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- **MA** 11 (a) Sketch the graph of  $y = \ln x$  in the space provided. **SQ** (b) Use the trapezoidal rule with three function values to find an approximation to  $\int_{1}^{3} \ln x \, dx$ .
  - (c) State whether the approximation found in part (b) is greater than or less than the exact value of  $\int_{1}^{3} \ln x \, dx$ . Justify your answer.

(a) (b) V 1 2 3 х  $y = \ln x$ 0 ln2 ln3 ln*x*  $\int_{1}^{3} \ln x \, dx \approx \frac{b-a}{2n} \{f(a) + f(b) + 2[f(x_1) + \dots f(x_{n-1})]\}$ 0 2 3 1  $=\frac{1}{2}\{0+\ln 3+2\ln 2\}$  $=\frac{1}{2}(\ln 3 + 2\ln 2)$ = 1.242453325... = 1.24 (2 dec pl)(c) The approximation using the trapezoidal rule is less than the exact value because  $y = \ln x$  is concave down and the trapezia are under the curve.

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