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INVERSE TRIGONOMETRY

Math 1001 Worksheet

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SOLUTIONS

1. (a) Note that

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-36x^2}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3^2-(6x)^2}} dx$$

so let $u = 6x$ and $\frac{1}{6} du = dx$. The integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-36x^2}} dx &= \frac{1}{6} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3^2-u^2}} du = \frac{1}{6} \left[\arcsin\left(\frac{u}{3}\right) \right] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \arcsin(2x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we could write

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-36x^2}} dx &= \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{36\left(\frac{1}{4}-x^2\right)}} dx = \frac{1}{6} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{\left(\frac{1}{2}\right)^2-x^2}} dx \\ &= \frac{1}{6} \arcsin\left(\frac{x}{\frac{1}{2}}\right) + C = \frac{1}{6} \arcsin(2x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(b) We have

$$\int \frac{1}{-9x^2-2} dx = - \int \frac{1}{(3x)^2+2} dx$$

so let $u = 3x$ and $\frac{1}{3} du = dx$. Then

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{-9x^2-2} dx &= -\frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{u^2+(\sqrt{2})^2} du = -\frac{1}{3} \left[\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \arctan\left(\frac{u}{\sqrt{2}}\right) \right] + C \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan\left(\frac{3\sqrt{2}x}{2}\right) + C. \end{aligned}$$

Alternatively, we could write

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{-9x^2-2} dx &= -\frac{1}{9} \int \frac{1}{x^2+\frac{2}{9}} dx = -\frac{1}{9} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}}} \arctan\left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{\frac{2}{9}}}\right) + C \\ &= -\frac{\sqrt{2}}{6} \arctan\left(\frac{3\sqrt{2}x}{2}\right) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(c) We first complete the square, giving

$$x^2 + 4x = (x^2 + 4x + 4) - 4 = (x + 2)^2 - 2^2$$

so we can write

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

Let $u = x + 2$ so $du = dx$. Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{(x + 2)\sqrt{x^2 + 4x}} dx &= \int \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2 - 4}} du = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{u}{2} \right) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{x + 2}{2} \right) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(d) Let $u = \cos(\theta)$ so $-du = \sin(\theta) d\theta$. The integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\sin(\theta)}{\cos^2(\theta) + 4} d\theta &= - \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 2^2} du = -\frac{1}{2} \arctan \left(\frac{u}{2} \right) + C \\ &= -\frac{1}{2} \arctan \left(\frac{\cos(\theta)}{2} \right) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(e) Completing the square gives

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{9}x^2 - 4x + 40 &= \frac{1}{9}[x^2 - 36x + 360] = \frac{1}{9}[(x^2 - 36x + 324) + 36] \\ &= \frac{1}{9}[(x - 18)^2 + 36] = \left(\frac{x}{3} - 6 \right)^2 + 2^2. \end{aligned}$$

The integral can now be written

$$\int \frac{1}{\frac{1}{9}x^2 - 4x + 40} dx = \int \frac{1}{\left(\frac{x}{3} - 6\right)^2 + 2^2} dx.$$

Let $u = \frac{x}{3} - 6$ so $3 du = dx$. Now we have

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{\frac{1}{9}x^2 - 4x + 40} dx &= 3 \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 2^2} du = 3 \left[\frac{1}{2} \arctan \left(\frac{u}{2} \right) + C \right] \\ &= \frac{3}{2} \arctan \left(\frac{\frac{x}{3} - 6}{2} \right) + C = \frac{3}{2} \arctan \left(\frac{x - 18}{6} \right) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(f) Let $u = e^{2x}$ so $\frac{1}{2} du = e^{2x} dx$. The integral can be written

$$\int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{-e^{4x} - 10e^{2x} - 24}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{-u^2 - 10u - 24}}.$$

But note that

$$\begin{aligned} -u^2 - 10u - 24 &= -[u^2 + 10u + 24] = -[(u^2 + 10u + 25) - 1] \\ &= -[(u + 5)^2 - 1] = 1 - (u + 5)^2 \end{aligned}$$

so the integral becomes

$$\int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{-e^{4x} - 10e^{2x} - 24}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{du}{\sqrt{1 - (u + 5)^2}}.$$

Next let $v = u + 5$, so $dv = du$. Now we obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{e^{2x}}{\sqrt{-e^{4x} - 10e^{2x} - 24}} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1 - v^2}} dv = \frac{1}{2} [\arcsin(v)] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \arcsin(u + 5) + C = \frac{1}{2} \arcsin(e^{2x} + 5) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(g) First we rewrite the integral as

$$\int \frac{9x - 6}{\sqrt{1 - 25x^2}} dx = 9 \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{1 - 25x^2}} dx - 6 \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1^2 - (5x)^2}}.$$

For the first integral, let $u = 1 - 25x^2$ so $-\frac{1}{50} du = x dx$. For the second integral, let $v = 5x$ so $\frac{1}{5} dv = dx$. Then the integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{9x - 6}{\sqrt{1 - 25x^2}} dx &= -\frac{9}{50} \int u^{-\frac{1}{2}} du - \frac{6}{5} \int \frac{dv}{\sqrt{1^2 - v^2}} \\ &= -\frac{9}{50} [2\sqrt{u}] - \frac{6}{5} \arcsin(v) + C \\ &= -\frac{9}{25} \sqrt{1 - 25x^2} - \frac{6}{5} \arcsin(5x) + C. \end{aligned}$$

(h) Let $u = x^2$ so

$$\begin{aligned} 4x^4 + 4x^2 + 17 &= 4u^2 + 4u + 17 = 4 \left[u^2 + u + \frac{17}{4} \right] = 4 \left[\left(u^2 + u + \frac{1}{4} \right) + 4 \right] \\ &= 4 \left[\left(u + \frac{1}{2} \right)^2 + 4 \right] = (2u + 1)^2 + 4^2 = (2x^2 + 1)^2 + 4^2. \end{aligned}$$

Now the integral can be written

$$\int \frac{2x}{4x^4 + 4x^2 + 17} dx = \int \frac{2x}{(2x^2 + 1)^2 + 4^2} dx.$$

Then set $v = 2x^2 + 1$ so $\frac{1}{2} dv = 2x dx$. We obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2x}{4x^4 + 4x^2 + 17} dx &= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{dv}{v^2 + 4^2} = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{4} \arctan \left(\frac{v}{4} \right) \right] + C \\ &= \frac{1}{8} \arctan \left(\frac{2x^2 + 1}{4} \right) + C. \end{aligned}$$