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1. Evaluate $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 e^{-x}$.

Solution. We can rewrite $x^2 e^{-x}$ as $\frac{x^2}{e^x}$ and then letting x approach ∞ we find that the limit is of the indeterminate form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$. Thus, we can apply L'Hôpital's Rule, to get

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 e^{-x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{x^2}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x}.$$

As x goes to ∞ , again we find that the limit is the indeterminate form $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$. Thus, we can apply L'Hôpital's Rule a second time and find

$$\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2x}{e^x} = \lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} \frac{2}{e^x}.$$

Finally, letting x approach ∞ here, the limit equals $\frac{2}{\infty} = 0$. Therefore,
 $\lim_{x \rightarrow \infty} x^2 e^{-x} = 0$

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2. Find the most general antiderivative (indefinite integral) of $7 \sin \frac{\theta}{3}$, that is, $\int 7 \sin \frac{\theta}{3} d\theta$.
Check your answer by differentiation.

Solution.

$$\int 7 \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{3} \right) d\theta = -21 \cos \left(\frac{\theta}{3} \right) + C.$$

Now we check this using differentiation:

$$\frac{d}{dx} -21 \cos \frac{\theta}{3} + C = -21 \left(-\sin \left(\frac{\theta}{3} \right) \right) \cdot \left(\frac{1}{3} \right) + 0 = 7 \sin \left(\frac{\theta}{3} \right)$$