

Weekly Assignment #5

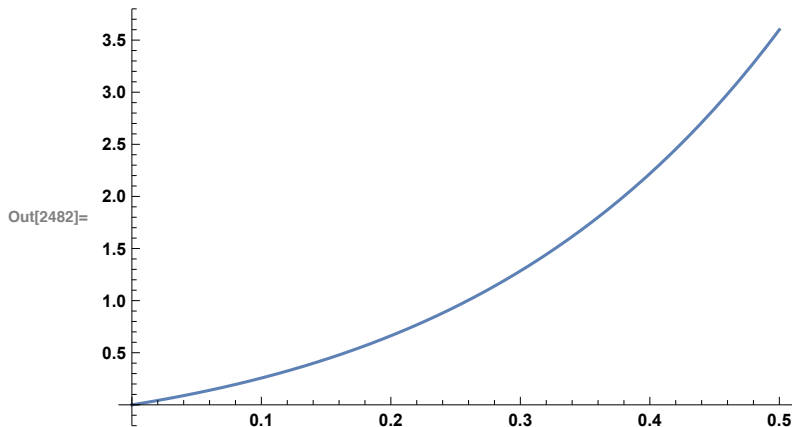
Instructions: **integrations in problems 1 and 2 should be evaluated by hand.** Some numerical integrations should also be done by hand (whenever $n \leq 4$); if $n > 4$, you may use technology. Show your work!

1. Average value

Let $f(x) = x(e^{2x} + e^{3x})$.

a. Define and plot $f(x)$ on the interval $[0, 1/2]$.

```
In[2479]:= f[x_] := x (Exp[2 x] + Exp[3 x])
a = 0;
b = 1/2;
Plot[f[x], {x, a, b}]
```



2. Demonstrate integration by parts to find the true average value of $f(x)$ on $[0, 1/2]$. Give the name “true” to this average value.

```
In[2483]:= true = 1 / (b - a) Integrate[f[x], {x, a, b}]
N[true]
```

Out[2483]= $\frac{1}{18} (13 + 2 e^{3/2})$

Out[2484]= 1.22019

3. Use the Trapezoidal and Midpoint Rules with $n=2$ to approximate the average value over the interval $[0, 1/2]$ (calls these values “trap” and “mid”). Combine them in an appropriate way to give the Simpson’s Rule (“simp”) approximation, with $n=4$ (note: this $n=4$ value S_4 uses a weighted average of T_2 and M_2).

```
In[2485]:= n = 2;
deltaX = (b - a) / n;
trap = 1.0 / (b - a) * deltaX / 2 * (f[a] + 2 f[a + deltaX] + f[b])
mid = 1.0 / (b - a) * deltaX * (f[a + deltaX/2] + f[a + 3/2 deltaX])
simp = (2 * mid + trap) / 3
```

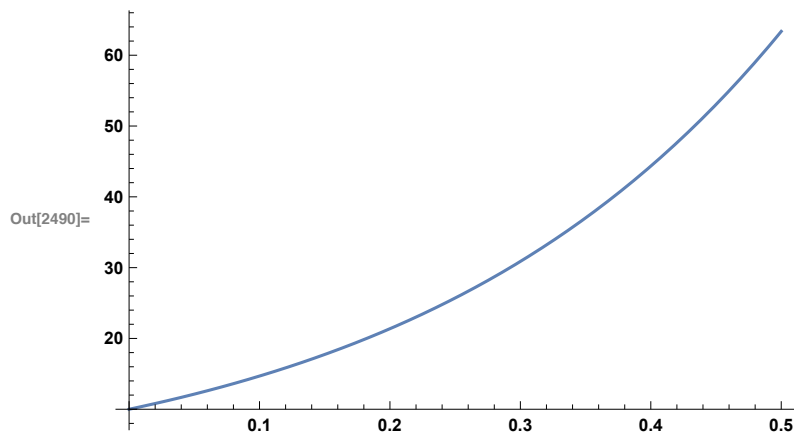
```
Out[2487]= 1.37071
```

```
Out[2488]= 1.14567
```

```
Out[2489]= 1.22068
```

