

Midterm Exam Solutions (math1552A-Summer 2021)

Note: You can add +15%
to the raw percent
Score of the exam
as a curve.

The midterm consisted of:

- 9 questions at 5 raw points per Q
- 1 question at 6 raw points
- one bonus question worth a maximum of +4

Q1: Evaluate the definite integral

$$I = \int_0^1 (1-\sqrt{x})^{p-1} dx, p > 1$$

• Note that since $p > 1$, $p-1 > 0$.

• use the u-sub:

$$u = 1 - \sqrt{x}, du = -\frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}} dx,$$

$$u(0) = 1, u(1) = 0$$

• then

$$I = \int_0^1 \frac{-2\sqrt{x}}{-2\sqrt{x}} (1-\sqrt{x})^{p-1} dx$$

$$= -2 \int_1^0 (1-u) \cdot u^{p-1} du$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 &= 2 \int_0^1 [u^{P-1} - u^P] du \\
 &= 2 \left(\frac{u^P}{P} - \frac{u^{P+1}}{P+1} \right) \Big|_0^1 \\
 &= 2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{P} - \frac{1}{P+1} \right) - (0-0) \right] \\
 &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{P} - \frac{1}{P+1} \right) \\
 &= \frac{2}{P(P+1)} [P+1 - P],
 \end{aligned}$$

taking a common denominator

$$= \frac{2}{P(P+1)}.$$

$$\underline{Q2}: I = \int_{-2}^3 w^5 \sqrt{1+2w^3} dw$$

Find an integral that is the same as I after performing the substitution $u=2w^3$.

- $u = 2w^3, du = 6w^2 dw,$
 $w^5 dw = \frac{1}{12} u \cdot du$

- change the limits of integration:

$$u(3) = 2 \cdot 3^3 = 54$$

$$u(-2) = 2 \cdot (-2)^3 = -16$$

- Then $I = \frac{1}{12} \int_{-16}^{54} u \sqrt{1+u} du$

Q3: Evaluate the definite integral $I = \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} \sin^2(2x) dx$

Solution(1):

• we have that

$$\sin^2(t) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2t)), \text{ for all real } t$$

$$\text{• So } I = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} (1 - \cos(4x)) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{1}{4} \sin(4x) \right) \Big|_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{\pi}{16} \right) - \frac{1}{8} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin(\pi/4) \right)$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{32} - \frac{1}{8} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{16}$$

Solution(2) - alternate:

- For all real t we have

$$\sin(2t) = 2 \sin(t) \cos(t)$$

$$\sin^2(t) = \frac{1}{2} (1 - \cos(2t))$$

$$\cos^2(t) = \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2t))$$

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet I &= 4 \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} \sin^2(x) \cos^2(x) dx \\ &= \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} (1 - \cos(2x)) (1 + \cos(2x)) dx \\ &= \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} (1 - \cos^2(2x)) dx \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{\pi/16}^{\pi/8} (1 - \cos(4x)) dx \end{aligned}$$

Now integrate and apply the
FTC as in the first solution
to get that

$$I = \frac{\pi}{32} + \frac{\sqrt{2}}{16} - \frac{1}{8}$$

Q4: Evaluate the indefinite integral

$$I = \int \frac{\sec^2(\theta) \tan(\theta)}{\tan^2(\theta) - 4\tan(\theta) + 3} d\theta$$

• first apply the substitution

$$t = \tan(\theta), dt = \sec^2(\theta)d\theta,$$

so that

$$I = \int \frac{t}{t^2 - 4t + 3} dt$$

$$= \int \frac{t}{(t-3)(t-1)} dt$$

• Now apply the method of partial fractions to write

$$\frac{t}{(t-3)(t-1)} = \frac{A}{t-3} + \frac{B}{t-1}, \text{ for some constants } A, B$$

• Solve for A, B:

$$t = A(t-1) + B(t-3) (*)$$

→ when $t=1$ in (*):

$$1 = -2B \Leftrightarrow B = -\frac{1}{2}$$

→ when $t=3$ in (*):

$$3 = 2A \Leftrightarrow A = \frac{3}{2}$$

• So

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \frac{3}{2} \int \frac{dt}{t-3} - \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dt}{t-1} \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \ln|t-3| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|t-1| + C \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \ln|\tan \theta - 3| - \frac{1}{2} \ln|\tan \theta - 1| + C \end{aligned}$$

