

MATH 242 - Quiz 2 REMIX

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1. [4 pts] Evaluate the definite integral.

$$\int_0^1 x^4 e^{-x^5+1} dx$$

$$-\frac{1}{5} \int_1^0 e^u du = \left(\frac{1}{5} e^u \right) \Big|_0^1 = \frac{1}{5} e^{-\frac{1}{5}}$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= -x^5 + 1 \\ du &= -5x^4 dx \\ -\frac{1}{5} du &= x^4 dx \end{aligned}$$

2. [6 pts] The equation below describes the exponential growth of a population of bacteria, starting from some initially known population A_0 . The bacteria reproduce in such a way that any initial population always doubles every 18 hours. Use this information to determine the value of the constant k and then use it to predict the time it takes for the initial population A_0 to become 100 times larger.

$$A(t) = A_0 e^{kt}$$

$$2A_0 = A_0 e^{18k}$$

$$\frac{\ln(2)}{18} = k$$

$$100A_0 = A_0 e^{\frac{\ln(2)}{18} t}$$

$$\frac{18 \ln(100)}{\ln(2)} = t$$