4. Compute the errors (true - estimate) for the Trapezoidal and Midpoint rules. By plotting and bounding the absolute value of the second derivative of $f(x)$, demonstrate that the approximations are within the error bounds for each method. Demonstrate that the errors are of opposite sign, as is typical.

```
In[2490]:= Plot[Abs[f''[x]], {x, a, b}]
K = N[f''[b]] / (b - a) (* looks like we can take the right endpoint value for K;
notice that I divide by (b-a), since that's actually the integral that is
being approximated! The integrand can be considered f(x)/(b-a). *)
trapBound = K (b - a) ^3 / (12 n^2);
trapError = true - trap;
{trapError, trapBound}
midBound = K (b - a) ^3 / (24 n^2);
midError = true - mid;
{midError, midBound}
```



```
Out[2491]= 126.735
```

```
Out[2494]= {-0.150524, 0.330039}
```

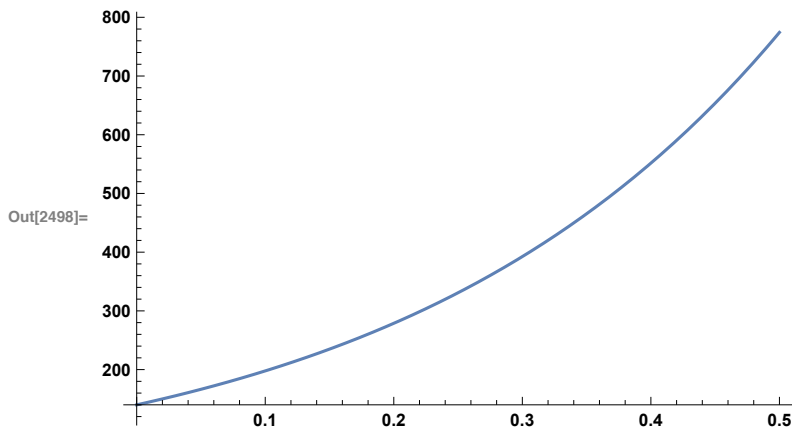
```
Out[2497]= {0.074521, 0.165019}
```

5. Compute the absolute error ($|\text{true} - \text{estimate}|$) for the Simpson's Rule approximation. By plotting the absolute value of the fourth derivative of $f(x)$ (choose K as big as, or bigger than, the largest value), demonstrate that the approximations are within the error bounds for Simpson's Rule.

```

In[2498]:= Plot[Abs[f''''[x]], {x, a, b}]
K = N[f''''[b]] / (b - a) (* Looks like it's greatest on the right endpoint *)
bound = K (b - a) ^ 5 / (180 (2 n) ^ 4);
simpError = true - simp;
{simpError, bound}

```



Out[2499]= 1548.52

Out[2502]= {-0.000493976, 0.00105016}

2. Area and Volume

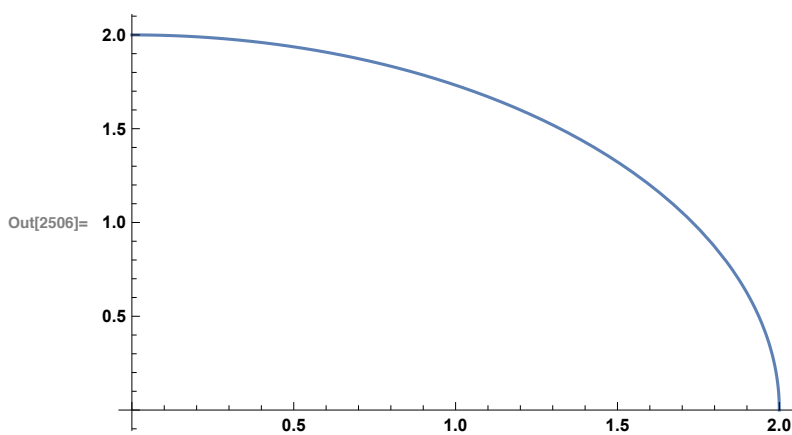
Let R be the region in the first quadrant of the plane between the curve $y = f(x) = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$ and the x -axis.

