

Recall: $\frac{d}{dx}(a^x) = a^x \cdot \ln(a)$

Thus $\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln(a)} + C$

because $\frac{d}{dx} \left(\frac{a^x}{\ln(a)} \right) = a^x$

$\int \ln(x) dx = x \cdot \ln(x) - x + C$ [Integration by parts seen in BC]

because $\frac{d}{dx} (x \ln(x) - x) = \ln(x) + \frac{x}{x} - x = \ln(x)$

Thus $\int \log_a(x) dx = \int \frac{\ln(x)}{\ln(a)} dx = \frac{1}{\ln(a)} (x \ln(x) - x) + C$

Ex. Integrate: $\int 5x a^{3x^2-7} dx$

$u = 3x^2 - 7$

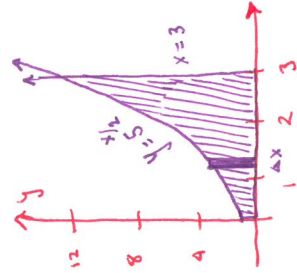
$du = 6x dx$

$= \int 5x a^u \cdot \frac{du}{6x}$

$= \frac{5}{6} \int a^u du$

$= \frac{5}{6} \cdot \frac{1}{\ln(a)} \cdot a^{3x^2-7} + C$

Ex. 73.3 Find the volume of the solid obtained by rotating about the x-axis the region bounded by the graphs of $y = 5^{x/2}$, $x = 3$ and the coordinate axes.



Volume = $\int_0^3 \pi (5^{x/2})^2 dx = \pi \int_0^3 5^x dx$

$= \pi \left[5^x \cdot \frac{1}{\ln(5)} \right]_0^3$

$= \frac{\pi}{\ln(5)} \cdot 124 \text{ units}^2$

