Prelim 2 Review Questions

Math 1910 Section 205/209

(1) Calculate the following integrals.

(a)
$$\int_0^1 \sqrt{1-x^2} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: This is just the area under a semicircle of radius 1, so $\pi/2$

(b) $\int \sin^2(x) \cos^4(x) \, dx$

SOLUTION:

$$\int \sin^2(x) \cos^4(x) \, dx = \int (1 - \cos^2(x)) \cos^4(x) \, dx$$
$$= \int \cos^4(x) \, dx - \int \cos^6(x) \, dx$$

Now use the reduction formula.

$$\int \cos^4(x) dx = \frac{\sin(x)\cos^3(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \int \cos^2(x) dx$$
$$= \frac{\sin(x)\cos^3(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \int \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2x)) dx$$
$$= \frac{\sin(x)\cos^3(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x)\right) + C$$

$$\int \cos^6(x) dx = \frac{\sin(x)\cos^5(x)}{6} + \frac{5}{6} \int \cos^4(x)$$
$$= \frac{\sin(x)\cos^5(x)}{6} + \frac{5}{6} \left(\frac{\sin(x)\cos^3(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4} \left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x)\right) + C\right)$$

Therefore, the answer is

$$\frac{\sin(x)\cos^{3}(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x)\right) - \left(\frac{\sin(x)\cos^{5}(x)}{6} + \frac{5}{6}\left(\frac{\sin(x)\cos^{3}(x)}{4} + \frac{3}{4}\left(\frac{1}{2}x + \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x)\right) + C\right)$$

(c) $\int \sin^5(x) \cos^4(x) \, dx$

SOLUTION: This one looks like the reduction formula, but it's just substitution!

$$\int \sin^5(x) \cos^4(x) \, dx = \int \sin(x) (1 - \cos^2(x))^2 \cos^4(x) \, dx$$

$$= \int \sin(x) \cos^4(x) \left(1 - 2\cos^2(x) + \cos^4(x) \right) \, dx$$

$$= \int \sin(x) \cos^4(x) - 2\sin(x) \cos^6(x) + \sin(x) \cos^8(x) \, dx$$

Set $u = \cos(x)$, $du = -\sin(x) dx$. Therefore, we get

$$\int \sin^5(x)\cos^4(x) dx = -\int u^4 - 2u^6 + u^8 du$$

$$= -\frac{u^5}{5} + \frac{2u^7}{7} - \frac{u^9}{9} + C$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\cos^5(x)}{5} + \frac{2\cos^7(x)}{7} - \frac{\cos^9(x)}{9} + C \right]$$

(d) $\int \tan^6(x) \sec^4(x) dx$ SOLUTION:

$$\int \tan^6(x) \sec^4(x) \, dx = \int \sec^2(x) \tan^6(x) (\tan^2(x) + 1) \, dx$$

Let $u = \tan(x)$, $du = \sec^2(x) dx$.

$$\int \tan^6(x) \sec^4(x) dx = \int u^6(u^2 + 1) du$$

$$= \frac{u^9}{9} + \frac{u^7}{7} + C$$

$$= \frac{\tan(x)^9}{9} + \frac{\tan(x)^7}{7} + C$$

(e) $\int \cot^5(x) \csc^5(x) dx$

SOLUTION:

$$\int \cot^5(x) \csc^5(x) \, dx = \int \cot(x) \csc(x) (\csc^2(x) - 1)^2 \csc^4(x) \, dx$$

Let $u = \csc(x)$, $du = -\cot(x)\csc(x) dx$.

$$\int \cot^5(x) \csc^5(x) dx = -\int (u^2 - 1)^2 u^4 du$$

$$= -\int (u^4 - 2u^2 + 1)u^4 du$$

$$= -\int u^8 - 2u^6 + u^4 du$$

$$= \left[\frac{-\csc^9(x)}{9} + \frac{2\csc^7(x)}{7} - \frac{\csc^5(x)}{5} + C \right]$$

$$(f) \int \frac{x}{\sqrt{4-x^2}} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Let $x = 2 \sin \theta$, $dx = 2 \cos \theta d\theta$.

$$\int \frac{x}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}} dx = \int \frac{2\sin\theta}{\sqrt{4 - 4\sin^2\theta}} (2\cos\theta \, d\theta)$$
$$= \int 2\sin\theta \, d\theta$$
$$= -2\cos\theta + C$$
$$= \boxed{-2\sqrt{4 - x^2} + C}$$

In the last step, we have $x/2 = \sin \theta = \text{opposite} / \text{hypotenuse}$, so $\cos \theta = \sqrt{4 - x^2}$ (draw a triangle).