Q5: Evaluate the definite integral

$$I = \int_0^1 \frac{\ln(1+x)}{(1+x)^2} dx$$

• first perform the substitution:

$$s = \ln(1+x), ds = \frac{dx}{1+x},$$

$$\frac{dx}{(1+x)^2} = e^{-s} ds,$$

$$s(0) = \ln(1) = 0,$$

$$s(1) = \ln(2),$$

so that

$$I = \int_0^{\ln(2)} s \cdot e^{-s} ds$$

• Now evaluate the resulting integral by parts:

$$\left\{ \begin{array}{l} \int u dv = uv - \int v du \\ u = s \\ du = ds \end{array} \right. \quad \left\{ \begin{array}{l} dv = e^{-s} ds \\ v = -e^{-s} \end{array} \right.$$

$$I = -se^{-s} \Big|_0^{\ln(2)} + \left[-e^{-s} \Big|_0^{\ln(2)} \right]$$

$$= -\ln(2)e^{-\ln(2)} - e^{-s} \Big|_0^{\ln(2)}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\ln(2) - \left(\frac{1}{2} - 1 \right) \Big|_0^{\ln(2)}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}(1 - \ln(2))$$

Q6: Evaluate the definite integral

$$I = \int_1^3 \frac{e^{\frac{1}{x}}}{x^2} dx$$

• apply a substitution:

$$u = \frac{1}{x}, \quad du = -\frac{dx}{x^2},$$

$$u(3) = \frac{1}{3}, u(1) = 1,$$

so that

$$\begin{aligned} I &= - \int_{1/3}^1 e^u du = \int_1^{1/3} e^u du \\ &= e^u \Big|_{1/3}^1 = e^{-3} - e^1 \end{aligned}$$

Q7: Evaluate the limit

$$L = \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{2}\right)}{t+1}$$

• we have that

$$(1) \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \cos\left(\frac{\pi t}{2}\right) = 0$$

$$(2) \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} t+1 = 0,$$

so the limit (L) leads to an initial indeterminate form of $\frac{0}{0}$.

• Hence, we can apply L'Hopital's rule to see that

$$L = \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{\frac{d}{dt} [\cos(\frac{\pi t}{2})]}{\frac{d}{dt} [t+1]}$$

$$= \lim_{t \rightarrow -1} \frac{-\frac{\pi}{2} \sin(\frac{\pi t}{2})}{1}$$

$$= \left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{2}\right) = +\frac{\pi}{2}.$$

Q8: Evaluate the improper integral

$$I = \int_0^{2e} \ln(x) dx$$

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- Since $\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \ln(x) = -\infty$, the integral is improper. So we rewrite I as:

$$I = \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} \int_a^{2e} \ln(x) dx \quad (*)$$

- Find the antiderivative of the indefinite integral by parts:

$$\left(\begin{array}{l} u = \ln(x) \quad dv = dx \\ du = \frac{dx}{x} \quad v = x \end{array} \right)$$

$$\int \ln(x) dx = x \ln(x) - x + C$$

• Then by (*) we have that

$$I = 2e(\ln(2e) - 1) - \lim_{a \rightarrow 0^+} (a \ln(a) - a)$$

• we need the value of the limit

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} x \cdot \ln(x) = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(x)}{\frac{1}{x}},$$

which gives the indeterminate form $\frac{-\infty}{\infty}$ so we can apply

L'Hopital's rule as:

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\ln(x)}{\frac{1}{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{-\frac{1}{x^2}}$$

$$= \lim_{x \rightarrow 0^+} -x = 0$$

• So in conclusion, we have that

$$\begin{aligned} I &= 2e(\ln(2e) - 1) - (0 - 0) \\ &= 2e(\ln(2) + \ln(e) - 1) \\ &= 2e \cdot \ln(2) . \end{aligned}$$

Q9: Which trigonometric substitution (trig. sub.) do we apply to evaluate

$$I = \int \sqrt{1 + \frac{3x^2}{4}} dx ?$$

Solution (1):

- we have a term of the form $a^2 + t^2$ when $a=1$ and $t = \sqrt{\frac{3}{4}} \cdot x$.
- use $t = \frac{\sqrt{3}}{2} x = a \cdot \tan(\theta)$

$$\begin{aligned}\Leftrightarrow x &= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan(\theta) \\ &= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan(\theta)\end{aligned}$$

Solution(2): factor first as

$$I = \int \sqrt{\frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{4}{3} + x^2\right)} dx.$$

Then we have a term of the form $a^2 + x^2$ when $a = \sqrt{\frac{4}{3}}$.

