

Integration Methods

Note Title

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(a) Standard Integrals and $\int f(ax+b) dx$

All the standard derivatives we have learnt provide standard integrals as well.

e.g $\frac{d}{dx} (\tan x) = \sec^2 x$

so $\int \sec^2 x dx = \tan x + c$

e.g $\frac{d}{dx} (\ln x) = \frac{1}{x}$

so $\int \frac{1}{x} dx = \ln|x| + c$

[NB this is usually written with a modulus sign since we cannot have \ln of a negative number.]

Also, we know that $\frac{d}{dx} (f(ax+b)) = a f'(ax+b)$

e.g $\frac{d}{dx} (\sin(3x + \frac{\pi}{2})) = 3 \cos(3x + \frac{\pi}{2})$

so $\int 3 \cos(3x + \frac{\pi}{2}) dx = \sin(3x + \frac{\pi}{2}) + c$

(\div both sides by 3) $\int \cos(3x + \frac{\pi}{2}) dx = \frac{1}{3} \sin(3x + \frac{\pi}{2}) + D$

Generalizing,

$$\int f(ax+b) dx = \frac{1}{a} F(ax+b) + c$$

Examples

① $\int e^{5x+2} dx = \frac{1}{5} e^{5x+2} + c$

② $\int \sec 3x \tan 3x dx = \frac{1}{3} \sec 3x + c$

③ $\int \frac{1}{3-2x} dx = -\frac{1}{2} \ln|3-2x| + c$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{4} \quad \int \frac{1}{(3-2x)^4} dx &= \int (3-2x)^{-4} dx \\
 &= -\frac{1}{2} \times -\frac{1}{3} (3-2x)^{-3} \\
 &= \frac{1}{6} (3-2x)^{-3} + c
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{5} \quad \int \frac{4}{2x-1} dx &= 4 \int \frac{1}{2x-1} dx \\
 &= 4 \times \frac{1}{2} \ln |2x-1| \\
 &= 2 \ln |2x-1| + c
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \textcircled{6} \quad \int \frac{1 + \cos x}{\sin^2 x} dx &= \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} + \frac{\cos x}{\sin^2 x} dx \\
 &= \int \operatorname{cosec}^2 x + \cot x \operatorname{cosec} x dx \\
 &= -\cot x - \operatorname{cosec} x + c
 \end{aligned}$$

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(b) Using Long Division

Use for improper fractions

e.g. $I = \int \frac{x^2 - 5x + 3}{x - 2} dx$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 x - 3 \\
 x - 2 \overline{) x^2 - 5x + 3} \\
 \underline{x^2 - 2x} \\
 -3x + 3 \\
 \underline{-3x + 6} \\
 -3
 \end{array}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \text{so } I &= \int x - 3 - \frac{3}{x-2} dx \\
 &= \frac{1}{2} x^2 - 3x - 3 \ln |x-2| + c
 \end{aligned}$$

(c) Using Partial Fractions

Example 1 $I = \int \frac{3x-1}{x^2-6x+5} dx$

$$= \int \frac{3x-1}{(x-1)(x-5)} dx$$

Let $\frac{3x-1}{(x-1)(x-5)} = \frac{A}{x-1} + \frac{B}{x-5}$

$$A(x-5) + B(x-1) = 3x-1$$

$x=5$: $4B = 14$
 $B = \frac{7}{2}$

$x=1$: $-4A = 2$
 $A = -\frac{1}{2}$

$$I = \int \frac{7}{2(x-5)} - \frac{1}{2(x-1)} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{7}{x-5} - \frac{1}{x-1} dx$$
$$= \frac{1}{2} \left[7 \ln |x-5| - \ln |x-1| \right] + C$$

If the highest power on the top is \geq the highest power on the bottom, it is an IMPROPER FRACTION and we need to use long division.

Example 2 $I = \int \frac{2x^3 - 15x^2 + 31x - 16}{(x-1)(x-5)} dx$

$$\begin{array}{r}
 2x - 3 \\
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 x^2 - 6x + 5 \) \ 2x^3 - 15x^2 + 31x - 16 \\
 \underline{2x^3 - 12x^2 + 10x} \\
 -3x^2 + 21x - 16 \\
 \underline{-3x^2 + 18x - 15} \\
 3x - 1
 \end{array}$$

$$I = \int 2x - 3 + \frac{3x - 1}{x^2 - 6x + 5} dx$$

(see eg 1)

$$= \int 2x - 3 + \frac{7}{2(x-5)} - \frac{1}{2(x-1)} dx$$

$$= x^2 - 3x + \frac{1}{2} (7 \ln|x-5| - \ln|x-1|) + C$$

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(d) Integration by Substitution

This is related to the chain rule for differentiation.

