

Answer on Question #46134– Math – Integral Calculus

Question:

Integrate the following expression with respect to x :

$$\int x \cdot \cos ax^2 \cdot dx$$

$\cos^3 x + c$

$\sin 2x + c$

$\sec^2 x + 1$

$1/2a \sin ax^2 + c$

Solution:

Let us change the variable of integration

$$t = ax^2.$$

Then the differential dx takes the form

$$dx = d\sqrt{\frac{t}{a}} = \frac{dt}{2\sqrt{ta}}.$$

Therefore

$$\int x \cdot \cos ax^2 \cdot dx = \int \frac{t}{a} \cdot \cos t \cdot \frac{dt}{2\sqrt{ta}} = \frac{1}{2a} \int \cos t \cdot dt.$$

Consequently

$$\frac{1}{2a} \int \cos t \cdot dt = \frac{\sin t}{2a} + \text{const} = \frac{\sin ax^2}{2a} + \text{const}.$$

Thus the final answer is

$$\int x \cdot \cos ax^2 \cdot dx = \frac{\sin ax^2}{2a} + \text{const}.$$

Answer: the last answer is correct

$$\int x \cdot \cos ax^2 \cdot dx = \frac{\sin ax^2}{2a} + \text{const}.$$