

Techniques: Simple Substitution

Problem Evaluate $I = \int_{-2}^2 (x-4)^5 dx$

Solⁿ

Let $u = x - 4$ $x = -2$ when $u = -6$

$du = dx$

$x = 2$ when $u = -2$

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{-6}^{-2} u^5 du = \left. \frac{u^6}{6} \right|_{-6}^{-2} \\ &= \frac{(-2)^6}{6} - \frac{(-6)^6}{6} \\ &= \frac{1}{6} (2^6 - 6^6) \\ &= \text{etc.} \end{aligned}$$

Problem Evaluate $I = \int_1^2 x(x^2+5)^3 dx$

Solⁿ

Let $u = x^2 + 5$

$x = 1$ when $u = 6$

$du = 2x dx$

$x = 2$ when $u = 9$

$\frac{1}{2} du = x dx$

$$I = \frac{1}{2} \int_6^9 u^3 du = \frac{u^4}{8} \Big|_6^9$$

$$= \frac{9^4}{8} - \frac{6^4}{8} = \frac{3^4}{8} (3^4 - 2^4) .$$

Problem Evaluate

$$I = \int_{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}}^{\sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}} 2x \cos(x^2) dx$$

Solⁿ

Let $u = x^2$ $x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{4}}$ if $u = \frac{\pi}{4}$

$du = 2x dx$ $x = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{2}}$ if $u = \frac{\pi}{2}$

$$I = \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \cos(u) du = \sin(u) \Big|_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}}$$

$$= \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{2}\right) - \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{4}\right)$$

$$= 1 - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \cdot$$

Technique 4: Integration by parts

Recall how we differentiate a product.

$$(u(x)v(x))' = u'(x)v(x) + u(x)v'(x)$$

so

$$\int (u(x)v(x))' dx = \int u'(x)v(x) dx + \int u(x)v'(x) dx$$

We can rewrite this as

$$\int u(x) v'(x) dx = u(x) v(x) - \int u'(x) v(x) dx$$

= write one down
x integral of other

- integral of (one already found
x derivative of first)

Problem Find

$$I = \int x \sin(x) dx$$

Solⁿ

$$I = x(-\cos(x)) - \int (-\cos(x)) dx$$

$$= -x \cos(x) + \int \cos(x) dx$$

$$= -x \cos(x) + \sin(x) + C$$