

Midterm 1

Version A

Solution Key

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- Exam duration: 80 minutes.
- Only calculators allowed by the Faculty of Sciences (Texas Instruments TI-30, TI-34 and Casio fx-260, fx-300) are authorized. Books and notes are not permitted.
- Solve each problem in the space provided. Use the back of the page for scratch work if necessary.
- Each problem requires a complete, clearly written solution. Partial marks will be assigned for significant, but incomplete, progress toward a solution. Zero credit will be given for unsupported answers unless otherwise noted.
- The exam is composed of 7 questions of between 4 and 10 points, for a total of 60 points, plus an 8<sup>th</sup> bonus question worth 6 points.

1. (a) [4 pts] Why is  $\int_0^5 \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx$  an improper integral?

If it is convergent, compute its value. If not, explain why it is divergent.

**Solution.** The integral is improper because the integrand  $\frac{x}{x^2-4} = \frac{x}{(x-2)(x+2)}$  is undefined at the point  $x = 2$ , which is in the interval of integration  $[0, 5]$ . We have

$$\int_0^5 \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx = \int_0^2 \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx + \int_2^5 \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx$$

provided both integrals on the right hand side converge. Putting  $u = x^2 - 4$ , we find

$$\int \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{u} = \frac{1}{2} \ln |u| + C = \frac{1}{2} \ln |x^2 - 4| + C.$$

So

$$\int_0^2 \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \int_0^t \frac{x}{x^2-4} dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow 2^-} \frac{1}{2} (\ln |t^2 - 4| - \ln(4)) = -\infty.$$

Since this integral is divergent, the given integral is divergent also.

(b) [4 pts] Determine if  $\int_1^\infty \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x} + x^2} dx$  is convergent or divergent using an appropriate comparison test.

**Solution.** for all  $x \geq 1$ , we have  $\sqrt{x} \leq x^2$ , so

$$x^2 \leq 2\sqrt{x} + x^2 \leq 3x^2$$

whence

$$\frac{1}{3x^2} \leq \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x} + x^2} \leq \frac{1}{x^2}$$

and it follows that

$$\frac{1}{3} = \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{3x^2} \leq \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{2\sqrt{x} + x^2} \leq \int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^2} = 1.$$

In particular the integral is convergent, and its value is between  $\frac{1}{3}$  and 1.

2. [10 pts] Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the region in the first quadrant bounded by the curves

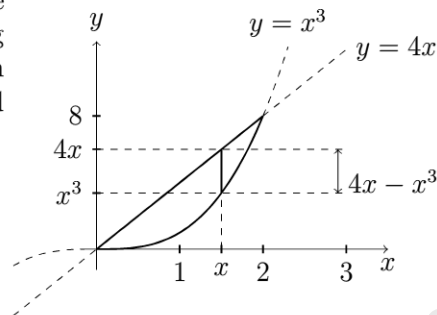
$$y = 4x \quad \text{and} \quad y = x^3.$$

(a) Sketch the region  $\mathcal{R}$  and calculate its area.

**Solution.** We first determine the points of intersection of the two curves by solving the equation  $4x = x^3$ . We find  $x = 0$  or  $4 = x^2$ , so  $x = -2, 0$  or  $2$ . Looking for those points in the first quadrant, we are left with  $x = 0, 2$ . So the points of intersection are  $(0, 0)$  and  $(2, 8)$ .

The area of the region is

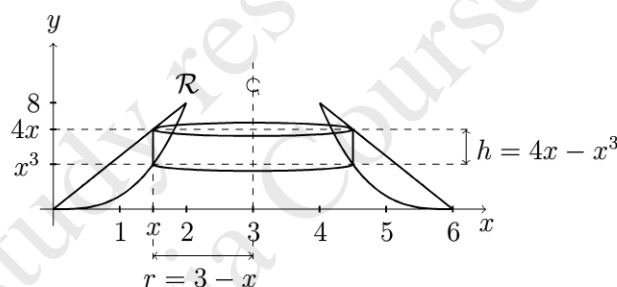
$$\int_0^2 (4x - x^3) dx = \left[ 2x^2 - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_0^2 = \boxed{4}.$$



(b) Calculate the volume of the solid of revolution obtained by rotating the region  $\mathcal{R}$  around the vertical line  $x = 3$ , and draw a typical layer which appears in the calculation of volume (disc, washer or cylindrical shell), labeling its dimensions.

