

Lecture 14, Thursday, October/26/2023

Outline

- Substitution method (5.5, 5.6, AKA change of variable) ↙ Also Known As
- Even and odd functions (5.6)

FTC2 states that in order to compute $\int_a^b f(x)dx$, it suffices to find a computable antiderivative F of f . In the second half of the course, we are going to introduce a few techniques for finding F , the first being the substitution method.

Substitution Method (Change of Variable)

e.g. What is an antiderivative of $f(x) = \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cos \sqrt{x}$?

$2(\sqrt{x})' \quad \leftarrow \sin'$

- $f(x) = 2(\sqrt{x})' \sin'(\sqrt{x})$
- $f(x) = 2 \frac{d}{dx}(\sin \sqrt{x}) = \frac{d}{dx}(2 \sin \sqrt{x})$
- $F(x) = 2 \sin \sqrt{x}$, $F'(x) = f(x)$.

$$\text{i.e., } \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x}} \cos x dx = 2 \sin \sqrt{x} + C.$$

In general, the substitution method seeks to reverse the chain rule. It is usually more convenient to write in the form of indefinite integrals.

THEOREM 6—The Substitution Rule If $u = g(x)$ is a differentiable function whose range is an interval I , and f is continuous on I , then

$$\int \underbrace{f(g(x))}_{f(u)} \underbrace{g'(x) dx}_{du} = \int f(u) du.$$

It means
 $LHS = RHS$
when both
are expressed
in terms
of x .

Before proving it, let us demonstrate with one example.

e.g. 1 $\int \sin^3 x \, dx = \int (1 - \cos^2 x) \underbrace{\sin x \, dx}_{du ??}$

$$= \int (1 - u^2) du$$

$$= u - \frac{1}{3}u^3 + C$$

$$= -\cos x + \frac{1}{3} \cos^3 x + C.$$

$$u = -\cos x$$

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

$$du = \sin x dx$$

exercise: check that this is correct using differentiation.

Proof of Substitution Rule:

- Since f is cts, it has an antiderivative F , by FTC1.

- Then for all $x \in D$,

$$f(g(x))g'(x) = F'(g(x))g'(x) = (F \circ g)'(x),$$

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$$\int f(g(x))g'(x)dx = (F \circ g)(x) + C = F(g(x)) + C.$$

• On the other hand,

$$\int f(u) du = F(u) + C = F(g(x)) + C,$$

So LHS = RHS.



e.g. 2 $\int x\sqrt{2x+1} dx = \underline{\hspace{2cm}}$

$$= \frac{1}{4} \left(\frac{2}{5} (2x+1)^{5/2} - \frac{2}{3} (2x+1)^{3/2} \right) + C.$$

e.g. 3 If f satisfies the condition in the substitution rule, then

$$\int f(Ax+B) dx = \int f(u) \frac{1}{A} du = \frac{1}{A} F(u) + C \quad \begin{matrix} (u = Ax+B) \\ (du = A dx) \end{matrix}$$
$$= \frac{1}{A} F(Ax+B) + C.$$

e.g. 4 $\int \sec^2(5x+1) dx = \frac{1}{5} \tan(5x+1) + C.$

$$\int \cos(7\theta+3) d\theta = \frac{1}{7} \sin(7\theta+3) + C.$$

After getting used to the notation, one may write $d(g(x))$ instead of du if $u = g(x)$.

e.g. 5 $\int \sin^3(x) dx = \int (1 - \cos^2(x)) \sin x dx = \int (\cos^2(x) - 1) (-\sin x dx)$

$$= \int [(\cos x)^2 - 1] d(\cos x) = \frac{1}{3} (\cos x)^3 - \cos x + C$$

The substitution rule above can help in computing $\int_a^b f(x) dx$.

e.g. 6 $\int_{-1}^1 \underbrace{3x^2 \sqrt{x^3+1}}_f dx = ?$

• Find an antiderivative of f first.

• $\int 3x^2 \sqrt{x^3+1} dx = \int \sqrt{x^3+1} d(x^3+1) = \frac{2}{3} \underbrace{(x^3+1)^{3/2}}_{F(x)} + C$
 $u = x^3+1, du = 3x^2 dx$

• Hence, $\int_{-1}^1 3x^2 \sqrt{x^3+1} dx \stackrel{\text{FTC2}}{=} F(1) - F(-1) = \frac{2}{3}(2^{3/2} - 0) = \frac{4\sqrt{2}}{3}$.

Alternatively, one may do the following: $\int_{-1}^1 3x^2 \sqrt{x^3+1} dx = ?$

• Let $u = x^3+1, du = 3x^2 dx$.

• When $x = -1, u = 0$; when $x = 1, u = 2$.

