
Integration by Parts - Edexcel Past Exam Questions

1. (a) Find $\int x \cos 2x \, dx$. (4)

(b) Hence, using the identity $\cos 2x = 2 \cos^2 x - 1$, deduce $\int x \cos^2 x \, dx$. (3)

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2. (i) Find $\int \ln\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) dx$. (4)

(ii) Find the exact value of $\int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin^2 x \, dx$. (5)

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3. (a) Use integration by parts to find $\int xe^x \, dx$. (3)

(b) Hence find $\int x^2 e^x \, dx$. (3)

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4. (a) Find $\int \tan^2 x \, dx$. (2)

(b) Use integration by parts to find $\int \frac{1}{x^3} \ln x \, dx$. (4)

(c) Use the substitution $u = 1 + e^x$ to show that

$$\int \frac{e^{3x}}{1+e^x} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} e^{2x} - e^x + \ln(1+e^x) + k,$$

where k is a constant. (7)

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5. (a) Find $\int \sqrt{5-x} \, dx$. (2)

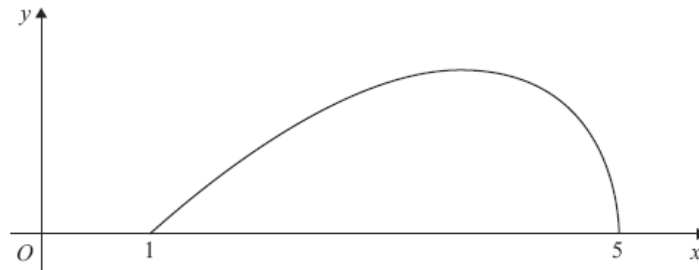


Figure 3

Figure 3 shows a sketch of the curve with equation

$$y = (x-1)\sqrt{5-x}, \quad 1 \leq x \leq 5$$

- (b) (i) Using integration by parts, or otherwise, find $\int (x-1)\sqrt{5-x} \, dx$. (4)

- (ii) Hence find $\int_1^5 (x-1)\sqrt{5-x} \, dx$. (2)

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6. Use integration by parts to find $\int x \ln x \, dx$. (4)

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7. $f(\theta) = 4 \cos^2 \theta - 3 \sin^2 \theta$

- (a) Show that $f(\theta) = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{7}{2} \cos 2\theta$. (3)

- (b) Hence, using calculus, find the exact value of $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \theta f(\theta) \, d\theta$. (7)

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8. Use integration to find the exact value of $\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} x \sin 2x \, dx$. (6)

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