MATH 166 SPRING 2009 EXAM 2

1. (40 pt) Evaluate the following integrals if they exist:

a)
$$\int_{0}^{\infty} (x - \sqrt{x^2 + 1}) dx$$
 b) $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{e^{-\sqrt[3]{|x|}}}{x^{\frac{2}{3}}} dx$ c) $\int_{-R}^{R} \frac{dx}{\sqrt{R^2 - x^2}}$ d) $\int_{-e}^{e^2} \frac{(\ln(|t|))^n dt}{t}, n > 0$

2. (20 pt) Let a > 0 be a fixed constant. Find all values of b ($a \ge b \ge 0$) such that the centroid of the region bounded by f(x) = ax(1-x) and g(x) = bx(1-x), $0 \le x \le 1$ is actually in the region.

3. (8 pt) Show that the substitution $x = \tan(\theta)$ converts the integral

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{\sqrt{x^2 + 1}}{x^n} dx, n \text{ an integer greater than } 2$$

to a proper integral (and hence the integral converges).

4. (15 pt) Find the surface area obtained when $f(x) = \sin(nx)$, where n is a positive integer and $0 \le x \le \frac{\pi}{n}$ is revolved about the x-axis. What happens to your answer as $n \longrightarrow \infty$ (does this make sense)?

5. (8 pt) Find a such that the length of the curve $f(x) = x^3$ on the interval [a, a + k] (where k > 0 is a fixed constant) starting at a is minimized.

6. (12 pt) Find the force due to hydrostatic pressure on the side of a trough of length L if the end is a semicircle of radius R and it is filled to the top with a fluid of density ρ .

7. (7 pt) Explain the construction behind Simpson's Rule and why the value of n must always be even.