

Quiz 11/Solutions

1. Compute the average value of $\cos x$ on the interval $[-\frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{\pi}{4}]$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{av}(\cos x) &= \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{4} - (-\frac{\pi}{4})} \int_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos x \, dx = \frac{1}{\frac{\pi}{2}} [\sin x]_{-\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{4}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right) - \sin\left(-\frac{\pi}{4}\right) \right) \\ &= \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - \left(-\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} + \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) = \frac{2}{\pi} \frac{2}{\sqrt{2}} = \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{2} = \boxed{\frac{2\sqrt{2}}{\pi}} \end{aligned}$$

2. A population is growing at a rate of $n'(t) = 4t^3$ (where time is measured in years). Compute the net change of the population from $t = 0$ to $t = 2$.

$$n(2) - n(0) = \int_0^2 n'(t) \, dt = \int_0^2 4t^3 \, dt = [t^4]_0^2 = 2^4 - 0^4 = \boxed{16}$$

3. Compute each of the following (definite or indefinite) integrals:

(a) $\int x \sec^2(x^2) \, dx$.

$$u = x^2$$

$$du = 2x \, dx$$

$$\frac{1}{2} du = x \, dx.$$

$$\int x \sec^2(x^2) \, dx = \int \sec^2(x^2) x \, dx = \int \sec^2(u) \frac{1}{2} du = \frac{1}{2} \tan u + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \sec^2(x^2) + C}.$$

(b) $\int_0^1 (3x^2 + 1)\sqrt{x^3 + x + 1} \, dx$.

$$u = x^3 + x + 1$$

$$du = (x^3 + x + 1)' \, dx = (3x^2 + 1) \, dx$$

$$x = 1: u = 1^3 + 1 + 1 = 3$$

$$x = 0: u = 0^3 + 0 + 1 = 1$$

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 (3x^2 + 1)\sqrt{x^3 + x + 1} \, dx &= \int_0^2 \sqrt{x^3 + 3x + 1}(3x^2 + 1) \, dx = \int_1^3 \sqrt{u} \, du \\ &= \left[\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right]_1^3 = \boxed{\frac{2}{3} (3^{3/2} - 1^{3/2})} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3} (\sqrt{27} - 1)} \end{aligned}$$

(c) $\int_{-2}^2 x \cos(x) \, dx$.

Let $f(x) = x \cos x$. Then

$$f(-x) = (-x) \cos(-x) = -x \cos x = -f(x).$$

Thus $x \cos x$ is an odd function and so

$$\int_{-2}^2 x \cos x \, dx = \boxed{0}.$$