

Integration (p3)

Integration by Inspection

When differentiating using function of a function or the **chain rule**: If $y = f(u)$, where in turn $u = f(x)$

$$\frac{\partial y}{\partial x} = \frac{\partial y}{\partial u} \times \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$$

So, to differentiate u^3 where $u = x^2 + 3$, we write $\frac{\partial}{\partial x}(x^2 + 3)^3$ and get $3(x^2 + 3)^2(2x)$.

The result is a **product** showing a **main function** and its **derivative** or almost its derivative.

An integral of the form $\int (x^2 + 3)^2 x$ contains a main function and almost its derivative and to find the integral we differentiate the function which leads to the main function.

Differentiating $(x^2 + 3)^3$ gives $6x(x^2 + 3)^2$ which is the function $\left\{ \int (x^2 + 3)^2 x \right\}$ we are trying to integrate but with an extra factor of 6.

Differentiating $(x^2 + 3)^3$ **divided by 6** would give us the exact function we wish to integrate,

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{(x^2 + 3)^3}{6} \longrightarrow \frac{6x(x^2 + 3)^2}{6} \quad \text{so} \quad \int \frac{6x(x^2 + 3)^2}{6} \longrightarrow \frac{(x^2 + 3)^3}{6}$$

We have **compensated** by dividing by 6 and simply reversed the process to get the integral.

Question

Differentiate and compensate to get the exact integral

Answer

$$\int (x^3 + 3)^4 x^2 dx$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{(x^3 + 3)^5}{15} \longrightarrow \frac{5(x^3 + 3)^4 3x^2}{15}$$

$$\int x \sqrt{(x^2 + 2)} dx$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{(x^2 + 2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3} \longrightarrow \frac{3(x^2 + 2)^{\frac{1}{2}} 2x}{2 \cdot 3}$$

$$\int \sin^3 x \cos x dx$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\sin^4 x}{4} \longrightarrow \frac{4 \sin^3 x \cos x}{4}$$

$$\int \frac{xdx}{(x^2 + 1)^2}$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{-(x^2 + 1)^{-1}}{2} \longrightarrow \frac{(x^2 + 1)^{-2} 2x}{2}$$

Compensate by:

Dividing by 15

Dividing by 3

Dividing by 4

**Multiplying by -1
and dividing by 2**

$$\frac{(x^3 + 3)^5}{15} + c$$

$$\frac{(x^2 + 2)^{\frac{3}{2}}}{3} + c$$

$$\frac{\sin^4 x}{4} + c$$

$$\frac{-(x^2 + 1)^{-1}}{2} + c$$

Simple standard integrals to learn.

Since $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sin ax = a \cos ax$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{\sin ax}{a} = \frac{a \cos ax}{a}$,

$$\int \cos ax dx = \frac{\sin ax}{a} + c$$

Since $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cos ax = -a \sin ax$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{-\cos ax}{a} = \frac{a \sin ax}{a}$,

$$\int \sin ax dx = -\frac{\cos ax}{a} + c$$

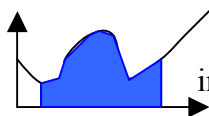
Since $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} e^{ax} = a e^{ax}$ and $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \frac{e^{ax}}{a} = \frac{a e^{ax}}{a}$,

$$\int e^{ax} dx = \frac{e^{ax}}{a} + c$$

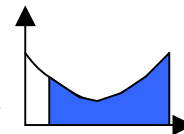
All the above have been done by inspection but there are some integrals which may have to be done by substitution.

Integration by Substitution

The idea is to turn a difficult integral in terms of x :



into an easier one in terms of u



Consider $\int (x^3 + 3)^4 x^2 dx$ Eliminate the **main obstacle** by letting $u = x^3 + 3$

Differentiate to get the link between dx and du : $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 3x^2$ therefore $dx = \frac{\partial u}{3x^2}$

Now substitute to completely eliminate all traces of x : $\int u^4 \frac{x^2 du}{3x^2} = \int \frac{u^4 du}{3} = \frac{u^5}{15}$

To get the answer back in terms of the original x substitute back for u : $\frac{(x^3 + 3)^5}{15}$

If there are limits then change them in accordance with the substitution: $u = x^3 + 3$

$$\int_0^1 (x^3 + 3)^4 x^2 dx \text{ becomes } \int_3^4 \frac{u^4 du}{3} = \left[\frac{u^5}{15} \right]_{x=3}^{x=4} = \left[\frac{781}{15} \right].$$

Now consider $\int \frac{xdx}{(x+1)^2}$ This cannot be done by inspection. We cannot compensate by dividing by

the variable x . This **has** to be done by substitution. Let $u = x + 1$ $\frac{\partial u}{\partial x} = 1$, $du = dx$.

