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John Creighton wrote:

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> using MATLAB 6.1.0.450 (R12.1) to access the maple
> kernel I don't get a solution. for:
> int(exp(x)*erf(x),x = a .. b)
> Does anyone know if this is solvable? It looks like you could do parts
> a few times, and then equate terms. Since:
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>>>int(sym('erf(x)'))
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>
> ans =
>
> x*erf(x)+1/pi^(1/2)*exp(-x^2)
>
> What about the integral:
> int(exp(x^2)*erf(x),x = a .. b)
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> For this I could let u=erf(x)
> and do substitution. Right?
>
> Moreover, If I figure out how to do the integral myself, how do I
> teach maple to do it?
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If this is any help, on Mathematica 5.01 I get

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In[1]:=
Integrate[Erf[x]*E^x, {x, a, b}]
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Out[1]=
(-E^(1/4))*Erf[1/2 - a] - E^a*Erf[a] + E^(1/4)*Erf[1/2 - b] +
E^b*Erf[b]
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and

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In[2]:=
Integrate[Erf[x]*E^x^2, {x, a, b}]
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Out[2]=

$(1/\sqrt{\pi}) * ((-a^2) * \text{HypergeometricPFQ}[\{1, 1\}, \{3/2, 2\}, a^2] +$
 $b^2 * \text{HypergeometricPFQ}[\{1, 1\}, \{3/2, 2\}, b^2])$

where HypergeometricPFQ is defined here

<http://functions.wolfram.com/HypergeometricFunctions/Hypergeometric2F2/>

--Urijah Kaplan