• $\int_{-1}^1 3x^2 \sqrt{x^3+1} dx = \int_0^2 \sqrt{u} du = \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \Big|_{u=0}^2 = \frac{2}{3} \cdot 2\sqrt{2}$.

This second method in e.g. 6 is summarized below.

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THEOREM 7—Substitution in Definite Integrals If g' is continuous on the interval $[a, b]$ and f is continuous on the range of $g(x) = u$, then

$$\int_a^b f(g(x)) \cdot g'(x) dx = \int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(u) du.$$

Proof: • Let F be any antiderivative of f on $\text{range}(g)$.

• Then $\int_{g(a)}^{g(b)} f(u) du = F(g(b)) - F(g(a)) = (F \circ g)(x) \Big|_a^b$. ①

↖ f is cts.

• Since $g'(x)$ is continuous, so is $f(g(x))g'(x)$.

• Since $(F \circ g)'(x) = F'(g(x))g'(x) = f(g(x))g'(x)$, we have

$$\int_a^b f(g(x))g'(x) dx \stackrel{\text{FTC2}}{=} (F \circ g)(x) \Big|_a^b. \quad \textcircled{2}$$

• By ① & ②, we are done.



e.g. 7 $\int_0^{\pi/4} (\sin 2x - 2 \sin^2 x \sin 2x) dx$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} (1 - 2 \sin^2 x) \sin(2x) dx$$

$$= \int_0^{\pi/4} \cos(2x) \sin(2x) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^1 u du$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \cdot \frac{1}{2} (1^2 - 0^2) = \frac{1}{4}.$$

$$\begin{aligned} u &= \sin 2x \\ du &= 2 \cos(2x) dx \\ x=0 &\Rightarrow u=0 \\ x=\pi/4 &\Rightarrow u=1 \end{aligned}$$

In-Class Discussion

e.g. 8 Compute $\int \sin x \cos x dx$ using:

1. Double-angle formula.
2. Substitution with $u = \sin x$.
3. Substitution with $u = \cos x$.

Which method is correct? Which one is not?

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Even and Odd Functions

Def: A function $f: D \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ is called This implies D is symmetric about $x=0$.

- an even function, if $f(x) = f(-x)$ for all $x \in D$;
- an odd function, if $f(x) = -f(-x)$ for all $x \in D$.

Theorem (Integrals of Symmetric functions)

Let $f: [-a, a] \rightarrow \mathbb{R}$ be an integrable function.

- If f is an even function, then $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx$.
- If f is an odd function, then $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 0$.

Before proving the theorem, let us see two examples.

e.g. 9 $\int_{-\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} (15x^4 - 4x^3 + 6x^2 + 7x) dx = 32\sqrt{2}.$

Sol: Call the integral I . Then

$$\begin{aligned} I &= \int_{-\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} \underbrace{(15x^4 + 6x^2)}_{\text{even}} dx + \underbrace{\int_{-\sqrt{2}}^{\sqrt{2}} (7x - 4x^3) dx}_{\text{odd}} = 0 \\ &= 2 \int_0^{\sqrt{2}} (15x^4 + 6x^2) dx = 2 \left([3x^5 + 2x^3]_0^{\sqrt{2}} \right) \\ &= 2(3 \cdot 4\sqrt{2} + 4\sqrt{2}) = 32\sqrt{2}. \end{aligned}$$

e.g. 10 $\underbrace{\int_{-1}^3 (x+1)^2(x-3)^2 dx}_I = \frac{512}{15}.$

Sol: Observe the symmetry of integrand about $x=2$.

• Let $u = x-1$. Then $du = dx$.

$$\begin{aligned} \bullet \quad I &= \int_{-2}^2 (u+2)^2(u-2)^2 du = \int_{-2}^2 \overbrace{(u^2-4)^2}^{\text{Even}} du \\ &= 2 \int_0^2 (u^2-4)^2 du = 2 \int_0^2 (u^4 - 8u^2 + 16) du \\ &= 2 \left(\frac{1}{5} 2^5 - \frac{8}{3} 2^3 + 16 \cdot 2 \right) = \frac{512}{15}. \end{aligned}$$

Proof: $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = \underbrace{\int_0^a f(x) dx}_{I_1} + \underbrace{\int_{-a}^0 f(x) dx}_{I_2}.$

(1) If f is even, then

$$I_2 = \int_{-a}^0 f(-x) dx = \int_a^0 f(u) (-du) = \int_0^a f(u) du = I_1$$

\swarrow f is even \swarrow $u = -x, du = -dx$

Hence $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = 2I_1 = 2 \int_0^a f(x) dx.$

(2) If f is odd, then

$$I_2 = \int_{-a}^0 f(-x) dx = - \int_{-a}^0 f(-x) dx = -I_1$$

\swarrow f is odd \swarrow by (1)

Hence $\int_{-a}^a f(x) dx = I_1 - I_1 = 0.$