The integral becomes $\int \frac{(u-1)du}{(u)^2} = \int \frac{1}{u} - \frac{1}{u^2} du = \ln u - \frac{1}{u} + c$

Now consider $\int \frac{dx}{1+x^2}$ The substitution $u = 1 + x^2$ would not work. We have to turn to a trig

substitution like this: Let $x = \tan \theta$, $\frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} = \sec^2 \theta$, $dx = \sec^2 \theta d\theta$ $\theta = \tan^{-1} x$

The integral becomes $\int \frac{\sec^2 \theta d\theta}{1 + \tan^2 \theta}$ (since $\sec^2 \theta = 1 + \tan^2 \theta$) = $\int d\theta = \theta = \tan^{-1} x + c$

Logarithmic Integration

Applying the chain rule to $\ln f(x)$: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \ln f(x) = \frac{1}{f(x)} \times \frac{f'(x)}{\partial x} = \frac{f'(x)}{f(x)} \therefore \int \frac{f'(x)dx}{f(x)} = \ln f(x)$

The integral of a quotient, where the numerator is the differential of the denominator, is the natural log of the denominator.

$$\int \frac{2xdx}{x^2 + 3} = \ln(x^2 + 3) + c$$

$$\int \frac{x^2 + 2dx}{x^2 + 2x - 3} = \ln(x^2 + 2x - 3) + c$$

$\int \frac{x^2 + 1}{x^3 + 3x} dx$ here, the numerator is not the exact differential of the denominator so we have to do some compensating again. We need $3x^2 + 3$ in the numerator so put the 3 in and compensate with $\frac{1}{3}$ outside the integral sign.

$$\frac{1}{3} \int \frac{3(x^2 + 1)dx}{x^3 + 3x} = \frac{1}{3} \ln(x^3 + 3x) + c$$

Partial fractions leading to logarithmic integration.

Rational functions with quadratic denominators are split into partial fractions and then integrated:

$$\int \frac{4dx}{(x+1)(x-3)} = \int \frac{1}{(x-3)} - \frac{1}{(x+1)} dx = \ln(x-3) - \ln(x+1) = \ln \frac{(x-3)}{(x+1)} + c$$

Integration by parts - used with mixed products

When differentiating a product: $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} uv = u \frac{\partial v}{\partial x} + v \frac{\partial u}{\partial x}$ and the reverse: $\int u \frac{dv}{dx} + v \frac{du}{dx} = uv$

This can be written $\int u \frac{dv}{dx} + \int v \frac{du}{dx} = uv$ or

$$\int u \frac{dv}{dx} = uv - \int v \frac{du}{dx}$$

$\int xe^x dx$ designate u so that when it is differentiated it becomes simpler: Let $u = x$, $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x} = e^x$

$$\int xe^x dx = xe^x - \int e^x \cdot 1 dx = xe^x - e^x + c$$

$$\int x \cos x dx = x \sin x - \int \sin x \cdot 1 dx = x \sin x + \cos x + c$$

u and $\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}$ are chosen and the answer found by taking out uv and then performing a second simpler integration.

Sometimes after “squeezing out” the second integral needs Further squeezing out and leaves a third integral.

$$\int x^2 \sin x dx = x^2 (-\cos x) - \int (-\cos x) 2x dx$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \color{green}{u} \color{green}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}} \quad \color{green}{u} \quad \color{green}{v} \quad - \quad \color{green}{v} \quad \color{pink}{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}} \\ & = -x^2 \cos x + \int \cos x 2x dx = -x^2 \cos x + 2x \sin x - \int \sin x \cdot 2 \cdot dx \\ & \quad \color{green}{\frac{\partial v}{\partial x}} \color{green}{u} \quad \quad \quad \color{green}{u} \quad \color{green}{v} \quad \quad \color{green}{v} \quad \color{pink}{\frac{\partial u}{\partial x}} \\ & = -x^2 \cos x + 2x \sin x + 2 \cos x + c \end{aligned}$$

Integration by parts is used to integrate the function $\ln x$ by writing $1 \cdot \ln x$ and letting $u = \ln x$

$$\int 1 \cdot \ln x dx = \ln x \cdot x - \int x \frac{1}{x} dx = x \ln x - x + c$$

Further integration methods involve using the trigonometric identities.

