

DEFINITE INTEGRALS AND SUBSTITUTION

1 Evaluate: (a) $\int_0^1 x\sqrt{1-x^2} dx$ using the substitution $u = 1-x^2$

(b) $\int_{-1}^2 x\sqrt{2-x} dx$ using the substitution $u = 2-x$

a) $u = 1-x^2$ so $\frac{du}{dx} = -2x$ or $x dx = -\frac{1}{2} du$

when $x=0$ $u=1$ when $x=1$, $u=0$, so

$$\int_0^1 x\sqrt{1-x^2} dx = \int_1^0 \sqrt{u} \times \left(-\frac{1}{2} du\right) = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u^{1/2} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{1/2+1}}{\frac{1}{2}+1} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{3} \left[u^{1/3} \right]_0^1 = \frac{1}{3}$$

b) $u = 2-x$ so $\frac{du}{dx} = -1$ or $du = -dx$
 $x = 2-u$ $dx = -du$

when $x=-1$, $u=3$ and when $x=2$, $u=0$, so

$$\int_{-1}^2 x\sqrt{2-x} dx = \int_3^0 (2-u)\sqrt{u} (-du) = \int_0^3 (2-u)\sqrt{u} du$$

$$= 2 \int_0^3 \sqrt{u} du - \int_0^3 u^{3/2} du$$

$$= 2 \int_0^3 u^{1/2} du - \left[\frac{u^{3/2+1}}{\frac{3}{2}+1} \right]_0^3$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{u^{1/2+1}}{\frac{1}{2}+1} \right]_0^3 - \left[\frac{u^{5/2}}{\frac{5}{2}} \right]_0^3$$

$$= 2 \left[\frac{u^{3/2}}{\frac{3}{2}} \right]_0^3 - \frac{2}{5} \left[u^{5/2} \right]_0^3 = \frac{4}{3} \left[u^{3/2} \right]_0^3 - \frac{2}{5} \left[u^{5/2} \right]_0^3$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \times 3^{3/2} - \frac{2}{5} \times 3^{5/2} = 4\sqrt{3} - \frac{2}{5} \times 3^{5/2} = \sqrt{3} \left[4 - \frac{18}{5} \right]$$

$$= \frac{2\sqrt{3}}{5}$$

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4 Evaluate: (a) $\int_3^4 (2x-3)(x^2-3x+2)^2 dx$ using the substitution $u = x^2 - 3x + 2$

(b) $\int_0^2 \frac{x}{(x^2+2)^2} dx$ using the substitution $u = x^2 + 2$

a) $u = x^2 - 3x + 2$ so $\frac{du}{dx} = 2x - 3$ and $du = (2x-3) dx$

when $x = 3$ $u = 3^2 - 3 \times 3 + 2 = 2$

when $x = 4$ $u = 4^2 - 3 \times 4 + 2 = 6$, so

$$\int_3^4 (2x-3)(x^2-3x+2)^2 dx = \int_2^6 u^2 du = \left[\frac{u^3}{3} \right]_2^6 = \frac{6^3}{3} - \frac{2^3}{3} = 72 - \frac{8}{3} = 69\frac{1}{3}$$

b) $u = x^2 + 2$ so $\frac{du}{dx} = 2x$ $du = 2x dx$ or $x dx = \frac{du}{2}$

when $x = 0$, $u = 2$; when $x = 2$, $u = 2^2 + 2 = 6$, so

$$\int_0^2 \frac{x}{(x^2+2)^2} dx = \int_2^6 \frac{1}{u^2} \times \frac{1}{2} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^6 \frac{du}{u^2} = \frac{1}{2} \int_2^6 u^{-2} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{-2+1}}{-2+1} \right]_2^6 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{-1}}{-1} \right]_2^6 = -\frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{u} \right]_2^6$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{u} \right]_6^2 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{6} \right] = \frac{1}{6}$$

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5 Evaluate: (a) $\int_0^1 \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t}} dt$ using the substitution $u = 1+t$

(b) $\int_0^1 3x^2(x^3-1)^4 dx$ using the substitution $u = x^3-1$

a) $u = 1+t$ $\frac{du}{dt} = 1$ so $du = dt$
 $t = u-1$

when $t=0$, $u=1$; when $t=1$, $u=2$; so
 $\int_0^1 \frac{t}{\sqrt{1+t}} dt = \int_1^2 \frac{(u-1)}{\sqrt{u}} du = \int_1^2 (\sqrt{u} - u^{-1/2}) du = \int_1^2 (u^{1/2} - u^{-1/2}) du$

$$= \left[\frac{u^{1/2+1}}{\frac{3}{2}} - \frac{u^{-1/2+1}}{\frac{-1}{2}} \right]_1^2 = \left[\frac{2u^{3/2}}{3} - 2u^{1/2} \right]_1^2 = 2 \left[\sqrt{u} \left(\frac{u}{3} - 1 \right) \right]_1^2$$

$$= 2 \left[\sqrt{2} \left(\frac{2}{3} - 1 \right) - 1 \left(\frac{1}{3} - 1 \right) \right] = 2 \left[-\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3} + \frac{2}{3} \right] = \frac{4 - 2\sqrt{2}}{3}$$

b) $u = x^3-1$ $\frac{du}{dx} = 3x^2$ so $du = 3x^2 dx$.

when $x=0$, $u=-1$; when $x=1$, $u=0$; so
 $\int_0^1 3x^2(x^3-1)^4 dx = \int_{-1}^0 u^4 du = \left[\frac{u^5}{5} \right]_{-1}^0$

$$= \frac{0^5}{5} - \left(\frac{(-1)^5}{5} \right) = \frac{1}{5}$$

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10 Find the area of the region bounded by the curve $y = \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-1}}$, the x-axis and the lines $x = \sqrt{2}$ and $x = \sqrt{5}$.

For $x = \sqrt{2}$ $y = \frac{\sqrt{2}}{\sqrt{2-1}} = \sqrt{2} \approx 1.4$ The curve is always above the x-axis between

For $x = \sqrt{5}$ $y = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{\sqrt{5-1}} = \frac{\sqrt{5}}{2} \approx 1.18$ $x = \sqrt{2}$ and $x = \sqrt{5}$,

therefore this area is given by $\int_{\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{5}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} dx$

$$u = x^2 - 1 \quad \frac{du}{dx} = 2x \quad \text{so} \quad du = 2x dx$$

$$\text{or } x dx = \frac{1}{2} du.$$

When $x = \sqrt{2}$, $u = 1$; and when $x = \sqrt{5}$, $u = 5 - 1 = 4$; so

$$\int_{\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{5}} \frac{x}{\sqrt{x^2-1}} dx = \int_1^4 \frac{1}{\sqrt{u}} \times \frac{1}{2} du = \frac{1}{2} \int_1^4 u^{-1/2} du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{-1/2+1}}{-1/2+1} \right]_1^4 = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{u^{1/2}}{1/2} \right]_1^4 = \left[u^{1/2} \right]_1^4$$

$$= \left[\sqrt{u} \right]_1^4 = \sqrt{4} - \sqrt{1} = 2 - 1 = 1 \text{ unit}^2$$

