



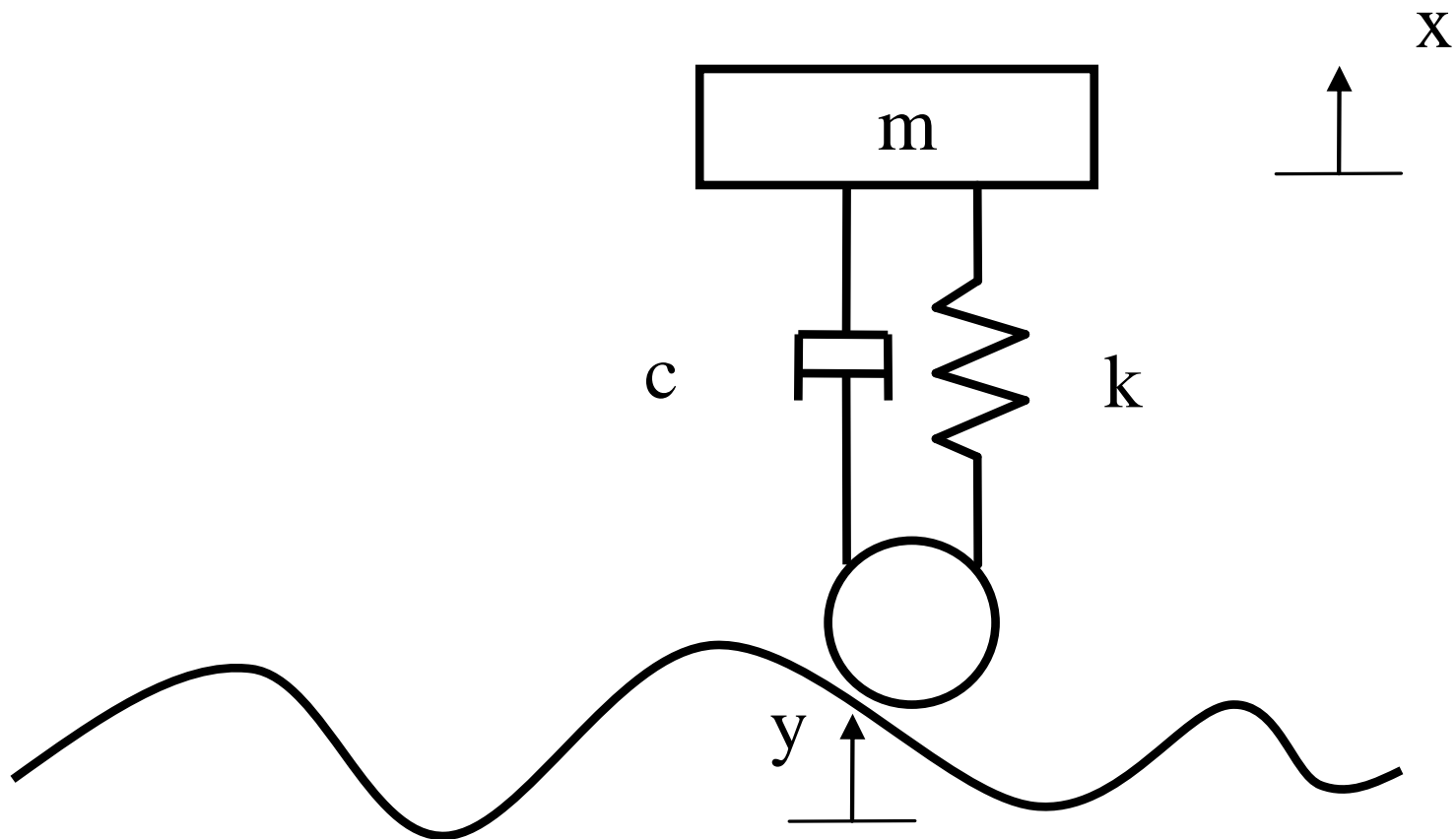
Numerical Integration

Jake Blanchard

University of Wisconsin - Madison

Spring 2008

Case Study



The Case

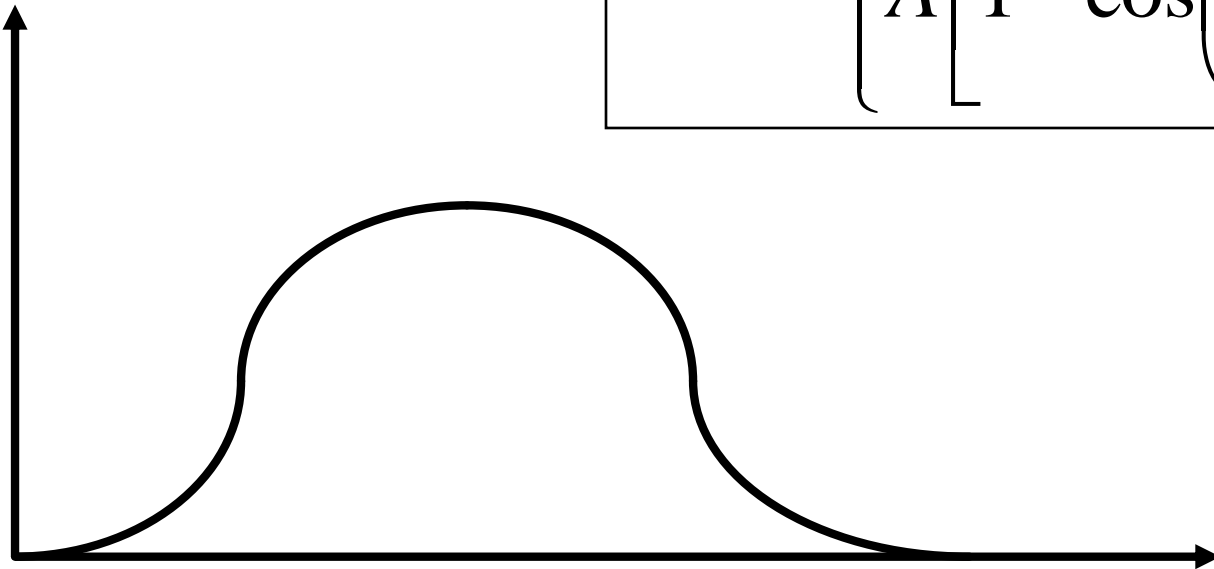
- Model as a differential equation ($F=ma$)
- Then convert to integral

$$x(t) - y(t) = -\frac{1}{\omega_n} \int_0^t \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} h(t-s) ds$$

$$h(t) = \frac{e^{-\zeta \omega_n t}}{\sqrt{1-\zeta^2}} \sin\left(\sqrt{1-\zeta^2} \omega_n t\right)$$

The Case

$$y(t) = \begin{cases} 0 & t > \frac{\lambda}{v} \\ A \left[1 - \cos \left(2\pi \frac{Vt}{\lambda} \right) \right] & t < \frac{\lambda}{v} \end{cases}$$



λ/v

The Case

- Note that since $y=0$ for $t>\lambda/V$, then we can write, for $t>\lambda/V$

$$x(t) - y(t) = -\frac{1}{\omega_n} \int_0^{\lambda/V} \frac{d^2 y}{dt^2} h(t-s) ds$$

Simplifying...

- Look at end of bump ($t=\lambda/V$) and ignoring damping

$$x = -\frac{A}{\omega_n} \left(\frac{2\pi V}{\lambda} \right)^2 \int_0^{\lambda/V} \cos\left(\frac{2\pi V \xi}{\lambda} \right) \sin\left(\omega_n \left[\frac{\lambda}{V} - \xi \right] \right) d\xi$$

- $k=60,000$ N/m
- $m=900$ kg
- $\lambda=4$ m $A=0.04$ m $V=75$ mph

Simplifying...

