Mathematics 1220-90 Summer, 2003, Final Examination Answers

1. Find the integral : $\int \frac{\ln x}{x^2} dx$

Answer. We integrate by parts to replace the term $\ln x$ by a monomial. Make the substitution $u = \ln x$, $dv = dx/x^2$, du = dx/x, v = -1/x. Then

$$\int \frac{\ln x}{x^2} dx = -\frac{\ln x}{x} + \int \frac{dx}{x^2} = -\frac{\ln x}{x} - \frac{1}{x} + C \; .$$

2. Integrate $\int_{1}^{4} (x^2 + 3x)\sqrt{x} dx$

Answer. Just do the multiplication and integrate;

$$\int_{1}^{4} (x^{5/2} + 3x^{3/2}) dx = \frac{2}{7} x^{7/2} + 3\frac{2}{5} x^{5/2} \Big|_{1}^{4} = \frac{254}{7} + 3\frac{62}{5} = 73.486$$

3. Integrate :
$$\int \frac{u^2 + 1}{u^2(u-1)} du$$

Answer. We integrate by parts; that is, we find A, B, C such that

$$\frac{u^2 + 1}{u^2(u-1)} = \frac{A}{u} + \frac{B}{u^2} + \frac{C}{u-1} \; .$$

Putting the right side over a common denominator and equating numerators gives $u^2 + 1 = Au(u-1) + B(u-1) + Cu^2$. Now evaluate at the roots:

At u = 0: 1 = B(-1) so that B = -1, At u = 1: $1^2 + 1 = C$ so that C = 2.

Now we equate the coefficients of u^2 : 1 = A + C, so that A = -C + 1 = -1. This gives us

$$\int \frac{u^2 + 1}{u^2(u-1)} du = \int \frac{-1}{u} du + \int \frac{-1}{u^2} du + \int \frac{2}{u-1} du = -\ln|u| + u^{-1} + 2\ln|u-1| + C.$$

4. Four years ago I invested \$10,000 in an account bearing continuously compounded interest. Today I have \$13,500. Assuming that the same interest rate continues into the future, when will my account have \$20,000?

Answer. We use the equation $P = P_0 e^{rt}$. We are given: at t = 0, $P_0 = 10000$; at t = 4, P = 13500. Thus we can solve for the interest rate;

$$135 = 100e^{4r}$$
, giving $r = \frac{\ln(1.35)}{4} = .075$.

Now we want to know how long it takes \$13500 to grow to \$20000 at that rate:

$$200 = 135e^{.075t} \text{ giving } t = \frac{\ln(200/135)}{.075} = 5.241$$

more years.

5. Find the limit. Show your work.

a) Answer.
$$\lim_{x \to 4} \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{x^2 - 16} = {l'}^H \lim_{x \to 4} \frac{\pi \cos(\pi x)}{2x} = \frac{\pi}{8} .$$

b) Answer.
$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x - 1 - x}{2x^2} =^{l'H} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{4x} =^{l'H} \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x}{4} = \frac{1}{4}.$$

c) Answer.
$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^3}{e^x} = {}^{l'H} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x^2}{e^x} = {}^{l'H} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{6x}{e^x} = {}^{l'H} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{6}{e^x} = 0.$$

6. Do the integrals converge? If so, evaluate:

a) Answer.
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \lim_{A \to \infty} \int_{1}^{A} \frac{dx}{1+x^2} = \lim_{A \to \infty} (\arctan A - \arctan 1) = \frac{\pi}{4}$$
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b) Answer.
$$\int_{1}^{\infty} \frac{dx}{1+x} = \lim_{A \to \infty} \int_{1}^{A} \frac{dx}{1+x} = \lim_{A \to \infty} (\ln(1+A) - \ln 2) = \infty$$
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7. Find the sum of the series. If the series does not converge, just write "DIV". Carefully note the limits of summation.

$$a) \qquad \qquad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n-1}}{3^n}$$

Answer. This is nearly the geometric series. Thus, we write

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{2^{n-1}}{3^n} = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} (\frac{2}{3})^n = \frac{1}{2} \frac{1}{1-2/3} = \frac{3}{2} .$$

b)
$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n-1)}$$

c)

Answer. This is a telescoping series:

$$\sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n(n-1)} = \sum_{n=3}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{n-1} - \frac{1}{n}\right) = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{3} + \frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{4} + \dots = \frac{1}{2} .$$
$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^{n-1}}$$

Answer. Thius series suggests the geometric series:

$$\frac{1}{1-x} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} x^n \; .$$

Now, the factor n suggests differentiating:

$$\frac{1}{(1-x)^2} = \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} nx^{n-1}$$

Now, substitute x = 1/3:

$$\sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{n}{3^{n-1}} = \frac{1}{(1-\frac{1}{3})^2} = \frac{9}{4}$$

$$d) \qquad \qquad \sum_{n=0}^{\infty} \frac{(12)^n}{n!}$$

Answer. This is just the series for e^x at x = 12, so the sum is e^{12} .

8. Consider the hyperbola given by the equation $x^2 - 2y^2 - 2x + 12y = 138$.

a) What is its center? b) What is the distance between the its vertices?

Answer. Complete the square: $x^2 - 2x + 1 - 2(y^2 - 6y + 9) = 138 + 1 - 18$, which becomes

$$(x-1)^2 - 2(y-3)^2 = 121$$
 or $\frac{(x-1)^2}{121} - \frac{(y-3)^2}{121/2} = 1$

Thus the center of the hyperbola is at (1,3), and its major axis is the line y = 3. Setting y = 3, we find $x - 1 = \pm 11$, so the vertices are at (-10,3),(12,3). Thus the distance between the vertices is 22.

9. Find the area of the region enclosed by the curve given in polar coordinates by $r = 2\cos\theta$.

Answer. This is the circle of radius 1 centered at the point (1,0) so has area π . If you did not recognize the curve, you integrated, but only from 0 to π , since that is all you need to traverse the whole boundary. Thus

$$Area = \int_0^{\pi} \frac{1}{2} r^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{\pi} (2\cos\theta)^2 d\theta = \int_0^{\pi} (1+\cos(2\theta)) d\theta = \pi \; .$$

10. a) Find the general solution of the differential equation y'' - 6y' + 5y = 0.

Answer. The auxiliary equation, $r^2 - 6r + 5 = 0$ has the roots r = 1, 5. Thus the general solution is

$$y_h = Ae^x + Be^{5x} \; .$$

b) Solve the initial value problem:

$$y'' - 6y' + 5y = 10$$
, $y(0) = 0, y'(0) = 0$.

Answer. A particular solution is the constant function $y_p = 2$. Thus the general solution is $y = y_p + y_h = 2 + Ae^x + Be^{5x}$. We solve for A and B from the initial conditions:

$$0 = 2 + A + B$$
, $0 = A + 5B$, so $A = -\frac{5}{2}$, $B = \frac{1}{2}$

and the solution is

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$$y = 2 - \frac{5}{2}e^x + \frac{1}{2}e^{5x}$$
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