

MTH 1126 – Test #1 – Solutions – 9am Class
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Show CLEARLY how you arrive at your answers

1. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{\sin(2x^2)} \right] =$

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{\sin(2x^2)} \right]}_{\frac{d}{dx}[e^u]} = \underbrace{e^{\sin(2x^2)}}_{e^u} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} [\sin(2x^2)]}_{\frac{du}{dx}} = e^{\sin(2x^2)} \cdot \cos(2x^2) \cdot 4x$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{\sin(2x^2)} \right] = e^{\sin(2x^2)} \cdot \cos(2x^2) \cdot 4x$$

$$\text{Or: } \frac{d}{dx} \left[e^{\sin(2x^2)} \right] = 4x \cos(2x^2) e^{\sin(2x^2)}$$

2. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] =$

$$\frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} \ln \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right) \right] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\frac{1}{2} (\ln(\sin(x)) - \ln(x^3)) \right]$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left(\underbrace{\frac{1}{\sin(x)}}_{\frac{i}{u}} \cdot \underbrace{\cos(x)}_{\frac{du}{dx}} - \underbrace{\frac{1}{x^3}}_{\frac{i}{u}} \cdot \underbrace{3x^2}_{\frac{du}{dx}} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\cos(x)}{\sin(x)} - \frac{3x^2}{x^3} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \left(\cot(x) - \frac{3}{x} \right) = \frac{1}{2} \cot(x) - \frac{3}{2x}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \cot(x) - \frac{3}{2x}$$

(Alternative Solution Appears on the Following Page)

Alternative Solution:

$$\begin{aligned}
 \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] &= \frac{d}{dx} \left[\underbrace{\ln \left[\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right]}_{\ln(u)} \right] = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}}}}_{\frac{1}{u}} \cdot \underbrace{\left(\frac{d}{dx} \left[\left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \right] \right)}_{\frac{du}{dx}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3} \right)^{-\frac{1}{2}} \underbrace{\frac{(\cos(x))(x^3) - (3x^2)(\sin(x))}{(x^3)^2}}_{\text{Quotient Rule}} \\
 &= \left(\frac{x^3}{\sin(x)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \cdot \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{\sin(x)} \right)^{\frac{1}{2}} \frac{(\cos(x))(x^3) - (3x^2)(\sin(x))}{x^6} \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{\sin(x)} \right) \frac{(\cos(x))(x^3) - (3x^2)(\sin(x))}{x^6} = \frac{x^6 \cos(x) - 3x^5 \sin(x)}{2x^6 \sin(x)} = \frac{x^6 \cos(x)}{2x^6 \sin(x)} - \frac{3x^5 \sin(x)}{2x^6 \sin(x)} = \frac{1}{2} \cot(x) - \frac{3}{2x}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\text{i.e., } \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{x^3}{\sin(x)} \right) \frac{(\cos(x))(x^3) - (3x^2)(\sin(x))}{x^6}$$

$$\text{Or: } \frac{d}{dx} \left[\ln \left(\sqrt{\frac{\sin(x)}{x^3}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2} \cot(x) - \frac{3}{2x}$$

3. Compute: $\int e^{(7x^4+4x^3)} (7x^3 + 3x^2) dx =$

i. Is u -sub appropriate?

a. Is there a composite function?

Yes. $e^{(7x^4+4x^3)}$

Let $u = 7x^4 + 4x^3$

b. Is there an “approximate function/derivative pair”?