**Solution.** The easiest technique is the method of cylindrical shells. Rotating the portion of the region  $\mathcal{R}$  between  $x$  and  $x + \Delta x$  (for small  $\Delta x$ ) about the line  $x = 3$ , we obtain a cylindrical shell of radius  $r = 3 - x$ , with height  $h = 4x - x^3$  and thickness  $\Delta x$  (as shown in the figure). Its volume is

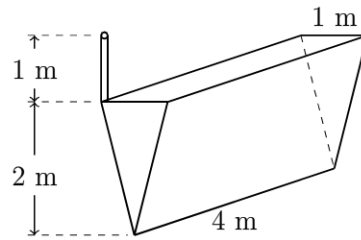
$$\Delta V \cong 2\pi r h \Delta x = 2\pi(3 - x)(4x - x^3)\Delta x$$



Thus, the total volume of the solid is

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_0^2 2\pi(3 - x)(4x - x^3) dx = 2\pi \int_0^2 (12x - 4x^2 - 3x^3 + x^4) dx \\ &= 2\pi \left[ 6x^2 - (4/3)x^3 - (3/4)x^4 + (1/5)x^5 \right]_0^2 = \frac{232\pi}{15} \cong 48.59. \end{aligned}$$

3. [8 pts] A reservoir in the form of a straight prism with triangular base is shown in the figure to the right. Its vertical faces are isosceles triangles of height 2 m and base 1 m, its length is 4 m, it is near the surface of the Earth, and it is full of water, which will be pumped to a height of 1 m above the reservoir.

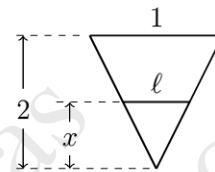


Denote by  $x$  the height in meters measured **from the bottom of the reservoir**.

(a) What is, at first approximation, the volume of the layer of water between the heights  $x$  and  $x + \Delta x$ ?

**Solution.** A horizontal section of the reservoir at height  $x$  is a rectangle of length 4 and width  $\ell$  where  $\ell$  is given by examination of similar triangles (figure to the right). We find

$$\frac{\ell}{x} = \frac{1}{2} \quad \text{so} \quad \ell = \frac{x}{2}.$$



So, (volume of the layer)  $\cong$  (area of rectangle)  $\times \Delta x = 4\ell\Delta x = 2x\Delta x$ .

(b) What is, at first approximation, the work required to pump that layer of water to a height of 1 m above the reservoir? Recall that the density of water is  $1000 \text{ kg/m}^3$ , and gravitational acceleration at the surface of the earth is  $g \cong 9.8 \text{ m/s}^2$ .

**Solution.** We must lift the layer up  $3 - x$  meters. So the required work is

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Work} &= (\text{Force}) \times (\text{distance}) \\ &= 1000g(\text{volume}) \times (\text{distance}) \\ &\cong 9800(2x\Delta x)(3 - x) = 19600x(3 - x)\Delta x \end{aligned}$$

(c) What is, in Joules, the work required to pump all the water from the reservoir to a height of 1 m above the reservoir?

**Solution.** Since the reservoir is full of water, we integrate from  $x = 0$  to  $x = 2$ :

$$W = \int_0^2 19600x(3 - x)dx = 19600 \int_0^2 (3x - x^2)dx = 19600 \left[ \frac{3}{2}x^2 - \frac{1}{3}x^3 \right]_0^2 \cong 65300 \text{ J}.$$

Questions 4 and 5 are short answer questions, for which you do not need to justify your answers.

