

[Quiz 2, Friday January 25th] Name:

Find the following integrals:

1. $\int_0^1 \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$ (using a substitution, $u = ?$, $du = ?$)

Let $u = 1 - x^2$, $du = -2x dx$, so that $x^3 dx = x^2(x dx) = (1 - u) \frac{du}{-2}$. We get (note the change in the limits of integration)

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \int_1^0 \frac{(1-u) \frac{du}{-2}}{\sqrt{u}} = -\frac{1}{2} \int_1^0 (u^{-1/2} - u^{1/2}) du = -\frac{1}{2} \left(2u^{1/2} - \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right) \Big|_1^0 = \frac{2}{3}.$$

2. $\int_0^1 \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx$ (using an inverse trigonometric substitution, $x = ?$, $dx = ?$)

Letting $x = \sin \theta$, $dx = \cos \theta d\theta$, we get

$$\int_0^1 \frac{x^3}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} dx = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{\sqrt{1-\sin^2 \theta}} \cos \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sin^3 \theta}{\cos \theta} \cos \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^3 \theta d\theta.$$

To integrate $\sin^3 \theta$ we use the Pythagorean identity and a substitution, $u = \cos \theta$, $du = -\sin \theta d\theta$ to get

$$\int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^3 \theta d\theta = \int_0^{\pi/2} (1 - \cos^2 \theta) \sin \theta d\theta = -\int_1^0 (1 - u^2) du = -u + u^3/3 \Big|_1^0 = 2/3.$$

If we had been doing an indefinite integral, we would need to convert $u^3/3 - u$ back to x :

$$\begin{aligned} u^3/3 - u &= \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 \theta - \cos \theta = \frac{1}{3} \cos^3(\arcsin x) - \cos(\arcsin x) \\ &= \frac{1}{3} (1 - x^2)^{3/2} - (1 - x^2)^{1/2} = -\frac{1}{3} (1 - x^2)^{1/2} (x^2 + 2). \end{aligned}$$

(Draw a triangle to see that $\cos(\arcsin x) = \sqrt{1 - x^2}$).

3. $\int \frac{\ln y}{y^4} dy$

Integrate by parts with

$$u = \ln y, \quad dv = y^{-4} dy, \quad du = \frac{dy}{y}, \quad v = -\frac{1}{3y^3},$$

to get

$$\int \frac{\ln y}{y^4} dy = -\frac{\ln y}{3y^3} - \int -\frac{dy}{3y^4} = -\frac{\ln y}{3y^3} + \frac{1}{3} \int y^{-4} dy = -\frac{\ln y}{3y^3} - \frac{1}{9y^3} = -\frac{1}{3y^3} (\ln y + 1/3).$$

4. $\int \cos^2(\omega t) dt$ ($\omega \neq 0$ constant)

Using the identity $\cos^2 x = \frac{1 + \cos(2x)}{2}$, we have

$$\int \cos^2(\omega t) dt = \int \frac{1 + \cos(2\omega t)}{2} dt = \frac{t}{2} + \frac{\sin(2\omega t)}{4\omega}.$$