MA 22400 – EXAM 2 FORMULAS

TRAPEZOIDAL RULE

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx \equiv \frac{\Delta x}{2}\Big[f(x_1) + 2f(x_2) + 2f(x_3) + \cdots + 2f(x_n) + f(x_{n+1})\Big],$$

where $a = x_1, x_2, x_3, \ldots, x_{n+1} = b$ subdivides $[a, b]$ into n equal subintervals of length $\Delta x = \dfrac{b-a}{n}$.

THE SECOND DERIVATIVE TEST

Suppose f is a function of two variables x and y, and that all the second-order partial derivatives are continuous. Let

$$D = f_{xx}f_{yy} - (f_{xy})^2$$

and suppose (a, b) is a critical point of f.

1. If $D(a, b) < 0$, then f has a saddle point at (a, b),
2. If $D(a, b) > 0$ and $f_{xx}(a, b) < 0$, then f has a relative maximum at (a, b).
3. If $D(a, b) > 0$ and $f_{xx}(a, b) > 0$, then f has a relative minimum at (a, b).
4. If $D(a, b) = 0$, the test is inconclusive.