

APPROXIMATE METHODS OF INTEGRATION - TRAPEZOIDAL RULE

2 Evaluate $\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$ using the trapezoidal rule with: (a) two subintervals (b) four subintervals.

$$a) \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{1-0}{2} \left[f(0) + 2 \times f\left(\frac{0+1}{2}\right) + f(1) \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + 2 \times \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2+1} + \frac{1}{1^2+1} \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{2} \left[1 + 2 \times \frac{4}{5} + \frac{1}{2} \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{10+16+5}{10} \right] = \frac{31}{40} = 0.775$$

$$b) \int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{1-0}{2 \times 2} \left[f(0) + 2f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + 2f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) + 2f\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + f(1) \right]$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) \approx \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{4}\right)^2+1} = \frac{16}{17}$$

$$f\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2+1} = \frac{4}{5}$$

$$f\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) = \frac{1}{\left(\frac{3}{4}\right)^2+1} = \frac{16}{25}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{1}{8} \left[1 + 2 \times \frac{16}{17} + 2 \times \frac{4}{5} + 2 \times \frac{16}{25} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{1}{8} \left[1 + \frac{32}{17} + \frac{8}{5} + \frac{32}{25} + \frac{1}{2} \right]$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{1}{8} \times \frac{5323}{850}$$

$$\int_0^1 \frac{dx}{x^2+1} \approx \frac{5323}{6800} = 0.7828$$

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4 Evaluate $\int_1^2 x^3 dx$ by: (a) direct integration (b) using the trapezoidal rule with two subintervals.

$$a) \int_1^2 x^3 dx = \left[\frac{x^4}{4} \right]_1^2 = \frac{2^4}{4} - \frac{1^4}{4} = \frac{16}{4} - \frac{1}{4} = \frac{15}{4} = 3.75$$

$$b) \int_1^2 x^3 dx \approx \frac{2-1}{2 \times 2} \left[f(1) + 2 f\left(\frac{1+2}{2}\right) + f(2) \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{4} \left[1^3 + 2 \times \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)^3 + 2^3 \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{1}{4} \left[1 + 2 \times \frac{27}{8} + 8 \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{63}{16} = 3.9375$$

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13 Use the trapezoidal rule with two subintervals to estimate $\int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{\sin x} dx$ correct to 2 decimal places.

$$\int_0^{\pi} \sqrt{\sin x} dx \approx \frac{\pi - 0}{2 \times 2} \left[f(0) + 2 f\left(\frac{0 + \pi}{2}\right) + f(\pi) \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{\pi}{4} \left[\underbrace{\sqrt{\sin(0)}}_{=0} + 2 \sqrt{\sin(\pi/2)} + \underbrace{\sqrt{\sin(\pi)}}_{=0} \right]$$

$$\approx \frac{\pi}{4} \times 2 \sqrt{\sin(\pi/2)}$$

$$\approx \frac{\pi}{2} \sqrt{1}$$

$$\approx \frac{\pi}{2} \approx 1.57$$

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17 Use the trapezoidal rule with four subintervals to evaluate $\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx$.

$$\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx \approx \frac{0.8-0}{2 \times 4} \left[f(0) + 2 f\left(\frac{0+0.8}{4}\right) + 2 f\left(\frac{0+0.8}{2}\right) + 2 f\left(\frac{0+0.8}{4} \times 3\right) + f(0.8) \right]$$

$$\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx \approx 0.1 \left[f(0) + 2 f(0.2) + 2 f(0.4) + 2 f(0.6) + f(0.8) \right]$$

$$f(0) = 0 \times e^{-0} = 0 \qquad f(0.8) = 0.8 e^{-0.8}$$

$$f(0.2) = 0.2 e^{-0.2} \qquad f(0.4) = 0.4 e^{-0.4} \qquad f(0.6) = 0.6 \times e^{-0.6}$$

$$\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx \approx 0.1 \left[2 \times 0.2 e^{-0.2} + 2 \times 0.4 e^{-0.4} + 2 \times 0.6 e^{-0.6} + 0.8 e^{-0.8} \right]$$

$$\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx \approx 0.1 \left[0.4 e^{-0.2} + 0.8 e^{-0.4} + 1.2 e^{-0.6} + 0.8 e^{-0.8} \right]$$

$$\int_0^{0.8} x e^{-x} dx \approx 0.188$$