Yes. $\underbrace{(7x^4 + 4x^3)}_{\text{function}} \rightarrow \underbrace{(7x^3 + 3x^2)}_{\text{deriv}}$

Let $u = (7x^4 + 4x^3)$

ii. Compute du

$\Rightarrow$	u	$=$	$7x^4 + 4x^3$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{du}{dx}$	$=$	$28x^3 + 12x^2$
$\Rightarrow$	du	$=$	$(28x^3 + 12x^2) dx$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{1}{4}du$	$=$	$(7x^3 + 3x^2) dx$

iii. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{e^{(7x^4+4x^3)}}_{e^u} \underbrace{(7x^3 + 3x^2)}_{\frac{1}{4}du} dx = \int e^u \frac{1}{4} du = \frac{1}{4} \int e^u du$$

iv. Integrate in terms of u

$$\frac{1}{4} \int e^u du = \frac{1}{4} e^u + C$$

v. Re-write in terms of x

$$\int e^{(7x^4+4x^3)} (7x^3 + 3x^2) dx = \underbrace{\frac{1}{4} e^{(7x^4+4x^3)} + C}_{\frac{1}{4} e^u + C}$$

$\text{i.e., } \int e^{(7x^4+4x^3)} (7x^3 + 3x^2) dx = \frac{1}{4} e^{(7x^4+4x^3)} + C$

4. Compute: $\int \frac{3x-1}{(3x^2-2x+5)^3} dx = \int \frac{1}{(3x^2-2x+5)^3} (3x-1) dx = \int (3x^2-2x+5)^{-3} (3x-1) dx$

1. Is u -sub appropriate?

a. Is there a composite function?

Yes. $(3x^2 - 2x + 5)^{-3}$

Let $u = (3x^2 - 2x + 5)$ i.e., “Let u = the ‘inner’ function”

b. Is there an “approximate function/derivative pair”?

Yes. $\underbrace{(3x^2 - 2x + 5)}_{\text{function}} \rightarrow \underbrace{6x - 2}_{\text{deriv}}$

Let $u = (3x^2 - 2x + 5)$ i.e., “Let u = ‘the function’”

2. Compute du

u	$=$	$3x^2 - 2x + 5$
$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx}$	$=$	$6x - 2$
$\Rightarrow du$	$=$	$(6x - 2) dx$
$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{2} du$	$=$	$(3x - 1) dx$

3. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{(3x^2 - 2x + 5)^{-3}}_{u^{-3}} \underbrace{(3x - 1) dx}_{\frac{1}{2} du} = \int u^{-3} \frac{1}{2} du = \frac{1}{2} \int u^{-3} du$$

4. Integrate in terms of u

$$\frac{1}{2} \int u^{-3} du = \frac{1}{2} \frac{u^{-2}}{-2} + C = -\frac{1}{4} u^{-2} + C$$

5. Re-write in terms of x

$$\int \frac{3x-1}{(3x^2-2x+5)^3} dx = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} (3x^2 - 2x + 5)^{-2} + C}_{-\frac{1}{4} u^{-2} + C}$$

i.e., $\int \frac{3x-1}{(3x^2-2x+5)^3} dx = -\frac{1}{4} (3x^2 - 2x + 5)^{-2} + C$
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5. Compute: $\int \frac{x^2+2x+1}{(x^3+3x^2+3x)} dx = \int \frac{1}{(x^3+3x^2+3x)} (x^2 + 2x + 1) dx$

1. Is u -sub appropriate?

a. Is there a composite function?

Yes. $\frac{1}{(x^3+3x^2+3x)} = (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x)^{-1}$

Let $u = (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x)$ i.e., “Let u = the ‘inner’ function”

b. Is there an “approximate function/derivative pair”?

Yes. $\underbrace{(x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x)}_{\text{function}} \rightarrow \underbrace{(x^2 + 2x + 1)}_{\text{deriv}}$

Let $u = (x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x)$ i.e., “Let u = ‘the function’”

2. Compute du

u	$=$	$x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x$
$\Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx}$	$=$	$3x^2 + 6x + 3$
$\Rightarrow du$	$=$	$(3x^2 + 6x + 3) dx$
$\Rightarrow \frac{1}{3} du$	$=$	$(x^2 + 2x + 1) dx$

3. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{\frac{1}{(x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x)}}_{\frac{1}{u}} \underbrace{(x^2 + 2x + 1) dx}_{\frac{1}{3} du} = \int \frac{1}{u} \frac{1}{3} du = \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{u} du$$

4. Integrate in terms of u

$$\frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{u} du = \frac{1}{3} \ln |u| + C$$

