

Module 7 Notes (MATH-211)

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General Notes (and Definitions)

- Working with Integrals

A function $f(x)$ is **even** if $f(-x) = f(x)$.

A function $f(x)$ is **odd** if $f(-x) = -f(x)$.

Let $a \in \mathbb{R}$ such that $a > 0$ and let f be an integrable function on the interval $[-a, a]$.

$$\text{If } f \text{ is even, } \int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx$$

$$\text{If } f \text{ is odd, } \int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$$

The average value of an integrable function f on the interval $[a, b]$ is

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx$$

Let f be continuous on the interval $[a, b]$. There exists a point c in (a, b) such that (Mean Value Theorem)

$$f(c) = \bar{f} = \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(t) dx$$

Examples

1. Use symmetry to evaluate integrals

$$\int_{-200}^{200} 2x^5 dx = 0$$

$$\int_{-2}^2 (x^2 + x^3) dx = \int_{-2}^2 x^2 dx + \int_{-2}^2 x^3 dx \quad (1)$$

$$= 2 \int_0^2 x^2 dx + 0 \quad (2)$$

$$= 2 \frac{x^3}{3} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{16}{3} \quad (4)$$

2. A derivative calculation

$$s(t) = -16t^2 + 64t$$

$$t = 4$$

$$[0, 4]$$

$$v(t) = s'(t) \quad (1)$$

$$\bar{v} = \frac{1}{4} \int_0^4 v(t) \, dx \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \int_0^4 s'(t) \, dx \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} s(t) \quad (4)$$

$$= \frac{1}{4} (s(4) - s(0)) \quad (5)$$

$$= 0 \quad (6)$$

3. Applying MVT for integrals

$$f(x) = e^x$$

$$[0, 2]$$

$$\bar{f} = \frac{1}{2} \left(\int_0^2 e^x \, dx \right) \quad (1)$$

$$= \frac{e^x}{2} \quad (2)$$

$$= \frac{e^2}{2} - \frac{e^0}{2} \quad (3)$$

$$= \frac{e^2 - 1}{2} \quad (4)$$

$$e^x = \frac{e^2 - 1}{2} \quad (5)$$

$$\ln e^x = \ln \frac{e^2 - 1}{2} \quad (6)$$

Related Exercises

1. Example