1. Define and plot $f(x)$ on the interval $[0, 2]$.

```

In[2503]:= f[x_] := Sqrt[4 - x^2]
a = 0;
b = 2;
Plot[f[x], {x, 0, 2}]

```



2. Find the area of R , by computing the appropriate integral using trigonometric substitution.

```
In[2507]:= true = Integrate[f[x], {x, a, b}]
```

```
Out[2507]=  $\pi$ 
```

3. Estimate the area using S_{10} .

```
In[2508]:= trapezoidal[exp_, {x_, a_, b_, n_}] := Module[{dx = N[(b - a) / n], f},
  f[u_] := exp /. x -> u;
  Return[0.5 dx (f[a] + f[b] + 2 Sum[f[a + k dx], {k, 1, n - 1}])]
]
midpoint[exp_, {x_, a_, b_, n_}] := Module[{dx = N[(b - a) / n], f},
  f[u_] := exp /. x -> u;
  Return[dx Sum[f[a + k dx - 1/2 dx], {k, 1, n}]]
]
simpson[exp_, {x_, a_, b_, n_}] := If[EvenQ[n],
  (trapezoidal[exp, {x, a, b, n/2}] + 2 midpoint[exp, {x, a, b, n/2}]) / 3,
  Print["Sorry: Simpson's Rule only works on an even number of sub-intervals."]]
]
simp = simpson[f[x], {x, a, b, 10}]
```

```
Out[2511]= 3.12701
```

4. Compute the absolute error in the approximation.

```
In[2512]:= simpError = Abs[true - simp]
```

```
Out[2512]= 0.0145845
```

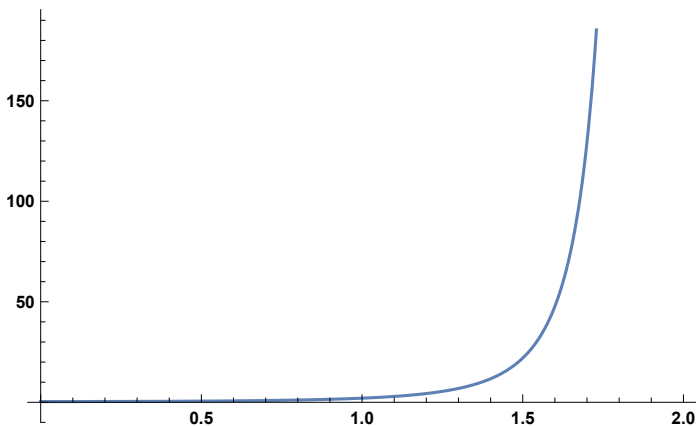
5. Compute the fourth derivative of $f(x)$. Why can we not use the error estimate for Simpson's rule in this case? (Is it possible to bound the fourth derivative on this interval?)

```
In[2513]:= Simplify[f''''[x]]
Plot[Abs[f''''[x]], {x, a, b}]
```

```
Out[2513]= 
$$-\frac{48(1+x^2)}{(4-x^2)^{7/2}}$$

