

INTEGRATION (Q 8, PAPER 1)

LESSON NO. 1: SIMPLE ALGEBRAIC INTEGRATION

2006

8 (a) Find (i) $\int \sqrt{x} dx$

SOLUTION

$$\int x^p dx = \frac{x^{p+1}}{p+1} + c \text{ for } p \in \mathbf{R} \text{ except } p \neq -1. \quad \dots\dots \boxed{1}$$

Remember it as:

Add one to the power of x and divide by the new power.

$$\int \sqrt{x} dx = \int x^{\frac{1}{2}} dx = \frac{x^{\frac{3}{2}}}{\frac{3}{2}} + c = \frac{2}{3} x^{\frac{3}{2}} + c$$

2005

8 (a) Find (i) $\int (2+x^3) dx$

SOLUTION

$$\int (2+x^3) dx = 2x + \frac{1}{4} x^4 + c$$

2004

8 (a) Find (i) $\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx$

SOLUTION

$$\int \frac{1}{x^2} dx = \int x^{-2} dx = \frac{x^{-1}}{-1} + c = -\frac{1}{x} + c$$

2003

8 (a) Find (i) $\int (x^3 + 2) dx$

SOLUTION

$$\int (x^3 + 2) dx = \frac{1}{4} x^4 + 2x + c$$

2002

8 (a) Find $\int (x^3 + \sqrt{x} + 2) dx$.

SOLUTION

$$\int (x^3 + \sqrt{x} + 2) dx = \int (x^3 + x^{\frac{1}{2}} + 2) dx = \frac{1}{4}x^4 + \frac{2}{3}x^{\frac{3}{2}} + 2x + c$$

2001

8 (a) Find (i) $\int \frac{1}{x^3} dx$

SOLUTION

$$\int \frac{1}{x^3} dx = \int x^{-3} dx = \frac{x^{-2}}{-2} + c = -\frac{1}{2x^2} + c$$