$$x = 13.6 \int_0^{0.12} \cos(53 s) \sin[8(0.12 - s)] ds$$

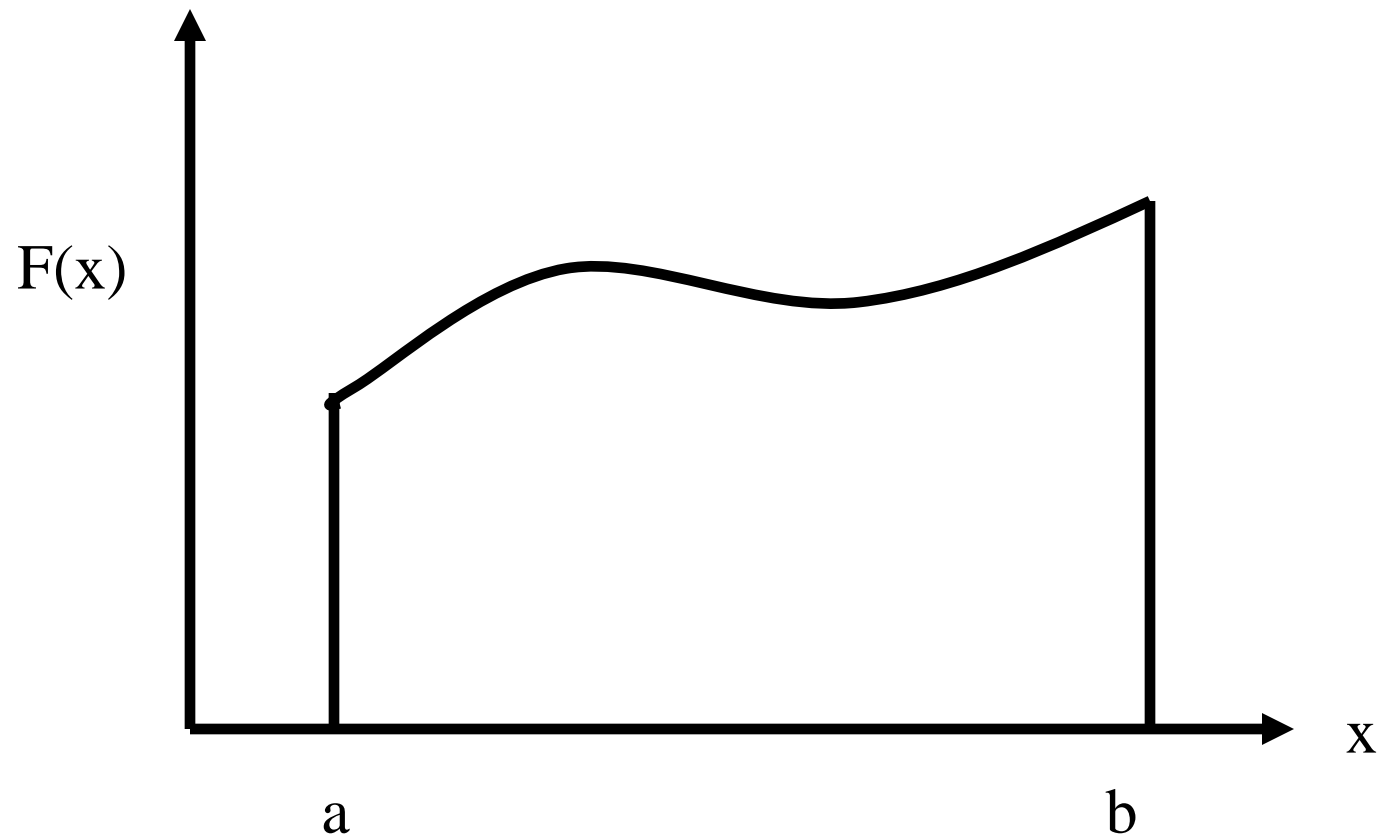
What is numerical integration?

