

MATH 152 – PYTHON LAB 4

Directions: Use Python to solve each problem. ([Template link](#))

1. Given the integral $\int_0^{\pi/2} \sqrt[4]{5 + \sin(x)} dx$

(a) Plot the function on the domain $x \in [0, 1]$.

(b) Recall the **Left Endpoint Riemann Sum** from MATH 151:

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx \approx \sum_{i=1}^n f(x_{i-1}) \Delta x$$

where $\Delta x = \frac{b-a}{n}$ and $x_i = a + i \cdot \Delta x$ This is easy to compute in Python:

i. Define a list x from a (inclusive) to b (exclusive) with stepsize Δx .

ii. Define a list $y = f(x)$.

iii. Sum the list y and multiply by Δx

Compute the Left Endpoint approximation using $n = 200$ subintervals.

2. The **Right Endpoint Riemann Sum** is the same process, but starting at $a + \Delta x$ and ending at b (inclusive).

Compute the Right Endpoint approximation using $n = 200$ subintervals.

3. The Midpoint Sum is again the same process, but starting at $a + \frac{\Delta x}{2}$ and ending at $b - \frac{\Delta x}{2}$ (inclusive).

(a) Compute the Midpoint approximation using $n = 200$ subintervals.

(b) Compute the average of the Left and Right Endpoint approximations. Is this equal to the Midpoint approximation?

(More questions on page 2!!!!)

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4. Another approximation for integrals is the Trapezoid Rule:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{\Delta x}{2}(f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + \dots + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n))$$

There is a built-in function **trapz** in the package **scipy.integrate** (See the Overview for more information).

- (a) Compute the Trapezoid approximation using $n = 200$ subintervals.
- (b) Is the Trapezoid approximation equal to the average of the Left and Right Endpoint approximation?
- (c) Run the following **code** to illustrate the trapezoid method with 4 trapezoids:

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from numpy import *
import sympy as sp

x=sp.symbols('x')
f=(5+sp.sin(x))*sp.Rational(1,4)
sp.plot(f,(x,0,pi/2))
xp=[0,pi/8,pi/4,3*pi/8,pi/2]
yp=[f.subs(x,i) for i in xp]
import matplotlib.pyplot as plt
plt.plot(xp,yp)
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Notice that the trapezoid approximation is obtained by using lines to estimate $f(x)$ on each subinterval.

5. Simpson's Method is another approximation to the integral which uses parabolas instead of lines to approximate $f(x)$:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \approx \frac{\Delta x}{3}(f(x_0) + 2f(x_1) + 4f(x_2) + \dots + 4f(x_{n-2}) + 2f(x_{n-1}) + f(x_n))$$

- (a) Use the function **simps** in the **scipy.integrate** package to compute Simpson's Approximation using $n = 200$ subintervals.
6. The value of the integral to 10 decimal places is 2.4196410881. Use this value to estimate the error $|\text{actual} - \text{estimate}|$ in each of the five approximations.