Integration of odd powers of sin x and cos x

When differentiating $\sin^n x$ and $\cos^n x$ we get $n \sin^{n-1} x \cos x$ and $n \cos^{n-1} x \sin x$ respectively. There is always a single $\sin x$ or $\cos x$ tagged on so we prepare for this when integrating odd powers.

$$\int \sin^3 x \, dx = \int \sin^2 x \sin x \, dx \quad \text{Now use the identity } \cos^2 x + \sin^2 x = 1$$

$$\int (1 - \cos^2 x) \sin x \, dx = \int \sin x - \cos^2 x \sin x \, dx = -\cos x + \frac{\cos^3 x}{3} + c$$

since $\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \cos^3 x = -3\cos^2 x \sin x$. Note that we compensate by dividing by 3.

$$\text{Similarly } \int \cos^3 x \, dx = \int \cos^2 x \cos x \, dx = \int (1 - \sin^2 x) \cos x \, dx = \int \cos x - \sin^2 x \cos x \, dx$$

$$= \sin x - \frac{\sin^3 x}{3} + c$$

Integration of even powers of sin x and cos x

To integrate even powers of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$, we use the double angle formula: $\cos 2x = 1 - 2\sin^2 x$
 $= 2\cos^2 x - 1$

Changing the subject of these two identities gives $\sin^2 x = \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2}$ and $\cos^2 x = \frac{\cos 2x + 1}{2}$

$$\text{So } \int \sin^2 x \, dx = \int \frac{1 - \cos 2x}{2} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} \right) + c$$

$$\text{And } \int \cos^2 x \, dx = \int \frac{\cos 2x + 1}{2} \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{\sin 2x}{2} + x \right) + c$$

Since most of the integration methods have been deduced by first considering differentiation of functions, it might be worth noting the following differentials.

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \sec^n x = n \sec^{n-1} x \sec x \tan x = n \sec^n x \tan x \qquad \int \sec^n x \tan x \, dx = \frac{\sec^n x}{n} + c$$

$$\frac{\partial}{\partial x} \tan^n x = n \tan^{n-1} x \sec^2 x \qquad \int \tan^n x \sec^2 x \, dx = \frac{\tan^{n+1} x}{n+1} + c$$

Integration of products of sin and cos using the factor formula

$\sin A + \sin B = 2 \sin \frac{A+B}{2} \cos \frac{A-B}{2}$ is the first of the factor formulae

Let $A = P + Q$ and $B = P - Q$, this gives the formula

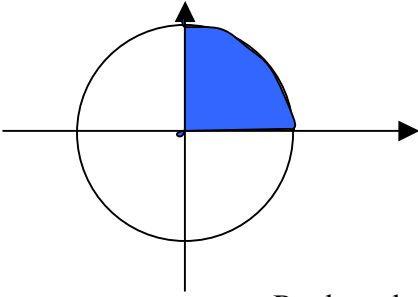
	$\sin(P+Q) + \sin(P-Q) = 2 \sin P \cos Q$	1
The other three formulae are:	$\sin(P+Q) - \sin(P-Q) = 2 \cos P \sin Q$	2
	$\cos(P+Q) + \cos(P-Q) = 2 \cos P \cos Q$	3
	$\cos(P+Q) - \cos(P-Q) = -2 \sin P \sin Q$	4

These formulae enable us to integrate trigonometric products like $\sin 5x \cos x$.

$$\int \sin 5x \cos 3x \, dx = \int \frac{\sin 8x + \sin 2x}{2} \, dx \quad (\text{using equation 1 above}) = \frac{1}{2} \left[\frac{-\cos 8x}{8} + \frac{-\cos 2x}{2} \right] + c$$

Finding the area under a curve given parametrically

The parametric equations of the circle centre (0,0) and radius r are: $x = r \cos \theta$, $y = r \sin \theta$



The area under the curve between $x = 0$ and $x = r$ is written

$$\int_{x=0}^{x=r} y dx = \int_0^r r \sin \theta dx$$
 There is a mixture of θ and x here

so a substitution has to be made.

Replace dx by $\frac{\partial x}{\partial \theta} d\theta$ and change the limits using $\theta = \cos^{-1} \frac{x}{r}$

The integral becomes

$$\int_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\theta=0} r \sin \theta (-r \sin \theta) d\theta = -r^2 \int_{\theta=\frac{\pi}{2}}^{\theta=0} \sin^2 \theta d\theta = -r^2 \left[\frac{1}{2} \left(x - \frac{\sin 2x}{2} \right) \right]_{\frac{\pi}{2}}^0$$
$$= -r^2 \left(-\frac{\pi}{4} \right) = \frac{\pi r^2}{4}$$
 which is a quarter of the area of a circle!

Integration checklist

- 1 If the integral is a product of a function and its derivative try **inspection**.
- 2 If the integral is a product of a function and its derivative and inspection is out, try **substitution**.
- 3 If the integral is a mixed product eg. $(x \sin x)$ then go for **integration by parts**.
- 4 If the integral is a fraction with the derivative above a function use **logarithmic integration**.
- 5 Quadratic denominators can be factorised and should lead to **partial fractions**.
- 6 For even or odd powers of $\sin x$ or $\cos x$ use the appropriate **trigonometric identities**.
- 7 For products of \sin and \cos use the **factor formula** to substitute.
- 8 For any other integral you are on your own!