The commonest situation where it is useful is where we have :-

$$\int f(g(x)) g'(x) dx$$

or

$$\int \frac{g'(x)}{f(g(x))} dx$$

Examples

① $I = \int \sec^2 x \tan^4 x dx$

(Here $g(x) = \tan x$, $f(x) = x^4$, $g'(x) = \sec^2 x$)

$$\text{let } t = \tan x \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{dx} = \sec^2 x$$

$$\Rightarrow dt = \sec^2 x dx$$

$$\Rightarrow dx = \frac{dt}{\sec^2 x}$$

$$\text{So } I = \int \cancel{\sec^2 x} t^4 \frac{dt}{\cancel{\sec^2 x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{5} t^5$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{5} \tan^5 x + C}}$$

$$\textcircled{2} \quad I = \int x (x^2 - 3)^5 dx$$

[Note that $g(x) = x^2 - 3$ so to fit the pattern perfectly we should have $g'(x) = 2x$ not just x .

But a missing constant multiplier does not affect the method.]

$$\text{let } t = x^2 - 3 \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{dx} = 2x$$

$$\Rightarrow \frac{dt}{2x} = dx$$

$$I = \int \cancel{x} t^5 \frac{dt}{\cancel{2x}}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} t^6$$

$$= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{2} (x^2 - 3)^6 + C}}$$

$$\textcircled{3} \quad I = \int_{x=0}^{x=\pi/2} \frac{\cos x}{\sqrt{1 + \sin x}} dx$$

$$\text{let } t = 1 + \sin x \quad \frac{dt}{dx} = \cos x$$

$$dx = \frac{dt}{\cos x}$$

Also

$$x = 0 \Rightarrow t = 1$$

$$x = \pi/2 \Rightarrow t = 2$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int_{t=1}^{t=2} \frac{\cancel{\cos x}}{\sqrt{t}} \frac{dt}{\cancel{\cos x}} \\
 &= \int_1^2 t^{-1/2} dt \\
 &= \left[2t^{1/2} \right]_1^2 \\
 &= \underline{\underline{2\sqrt{2} - 2}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$(4) \quad I = \int \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx$$

$$\text{let } t = x^3+1 \quad \Rightarrow \quad \frac{dt}{dx} = 3x^2 \\
 dx = \frac{dt}{3x^2}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 I &= \int \frac{\cancel{x^2}}{t} \frac{dt}{\cancel{3x^2}} \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{1}{t} dt \\
 &= \underline{\underline{\frac{1}{3} \ln |x^3+1| + c}}
 \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned}
 \int \frac{1}{3t} dt &= \frac{1}{3} \ln |3t| + c \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} (\ln 3 + \ln |t|) + c \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \ln |t| + \left(\frac{1}{3} \ln 3 + c \right) \\
 &= \frac{1}{3} \ln |t| + D \quad \left. \begin{array}{l} \text{which is the same} \\ \text{as the answer above} \end{array} \right\}
 \end{aligned}$$

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(ii) It is possible to use substitution for some integrals which do not fit the above pattern; however, if this is required the substitution to use will be given in the question.

① Use the substitution $t = 9 - 4x$ to evaluate

$$I = \int_{x=0}^{x=2} x \sqrt{9 - 4x} \, dx$$

$$\text{let } t = 9 - 4x \Rightarrow \frac{dt}{dx} = -4$$

$$\frac{dt}{-4} = dx$$

$$\text{Also if } x = 0, \quad t = 9$$

$$\text{if } x = 2, \quad t = 1$$

$$\text{So } I = \int_{t=9}^{t=1} x \sqrt{t} \frac{dt}{-4}$$

To express the remaining 'x' in terms of t,

$$t = 9 - 4x \Rightarrow 4x = 9 - t \\ x = \frac{1}{4}(9 - t)$$

$$\text{So } I = \int_{t=9}^{t=1} \frac{1}{4}(9 - t) t^{1/2} \frac{dt}{-4}$$

$$= -\frac{1}{16} \int_9^1 9t^{1/2} - t^{3/2} \, dt$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left[9 \times \frac{2}{3} t^{3/2} - \frac{2}{5} t^{5/2} \right]_1^9$$

$$= \frac{1}{16} \left[\left(162 - \frac{486}{5} \right) - \left(6 - \frac{2}{5} \right) \right]$$

$$= \underline{\underline{3.7}}$$

[Note: swapping the limits changes the sign of the answer - so we have removed the "-" sign.]

