

# ROMANIAN MATHEMATICAL MAGAZINE

**Find a closed form:**

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}(1 - \cos(3x))}{x^2} dx$$

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$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{Let } f(t) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}(1 - \cos(tx))}{x^2} dx \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) = \frac{d}{dt} \left( \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}(1 - \cos(tx))}{x^2} dx \right) \\
 \frac{d}{dt} f(t) &= \int_0^{\infty} \frac{\partial}{\partial t} \frac{e^{-x}(1 - \cos(tx))}{x^2} dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{x^2} (x \sin(tx)) dx = \int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{x} \sin(tx) dx \\
 \frac{d^2}{dt^2} f(t) &= \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x} \cos(tx) dx = \Re \left\{ \int_0^{\infty} e^{-x+itx} dx \right\} = \Re \left\{ \left[ \frac{e^{x(-1+it)}}{1-it} \right]_0^{\infty} \right\} = \Re \left\{ \frac{1}{1-it} \right\} \\
 \frac{d^2}{dt^2} f(t) &= \Re \left\{ \frac{1+it}{1+t^2} \right\} = \frac{1}{1+t^2} \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) = \tan^{-1}(t) + C \xrightarrow[t=0]{} \frac{d}{dt} f(0) \\
 &= \tan^{-1}(0) + C_1
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}}{x} \sin(0 \times x) dx = 0 = 0 + C_1 \rightarrow C_1 = 0 \rightarrow \frac{d}{dt} f(t) = \tan^{-1}(t)$$

$$f(t) = \int \tan^{-1}(t) dt \stackrel{IBP}{=} t \tan^{-1}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(t^2 + 1) + C_2 \xrightarrow[t=0]{} C_2 = 0$$

$$\int_0^{\infty} \frac{e^{-x}(1 - \cos(tx))}{x^2} dx = t \tan^{-1}(t) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(t^2 + 1) \xrightarrow[t=3]$$

$$\text{ANSWER} = 3 \tan^{-1}(3) - \frac{1}{2} \ln(10)$$