

Quiz 5 solutions

1. Evaluate the indefinite integral

$$\int \cos^5(x) \sin^3(x) dx.$$

Solution. Following Key Idea 6.3.1 (see the original quiz), we can employ the substitution $u = \cos(x)$ and $du = -\sin(x) dx$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \cos^5(x) \sin^3(x) dx &= \int \cos^5(x) \sin^2(x) \sin(x) dx \\ &= \int \cos^5(x) (1 - \cos^2(x)) \sin(x) dx \\ &= \int u^5 (1 - u^2) (-du) \\ &= \int u^7 - u^5 du \\ &= \frac{1}{8} u^8 - \frac{1}{6} u^6 + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{8} \cos^8(x) - \frac{1}{6} \cos^6(x) + C}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. □

Alternate solution. Following Key Idea 6.3.1 (see the original quiz), we can employ the substitution $u = \sin(x)$ and $du = \cos(x) dx$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \cos^5(x) \sin^3(x) dx &= \int (\cos^2(x))^2 \sin^3(x) \cos(x) dx \\ &= \int (1 - \sin^2(x))^2 \sin^3(x) \cos(x) dx \\ &= \int (1 - u^2)^2 u^3 du \\ &= \int (1 - 2u^2 + u^4) u^3 du \\ &= \int u^7 - 2u^5 + u^3 du \\ &= \frac{1}{8} u^8 - \frac{2}{6} u^6 + \frac{1}{4} u^4 + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{8} \sin^8(x) - \frac{1}{3} \sin^6(x) + \frac{1}{4} \sin^4(x) + C}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. □

2. Evaluate the indefinite integral

$$\int \sec^6(x) \tan(x) dx.$$

Solution. Using Key Idea 6.3.2 (see the original quiz), we can employ the substitution $u = \sec(x)$ and $du = \sec(x) \tan(x) dx$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned} \int \sec^6(x) \tan(x) dx &= \int \sec^5(x) \sec(x) \tan(x) dx \\ &= \int u^5 du \\ &= \frac{1}{6} u^6 + C \\ &= \boxed{\frac{1}{6} \sec^6(x) + C}, \end{aligned}$$

as desired. □

Alternate solution. Using Key Idea 6.3.2 (see the original quiz), we can employ the substitution $u = \tan(x)$ and $du = \sec^2(x) dx$ to obtain

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \sec^6(x) \tan(x) dx &= \int (\sec^2(x))^2 \tan(x) \sec^2(x) dx \\
 &= \int (\tan^2(x) + 1)^2 \tan(x) \sec^2(x) dx \\
 &= \int (u^2 + 1)^2 u du \\
 &= \int (u^4 + 2u^2 + 1)u du \\
 &= \int u^5 + 2u^3 + u du \\
 &= \frac{1}{6}u^6 + \frac{1}{2}u^4 + \frac{1}{2}u^2 + C \\
 &= \boxed{\frac{1}{6} \tan^6(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^4(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^2(x) + C},
 \end{aligned}$$

as desired. □

Remark. I presented two solutions for each of the two questions. The expressions of the final answers are different, but they are equivalent to each other as trigonometric identities:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{1}{8} \cos^8(x) - \frac{1}{6} \cos^6(x) &= \frac{1}{8} \sin^8(x) - \frac{1}{3} \sin^6(x) + \frac{1}{4} \sin^4(x), \\
 \frac{1}{6} \sec^6(x) &= \frac{1}{6} \tan^6(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^4(x) + \frac{1}{2} \tan^2(x).
 \end{aligned}$$