So use $x = a \tan(\theta)$

$$= \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan(\theta)$$

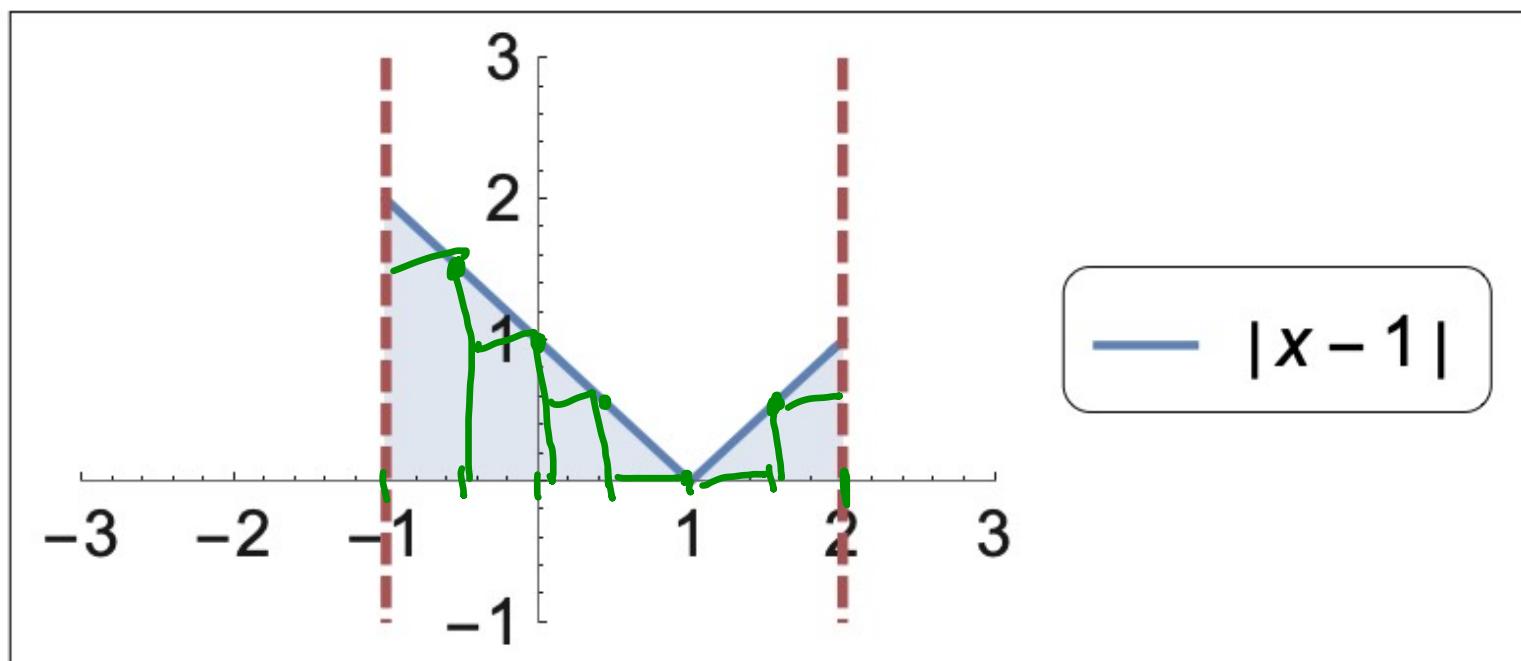
$$= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{3} \tan(\theta).$$

Q10: (+6 points): Numerically approximate

$$I = \int_{-1}^2 24|x-1| dx \text{ with } N=6 \text{ rectangles.}$$

Find the lower sum estimate(L)

$$\Delta x = \frac{2 - (-1)}{6} = \frac{1}{2}$$



$$x_0 = -1, x_1 = -\frac{1}{2}, x_2 = 0, x_3 = \frac{1}{2},$$

$$x_4 = 1, x_5 = \frac{3}{2}, x_6 = 2$$

- for $x \in [-1, 1]$, the rectangle heights are the function values at the RHS endpoints, and for $x \in [1, 2]$ at the LHS endpoints.