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(iii) Sometimes the suggested substitution involves t^2 instead of t . In this case we need to use implicit differentiation.

(2) Using the substitution $t^2 = 4 - x$, find

$$\int \frac{3x}{\sqrt{4-x}} dx$$

Let $t^2 = 4 - x$

Diff both sides wrt x : $2t \frac{dt}{dx} = -1$

$\left[\frac{d}{dx}(t^2) = \frac{d}{dt}(t^2) \frac{dt}{dx} = 2t \frac{dt}{dx} \right]$ $2t dt = -dx$
 $dx = -2t dt$

Also $t^2 = 4 - x$

$\Rightarrow x = 4 - t^2$

So $I = - \int \frac{3(4-t^2)}{\sqrt{t^2}} \cancel{2t} dt$

$= - \int 24 - 6t^2 dt$

$= \int 6t^2 - 24 dt$

$= 2t^3 - 24t + c$

$\left(\text{But } t = (4-x)^{1/2} \right)$ $= \underline{\underline{2(4-x)^{3/2} - 24(4-x)^{1/2} + c}}$

(e) Integration by Parts

This is based on the product rule for differentiation.

$$\frac{d}{dx}(uv) = \frac{du}{dx} v + u \frac{dv}{dx}$$

(Integrate both sides wrt x)

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

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

This replaces one integral with a different (hopefully easier!) integral. It is only useful in certain situations:—

(i) A product, one part of which is linear.

e.g. $I = \int (2x+3) \sin x \, dx$

let $u = 2x+3$ $\frac{dv}{dx} = \sin x$

$\frac{du}{dx} = 2$ $v = -\cos x$

$$I = -(2x+3) \cos x + \int 2 \cos x \, dx$$
$$= \underline{-(2x+3) \cos x + 2 \sin x + c}$$

(ii) A product, one part of which is quadratic (we need to use parts twice for this)

e.g. $I = \int (x^2 + 3x + 4) \cos x \, dx$

let $u = x^2 + 3x + 4$ $\frac{dv}{dx} = \cos x$

$\frac{du}{dx} = 2x+3$ $v = \sin x$

$$I = (x^2 + 3x + 4) \sin x - \int (2x+3) \sin x \, dx$$

Use parts again as in (i):

$$\underline{I = (x^2 + 3x + 4) \sin x - [-(2x+3) \cos x + 2 \sin x] + c}$$

(iii) A product of a polynomial and $\ln x$

[In this case let $u = \ln x$ even if the polynomial is linear or quadratic.]

e.g.

$$I = \int_1^2 (x^2 + 3x + 4) \ln x \, dx$$

let $u = \ln x$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = x^2 + 3x + 4$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$v = \frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 4x$$

$$I = \left[\ln x \left(\frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 4x \right) \right]_1^2 - \int_1^2 \frac{1}{x} \left(\frac{1}{3}x^3 + \frac{3}{2}x^2 + 4x \right) dx$$

$$= \left[\ln 2 \left(\frac{50}{3} \right) - 0 \right] - \int_1^2 \frac{1}{3}x^2 + \frac{3}{2}x + 4 \, dx$$

$$= \frac{50 \ln 2}{3} - \left[\frac{1}{9}x^3 + \frac{3}{4}x^2 + 4x \right]_1^2$$

$$= \frac{50 \ln 2}{3} - \left[\frac{107}{9} - \frac{175}{36} \right]$$

$$= \frac{50 \ln 2}{3} - \frac{253}{36}$$

(iv) We can prove one more standard integral:—

$$I = \int x \ln x \, dx$$

let $u = \ln x$

$$\frac{dv}{dx} = 1$$

$$\frac{du}{dx} = \frac{1}{x}$$

$$v = x$$

$$I = x \ln x - \int \frac{1}{x} x \, dx$$

$$\int x \ln x \, dx = x \ln x - x + c$$

e.g. $\int \ln(2x+5) \, dx = \frac{1}{2} \left[(2x+5) \ln(2x+5) - (2x+5) \right] + c$

