

Sec 7.4 problem 76 :

(a) Let n be a positive integer greater than or equal to 2.

$$I_{n-1} = \int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} =$$

$$u = (x^2+a^2)^{1-n} \quad u' = (1-n)(x^2+a^2)^{-n}(2x)$$

$$v' = x \quad v = \frac{1}{2}x^2$$

$$= \frac{x}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} - (1-n) \int \frac{2x^2}{(x^2+a^2)^n} dx =$$

$$2x^2 = 2(x^2+a^2) - 2a^2$$

$$= \frac{x}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} + 2(n-1) \left[\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} - a^2 \int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^n} \right]$$

$$\underbrace{\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}}}_{I_{n-1}} \quad \underbrace{\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^n}}_{I_n}$$

We get

$$I_{n-1} = \frac{x}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} + 2(n-1)I_{n-1} - 2a^2(n-1)I_n$$

So

$$2a^2(n-1)I_n = \frac{x}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} + (2n-3)I_{n-1}$$

$$I_n = \frac{x}{2a^2(n-1)(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}} + \frac{2n-3}{2a^2(n-1)} \underbrace{I_{n-1}}_{\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^{n-1}}}$$

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+a^2)^n}$$

case $a=1, n=2$ in part (a)

$$(b) \int \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^2} = \frac{x}{2 \cdot 1^2 (x^2+1)} + \underbrace{\frac{(2 \cdot 2 - 3)}{2 \cdot 1^2 (2-1)}}_{\frac{1}{2}} \int \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$$

$$= \frac{x}{(x^2+1)} + \frac{1}{2} \arctan(x) + C$$

case $a=1, n=3$ in part (a)

$$\int \frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^3} = \frac{x}{2(3-1)(x^2+1)^2} + \underbrace{\frac{2 \cdot 3 - 3}{2(3-1)}}_{\frac{3}{4}} \int \underbrace{\frac{dx}{(x^2+1)^2}}_{\text{|| above}}$$

$$= \frac{x}{4(x^2+1)^2} + \frac{3}{4} \left[\frac{x}{x^2+1} + \frac{1}{2} \arctan(x) \right] + C.$$