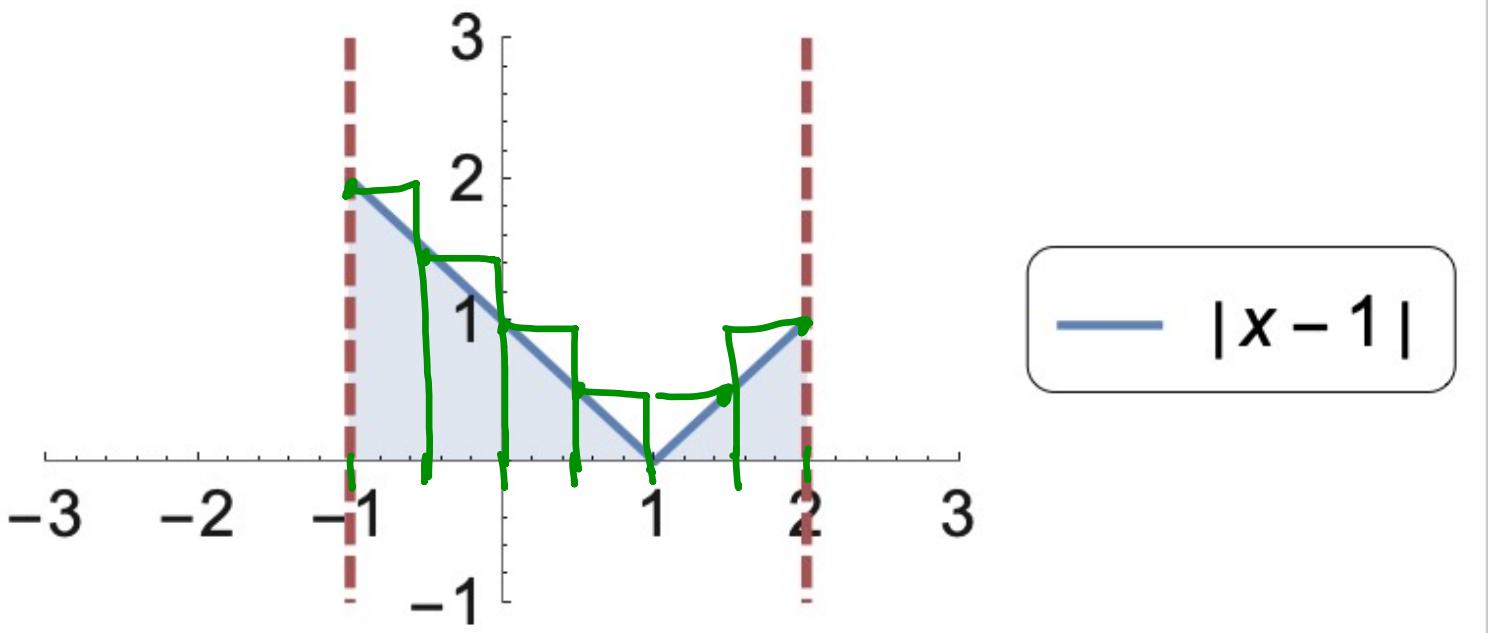
- So for $f(x) = |x - 1|$,

$$L = 24\Delta x \left(f(-\frac{1}{2}) + f(0) + f(\frac{1}{2}) + f(1) + f(\frac{3}{2}) \right)$$

$$= 12 \cdot \left(\frac{3}{2} + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + 0 + 0 + \frac{1}{2} \right)$$

