



Solving Differential Equations

Challenging problems can be solved with differential equations.

6C Understanding Techniques for Integration

1. Integrate by substitution
2. Integrate by parts*
3. Use partial fraction decomposition to integrate*

[6.2] 1 - 37 odd {6C.1}

[6.3] 1 - 21 odd {6C.2}

[8.4] 19 - 29 odd {6C.3}

Integrate by substitution

Sample Question	Evaluate the following integral using substitution $\int (\sqrt{4x-1}) dx$
Sample Response	<p style="text-align: center;">Show / Hide Answer</p> Evaluate the following integral using substitution $\int (\sqrt{4x-1}) dx$ <p style="text-align: right;"><i>let $u = 4x-1$</i></p> $\frac{du}{dx} = 4, du = 4dx$ $\frac{1}{4} \int \sqrt{u} du$ $= \frac{1}{4} \cdot \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} + C$ $= \frac{1}{6} u^{3/2} + C = \boxed{\frac{1}{6} (4x-1)^{3/2} + C}$

Integrate by parts*

<p>Sample Question</p>	<p>Use integration by parts to evaluate the following integral</p> $\int (x^2 \sin x) dx$
<p>Sample Response</p>	<p style="text-align: center;">Show / Hide Answer</p> <p>Use integration by parts to evaluate the following integral</p> $\int (x^2 \sin x) dx \quad u = x^2 \quad dv = \sin x dx$ $du = 2x dx \quad v = -\cos x$ $\int u dv = uv - \int v du$ $\int x^2 \sin x = -x^2 \cos x + \int \cos x \cdot 2x dx$ $= -x^2 \cos x + \left[\right]$
	$u = 2x \quad dv = \cos x dx$ $du = 2 dx \quad v = \sin x$ $= x^2 \cos x + \left[2x \sin x - \int 2 \sin x dx \right]$ $= \boxed{x^2 \cos x + 2x \sin x + 2 \cos x}$

Use partial fraction decomposition to integrate*

Sample Question	Use integration by partial fraction decomposition to evaluate the following integral $\int \left(\frac{1}{x^2 - 4} \right) dx$
Sample Response	<p style="text-align: center;">Show / Hide Answer</p> <p><i>SOLUTION 1</i> : Integrate $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} dx$. Factor and decompose into partial fractions, getting</p> $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 4} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x + 2)(x - 2)} dx$ $= \int \left(\frac{A}{x + 2} + \frac{B}{x - 2} \right) dx$ <p>(After getting a common denominator, adding fractions, and equating numerators, it follows that $A(x - 2) + B(x + 2) = 1$;</p> <p>let $x = -2$: $A(-4) + B(0) = 1 \rightarrow A = -\frac{1}{4}$;</p> <p>let $x = 2$: $A(0) + B(4) = 1 \rightarrow B = \frac{1}{4}$.)</p> $= \int \left(\frac{-1/4}{x + 2} + \frac{1/4}{x - 2} \right) dx$ $= \int \left(-\frac{1/4}{x + 2} + \frac{1/4}{x - 2} \right) dx$ $= -\frac{1}{4} \ln x + 2 + \frac{1}{4} \ln x - 2 + C$ $= \frac{1}{4} \left(\ln x - 2 - \ln x + 2 \right) + C$ <p>(Recall that $\ln m - \ln n = \ln \left(\frac{m}{n} \right)$.)</p> $= \frac{1}{4} \ln \left \frac{x - 2}{x + 2} \right + C .$ <p style="text-align: center;">From www.math.ucdavis.edu</p>