

Mathematics 242 Homework.

Problem 1. Here are some integration practice problems. Most, but not all, them will involve integration by parts. In all of these s is a constant.

(a) $\int e^{-st} t^3 dt,$

(b) $\int e^{-st} \cos(3t) dt$

(c) $\int e^{-st} e^{5t} dt$

(d) $\int e^{-st} t^2 e^{5t} dt$

A pair of functions that will come up are the *hyperbolic sine and cosine*. These are defined by

$$\cosh(t) = \frac{e^t + e^{-t}}{2}$$
$$\sinh(t) = \frac{e^t - e^{-t}}{2}$$

Problem 2. Here are some basic properties of these function for you to prove.

(a) Their derivatives are

$$\frac{d}{dt} \cosh(t) = \sinh(t)$$
$$\frac{d}{dt} \sinh(t) = \cosh(t).$$

(b) They satisfy the identity

$$\cosh(t)^2 - \sinh(t)^2 = 1.$$

□

Problem 3. We have seen that the general solution to the equation

$$x''(t) - x(t) = 0$$

is

$$x(t) = c_1 e^t = c_2 e^{-t}.$$

Show that the functions

$$x_1(t) = \cosh(t), \quad x_2 = \sinh(t)$$

are also solutions to $x''(t) - x(t) = 0$ and this it is also possible to write the general solution as

$$x = C_1 \cosh(t) + C_2 \sinh(t).$$

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Problem 4. Let s be a constant and compute the following integrals:

$$\int e^{-st} \cosh(t) dt$$

$$\int e^{-st} \sinh(t) dt$$

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Problem 5. These problems review some properties of improper integrals. Compute the following

(a) $\int_0^\infty t^2 e^{-3t} dt,$

(b) $\int_0^\infty e^{2t} e^{-st} dt$ where s is a constant with $s > 2$. Why is it important that $s > 2$? □