

Calculus II
Exam 2, Summer 2003, Answers

Find all the integrals. Remember that definite integrals should have numerical answers. You MUST show your work.

1a. $\int x(\ln x) dx$

Answer. We integrate by parts to get rid of the logarithm. Let $u = \ln x$, $du = dx/x$, $dv = x dx$, $v = x^2/2$. The integral becomes

$$uv - \int v du = \frac{x^2 \ln x}{2} - \int \frac{x^2}{2} \frac{dx}{x}.$$

The last integral is $x^2/4 + C$, so the answer is

$$\int x(\ln x) dx = \frac{x^2 \ln x}{2} - \frac{x^2}{4} + C.$$

1b. $\int \frac{\ln(x^2)}{x} dx$

Answer. Resist the temptation to let $u = x^2$, and instead first note that $\ln(x^2) = 2 \ln x$. Now we can make the substitution $u = \ln x$, $du = dx/x$, to get

$$\int \frac{\ln(x^2)}{x} dx = 2 \int \frac{\ln x}{x} dx = 2 \int u du = u^2 + C = (\ln x)^2 + C.$$

The substitution $u = x^2$ doesn't fail; it just makes more work. We get $du/2u = dx/x$, leading to

$$\int \frac{\ln(x^2)}{x} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{\ln u}{u} du = \frac{(\ln(x^2))^2}{4} + C,$$

which is the same answer. Check it!

2. $\int \frac{dx}{x(x-1)(x+2)}$

Answer. We use partial fractions. We set

$$\frac{1}{x(x-1)(x+2)} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{C}{x+2} = \frac{A(x-1)(x+2) + Bx(x+2) + Cx(x-1)}{x(x-1)(x+2)}$$

Set x equal to the roots and equate numerators:

$$x = 0: \quad -2A = 1, \quad x = 1: \quad 3B = 1, \quad x = -2: \quad C(-2)(-3) = 1,$$

so $A = -1/2, B = 1/3, C = -1/6$. This gives the answer as

$$-1/2 \int \frac{dx}{x} + 1/3 \int \frac{dx}{x-1} - 1/6 \int \frac{dx}{x+2} = -\frac{\ln x}{2} + \frac{\ln(x-1)}{3} - \frac{\ln(x+2)}{6} + C.$$

3. $\int_0^2 \frac{e^x}{1+e^{2x}} dx$

Answer. Let $u = e^x$, $du = e^x dx$. For $x = 0$, we have $u = 1$, and for $x = 2$, $u = e^2$. The integral is

$$\int_1^{e^2} \frac{du}{1+u^2} = \arctan u \Big|_1^{e^2} = \arctan(e^2) - \frac{\pi}{4} = .65088 .$$

4. $\int x(x+1)^{12} dx$

Answer. There are lots of ways to do this.

A. Use the substitution $u = x + 1$, so that $x(x+1)^{12} dx = (u-1)u^{12} du = (u^{13} - u^{12}) du$. Then the integral is

$$\int (u^{13} - u^{12}) du = \frac{(x+1)^{14}}{14} - \frac{(x+1)^{13}}{13} + C .$$

B. Let $x = (x+1) - 1$, so that $x(x+1)^{12} = (x+1)^{13} - (x+1)^{12}$, and we get the same thing.

C. Integrate by parts to get rid of the x term: $u = x, du = dx, dv = (x+1)^{12} dx, v = (x+1)^{13}/13$, leading to

$$\int x(x+1)^{12} dx = \frac{1}{13} [x(x+1)^{13} - \int (x+1)^{13} dx] = \frac{1}{13} [x(x+1)^{13} - \frac{(x+1)^{14}}{14}] + C .$$

You can check that these are the same answers, and can both be rewritten as

$$\int x(x+1)^{12} dx = \frac{(x+1)^{13}(13x-1)}{182} + C .$$

5. $\int_2^4 \frac{dx}{x(x-1)^2}$

Answer. We use partial fractions. We set

$$\frac{1}{x(x-1)^2} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x-1} + \frac{C}{(x-1)^2} = \frac{A(x-1)^2 + Bx(x-1) + Cx}{x(x-1)(x+2)}$$

Setting $x = 0$, we obtain $A = 1$, at $x = 1$ we obtain $C = 1$. Now compare the coefficient of x^2 on both sides, to obtain $0 = A + B$, so $B = -1$. Thus the integral is

$$\begin{aligned} \int_2^4 \left(\frac{1}{x} - \frac{1}{x-1} + \frac{1}{(x-1)^2} \right) dx &= (\ln x - \ln(x-1) - (x-1)^{-1}) \Big|_2^4 \\ &= \ln 4 - \ln 3 - \frac{1}{3} - (\ln 2 - \ln 1 - 1) = \ln \frac{2}{3} + \frac{2}{3} = 2.612 . \end{aligned}$$