5. Re-write in terms of x

$$\int \frac{x^2+2x+1}{(x^3+3x^2+3x)} dx = \frac{1}{3} \underbrace{\ln |x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x| + C}_{\frac{1}{3} \ln |u| + C}$$

i.e., $\int \frac{x^2+2x+1}{(x^3+3x^2+3x)} dx = \frac{1}{3} \ln x^3 + 3x^2 + 3x + C$
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6. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [\arcsin (\tan (x))] =$

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} [\arcsin (\tan (x))]}_{\frac{d}{dx} [\arcsin(u)]} = \underbrace{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-(\tan (x))^2}}}_{\frac{1}{\sqrt{1-u^2}}} \cdot \underbrace{\sec^2 (x)}_{\frac{du}{dx}} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\sqrt{1-(\tan(x))^2}} = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\sqrt{1-\tan^2(x)}}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} [\arcsin (\tan (x))] = \frac{\sec^2(x)}{\sqrt{1-\tan^2(x)}}$

7. Compute: $\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{9x^2-4}} dx$

This appears to fit the form: $\int \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} du$

If our conjecture is correct, then $\sqrt{u^2-a^2} = \sqrt{9x^2-4}$

$$\sqrt{u^2 - a^2} = \sqrt{9x^2 - 4}$$

$$\begin{aligned} \Rightarrow a^2 &= 4 \\ a &= 2 \\ \Rightarrow u^2 &= 9x^2 \\ u &= 3x \\ \frac{1}{3}u &= x \\ \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} &= 3 \\ du &= 3dx \\ \frac{1}{3}du &= dx \end{aligned}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{9x^2-4}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{3}u\right)\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}du\right)$$

iii. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{9x^2-4}} dx = \int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{(3x)^2-2^2}} dx = \int \frac{1}{\left(\frac{1}{3}u\right)\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} \left(\frac{1}{3}du\right) = \int \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} du$$

iv. Integrate

$$\int \frac{1}{u\sqrt{u^2-a^2}} du = \frac{1}{a} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{|u|}{a} \right) + C$$

v. Re-express in terms of x

$$\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{9x^2-4}} dx = \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{|3x|}{2} \right) + C}_{\frac{1}{a} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{|u|}{a} \right) + C}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{9x^2-4}} dx = \frac{1}{2} \operatorname{arcsec} \left(\frac{|3x|}{2} \right) + C$$

8. Compute: $\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^{-1}(\sqrt{x})] = \frac{d}{dx} \left[\tan^{-1} \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right]$

$$\underbrace{\frac{d}{dx} \left[\tan^{-1} \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right]}_{\frac{d}{dx} [\tan^{-1}(u)]} = \frac{1}{\underbrace{1 + \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right)^2}_{\frac{1}{1+u^2}}} \cdot \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} x^{-\frac{1}{2}}}_{\frac{du}{dx}} = \frac{1}{(1+x)} \frac{1}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{1}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{3}{2}}} \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{x^{\frac{1}{2}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2x + 2x^2}$$

i.e., $\frac{d}{dx} \left[\tan^{-1} \left(x^{\frac{1}{2}} \right) \right] = \frac{1}{2x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2x^{\frac{3}{2}}} = \frac{x^{\frac{1}{2}}}{2x + 2x^2}$

9. Compute: $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-16x^4}} x dx = \int \frac{1}{(9-16x^4)^{\frac{1}{2}}} x dx = \int (9-16x^4)^{-\frac{1}{2}} x dx$

i. a. Is there a composite function?

Yes. $(9-16x^4)^{-\frac{1}{2}}$

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Let $u = 9 - 16x^4$

b. Is there an “approximate function/derivative pair”?

There does not appear to be an “approximate function/derivative pair.”

