

Chem. 540

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**Math Problem 7**

Evaluate the integrals

(a)  $\int_0^{\infty} e^{-ax} dx$       (b)  $\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-ax} dx$       (c)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} xe^{-ax^2} dx$

(d)  $\int_0^{\infty} xe^{-ax^2} dx$       (e)  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2+bx} dx$

where  $a$  is a positive parameter.

For some of these you may use the very useful result  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} e^{-ax^2} dx = \sqrt{\frac{\pi}{a}}$ .

You will save some work if you use clever tricks such as integrating by parts, differentiating under the integral sign or completing the square.