

Quiz 9

① Fermat

② Victor Poncelet wrote "Traité des propriétés projectives des figures" which contained a new form of geometry

③ mayor of a small town

④ Balzac

⑤ a)
$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \sqrt{2\pi}$$

b) Proof: x is a dummy variable which we can replace with y , so

$$C = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx = \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy$$

$$\text{so } C^2 = \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2}{2}} dx \right) \left(\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{y^2}{2}} dy \right)$$

$$= \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} \int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-\frac{x^2+y^2}{2}} dx dy$$

Convert to polar:

$$C^2 = \int_0^{\infty} \int_0^{2\pi} re^{-r^2/2} d\theta dr = 2\pi \int_0^{\infty} re^{-r^2/2} dr$$

$$\frac{d}{dr} (-e^{-r^2/2}) = re^{-r^2/2} \text{ so } \int re^{-r^2/2} = -e^{-r^2/2} + C$$

$$\text{So } \int_0^{\infty} r e^{-r/2} dr = -e^{-r/2} \Big|_0^{\infty} = -e^{-\infty} - (-e^0) = 1$$

$$C^2 = 2\pi$$

$$\text{So } C = \sqrt{2\pi}$$