MA 114 Worksheet #05: Numerical Integration

- 1. (a) Write down the Midpoint rule and illustrate how it works with a sketch.
 - (b) Write down the Trapezoid rule, illustrate how it works with a sketch, and write down the error bound associated with it.
 - (c) Use the error estimate for the trapezoid rule to find n so that you can approximate

$$\int_0^1 \sin(2x) \, dx$$

with an error less than 10^{-7} ?

- 2. Use the Midpoint rule to approximate the value of $\int_{-1}^{1} e^{-x^2} dx$ with n = 4. Draw a sketch to determine if the approximation is an overestimate or an underestimate of the integral.
- 3. The left, right, Trapezoidal, and Midpoint Rule approximations were used to estimate $\int_0^2 f(x) dx$, where f is the function whose graph is shown. The estimates were 0.7811, 0.8675, 0.8632, and 0.9540, and the same number of sub- intervals were used in each case.
 - (a) Which rule produced which estimate?
 - (b) Between which two approximations does the true value of $\int_0^2 f(x) dx$ lie?



- 4. Draw the graph of $f(x) = \sin\left(\frac{1}{2}x^2\right)$ in the viewing rectangle [0,1] by [0,0.5] and let $I = \int_0^1 f(x) dx$.
 - (a) Use the graph to decide whether L_2 , R_2 , M_2 , and T_2 underestimate or overestimate I.
 - (b) For any value of n, list the numbers L_n , R_n , M_n , T_n , and I in increasing order.
 - (c) Compute L_5 , R_5 , M_5 , and T_5 . From the graph, which do you think gives the best estimate of I?

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5. The velocity in meters per second for a particle traveling along the axis is given in the table below. Use the Midpoint rule and Trapezoid rule to approximate the total distance the particle traveled from t = 0 to t = 6.

t	v(t)
0	0.75
1	1.34
2	1.5
3	1.9
4	2.5
5	3.2
6	3.0