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Math 231 W3, Spring Term 2009  
Mock Exam #3  
April 16, 2009

No books, notes, calculators, or other aids may be used. For full credit you must show all your work on each problem.

Problem	Score	Points Possible
1		17
2		17
3		17
4		17
5		16
6		16
TOTAL		100

**Problem 1: (17 points)** (a) Find the fourth-degree Taylor polynomial  $P_4(x)$  for the function  $1/x$ , expanded about the point  $c = 10$ .

(b) Write down the remainder term (error term)  $R_4(x)$  that goes with this polynomial. Be sure to state which quantities  $z$  lies between.

(b) If we used  $P_4(7)$  as an approximation for  $1/7$ , how big could the error be?

**Problem 2: (17 points)** (a) The Taylor series for the function  $f(x) = \ln\left(\frac{x+1}{2}\right)$  is

$$\sum_{k=1}^{\infty} \frac{(-1)^{k+1}}{2^k \cdot k} (x-1)^k.$$

Find both the interval and the radius of convergence of this series.

(b) May we use the Taylor series to approximate  $\ln\left(\frac{1+1}{2}\right)$ ,  $\ln\left(\frac{1+3}{2}\right)$ , or  $\ln\left(\frac{1+5}{2}\right)$ ? Explain your answer for each the three values.

**Problem 3:** (17 points) Use four terms of a known power series to approximate

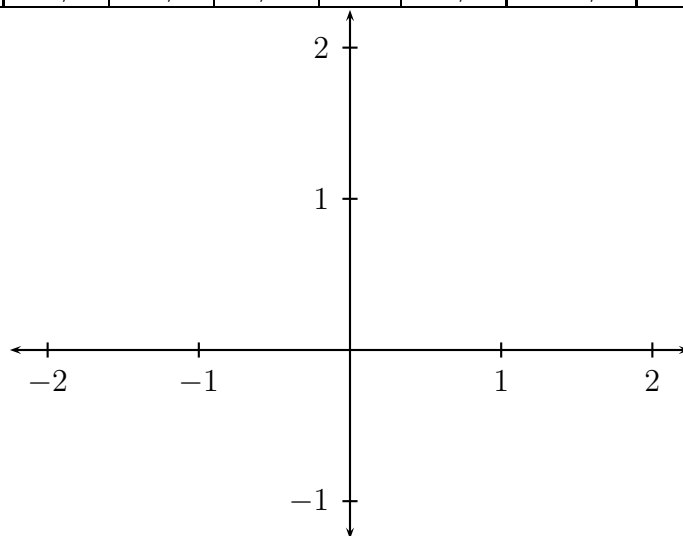
$$\int_0^1 e^{-x^2} dx.$$

**Problem 4: (17 points)** Consider the curve  $x = \cos^2 t$ ,  $y = 1 - \sin t$ .

(a) Eliminate the parameter  $t$  to get an equation just in terms of  $x$  and  $y$ .

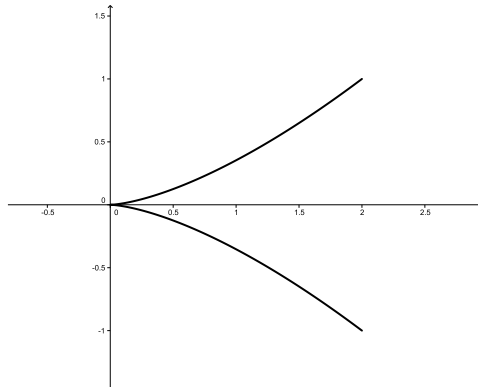
(b) Make a rough sketch of this curve when  $0 \leq t \leq \pi$ . Use the axes below, and consult the table of trig values as necessary.

$\theta$	0	$\pi/6$	$\pi/4$	$\pi/3$	$\pi/2$	$2\pi/3$	$3\pi/4$	$5\pi/6$	$\pi$
$\sin \theta$	0	$1/2$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$\sqrt{3}/2$	1	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$1/2$	0
$\cos \theta$	1	$\sqrt{3}/2$	$\sqrt{2}/2$	$1/2$	0	$-1/2$	$-\sqrt{2}/2$	$-\sqrt{3}/2$	-1



(c) Describe in words how the curve is traced out (eg., where the curve starts when  $t = 0$ , where it heads next, and where it ends up at  $t = \pi$ ).

**Problem 5: (16 points)** The parametric curve  $x = 2t^2$ ,  $y = t^3$ ,  $-1 \leq t \leq 1$  is sketched below:



(a) Find the length of the curve over the interval  $-1 \leq t \leq 1$ .

(b) Find the area between the curve and the  $x$ -axis for the portion of the curve traced out as  $0 \leq t \leq 1$ .

**Problem 6: (16 points)** (a) Find the arc length of the curve  $x = t$ ,  $y = \frac{2}{3}(t - 1)^{3/2}$  from  $t = 1$  to  $t = 5$ .

(b) Find the area of the surface of revolution when the curve  $x = t$ ,  $y = t^3$ ,  $1 \leq t \leq 2$ , is revolved around the  $x$ -axis.