UCSC

Review Questions 4

Applications of definite integrals to economics

1. Compute the following integrals. Use the table of integrals in Appendix C.

a.
$$\int \frac{4 \, dx}{5x\sqrt{x^2 + 9}} =$$

b.
$$\int_0^4 \frac{2x \, dx}{\sqrt{9 + 4x}} =$$

c.
$$\int_0^{10} 200t^2 e^{-0.06t} \, dt =$$

d.
$$\int \frac{3 \, dv}{\sqrt{4v^2 + 25}} =$$

e.
$$\int 5x^3 \ln x \, dx =$$

f.
$$\int_0^2 \frac{3 + 5x}{2 + 7x} \, dx =$$

2. Compute the producers' and consumers' surplus at equilibrium for the market with the supply and demand equations:

supply:
$$p = 0.1q + 5$$
; demand: $p = 40 - \frac{q}{10} - \frac{q^2}{100}$.

- **3.** Compute the Gini coefficient (of inequality) for the nation whose income distribution curve is given by $y = 0.3x^3 + 0.2x^2 + 0.5x$.
- 4. Compute the present value of the continuous annuity that pays at the rate f(t) = 250t for T = 20 years, where the constant interest rate is r = 4.75%.
- **5.** A firm's cost function is given by $c = 0.05q^2 + 35q + 12000$. Compute the average value of this cost function on the interval [0, 100]. Is this the same as the *average cost of producing 100 units*?
- 6. Consider the sum

$$\sum_{k=1}^{500} 0.4k \cdot e^{-0.0019k}.$$

- a. Use the formula from problem 7. in the exercises of SN 1 to compute its value.
- b. Compare your answer to the answer you found in problem 4., above.
- c. Explain the results.