- We seek a numerical approximation to

$$I = \int_a^b f(x)dx$$

- This is equivalent to finding the area under a curve

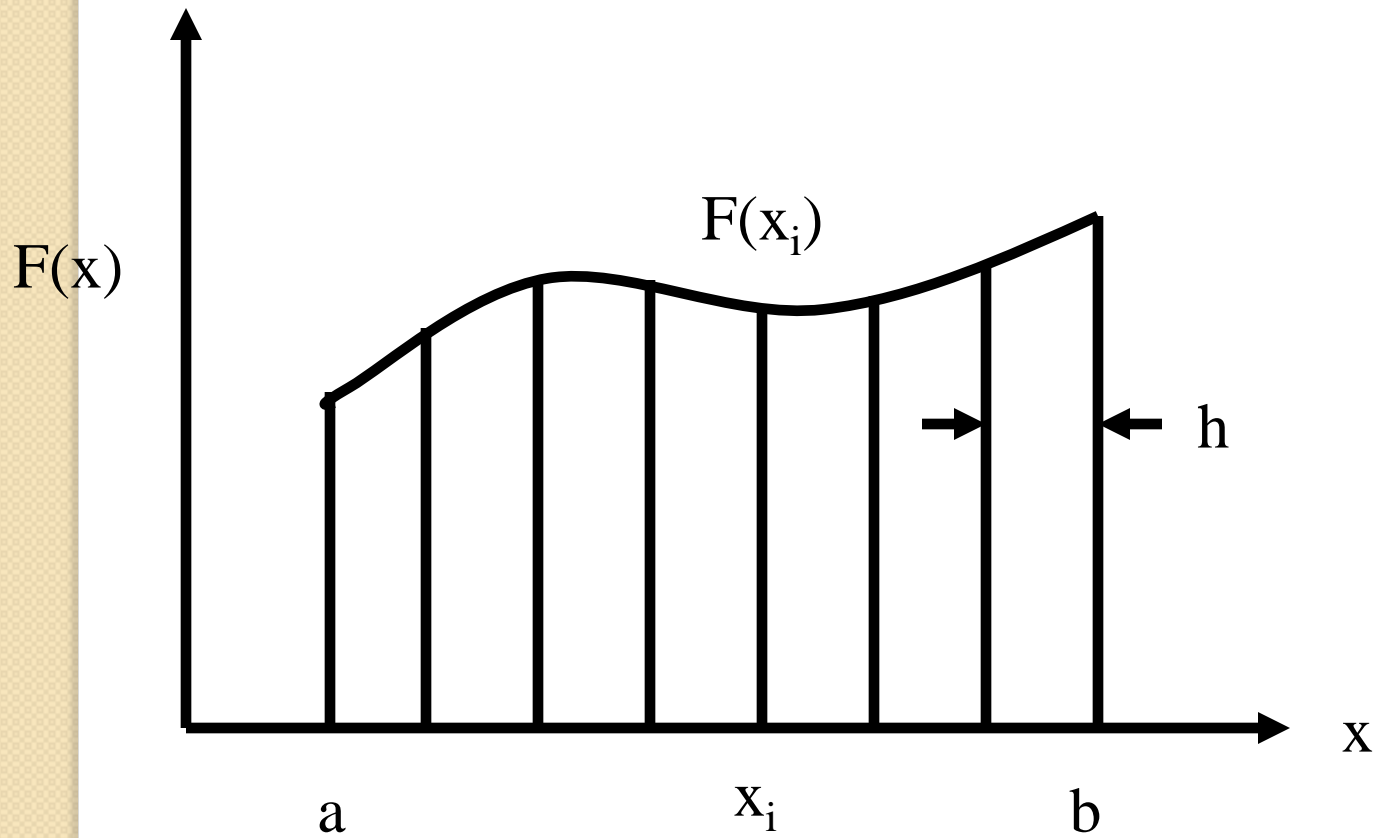
Schematic



General Approach

- Divide interval ($a < x < b$) up into small pieces
- Evaluate $f(x)$ at discrete points
- Approximate integral as sum of approximate areas of pieces

