

### Numerical Integration Methods

For 1–3, use (a) the Trapezoid Rule and (b) the Midpoint Rule to approximate the definite integral for the stated value of  $n$ . Use approximations to four decimal places for  $f(x_i)$  and round off final answers to three decimal places. Compare your results to the exact evaluation for the definite integral.

1.  $\int_1^4 \frac{1}{x} dx, \quad n = 6$

2.  $\int_0^1 \frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^2}} dx, \quad n = 4$

3.  $\int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin x}{x} dx, \quad n = 4$

For 4–5, the data in the tables below were obtained experimentally, where  $x$  and  $y$  are physical variables. Assuming that  $y = f(x)$  where  $f$  is continuous, approximate the definite integral  $\int f(x)dx$  on  $[2, 4]$  by means of (a) the Trapezoid Rule and (b) the Midpoint Rule.

4.

$x$	2.00	2.25	2.50	2.75	3.00	3.25	3.50	3.75	4.00
$y$	4.12	3.76	3.21	3.58	3.94	4.15	4.69	5.44	7.52

5.

$x$	2.0	2.2	2.4	2.6	2.8	3.0	3.2	3.4	3.6	3.8	4.0
$y$	12.1	11.4	9.7	8.4	6.3	6.2	5.8	5.4	5.1	5.9	5.6

6. The graph at right is an electronic spectrogram (idealized) of the radiant energy produced by the star  $\gamma$  Leonis (temp = 7500K). The  $x$ -axis is in arbitrary wavelength units and the  $y$ -axis is in arbitrary intensity units. Use the Trapezoid Rule to calculate how much energy  $\gamma$  Leonis produces compared to the sun (= 36.3 on this scale). [To facilitate your analysis, make a table by reading values of  $y$  off the graph. Then apply the trapezoid rule.]

