

Some worked out problems for exam 2 review

Beware of typos :)

Q: Compute $\int 2x^3 e^{x^2} dx$

A: First do substitution $x^2 = w$ so $dw = 2x dx$ so

$$\int 2x^3 e^{x^2} dx = \int 2x(x^2)e^{x^2} dx = \int we^w dw$$

Now integration by parts

$$\int we^w dw = we^w - \int e^w dw = we^w - e^w + C$$

Now put $w = x^2$ back

$$we^w - e^w + C = x^2 e^{x^2} - e^{x^2} + C$$

Q: Does $\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-20}$ converge?

A: Yes, it is a p -series with $p = 20 > 1$ that is

$$\sum_{n=1}^{\infty} n^{-20} = \sum_{n=1}^{\infty} \frac{1}{n^{20}}$$

Q: Compute $\int_2^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^3} dx$

$$A: \int_2^{\infty} \frac{2}{x^3} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \int_2^R \frac{2}{x^3} dx = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left[\frac{-1}{x^2} \right]_{x=2}^R = \lim_{R \rightarrow \infty} \left(\frac{-1}{R^2} - \frac{-1}{2^2} \right) = \frac{1}{4}$$

Q: Compute $\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2(x-3)} dx$

A: First do partial fractions:

$$\begin{aligned} \frac{1}{x^2(x-3)} &= \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x^2} + \frac{C}{x-3} \\ &= \frac{Ax(x-3) + B(x-3) + Cx^2}{x^2(x-3)} = \frac{(A+C)x^2 + (B-3A)x - 3B}{x^2(x-3)} \end{aligned}$$

So $A + C = 0$, $B - 3A = 0$, and $-3B = 1$. Therefore $C = -A$, $A = B/3$ and $B = -1/3$. Thus $A = -1/9$ and $C = 1/9$ and so

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

$$\int_1^2 \frac{1}{x^2(x-3)} dx = \int_1^2 \left(\frac{-1/9}{x} + \frac{-1/3}{x^2} + \frac{1/9}{x-3} \right) dx$$

$$\begin{aligned}
&= \left[-(1/9) \ln |x| + \frac{1}{3x} + (1/9) \ln |x - 3| \right]_{x=1}^2 \\
&= -(1/9) \ln 2 + \frac{1}{6} + (1/9) \ln |2 - 3| + (1/9) \ln 1 - \frac{1}{3} - (1/9) \ln |1 - 3| \\
&= -(2/9) \ln 2 - \frac{1}{6}
\end{aligned}$$

Q: What are the poles of $\frac{x^7}{x(x-1)}$

A: not a proper fraction so ∞ is a pole. So is $x = 1$ and $x = 0$ (denominator vanishes).

Q: Compute T_2 for $\int_0^1 x^2 dx$

A:

$$x_0 = 0, x_1 = \frac{1}{2}, x_2 = 1 \quad y_0 = x_0^2 = 0 \quad y_1 = x_1^2 = \frac{1}{4} \quad y_2 = x_2^2 = 1$$

$$\Delta x = \frac{1}{2}$$

$$T_2 = \frac{1}{2} \Delta x (y_0 + 2y_1 + y_2) = \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (0 + 2 \cdot \frac{1}{4} + 1) = \frac{3}{8}$$

Q: Compute $\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n^2}{3n^2 + \sqrt{n}}$

A: Change to a continuous variable and apply l'Hospital's rule

$$\lim_{n \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2n}{3n + \sqrt{n}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{3x + \sqrt{x}} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{3 + \frac{1}{2\sqrt{x}}} = \frac{2}{3}$$

Q: Compute $\int \cos^2 2x dx$ using the complex exponential.

A:

$$\begin{aligned}
\int (\cos 2x)^2 dx &= \int \left(\frac{e^{i2x} + e^{-i2x}}{2} \right)^2 dx = \int \frac{1}{4} (e^{i4x} + 2e^0 + e^{-i4x}) dx \\
&= \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{4i} e^{i4x} + \frac{2x}{4} + \frac{1}{4} \frac{1}{-4i} e^{-i4x} + C \\
&= \frac{x}{2} + \frac{1}{8} \frac{e^{i4x} - e^{-i4x}}{2i} + C \\
&= \frac{x}{2} + \frac{\sin 4x}{8} + C
\end{aligned}$$