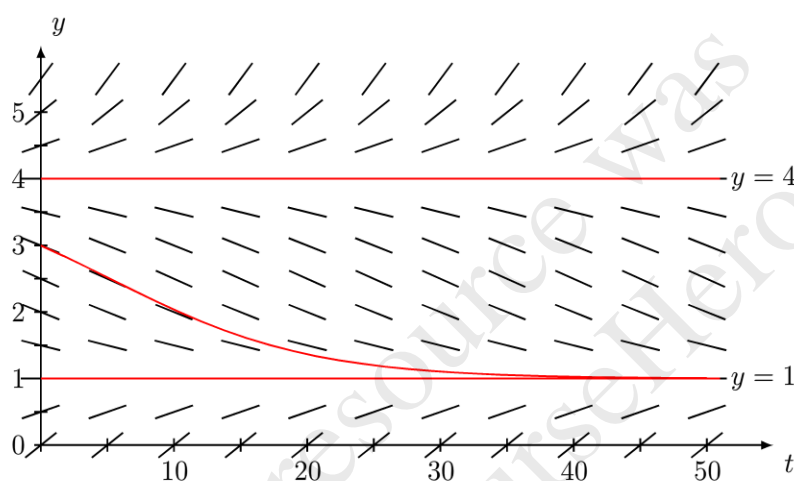
4. [4 points] Consider the curve  $x = t^2$ ,  $y = e^{2t}$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 3$ .

Write down the integral which gives the length of this curve. Simplify the integrand, but *do not calculate the integral*.

**Response:**

$$L = \int_1^3 \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{dt}\right)^2} dt = \int_1^3 \sqrt{(2t)^2 + (2e^{2t})^2} dt = \int_1^3 \sqrt{4t^2 + 4e^{4t}} dt.$$

5. [4 points] Below is the slope field for a differential equation  $\frac{dy}{dt} = F(t, y)$ .



(a) What are its equilibrium solutions (those of the form  $y = C$ )?

**Response:**  $y = 1$  and  $y = 4$ .

(b) Draw, as well as you can, on the slope field, the graph of the particular solution with initial value  $y(0) = 3$ . Circle the answer below which is closest to  $y(20)$ .

**Choices:** (A) 0.8    (B) 1.3   (C) 2.2   (D) 3   (E) 4.5

6. [8 pts] Paul makes a cup of hot chocolate at the boiling temperature of water ( $100^\circ\text{C}$ ), then puts it outside to cool it down. Outside, the temperature is  $-15^\circ\text{C}$ , and 3 minutes later, when he checks his cup, its temperature is  $40^\circ\text{C}$ .

(a) Let  $T(t)$  be the temperature of the cup  $t$  minutes after Paul puts it outside. Supposing this temperature obeys Newton's law of cooling, give the differential equation which  $T$  satisfies, and solve it.

**Solution.** According to Newton's law of cooling, we have

$$\frac{dT}{dt} = k(T - (-15)) = k(T + 15)$$

where  $k$  is a constant. We deduce

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{dT}{T + 15} &= \int k dt \Rightarrow \ln |T + 15| = kt + C \\ &\Rightarrow T + 15 = Ae^{kt} \Rightarrow \boxed{T = -15 + Ae^{kt}} \end{aligned}$$

where  $A = \pm e^C$  is a constant. Since  $T(0) = 100$ , we get

$$100 = -15 + A \Rightarrow A = 115 \quad \text{thus} \quad \boxed{T(t) = -15 + 115e^{kt}}$$

We also have  $T(3) = 40$ , so

$$\begin{aligned} 40 &= -15 + 115e^{3k} \Rightarrow e^{3k} = \frac{55}{115} = \frac{11}{23} \Rightarrow k = \frac{1}{3} \ln(11/23) \cong -0.2459 \\ &\Rightarrow \boxed{T(t) \cong -15 + 115e^{-0.2459t}} \end{aligned}$$

(b) If Paul leaves his cup outside, at what time  $t$  will his hot chocolate freeze? (Suppose that hot chocolate freezes at a temperature of  $0^\circ\text{C}$ .)

