My Exam

- You have a certain amount of time to work on this exam.
- This exam is worth 50% of your final grade, so move with some alacrity.
- There are 3 questions, each of which is worth 30 points. You get 10 points for writing your name on all pages.

The grading scheme is as follows:

Question	Points	Score
0 (Name)	10	
1	30	
2	30	
3	30	

By signing below I affirm that I have read and intend to adhere to My University's code of Academic Integrity:



1. What is the airspeed velocity of an unladen swallow?

Depends whether the swallow is African or European

2. Integrate $\sin x$ with respect to γ .

$$\int \sin x \, \mathrm{d}\gamma = \gamma \sin x + c$$

3. Solve the following integral:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

Show your work.

First, let $I = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx$. Then,

$$I^{2} = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}} e^{-\frac{x^{2}}{2}} dx\right)^{2}$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2\pi}}\right)^{2} e^{-\frac{x^{2}}{2}} e^{-\frac{y^{2}}{2}} dx dy$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{x^{2}+y^{2}}{2}} dx dy$$

Then, by polar conversion:

$$I^{2} = \int_{0}^{2\pi} \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{r^{2}}{2}} r \, dr \, d\theta$$
$$= 2\pi \int_{0}^{\infty} \frac{1}{2\pi} e^{-\frac{r^{2}}{2}} r \, dr$$
$$= \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{r^{2}}{2}} r \, dr$$

Now, perform the *u*-substitution $u = \frac{r^2}{2}$. We get $du = \frac{d}{dr} \left(\frac{r^2}{2} \right) = r$. Then:

$$I^{2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_{0}^{\infty} e^{-u} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-e^{-u}]_{0}^{\infty}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} [-e^{-\infty} - (-e^{0})]$$

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

Thus,
$$I = \sqrt{\frac{1}{2}} = \boxed{\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}}$$
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