

8. [12 points] Some values of the continuous, differentiable function  $g(x)$  are given in the table below.

$x$	1	5/4	3/2	7/4	2
$g(x)$	2	3	4	7	10

- a. [6 points] Estimate the integral  $\int_1^4 \frac{g(\sqrt{t})}{\sqrt{t}} dt$  using these data.

*Solution:* Let  $w = \sqrt{t}$ . Then  $dw = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt = \frac{1}{2w} dt$ , and the integral is  $\int_1^4 g(\sqrt{t}) dt = \int_1^2 2g(w) dw$ . We can estimate this integral from the given data: a left-hand sum is

$$\text{LHS} = \frac{1}{4}(2)(2 + 3 + 4 + 7) = 8.$$

We could also use a right-hand sum or trapezoid estimate:

$$\begin{aligned} \text{RHS} &= \frac{1}{4}(2)(3 + 4 + 7 + 10) = 12, \\ \text{and TRAP} &= \frac{1}{2}(8 + 12) = 10. \end{aligned}$$

- b. [6 points] Estimate the integral  $\int_1^4 g(\sqrt{t}) dt$  using these data.

*Solution:* Let  $w = \sqrt{t}$ . Then  $dw = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{t}} dt = \frac{1}{2w} dt$ , and the integral is  $\int_1^4 g(\sqrt{t}) dt = \int_1^2 2w g(w) dw$ . We can estimate this integral from the given data:

$w$	1	5/4	3/2	7/4	2
$g(w)$	2	3	4	7	10
$2w g(w)$	4	15/2	12	49/2	40

Thus, a left-hand sum gives  $\int_1^2 2w g(w) dw \approx \frac{1}{4}(4 + 15/2 + 12 + 49/2) = 12$ , a right-hand sum gives  $\int_1^2 2w g(w) dw \approx \frac{1}{4}(15/2 + 12 + 49/2 + 40) = 21$ , and an average of the two may be expected to be a reasonable estimate for the actual value of the integral:

$$\int_1^2 2w g(w) dw \approx \frac{33}{2} = 16.5.$$