

1. (5 pts) Evaluate the indefinite integral

$$\int \frac{4}{(1+5x)^3} dx$$

Solution.

Let $u = 1 + 5x$, $du = 5dx$, $dx = \frac{1}{5}du$,

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

2. (5 pts) Evaluate the indefinite integral

$$\int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{2 \sin x}{3 + 2 \cos x} dx$$

Solution.

Take $u = 3 + 2\cos x$, then $du = -2\sin x dx$, so $2\sin x dx = (-1)du$.

When $x = 0$: $u = 3 + 2 \cdot \cos(0) = 5$. When $x = 1$: $u = 3 + 2 \cdot \cos(\frac{\pi}{2}) = 3$.

By U-substitution, changing both the variable to u and the upper, lower limits,

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \frac{2 \sin x}{3 + 2 \cos x} dx &= \int_5^3 \frac{1}{u} (-1) du \\ &= \int_3^5 \frac{1}{u} du \\ &= \ln |u| \Big|_{u=3}^{u=5} \\ &= \ln 5 - \ln 3 \\ &= \ln \left(\frac{5}{3} \right) \end{aligned}$$

Or: you can find an anti-derivative first, or use several U-sub, for example:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{2\sin x}{3+2\cos x} dx &\stackrel{u=\cos x}{=} \int \frac{2}{3+2u}(-1)du \\ &\stackrel{v=3+2u}{=} \int \frac{-1}{v} dv \\ &= -\ln|v| \\ &= -\ln|3+2\cos x| \end{aligned}$$

and $-\ln|3+2\cos x| \Big|_{x=0}^{x=1} = (-\ln(3)) - (-\ln 5) = \ln 5 - \ln 3 = \ln\left(\frac{5}{3}\right)$.