

Math 101 – SOLUTIONS TO WORKSHEET 7
SUBSTITUTION, AREA BETWEEN CURVES

(1) Evaluate the integrals

(a) (Final, 2013) $\int_1^3 (2x - 1)e^{x^2 - x} dx =$

Solution: Letting $u = x^2 - x$, $du = (2x - 1) dx$ we get $\int_{x=1}^{x=3} (2x - 1)e^{x^2 - x} dx = \int_{u=0}^{u=6} e^u du = [e^u]_{u=0}^{u=6} = e^6 - 1$.

Solution: (Alternative) Using $u = x^2 - x$, $du = (2x - 1) dx$ we get $\int (2x - 1)e^{x^2 - x} dx = \int e^u du = e^u + C = e^{x^2 - x} + C$ so

$$\int_{x=1}^{x=3} (2x - 1)e^{x^2 - x} dx = \left[e^{x^2 - x} \right]_{x=1}^{x=3} = \boxed{e^6 - 1}.$$

Solution: (Alternative) Using $u = x^2 - x$, $du = (2x - 1) dx$ we get

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x=1}^{x=3} (2x - 1)e^{x^2 - x} dx &= \int_{x=1}^{x=3} e^u du = [e^u]_{x=1}^{x=3} \\ &= \left[e^{x^2 - x} \right]_{x=1}^{x=3} = e^6 - 1 \\ &= [e^u]_{u=0}^{u=6} = e^6 - 1. \end{aligned}$$

(b) (Final, 2012) $\int_0^3 (x+1)\sqrt{9-x^2} dx =$

Solution: Write this as $\int_0^3 \sqrt{9-x^2} x dx + \int_0^3 \sqrt{9-x^2} dx$. The second term is the area of a quarter-circle of radius 3, so is $\frac{9}{4}\pi$. For the first term we use $u = 9 - x^2$, $du = -2x dx$ to see that

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{x=0}^{x=3} \sqrt{9-x^2} x dx &= \int_{u=9}^{u=0} \sqrt{u} \left(-\frac{1}{2}\right) du = \frac{1}{2} \int_{u=0}^{u=9} u^{1/2} du \\ &= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \left[u^{3/2} \right]_{u=0}^{u=9} = \frac{1}{3} 9^{3/2} = 9. \end{aligned}$$

In conclusion, $\int_0^3 (x+1)\sqrt{9-x^2} dx = \boxed{9 + \frac{9}{4}\pi}$.

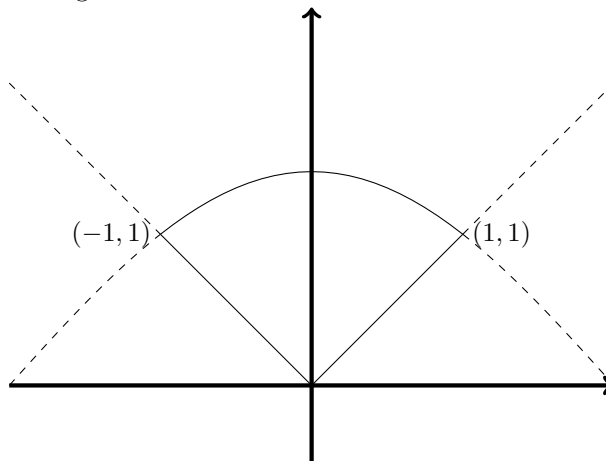
(2) Area between curves

(a) (Final, 2011) Find the total area of the finite place region lying between the curves $y = x$ and $y = x^3$.

Solution: The curves intersect where $x = x^3$, that is where $x(x+1)(x-1) = 0$. On $[-1, 0]$ we have $x \leq x^3 \leq 0$. On $[0, 1]$ we have $0 \leq x^3 \leq x$. By symmetry the areas are equal, and the total area is therefore

$$\int_{-1}^0 (x^3 - x) dx + \int_0^1 (x - x^3) dx = 2 \int_0^1 (x - x^3) dx = 2 \left[\frac{x^2}{2} - \frac{x^4}{4} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} = \boxed{\frac{1}{2}}.$$

(b) (Final, 2014) Find the area of the finite region bounded between the two curves $y = \sqrt{2} \cos(x\pi/4)$ and $y = |x|$. It will be useful to sketch the region first.



Solution: We draw a sketch first. We conclude that the area is

$$\begin{aligned} 2 \int_0^1 (\sqrt{2} \cos(x\pi/4) - x) dx &= 2 \left[\sqrt{2} \frac{4}{\pi} \sin \frac{\pi x}{4} - \frac{x^2}{2} \right]_{x=0}^{x=1} \\ &= \frac{8\sqrt{2}}{\pi} \cdot \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} - 2 = \boxed{\frac{8}{\pi} - 2}. \end{aligned}$$