$$= 12 \cdot \frac{7}{2} = 6 \cdot 7$$

$$= 42$$

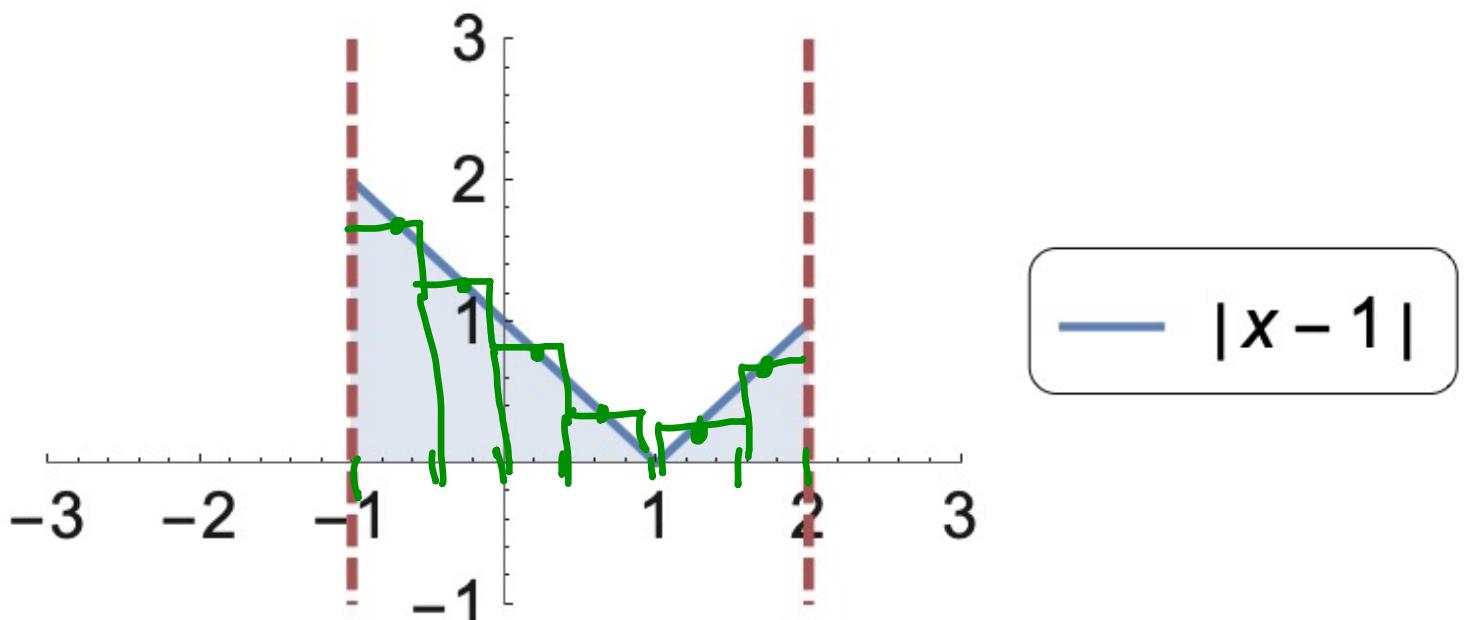


Similarly, to find U:

$$U = 24 \Delta x \left(2 + \frac{3}{2} + 1 + \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} + 1 \right)$$

$$= 12 \cdot \frac{13}{2} = 6 \cdot 13 = 78$$

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let $f(x) := |x - 1|$.

To evaluate M , we have:

$$\begin{aligned}
 M &= 24 \Delta x \left(f\left(-\frac{3}{4}\right) + f\left(-\frac{1}{4}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left(\frac{1}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{3}{4}\right) + f\left(\frac{5}{4}\right) \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + f\left(\frac{7}{4}\right) \right) \\
 &= 12 \cdot 5 = 60
 \end{aligned}$$

EC/bonus question (+4 extra points):

• write $x^4(1-x)^4 = (1+x^2)p(x) + q(x)$

By polynomial long division,
we get that

$$P(x) = x^6 - 4x^5 + 5x^4 - 4x^2 + 4$$

$$q(x) = -4$$

• evaluate

$$I = \frac{1}{3} \int_0^1 \frac{x^{2/3} (1-x^{1/3})^4}{1+x^{2/3}} dx$$

using the u-sub

$$u = x^{1/3}, du = \frac{1}{3}x^{-2/3} dx,$$

$$u(0) = 0, u(1) = 1,$$

$$\frac{1}{3}x^{2/3} dx = u^4 du$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 & \text{Hence, } I = \int_0^1 \frac{n^4(1-n)^4}{1+n^2} dn \\
 &= \int_0^1 [n^6 - 4n^5 + 5n^4 - 4n^2 + 1] dn \\
 &\quad - 4 \int_0^1 \frac{dn}{1+n^2} \\
 &= \left(\frac{n^7}{7} - \frac{4n^6}{6} + \frac{5n^5}{5} - \frac{4n^3}{3} \right. \\
 &\quad \left. + n \right) \Big|_0^1 - 4 \tan^{-1}(n) \Big|_0^{\pi/4} \\
 &= \frac{22}{7} - 4 (\tan^{-1}(1) - \tan^{-1}(0)) \\
 &= \frac{22}{7} - \pi
 \end{aligned}$$