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**HW 2 SOLUTION**

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Written Assignment #2

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sec 7.1

(59) Area of a region between curves

Find area of region bounded by curves

$$y = \frac{x^2}{x^3 - 3x} \text{ and } y = \frac{1}{x^3 - 3x} \text{ on the interval } [2, 4]$$

$$A = \int_2^4 \frac{x^2}{x^3 - 3x} - \frac{1}{x^3 - 3x} dx = \int_2^4 \frac{x^2 - 1}{x^3 - 3x} dx$$

$$u = x^3 - 3x \quad du = 3x^2 - 3$$

$$\frac{1}{3} du = x^2 - 1$$

$$x=4, 4^3 - 12 = 52$$

$$x=2, 2^3 - 6 = 2$$

$$\frac{1}{3} \int_2^{52} \frac{1}{u} du =$$

$$\rightarrow \frac{1}{3} \ln u \Big|_2^{52} \rightarrow \frac{1}{3} (\ln 52 - \ln 2) = \frac{1}{3} \ln \frac{52}{2}$$

$$= \frac{\ln(26)}{3}$$

sec 7.2

(55) Logarithm base b: Prove that

$$\int \log_b x dx = \frac{1}{\ln b} (x \ln x - x) + C$$

$$= \int \frac{\ln x}{\ln b} dx \rightarrow \frac{1}{\ln b} \int \ln(x) dx$$

integration by parts:  $uv - \int v du$

$$= \frac{1}{\ln b} \left( \ln(x) x - \int \frac{1}{x} x dx \right)$$

$$\rightarrow = \frac{1}{\ln b} (x \ln(x) - \int 1 dx)$$

$$= \frac{x \ln(x) - x}{-\ln(b)} = \frac{1}{\ln b} (x \ln(x) - x)$$