots + \sqrt{x_n} \Delta x$$

$$= \left(\sqrt{2 + \frac{2}{n}} + \sqrt{2 + \frac{4}{n}} + \dots + \sqrt{2 + \frac{2i}{n}} + \dots + \sqrt{2 + \frac{2n}{n}}\right) \frac{2}{n}$$

$$= \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^{n} \sqrt{2 + \frac{2i}{n}}$$

Then

$$A = \lim_{n \to \infty} R_n = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{2}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n \sqrt{2 + \frac{2i}{n}}$$

bonus problem [5 points extra] A stone was droped off a cliff and hit the ground with a speed of 80 ft/s. What is the height of the cliff? Assume for simplisity that the gravitational acceleration is  $32 \text{ ft/s}^2$ .

Solution: We consider the path of the stone as a stright line directed downward. Let 0 correspond to the initial position of the stone on the cliff, i.e. s(0) = 0, where s(t) is the position function. Then the height of the cliff equals the displacement of the stone.

The acceleration of the stone is the gravitational acceleration:  $a(t) = g = 32 \text{ ft/s}^2$ .

The velocity is an antiderivative of a(t): v(t) = 32t + v(0). The initial velocity is zero v(0) = 0. Then v(t) = 32t. The stone hits the ground when v(t) = 80, or 32t = 80, or

$$t = t_1 = \frac{80}{g} = \frac{80}{32} = \frac{5}{2}$$
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The position is an antiderivative of v(t):  $s(t) = 16t^2 + s(0) = 16t^2$ .

Then the height of the cliff is

$$s(t_1) = 16 \cdot \left(\frac{5}{2}\right)^2 = 16 \cdot \frac{25}{4} = 100 \text{ feet}$$