```

```
Out[2514]=
```

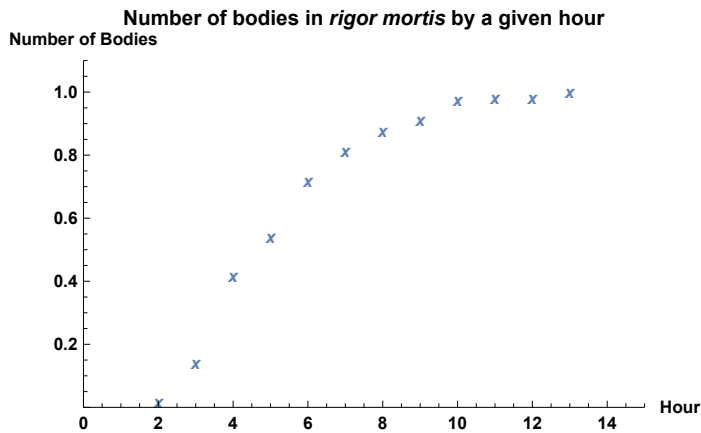


3. Application

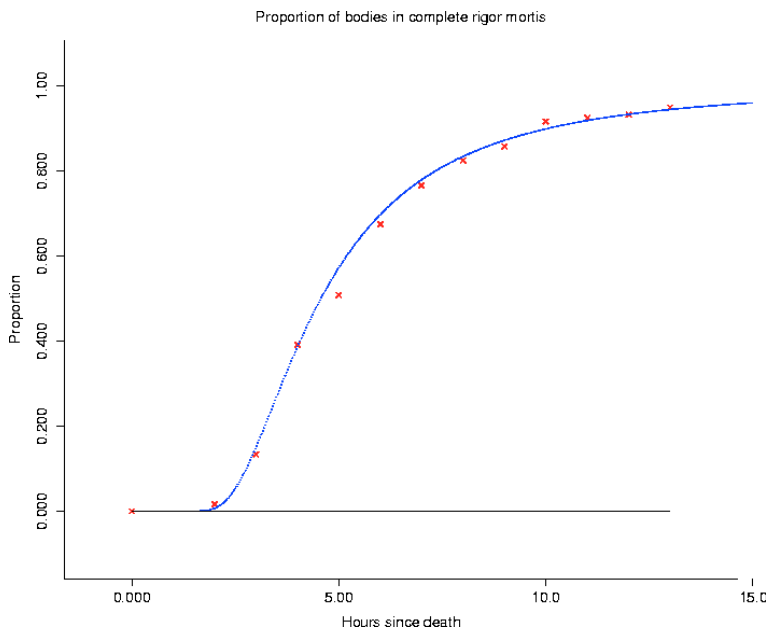
When we die, our bodies become rigid (*rigor mortis* sets in). Niderkorn's (1872) observations on 113 bodies provides the main reference database for the development of *rigor mortis*.

The data:

hour	2	3	4	5	6	7	8	9	10	11	12	13
proportion in <i>rigor mortis</i>	$\frac{2}{123}$	$\frac{16}{123}$	$\frac{47}{123}$	$\frac{61}{123}$	$\frac{81}{123}$	$\frac{92}{123}$	$\frac{99}{123}$	$\frac{103}{123}$	$\frac{110}{123}$	$\frac{111}{123}$	$\frac{111}{123}$	$\frac{111}{123}$



One can fit a lovely model to this somewhat unlovely data, for the proportion $p(t)$ of bodies in complete *rigor mortis* after t hours. It is illustrated in the graph below:



The model is $e^{-\frac{22.47}{t^{2.216}}}$: that is,

```
In[2521]:= p[t_] := E^(-22.47 t^(-2.216))
```

a. Compute the average proportion of bodies in rigor mortis in the time interval from 6 to 10 hours after death, based on this model (write the integral, but you may use your calculator or Mathematica to produce your answer!).

```
NIntegrate[p[t] / (10 - 6), {t, 6, 10}]
```

```
(* So the average proportion of bodies you'd expect to see in the 6-10 hour mark passed the time of death is about 79%. *)
```

```
Out[2522]= 0.7876
```

b. Now compute an approximation using only the data, and Simpson's rule with $n=4$ (by hand). How do they compare?

```
In[2528]:= a = 6;
```

```
b = 10;
```

```
n = 4;
```

```
deltaX = (b - a) / n;
```

```
simp = 1 / (b - a) (deltaX / 3.0 (81 + 4 * 92 + 2 * 99 + 4 * 103 + 110) / 123)
```

```
Out[2532]= 0.792005
```