(g)
$$\int \frac{\cosh(x)}{\sinh^2(x)} dx$$

SOLUTION: Let $u = \sinh(x)$ and $du = \cosh(x) dx$. Then

$$\int \frac{\cosh(x)}{\sinh^2(x)} \, dx = \int \frac{du}{u^2} = -u^{-1} + C = \boxed{-\frac{1}{\sinh(x)} + C.}$$

(h)
$$\int \sin^7(x) \cos^2(x) \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Let $u = \cos(x)$, $du = -\sin(x) dx$. Then

$$\int \sin^7 x \cos^2 x \, dx = \int \sin(x) (1 - \cos^2(x))^3 \cos^2(x) \, dx$$

$$= -\int (1 - u^2)^3 u^2 \, du$$

$$= -\int u^2 - 3u^4 + 3u^6 - u^8 \, du$$

$$= -\frac{u^3}{3} + \frac{3u^5}{5} - \frac{3u^7}{7} + \frac{u^9}{9} + C$$

$$= \left[-\frac{\cos(x)^3}{3} + \frac{3\cos(x)^5}{5} - \frac{3\cos(x)^7}{7} + \frac{\cos(x)^9}{9} + C \right]$$

$$(i) \int \frac{3x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Let $x = \sec(\theta)$, $dx = \tan \theta \sec \theta d\theta$. Then

$$\int \frac{3x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} dx = \int \frac{3\sec^2(\theta)}{\sqrt{\sec^2 \theta - 1}} \tan \theta \sec \theta d\theta$$
$$= \int 3\sec^3 \theta d\theta$$

Now integrate by parts, with $u = \sec \theta$, $du = \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$ and $v = \tan \theta$, $dv = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$.

$$3 \int \sec^3 \theta \, d\theta = 3 \left(\sec \theta \tan \theta - \int \tan^2 \theta \sec \theta \, d\theta \right)$$

$$\implies 3 \sec^3 \theta \, d\theta = 3 \left(\sec \theta \tan \theta - \int (\sec^2 \theta - 1) \sec \theta \, d\theta \right)$$

$$\implies 3 \int \sec^3(\theta) \, d\theta = 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta + 3 \sec \theta \, d\theta - 3 \int \sec^3 \theta \, d\theta$$

$$\implies 6 \int \sec^3(\theta) \, d\theta = 3 \sec \theta \tan \theta + 3 \ln|\tan \theta + \sec \theta| + C$$

$$\implies 3 \int \sec^3 \theta \, d\theta = \frac{\sec \theta}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln|\tan \theta + \sec \theta| + C.$$

Therefore, the final answer is

$$\frac{3x}{2} + \frac{3}{2} \ln|\sqrt{x^2 - 1} + x| + C.$$

(j)
$$\int \frac{\cosh(x)}{3\sinh(x) + 4} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Let $u = 3 \sinh(x) + 4$, $du = 3 \cosh(x) dx$. Then

$$\int \frac{\cosh(x)}{3\sinh(x) + 4} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{1}{u} \, du = \frac{1}{3} \ln|u| + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{3} \ln|3\sinh(x) + 4| + C.}$$

(k)
$$\int \frac{x^2 + 11x}{(x-1)(x+1)^2} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Perform partial fractions decomposition

$$\frac{x^2 + 11x}{(x-1)(x+1)^2} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{Cx+D}{(x+1)^2}$$

Clear denominators first.