**Solution.** We find  $t$  such that  $T(t) = 0$ . So we need to solve

$$\begin{aligned} 0 &= -15 + 115e^{-0.2459t} \Rightarrow e^{-0.2459t} = \frac{15}{115} = \frac{3}{23} \\ &\Rightarrow t = \frac{\ln(3/23)}{-0.2459} \cong \boxed{8.28 \text{ min.}} \end{aligned}$$

7. [8 pts] Solve the initial value problem  $\frac{dy}{dt} = \frac{2t \sin(2t)}{y}$ ,  $y(0) = 2$ .

Express the solution  $y$  as a function of  $t$ .

**Solution:** Separating the variables, we find

$$\int y \, dy = \int 2t \cos(2t) \, dt$$

To integrate the right side, proceed by parts, choosing  $u = 2t$  and  $dv = \cos(2t)dt$  so that  $du = 2dt$  and  $v = (1/2) \sin(2t)$ . This gives

$$\begin{aligned} \int 2t \cos(2t) \, dt &= (2t)(1/2) \sin(2t) - \int (1/2) \sin(2t) 2 \, dt \\ &= t \sin(2t) - \int \sin(2t) \, dt = t \sin(2t) + (1/2) \cos(2t) + C \end{aligned}$$

Thus we find

$$\frac{y^2}{2} = t \sin(2t) + (1/2) \cos(2t) + C \Rightarrow y = \pm \sqrt{2t \sin(2t) + \cos(2t) + 2C}.$$

Since  $y(0) = 2$ , we conclude that  $2 = \pm\sqrt{1 + 2C}$ , so  $2C = 3$  and

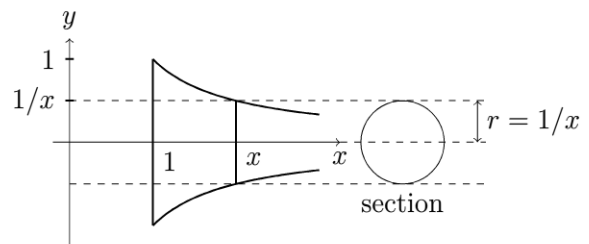
$$\boxed{y = \sqrt{2t \sin(2t) + \cos(2t) + 3}}$$

with a  $+$ -sign since  $y(0) > 0$ .

8. [6 pts **bonus**] Let  $\mathcal{R}$  be the region of the plane defined by  $1 \leq x < \infty$  and  $0 \leq y \leq \frac{1}{x}$ . What is the volume of the solid of revolution obtained by rotating  $\mathcal{R}$  about the  $x$ -axis? (This figure is called the ‘‘Horn of Gabriel’’ and was first studied by Torricelli, an Italian mathematician and physicist of the 17<sup>th</sup> century, who invented the barometer in 1643.)

**Solution.** The cross-section of the solid at the point  $x$  is a disc of radius  $r = 1/x$ , as shown in the diagram below. Its area is  $A(x) = \pi r^2 = \pi/x^2$ , so the volume of the solid is

$$\begin{aligned} V &= \int_1^\infty \frac{\pi}{x^2} \, dx = \pi \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_1^t \frac{1}{x^2} \, dx \\ &= \pi \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left[ \frac{-1}{x} \right]_1^t = \pi \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \left( \frac{-1}{t} + 1 \right) \\ &= \pi. \end{aligned}$$



(We could also invoke the  $p$ -test  $\int_1^\infty \frac{dx}{x^p} = \frac{1}{p-1}$  if  $p > 1$ , putting  $p = 2$ .)