

5.5 u -Substitution (Solutions)

1. $\int x\sqrt{1-x^2} dx$

Substitution: Let $u = 1 - x^2$. Then $du = -2x dx \implies -\frac{1}{2}du = x dx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sqrt{1-x^2} \cdot (x dx) &= \int u^{1/2} \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{2} du\right) \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \int u^{1/2} du \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2}\right) + C \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{1}{3}(1-x^2)^{3/2} + C}\end{aligned}$$

2. $\int x \sec^2(x^2) dx$

Substitution: Let $u = x^2$. Then $du = 2x dx \implies \frac{1}{2}du = x dx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sec^2(x^2) \cdot (x dx) &= \int \sec^2(u) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} du\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \int \sec^2(u) du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \tan(u) + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \tan(x^2) + C}\end{aligned}$$

3. $\int \frac{e^x}{1+e^x} dx$

Substitution: Let $u = 1 + e^x$. Then $du = e^x dx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \frac{1}{1+e^x} \cdot (e^x dx) &= \int \frac{1}{u} du \\ &= \ln|u| + C \\ &= \boxed{\ln(1+e^x) + C}\end{aligned}$$

4. $\int \frac{x}{(x^2+1)^3} dx$

Substitution: Let $u = x^2 + 1$. Then $du = 2x dx \implies \frac{1}{2}du = x dx$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int (x^2+1)^{-3} \cdot (x dx) &= \int u^{-3} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} du\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{u^{-2}}{-2}\right) + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{4} u^{-2} + C \\ &= \boxed{-\frac{1}{4(x^2+1)^2} + C}\end{aligned}$$

$$5. \int \frac{x}{1+x^4} dx$$

Strategy: Rewrite x^4 as $(x^2)^2$.

Substitution: Let $u = x^2$. Then $du = 2x dx \implies \frac{1}{2}du = x dx$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{1+(x^2)^2} \cdot (x dx) &= \int \frac{1}{1+u^2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} du\right) \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \arctan(u) + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2} \arctan(x^2) + C} \end{aligned}$$

$$6. \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{x+2}} dx$$

Substitution: Let $u = x + 2$. Then $du = dx$.

Critical Step: Solve for $x \implies x = u - 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{u-2}{\sqrt{u}} du &= \int \left(\frac{u}{u^{1/2}} - \frac{2}{u^{1/2}} \right) du \\ &= \int \left(u^{1/2} - 2u^{-1/2} \right) du \\ &= \left(\frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right) - 2 \left(2u^{1/2} \right) + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{2}{3}(x+2)^{3/2} - 4\sqrt{x+2} + C} \end{aligned}$$

$$7. \int_0^1 (5x+1)^3 dx$$

Substitution: Let $u = 5x + 1 \implies \frac{1}{5}du = dx$.

New Bounds: $x = 0 \rightarrow u = 1$; $x = 1 \rightarrow u = 6$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^6 u^3 \cdot \left(\frac{1}{5} du\right) &= \frac{1}{5} \left[\frac{u^4}{4} \right]_1^6 \\ &= \frac{1}{20} (6^4 - 1^4) \\ &= \frac{1295}{20} = \boxed{\frac{259}{4}} \end{aligned}$$

$$8. \int_0^{\pi/4} \sec^2(x) \tan(x) dx$$

Substitution: Let $u = \tan(x) \implies du = \sec^2(x) dx$.

New Bounds: $x = 0 \rightarrow u = 0$; $x = \pi/4 \rightarrow u = 1$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^1 u du &= \left[\frac{u^2}{2} \right]_0^1 \\ &= \frac{1}{2}(1)^2 - \frac{1}{2}(0)^2 \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$

$$9. \int_0^{\sqrt{7}} x\sqrt{x^2+1} dx$$

Substitution: Let $u = x^2 + 1 \implies \frac{1}{2}du = x dx$.

New Bounds: $x = 0 \rightarrow u = 1$; $x = \sqrt{7} \rightarrow u = 8$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_1^8 u^{1/2} \cdot \left(\frac{1}{2} du\right) &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{2}{3}u^{3/2}\right]_1^8 \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(8^{3/2} - 1^{3/2}) \\ &= \frac{1}{3}(16\sqrt{2} - 1) = \boxed{\frac{16\sqrt{2} - 1}{3}} \end{aligned}$$

$$10. \int_0^{\ln 2} e^{-x} dx$$

Substitution: Let $u = -x \implies -du = dx$.

New Bounds: $x = 0 \rightarrow u = 0$; $x = \ln 2 \rightarrow u = -\ln 2$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{-\ln 2} e^u(-du) &= -[e^u]_0^{-\ln 2} \\ &= -(e^{-\ln 2} - e^0) \\ &= -\left(\frac{1}{2} - 1\right) \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{2}} \end{aligned}$$