Proceeding solely on the strength of Part a, we continue, aware of the possibility that u-substitution might not work.

ii. Compute du

	u	$=$	$9 - 16x^4$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{du}{dx}$	$=$	$-64x^3$
$\Rightarrow$	du	$=$	$-64x^3 dx$
$\Rightarrow$	$-\frac{1}{64x^2} du$	$=$	$x dx$

iii. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{(9-16x^4)^{-\frac{1}{2}}}_{u^{-\frac{1}{2}}} \cdot \underbrace{x dx}_{\frac{1}{-64x^2} du} =$$

Since we cannot analyze the integral solely in terms of u and du , u-substitution alone will not work in this case.

We must try to get our integral to fit a different form. (See Next Page)

Exercise 9 Continued . . .

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-16x^4}} x dx \quad \text{compare to:} \quad \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} du$$

$$\sqrt{a^2 - u^2} = \sqrt{9 - 16x^4}$$

If this comparison is correct, then:

$\Rightarrow$	$a^2 = 9$
$\Rightarrow$	$a = 3$
$\Rightarrow$	$u^2 = 16x^4$
$\Rightarrow$	$u = 4x^2$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{du}{dx} = 8x$
$\Rightarrow$	$du = 8x dx$
$\Rightarrow$	$\frac{1}{8} du = x dx$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-16x^4}} x dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} \left(\frac{1}{8} du \right)$$

iii. Analyze the integral in terms of u and du .

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-16x^4}} x dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{3^2-(4x^2)^2}} x dx = \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} \frac{1}{8} du = \frac{1}{8} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} du$$

iv. Integrate:

$$\frac{1}{8} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-u^2}} du = \frac{1}{8} \arcsin \left(\frac{u}{a} \right) + C = \frac{1}{8} \arcsin \left(\frac{4x^2}{3} \right) + C$$

i.e., $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{9-16x^4}} x dx = \frac{1}{8} \arcsin \left(\frac{4x^2}{3} \right) + C$

10. $z = \tan\left(\arccos\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)\right)$ Re-write this equation as an equivalent algebraic equation.

Let $w = \arccos\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)$

Then “ w is the angle whose cosine is $\frac{x-1}{2}$.”

i.e., $\cos(w) = \frac{x-1}{2}$

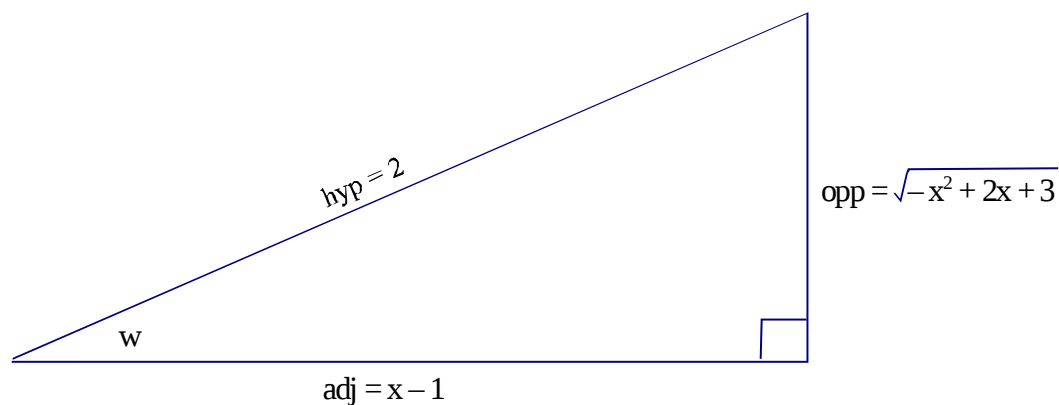
Draw a right triangle that depicts this relationship.

i.e., $\cos(w) = \frac{x-1}{2} = \frac{\text{adj}}{\text{hyp}} = \frac{x-1}{2}$

$$\text{opp}^2 = \text{hyp}^2 - \text{adj}^2 = 2^2 - (x-1)^2 = 4 - (x^2 - 2x + 1) = -x^2 + 2x + 3$$

i.e., $\text{opp}^2 = -x^2 + 2x + 3$

$$\Rightarrow \text{opp} = \sqrt{-x^2 + 2x + 3}$$



We want $z = \tan\left(\arccos\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)\right)$