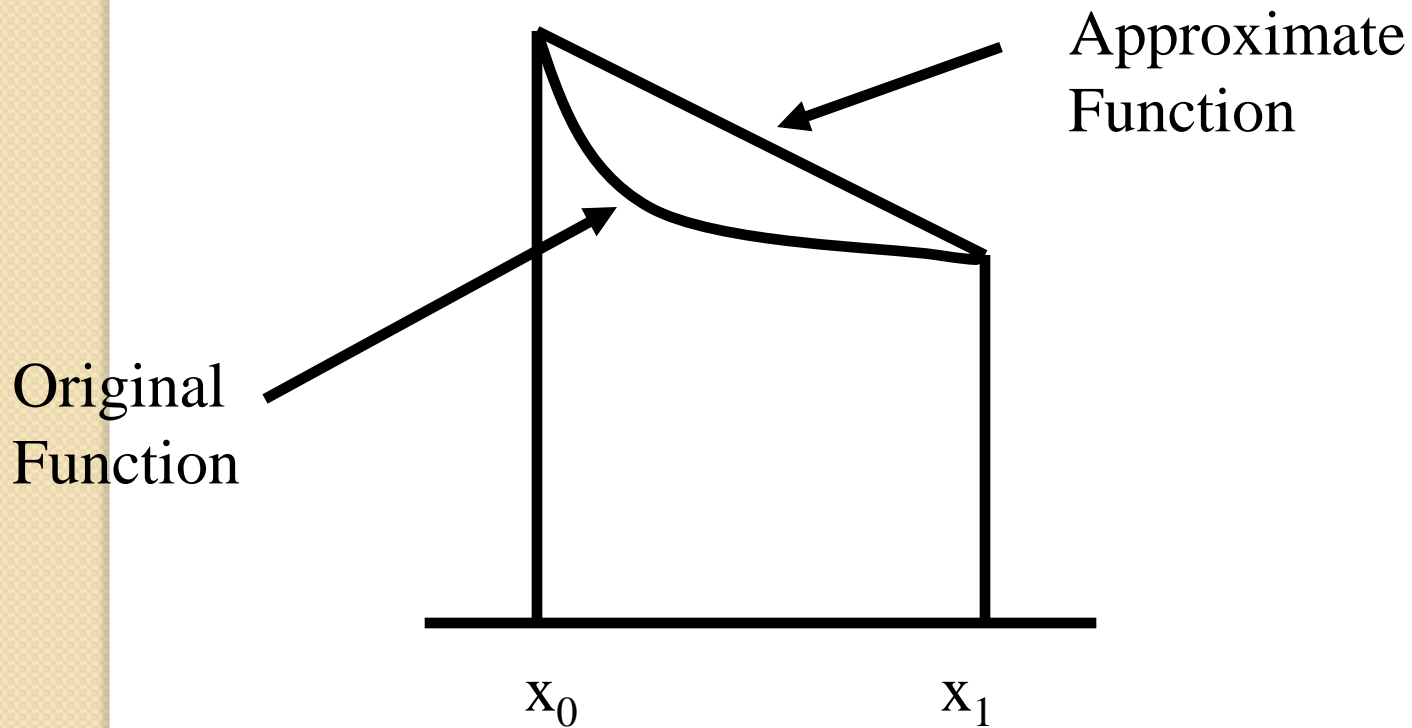
Schematic



Trapezoidal Rule

- This is the simplest rule
- Connect two points at top to create trapezoid
- Area of trapezoid is width times average height

Trapezoidal Rule



Trapezoidal Rule

- Approximate Area = $0.5 * h * [F(x_0) + F(x_1)]$
- Now we just add up all the little areas to get the full area
- For 2 divisions, we get
- $A = 0.5 * h * \{ [F(x_0) + F(x_1)] + [F(x_1) + F(x_2)] \}$