$$x^{2} + 11x = A(x+1)^{2} + B(x-1)(x+1) + (Cx+D)(x-1)$$

Plug in x = 1 to get A = 3. Plug in x = -1 to get 5 = D - C. Plug in x = 0 to get D = B - 3. Plug in x = 2 to get -1 = 3B + 2C + D. Substitute the previous equations to get B = 3, C = -5, and D = 0. So

$$\int \frac{x^2 + 11x}{(x-1)(x+1)^2} dx = \int \frac{3}{x-1} + \frac{3}{x+1} - \frac{5x}{(x+1)^2} dx$$

$$= 3\ln|x-1| + 3\ln|x+1| - 5\int \frac{x}{(x+1)^2}$$

$$= 3\ln|x-1| + 3\ln|x+1| - 5\ln|x+1| - \frac{5}{x+1} + C$$

(1)
$$\int \frac{3x^2-2}{x-4} dx$$

SOLUTION: Do long division. Divide $3x^2 - 2$ by x - 4 to get

$$\int \frac{3x^2 - 2}{x - 4} \, dx = \int (3x + 12) + \frac{46}{x - 4} \, dx = \boxed{\frac{3x^2}{2} + 12x + 46 \ln|x - 4| + C.}$$

(m)
$$\int \coth^2(1-4t) dt$$

SOLUTION: Let u = 1 - 4t, du = -4 dt. Then

$$\int \coth^2(1-4t) dt = \frac{-1}{4} \int \coth^2(u) du$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} \int \operatorname{csch}^2(u) + 1 du$$

$$= -\frac{1}{4} (-\coth(u) + u + C)$$

$$= \left[\frac{1}{4} \coth(1-4t) - (1-4t) + C. \right]$$

$$(n) \int \frac{1}{x^2 + 4x - 5} \, dx$$

SOLUTION: Perform partial fractions decomposition:

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 4x - 5} = \frac{A}{x + 5} + \frac{B}{x + 1} \implies 1 = A(x - 1) + B(x + 5)$$

Set $x = 1 \implies B = 1/6$. Set $x = -5 \implies A = -1/6$. Then

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2 + 4x - 5} = -\frac{1}{6} \int \frac{1}{x + 5} - \frac{1}{x - 1} dx = \boxed{-\frac{1}{6} (\ln|x + 5| - \ln|x - 1| + C)}$$

(2) Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating $y = x\sqrt{1-x^2}$ about the *y*-axis.

SOLUTION: Using the cylindrical shells method:

$$V = \int_0^1 2\pi x \left(x \sqrt{1 - x^2} \right) dx$$
$$= 2\pi \int_0^1 x^2 \sqrt{1 - x^2} dx$$

Let $x = \sin \theta$, $dx = \cos \theta d\theta$. Then

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^{\pi/2} \sin^2 \theta \cos \theta \, d\theta$$

Let $u = \sin \theta$, $du = \cos \theta d\theta$. Then

$$V = 2\pi \int_0^1 u^2 du = 2\pi \frac{u^3}{3} \Big|_0^1 = \boxed{\frac{2}{3}\pi}.$$

(3) Find the arc length of the graph of $y = \tan(x)$ over the interval $[0, \pi/4]$. SOLUTION: Plug in to the arc length formula.

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + (y')^2} \, dx = \int_0^{\pi/4} \sqrt{1 + \sec^4(x)} \, dx.$$

No antiderivative exists, so numerical integration techniques must be used.

(4) Suppose that a random variable X is distributed with density $p(x) = C\sqrt{1-x^2}$ on [-1,1]. Find C such that p(x) defines a probability density function, and compute $P(-1/2 \le X \le 1)$. SOLUTION: To find C, set

$$1 = \int_{-1}^{1} C\sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dx$$

Then evaluate the integral on the right and solve for *C*. To evaluate the integral, let $x = \sin \theta$, $dx = \cos \theta \, d\theta$. Then

$$\begin{split} \int_{-1}^{1} C\sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dx &= C \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos^2 \theta \, d\theta \\ &= C \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} (1 + \cos(2\theta)) \, d\theta \qquad = \frac{C}{2} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} 1 \, d\theta + \frac{C}{2} \int_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \cos(2\theta) \, d\theta \\ &= C \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{C}{2} \left(\frac{1}{2} \sin(2\theta) \right) \Big|_{-\pi/2}^{\pi/2} \\ &= C \frac{\pi}{2} + \frac{C}{4} \left(\sin \pi - \sin(-\pi) \right) \\ &= C \frac{\pi}{2}. \end{split}$$

Therefore, $C = 2/\pi$.

