

TOPIC: INTEGRALS OF EXPONENTIAL FUNCTIONS

Integrals of General Exponential Functions

◆ Recall: To find the *derivative* of a general exponential function b^x , multiply b^x by $\ln b$.

▶ To find the *integral* of a general exponential function b^x , _____ b^x by $\ln b$.

Recall	Rule for <i>Derivative</i> of b^x	New	Rule for <i>Integral</i> of b^x
	$\frac{d}{dx}(b^x) = b^x \cdot \ln b$		$\int b^x dx = \frac{b^x}{\ln b} + C \quad \begin{array}{l} b > 0 \\ b \neq 1 \end{array}$
	$\frac{d}{dx}(7^x) = 7^x \cdot \ln 7$		$\int 7^x dx =$

EXAMPLE

Evaluate the indefinite integral.

$$\int \left(3 \left(\frac{1}{2} \right)^x + 8^x \right) dx$$

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PRACTICE

Evaluate the indefinite integrals.

Recall

$$\int b^x dx = \frac{b^x}{\ln b} + C$$

(A) $\int -(6)^x dx$

(B) $\int 3x^4 - (5)^x dx$

(C) $\int 2\left(\frac{1}{3}\right)^x dx$

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Integrals of Natural Exponential Functions (e^x)

◆ Recall: $y = e^x$ is just a special case of $y = b^x$ where $b = e$.

► We can use the integral rule for general exponential functions to find the integral of e^x .

RULES OF INTEGRATION		
Name	Rule	Example
General Exponential	$\int b^x dx = \frac{b^x}{\ln b} + C$ $b > 0$ $b \neq 1$	$\int 7^x dx = \frac{7^x}{\ln 7} + C$
Natural Exponential	$\int e^x dx = \text{---} + C = \text{---} + C$	$\int 5e^x dx =$

EXAMPLE

Find the indefinite integral.

$$\int (3x^4 - \pi e^x + 2) dx$$

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PRACTICE

Evaluate the indefinite integrals.

(A) $\int (\sqrt{x} - e^x) dx$

(B) $\int \left(4e^x + \frac{1}{x^3}\right) dx$