



Activity 5.6 – Definite Integrals of Exponentials and Logarithms

1. (a) $\Delta x = 0.4$

(b) $\int_0^2 3e^{x^2} dx \approx \left(3e^{(0.2)^2} + 3e^{(0.6)^2} + 3e^{(1)^2} + 3e^{(1.4)^2} + 3e^{(1.8)^2} \right) \cdot 0.4 \approx 45.390565$

2. (a) $\int_{-1}^1 e^{5.2x} dx = \left(\frac{e^{5.2x}}{5.2} \right) \Big|_{-1}^1 = \frac{e^{5.2}}{5.2} - \frac{e^{-5.2}}{5.2} \approx 34.86$

(b) $\int_0^1 10^x dx = \left(\frac{10^x}{\ln 10} \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{10}{\ln 10} - \frac{1}{\ln 10} \approx 3.91$

3. (a) The initial rate is $a = 0.5$, so $R(t) = 0.5b^t$. Also, $R(120) = 0.5b^{120} = 0.25$. From this last equation, $b^{120} = 0.5$, so $b = \sqrt[120]{0.5} \approx 0.9942$. The formula for $R(t)$ is $R(t) = 0.5(0.9942)^t$ million gallons per minute.

(b) $R(280) = 0.5(0.9942)^{280} \approx 0.0981$ million gallons per minute.

(c) $\int_0^{280} 0.5(0.9942)^t dt = \left(\frac{0.5(0.9942)^t}{\ln(0.9942)} \right) \Big|_0^{280} \approx 69.0938$ million gallons

4. (a) $\int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt = (\ln |t|) \Big|_1^x = \ln |x| - \ln |1| = \ln x$

(b) $\int_1^x \frac{1}{t} dt = \ln x = 1$ implies that $x = e$.