Discussion Problems for Math 180

Tuesday, November 18, 2014

- 1. What is $1 + 2 + 3 + 4 + \dots + 5,000$?
- 2. Consider the function f(x) = 3x + 4.
 - (a) Sketch a graph of f(x) on the interval [-1, 1].
 - (b) Write an expression for an *n*-rectangle left Riemann sum for f(x) on the interval [-1, 1]. Include a diagram showing what each piece of your expression represents.
 - (c) Write an expression for an *n*-rectangle right Riemann sum for f(x) on the interval [-1, 1].
 - (d) Simplify the expression in part (b) to eliminate the \sum . (Hint: Look at problem 1.)
 - (e) Calculate the 1,000-rectangle right Riemann sum for f(x) on the interval [-1,1]. Write your answer as a complete decimal expansion without using a calculator.
 - (f) Using the expression from part (d), find $\int_{-1}^{1} 3x 4 \, dx$ without using the fundamental theorem of calculus.
 - (g) Referring to your sketch from part (a), find $\int_{-1}^{1} 3x 4 \, dx$ without using any calculus at all, and check that it agrees with your answer to part (e).
 - (h) [Optional] Find $\int_{-1}^{1} 3x 4 \, dx$ using the fundamental theorem of calculus, and check that it agrees with your answer to part (e).
- 3. What is

$$\int_0^{2\pi} \sin(x)?$$

Justify your answer completely without making use of the fundamental theorem of calculus. (Hint: start by drawing a graph.)

4. Find a function z(t) such that $z'(t) = 3 \cdot 2^t$ and z(1) = 0.