

1 MT1 Homework Problem Solutions: 7

1)

$$I_n = \int x^n e^{-x} dx$$

Integrate this by parts, taking $u = x^n$, so $u' = nx^{n-1}$, $v' = e^{-x}$, so $v = -e^{-x}$.
Hence

$$\begin{aligned} I_n &= -x^n e^{-x} + n \int x^{n-1} e^{-x} dx \\ &= -x^n e^{-x} + n I_{n-1} \end{aligned}$$

So,

$$\begin{aligned} I_3 &= -x^3 e^{-x} + 3 [-x^2 e^{-x} + 2 (-x e^{-x} - e^{-x})] + C \\ &= -e^{-x} [x^3 + 3x^2 + 6x + 6] + C \end{aligned}$$

[4 mark(s)]

2)

$$\begin{aligned} \langle y \rangle &= \frac{1}{\frac{1}{2} - 0} \int_0^{1/2} 1 + \cos(\pi x) dx \\ &= 2 \left[x + \frac{\sin(\pi x)}{\pi} \right]_0^{1/2} \\ &= 2 \left[\left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{\sin(\pi/2)}{\pi} \right) - \left(0 + \frac{\sin(0)}{\pi} \right) \right] \\ &= 1 + \frac{2}{\pi} \end{aligned}$$

[3 mark(s)]

3)

$$\begin{aligned}
A &= \int_{x=0, \theta=\pi/4}^{x=2, \theta=0} y \, dx, \\
\frac{dx}{d\theta} &= -2 \sin \theta, \\
dx &= -2 \sin \theta d\theta \\
A &= -2 \int_{\theta=\pi/4}^0 \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta, \\
&= \int_{\theta=\pi/4}^0 \cos(2\theta) - 1 \, d\theta, \\
&= \left[\frac{\sin(2\theta)}{2} - \theta \right]_{\theta=\pi/4}^0, \\
&= \pi/4 - \frac{1}{2} \sin(\pi/2), \\
&= 0.2854 \text{ (4d.p.)}.
\end{aligned}$$

[5 mark(s)]

4)

$$\begin{aligned}
V &= V_0 \cos(\omega t + \phi) \\
RMS &= \sqrt{\langle V^2 \rangle} \\
&= \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\pi} V_0^2 \int_{-\phi/\omega}^{(2\pi-\phi)/\omega} \cos^2(\omega t + \phi) \, dt}
\end{aligned}$$

Recall that $\cos^2 \theta = \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos(2\theta))$, so the integral is

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{-\phi/\omega}^{(2\pi-\phi)/\omega} \cos^2(\omega t + \phi) \, dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \int_{-\phi/\omega}^{(2\pi-\phi)/\omega} 1 + \cos(2\omega t + 2\phi) \, dt \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[t + \frac{\sin(2\omega t + 2\phi)}{2\omega} \right]_{-\phi/\omega}^{(2\pi-\phi)/\omega} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\left(\frac{(2\pi - \phi)}{\omega} + \frac{\sin(4\pi)}{2\omega} \right) - \left(\frac{\sin(0)}{2\omega} - \frac{\phi}{\omega} \right) \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{(2\pi - \phi)}{\omega} + \frac{\phi}{\omega} \right] \\
 &= \frac{\pi}{\omega}
 \end{aligned}$$

so

$$\begin{aligned}
 RMS &= \sqrt{\frac{\omega}{2\pi} V_0^2 \times \left(\frac{\pi}{\omega} \right)} \\
 &= \frac{V_0}{\sqrt{2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

[8 mark(s)]

5)
i)

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-2x} \, dx \\
 &= \left[-\frac{1}{2} e^{-2x} \right]_0^{\infty} \\
 &= \left[0 + \frac{1}{2} \right] \\
 &= \frac{1}{2}
 \end{aligned}$$

[2 mark(s)]**ii)**

$$I = \int_1^e \ln |x| dx \quad (1)$$

Let $z = \ln |x|$, so $z' = \frac{1}{x}$ and $dx = x dz = e^z dz$.

$$I' = \int_{x=1}^{x=e} z e^z dz \quad (2)$$

which can be integrated by parts to give $\int \ln |x| dx = x \ln |x| - x + C$, so the corresponding definite integral becomes

$$\begin{aligned} I &= [x \ln |x| - x]_1^e \\ &= (e \ln e - e) - (\ln 1 - 1) \\ &= 1 \end{aligned}$$

[3 mark(s)]**6)**

$$\langle y \rangle = \frac{1}{1-0} \int_0^1 x e^{-2x} dx$$

which can be integrated by parts taking $u = x$ and $v' = e^{-2x}$; so $u' = 1$ and

$v = -e^{-2x}/2$. Thus

$$\begin{aligned}\langle y \rangle &= \left[-\frac{xe^{-2x}}{2} \right]_0^1 + \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 e^{-2x} dx \\&= \left[-\frac{xe^{-2x}}{2} - \frac{1}{4}e^{-2x} \right]_0^1 \\&= -e^{-2} \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{4} \right) + \left(\frac{1}{4} \right) \\&= \frac{1}{4} - \frac{3e^{-2}}{4} \\&= 0.1485(4d.p.).\end{aligned}$$

[4 mark(s)]