Trapezoidal Rule

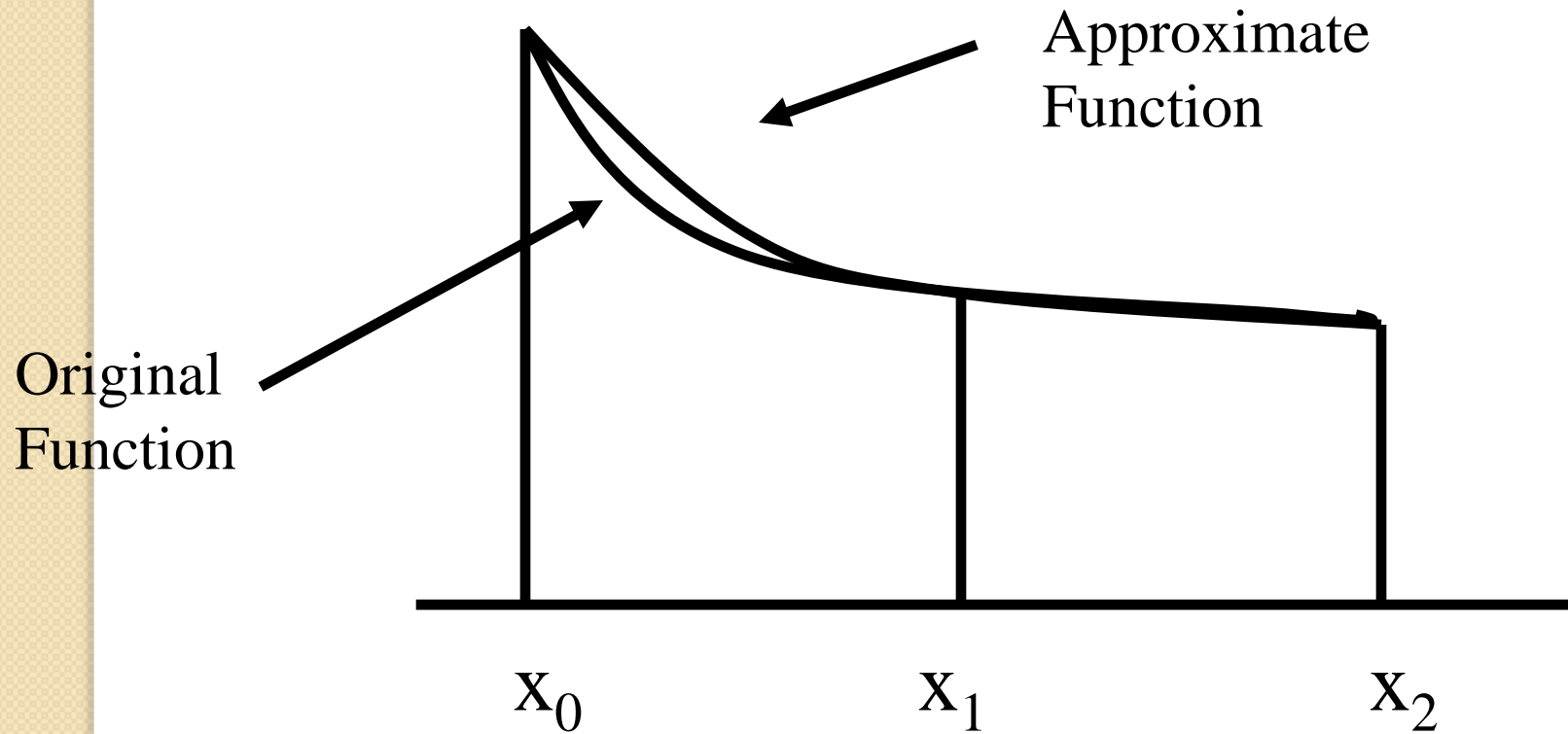
- Or: $A = h * [0.5 * F(x_0) + F(x_1) + 0.5 * F(x_2)]$
- The composite rule, then, is that we add up half the first and last points along with all the interior points

$$I \approx h \left(\frac{f_0}{2} + f_1 + f_2 + \cdots + f_{N-2} + f_{N-1} + \frac{f_N}{2} \right)$$

Simpson's Rule

- Similar to trapezoidal rule
- Use pairs of divisions
- Fit to parabola at top

Simpson's Rule



Simpson's Rule

- The composite rule

$$I \approx \frac{h}{3} \left(f_0 + 4f_1 + 2f_2 + 4f_3 \cdots + \right. \\ \left. 4f_{N-3} + 2f_{N-2} + 4f_{N-1} + f_N \right)$$

Matlab

- With Matlab, you can just use the QUADL function that is built into the program
- This will be both more accurate and faster than Excel
- It uses an adaptive Simpson's rule

Matlab

```
a=0;
```

```
b=1;
```

```
integral=quadl('sin',a,b)
```

```
integral=quadl(@sin,a,b)
```

Practice



- The length of the supporting cable of a suspension bridge is given by the integral below.
- Solve this for $a=60$ m and $h=15$ m, where a is the half-length of the bridge and h is the tower height

$$L = 2 \int_0^a \sqrt{1 + \frac{4h^2 x^2}{a^4}} dx$$

Practice

- The electric field due to a charged circular disk at a distance z along the disk axis is given below.
- Find E at $z=5$ cm for $R=6$ cm, $\sigma=300 \mu\text{C}/\text{m}^2$

$$E = \frac{\sigma z}{4\epsilon_0} \int_0^R \frac{2rdr}{(z^2 + r^2)^{1.5}}$$

$$\epsilon_0 = 8.85 \times 10^{-12} \quad \text{C}^2 / \text{N} - \text{m}^2$$

Practice – car suspension

$$x = 13.6 \int_0^{0.119} \cos(53 s) \sin[8(0.119 - s)] ds$$



Questions