Solutions to Midterm Exam #1

1. Substitute $u = \tan \theta$:

$$\int_0^{\pi/4} \left(1 + e^{\tan\theta}\right) \sec^2\theta \, d\theta = \int_0^1 1 + e^u \, du = u + e^u \Big]_0^1 = (1+e) - (0+1) = e^{-\frac{1}{2}} \left(1 + e^{-\frac{1}{2}}\right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(1 + e^{-\frac{1}{2}}$$

2. Rewrite the differential equation as an integral and recognize that the integrand is the derivative of $\sec^{-1} x$:

$$y = \int \frac{1}{x\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} \, dx = \sec^{-1}(x) + c,$$

at least when x is positive. Now use the data $x = 2, y = \pi$:

$$\pi = \sec^{-1} 2 + c \quad \iff \quad c = \pi - \sec^{-1} 2 = \pi = \frac{\pi}{3} = \frac{2\pi}{3}$$

Thus $y = \sec^{-1}(x) + 2\pi/3$.

3. (b) By washers, that is, discs, $dV = \pi r^2 dx = \pi \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^2 dx$. Therefore

$$V = \int_{1}^{2} \pi \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{x}}\right)^{2} dx = \pi \int_{1}^{2} \frac{1}{x} dx = \pi (\ln 2 - \ln 1) = \pi \ln 2$$

4. First,

$$y = 3^{(\cos^{-1}x)} = e^{(\ln 3)(\cos^{-1}x)}$$

Thus by the chain rule

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = e^{(\ln 3)(\cos^{-1} x)} (\ln 3) \frac{-1}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}} = \frac{-(\ln 3) \left(3^{(\cos^{-1} x)}\right)}{\sqrt{x^2 - 1}}.$$

5. Recall $\sinh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x - e^{-x})$ while $\cosh x = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$. Thus $\frac{d}{dx}(\sinh x) = \frac{e^x - (-e^{-x})}{2} = \frac{e^x + e^{-x}}{2} = \cosh x.$

6. Do integration-by-parts twice (with $u = t^2$, $dv = e^{3t} dt$ in the first case and u = t, $dv = e^{3t} dt$ in the second):

$$\int t^2 e^{3t} dt = \frac{1}{3} t^2 e^{3t} - \frac{2}{3} \int t e^{3t} dt = \frac{1}{3} t^2 e^{3t} - \frac{2}{9} t e^{3t} + \frac{2}{9} \int e^{3t} dt = \frac{1}{3} t^2 e^{3t} - \frac{2}{9} t e^{3t} + \frac{2}{27} e^{3t} + C.$$

7. Partial fractions is recommended (though completing the square will actually work). Note $x^2 + 5x - 6 = (x + 6)(x - 1)$. Therefore

$$\frac{x+4}{(x+6)(x-1)} = \frac{A}{x+6} + \frac{B}{x-1} \quad \iff \quad A = \frac{2}{7} \text{ and } B = \frac{5}{7}.$$

It follows that

$$\int \frac{x+4}{x^2+5x-6} \, dx = \frac{2}{7} \int \frac{1}{x+6} \, dx + \frac{5}{7} \int \frac{1}{x-1} \, dx = \frac{2}{7} \ln|x+6| + \frac{5}{7} \ln|x-1| + C$$

8. The trig. substitution $2x = \tan \theta$ (and $dx = (1/2) \sec^2 \theta \, d\theta$) gives

$$\int \frac{8 \, dx}{(4x^2+1)^2} = \int \frac{4 \sec^2 \theta}{(\sec^2 \theta)^2} \, d\theta = 4 \int \cos^2 \theta \, d\theta = 2 \int 1 + \cos 2\theta \, d\theta$$
$$= 2 \left(\theta + \frac{1}{2} \sin 2\theta \right) + C = 2 \left(\theta + \sin \theta \cos \theta \right) + C$$
$$= 2 \left(\tan^{-1}(2x) + \frac{2x}{\sqrt{4x^2+1}} \frac{1}{\sqrt{4x^2+1}} \right) + C = 2 \tan^{-1}(2x) + \frac{4x}{4x^2+1} + C.$$

These steps involv both trig. identities and the drawing of a right triangle with angle θ , opposite side 2x, and adjacent side 1.

Extra Credit. This problem is hard in that a long sequence of standard steps need to be applied. In particular:

Multiply both top and bottom by e^x ; then substitute $u = e^x$; then factor $u^3 + 1 = (u+1)(u^2 - u + 1)$ and do partial fractions; then complete the square $u^2 - u + 1 = (u - 1/2)^2 + 3/4$; then substitute v = u - 1/2 and split the integral; find antiderivatives; return all the way to x.

Here goes:

$$\int \frac{dx}{e^{2x} + e^{-x}} = \int \frac{e^x dx}{e^{3x} + 1} = \int \frac{du}{u^3 + 1} = \int \frac{-1}{u + 1} + \frac{2}{u^2 - u + 1} du$$
$$= -\ln|u + 1| + \int \frac{(u - 1/2) + 5/2}{(u - 1/2)^2 + 3/4} du$$
$$= -\ln(e^x + 1) + \int \frac{v}{v^2 + 3/4} dv + \frac{5}{2} \int \frac{1}{v^2 + 3/4} dv$$
$$= -\ln(e^x + 1) + \frac{1}{2} \ln(v^2 + 3/4) + \frac{5}{2} \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2}{\sqrt{3}}v\right) + C$$
$$= -\ln(e^x + 1) + \frac{1}{2} \ln\left((e^x - 1/2)^2 + 3/4\right) + \frac{5}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{2e^x - 1}{\sqrt{3}}\right) + C.$$

(Yes, extra credit points are really harder to get than regular points...)