

Problem:

$$\int x^2 e^{-x^2} dx$$

Integrate by parts: $\int f g' = f g - \int f' g$

$$f = x, \quad g' = x e^{-x^2}$$

$\downarrow$ steps $\downarrow$ steps

$$f' = 1, \quad g = -\frac{e^{-x^2}}{2}:$$

$$= -\frac{x e^{-x^2}}{2} - \int -\frac{e^{-x^2}}{2} dx$$

Now solving:

$$\int -\frac{e^{-x^2}}{2} dx$$

Apply linearity:

$$= -\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \int \frac{2e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx$$

Now solving:

$$\int \frac{2e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx$$

This is a special integral (Gauss error function):

$$= \text{erf}(x)$$

Plug in solved integrals:

$$-\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4} \int \frac{2e^{-x^2}}{\sqrt{\pi}} dx$$
$$= -\frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)}{4}$$

Plug in solved integrals:

$$-\frac{xe^{-x^2}}{2} - \int -\frac{e^{-x^2}}{2} dx$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)}{4} - \frac{xe^{-x^2}}{2}$$

The problem is solved:

$$\int x^2 e^{-x^2} dx$$
$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)}{4} - \frac{xe^{-x^2}}{2} + C$$

Rewrite/simplify:

$$= \frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x) - 2xe^{-x^2}}{4} + C$$

ANTIDERIVATIVE COMPUTED BY MAXIMA:

$$\int f(x) dx = F(x) =$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{\pi} \operatorname{erf}(x)}{4} - \frac{xe^{-x^2}}{2} + C$$



Simplify

DEFINITE INTEGRAL:

$$\int_0^{\infty} f(x) \, dx =$$

$$\frac{\sqrt{\pi}}{4}$$



Approximation:

0.443113462726379

Simplify

Look up definition: C , e , $\operatorname{erf}(z)$, π