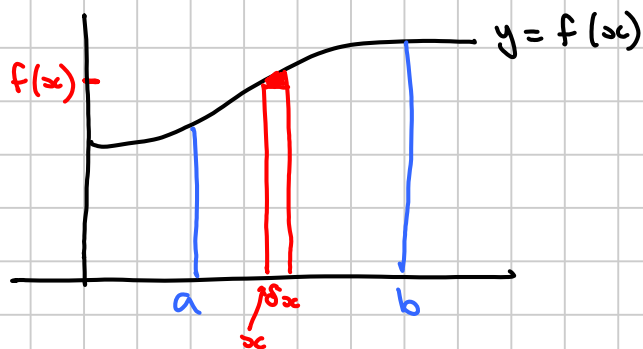
(using the rule from section (a) of notes).

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Finding Areas and Volumes using integration

An integral can be thought of as the sum of an infinite number of infinitesimal quantities.

e.g



We can think of an area under a curve as being made up of strips, each of which is δx wide. Each strip is approximately a rectangle $f(x)$ high ($f(x)$ is different for each rectangle).

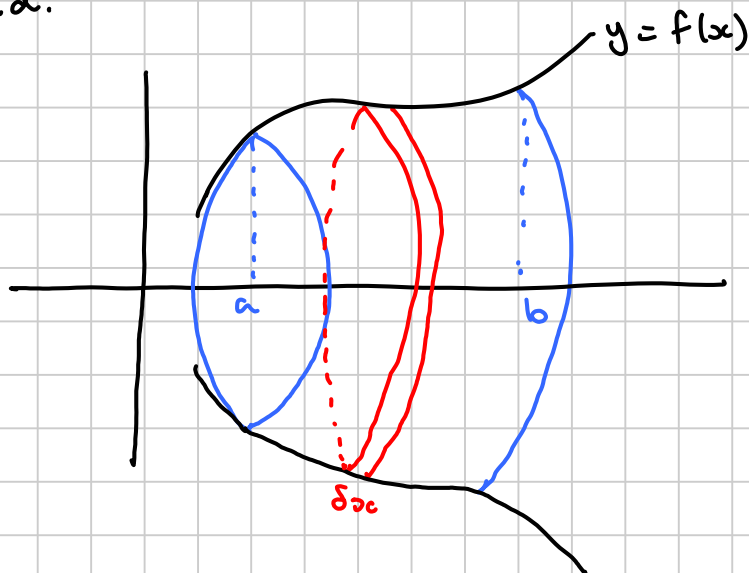
As the width of each strip becomes infinitesimal, this approximation becomes exact.

So the area is $\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \sum_{x=a}^{x=b} f(x) \delta x$

This becomes $\int_{x=a}^{x=b} f(x) dx$

Solids of Revolution

If we rotate an area around the x -axis, we form a solid.



We can visualise this solid as made up of discs which are approximately cylinders with " $h = \delta x$ " and " $r = f(x)$ ".

So the volume of each cylinder is $\pi [f(x)]^2 \delta x$ and the total volume is

$$\lim_{\delta x \rightarrow 0} \left(\sum_{x=a}^{x=b} \pi [f(x)]^2 \delta x \right)$$

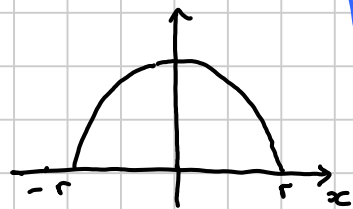
$$= \int_a^b \pi [f(x)]^2 dx$$

$$\text{Volume} = \pi \int_a^b [f(x)]^2 dx$$

Example If the curve $y = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$ is rotated through 2π around the x -axis to form a solid, find its volume.

$y = \sqrt{r^2 - x^2}$ can be written as $y^2 = r^2 - x^2$
 $x^2 + y^2 = r^2$

which is a circle with radius r
 But since $y > 0$ we only have a semicircle.



$$\text{Volume} = \pi \int_{-r}^r (\sqrt{r^2 - x^2})^2 dx$$

$$= \pi \int_{-r}^r r^2 - x^2 dx$$

$$= \pi \left[r^2 x - \frac{1}{3} x^3 \right]_{-r}^r$$

$$= \pi \left[\left(r^3 - \frac{1}{3} r^3 \right) - \left(-r^3 + \frac{1}{3} r^3 \right) \right]$$

$$= \frac{4}{3} \pi r^3$$

which is the volume of a sphere