

MATH 236 (FALL 2014) QUIZ I

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Attempt all problems. Box your answers.

- (1) Compute $\int (\ln x)^2 dx$ (Hint: Integration by parts twice). Find the exact value of the average of the function $f(x) = (\ln x)^2$ over the interval $1 \leq x \leq 4$.

(2) Find the following:

(a) $\int (\sin x \sqrt{\cos x})^3 dx$

(b) $\frac{d}{dx} \int_1^{\tan x} \frac{1}{t^2 \sqrt{t^2 + 1}} dt.$

(c) $\int \frac{x^3+4x^2-21}{x^2+6x+10} dx.$

(d) $\int_1^3 \frac{1}{x^2(x+1)} dx$

- (3) Frank is evaluating electric motors to drive automated mixing for some waste tanks that he must maintain. One pump is advertised to have a probability that follows the exponential distribution

$$f(t) = 0.31e^{-0.31t},$$

where the time $t > 0$ is measured in years. Frank knows that the expected time of failure for something following this distribution is

$$\int_0^{\infty} tf(t)dt.$$

How long can he expect one of these pumps to last?

- (4) (a) Plot the graph of the function e^{-x^2} .
(b) Graphically, explain why $\int_{-1}^1 e^{-x^2} dx > 1$.
(c) Give an estimate for $\int_1^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ by comparison to the integral $\int_1^\infty xe^{-x^2} dx$.
(d) Use parts (b), (c) and your graph in part (a) to estimate $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$.
(e) Find the actual value $\int_{-\infty}^\infty e^{-x^2} dx$ using a calculator or your smart phone. (In Calc III, you will be able to evaluate this integral).

- (5) For which values of p does the improper integral $\int_0^1 x^p \sin \frac{1}{x} dx$ converge? (Hint: It may be easier to use the substitution $u = \frac{1}{x}$, then $du = \dots$. Then compare your new integral (with new boundaries) to an integral that you know. Make sure that your answer covers all possible values of p).