Physics 2400

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Question:	1	2	3	4	5	Total
Points:	10	10	10	10	15	55
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Course logistics.

- 1. (10 points)
 - □ I've read the Introduction, pp. 9–13, to the lecture notes *Physical Mathematics*, by Michael P. Brenner, Harvard AM201, 2010.
- 2. (10 points)
 - □ I've read the Section "Low entropy expressions", from the book *Street*-*Fighting Mathematics*, pp. 80–82, by Sanjoy Mahajan, MIT, 2010
- 3. (10 points)
 - □ I've watched in full the video recording of R. Feynman's lecture *The relation* of *Mathematics and Physics* which was assigned as a part of HW1.
- 4. (10 points)
 - □ I've read E. Wigner's article *The Unreasonable Effectiveness of Mathematics in the Natural Sciences* which was assigned as a part of HW1.

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Computer algebra

5. (15 points) Use Mathematica to obtain an analytical expression for the following integral:

$$f(x) = \int_{\frac{1}{2}}^{\pi - \frac{1}{2}} \sin^x(y) \,\mathrm{d}y$$

Plot on the same graph, for $10 \le x \le 50$, your result and the following approximation to the integral (that we are going to derive later in the course):

$$g(x) = \sqrt{\frac{2\pi}{x}}.$$

Print your mathematica session and attach the printout to the rest of your homework.

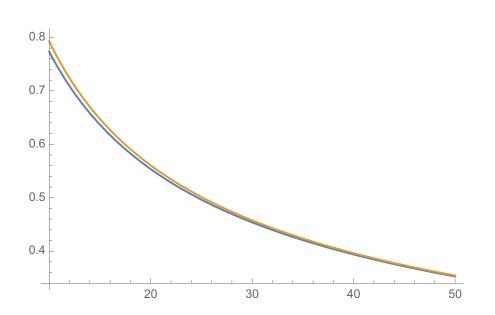


Figure 1: Problem 5: expected graph