Now to find the probability, we've already computed the antiderivative of p(x), so we just need to substitute new bounds. The probability is

$$P(-1/2 \le X \le 1) = \int_{-1/2}^{1} \frac{2}{\pi} \sqrt{1 - x^2} \, dx = \frac{2}{\pi} \left(\sin^{-1}(x) + \frac{x\sqrt{1 - x^2}}{2} \right) \Big|_{-1/2}^{1} = \boxed{\frac{2}{3} + \frac{\sqrt{3}}{4\pi}}$$

- (5) Find C such that $p(x) = Ce^{-x}e^{-e^{-x}}$ is a probability density function on $(-\infty, \infty)$. SOLUTION: This is one of the homework questions from last week (also it was on the quiz). Go look at the homework solutions on blackboard. The answer is C = 1.
- (6) Suppose that a random variable X is distributed with density $p(x) = x^2 e^{-x^2}$ on $(-\infty, \infty)$. Find the mean of X.

SOLUTION:

$$\mu = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x p(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} x^3 e^{-x^2} dx$$

This is an odd function integrated over a symmetric domain, so the integral is zero

(7) Suppose that a random variable X is distributed with density $p(x) = \frac{1}{r}e^{-x/r}$ on $(0, \infty)$. Find the mean of X.

SOLUTION: This was on the homework last week, and I also did it in class. Go see the homework solutions on blackboard. The answer is $\mu = r$.

(8) Calculate T_6 for the integral $I = \int_0^2 x^3 dx$.

SOLUTION: $\Delta x = (2-0)/6 = \frac{1}{3}$. This is tedious, but easy to do. The answer is

$$T_6 = \frac{111}{27}$$

- (a) Is T_6 too large or too small? Explain graphically. SOLUTION: Between x = 0 and x = 2, the graph of $y = x^3$ is concave up, so trapezoid rule overestimates the area under the graph; the trapezoids are above the graph.
- (b) Show that $K_2 = |f''(2)|$ may be used in the error bound and find a bound for the error. SOLUTION: K_2 is the max value of |f''(x)| on the interval [0,2]. $f(x) = x^3$, so f''(x) = 6x. Therefore, the maximum value of |f''(x)| on the interval [0,2] happens at x=2, and $K_2 = |f''(2)| = 12$. Finally,

Error
$$\leq \frac{K_2(b-a)}{6n^2} = \frac{12(2-0)}{6(6^2)} = \frac{24}{216} = \frac{1}{9}.$$

(c) Evaluate *I* and check that the actual error is less than the bound computed in (b). SOLUTION: This is easy to integrate.

$$\int_0^2 x^3 \, dx = \frac{x^4}{4} \bigg|_0^2 = 4$$

So the actual error is

Error =
$$\left| 4 - \frac{111}{27} \right| = \frac{1}{9}$$
.

This is less than the error bound, which says that the error is at most 1/9.

- (9) Radium-226 has a half-life of 1590 years. Consider a mass of 100 mg of Radium-226.
 - (a) What is the mass of Radium remaining after 1000 years? SOLUTION: The equation for radioactive decay is exponential decay,

$$m(t) = m_0 e^{-t/T}$$

where m_0 is the inital mass, $m_0 = 100$ mg, m(t) is the number of milligrams remaining after t years, and T is the half life, T = 15(0 years. Then

$$m(1000) = 100e^{-1000/1590} \approx 187.5$$

(b) When will the mass of Radium be 10 mg?

SOLUTION: We want to know for which t does m(t) = 10 mg. So set

$$10 = 100e^{-t/1590} \implies \frac{1}{10} = -\frac{t}{1590} \implies \boxed{t = -1590 \ln(1/10)}.$$

(10) Show that $\int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-x^2} dx$ converges using the Comparison Theorem.

SOLUTION: The comparison theorem says that

$$f(x) \le g(x) \implies \int_1^\infty f(x) \, dx \le \int_1^\infty g(x) \, dx.$$

On the interval $[1, \infty)$, $e^{-x^2} \le e^{-x}$. Therefore,

$$\int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-x^{2}} dx \le \int_{1}^{\infty} e^{-x} dx = -e^{-x} \Big|_{0}^{\infty} = 1.$$

Hence, the integral converges.