But since $w = \arccos\left(\frac{x-1}{2}\right)$,

$$\Rightarrow z = \tan(w)$$

$$\Rightarrow z = \frac{\text{opp}}{\text{adj}} = \frac{\sqrt{-x^2 + 2x + 3}}{x-1}$$

i.e., $z = \frac{\sqrt{-x^2 + 2x + 3}}{x-1}$

Extra: Wow! 10 points (All or nothing)

Compute: $\int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx =$

1. Is u -sub appropriate?

a. Is there a composite function?

$$\text{Yes. } \frac{1}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} = (\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x))^{-1}$$

Let $u = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)$ i.e., “Let u = the ‘inner’ function”

b. Is there an “approximate function/derivative pair”?

$$\text{Yes. } \underbrace{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)}_{\text{function}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\sin(x) \cos(x)}_{\text{deriv}}$$

Let $u = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)$ i.e., “Let u = ‘the function’”

2. Compute du

$\begin{aligned} u &= \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x) = (\cos(x))^2 - (\sin(x))^2 \\ \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} &= -2\cos(x)\sin(x) - 2\sin(x)\cos(x) = -4\sin(x)\cos(x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{du}{u} &= -4\sin(x)\cos(x) dx \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4}du &= \sin(x)\cos(x) dx \end{aligned}$
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3. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{\frac{1}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)}}_{\frac{1}{u}} \underbrace{\sin(x) \cos(x) dx}_{-\frac{1}{4}du} = \int \frac{1}{u} (-\frac{1}{4}du) = -\frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u} du$$

4. Integrate in terms of u

$$-\frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u} du = -\frac{1}{4} \ln |u| + C$$

5. Re-write in terms of x

$$\int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} \ln |\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)| + C}_{-\frac{1}{4} \ln |u| + C}$$

$\text{i.e., } \int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx = -\frac{1}{4} \ln \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x) + C$
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Alternativeley:

I gave this as an extra credit exercise years ago. I decided to give it again, but this time, I didn't see it the way that I had seen it years ago, and the way that some of you saw it on the test. So, for better or for worse, here's how I approached it this time.

Recall: $\sin(2x) = 2 \sin(x) \cos(x)$

and: $\cos(2x) = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)$

Thus, $\int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx = \int \frac{\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x)}{\cos(2x)} dx = \int \frac{1}{\cos(2x)} \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) dx$

1. Is u -sub appropriate?

a. Is there a composite function?

Yes. $\frac{1}{\cos(2x)} = (\cos(2x))^{-1}$

Let $u = \cos(2x)$ i.e., "Let u = the 'inner' function"

b. Is there an "approximate function/derivative pair"?

Yes. $\underbrace{\cos(2x)}_{\text{function}} \rightarrow \underbrace{\sin(2x)}_{\text{deriv}}$

Let $u = \cos(2x)$ i.e., "Let u = 'the function'"

2. Compute du

$\begin{aligned} u &= \cos(2x) \\ \Rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} &= -2 \sin(2x) \\ \Rightarrow du &= -2 \sin(2x) dx \\ \Rightarrow -\frac{1}{4} du &= \frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) dx \end{aligned}$

3. Analyze in terms of u and du .

$$\int \underbrace{\frac{1}{\cos(2x)}}_{\frac{1}{u}} \underbrace{\frac{1}{2} \sin(2x) dx}_{-\frac{1}{4} du} = \int \frac{1}{u} \left(-\frac{1}{4} du\right) = -\frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u} du$$

4. Integrate in terms of u

$$-\frac{1}{4} \int \frac{1}{u} du = -\frac{1}{4} \ln|u| + C$$

5. Re-write in terms of x

$$\int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx = \underbrace{-\frac{1}{4} \ln|\cos(2x)| + C}_{-\frac{1}{4} \ln|u| + C}$$

$\text{i.e., } \int \frac{\sin(x) \cos(x)}{\cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x)} dx = -\frac{1}{4} \ln \cos(2x) + C$
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