Some Basic Indefinite Integral Formulas

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1.
$$\int x^{\alpha} dx = \frac{x^{\alpha+1}}{\alpha+1} + c, \ \alpha \neq 1$$

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

3.
$$\int e^x dx = e^x + c$$

4.
$$\int a^x dx = \frac{a^x}{\ln a} + c$$
, $(a > 0, a \neq 1)$

5.
$$\int cosxdx = sinx + c$$

6.
$$\int sinx dx = -cosx + c$$

7.
$$\int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx = \tan x + c$$

8.
$$\int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} dx = -\cot x + c$$

9.
$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} arcsinx + c$$

10.
$$\int \frac{1}{1+x^2} dx = arctanx + c$$

11.
$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{1}{a} \arctan \frac{x}{a} + c$$
 Pf:
$$\int \frac{1}{a^2 + x^2} dx = \frac{a}{a^2} \int \frac{1}{(\frac{x}{a})^2 + 1} d\frac{x}{a}, \text{ use } 10.$$

12.
$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \arcsin \frac{x}{a} + c$$

Pf: $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \int \frac{dx}{a\sqrt{1 - (\frac{x}{a})^2}} = \int \frac{d\frac{x}{a}}{\sqrt{1 - (\frac{x}{a})^2}}$, use 9.

$$\mathbf{13}(a). \int \frac{1}{a^2 - x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{a + x}{a - x} \right| + c$$

$$\text{Pf: } \int \frac{1}{a^2 - x^2} dx = \int \frac{dx}{(a - x)(a + x)} = \frac{1}{2a} \int \left(\frac{1}{a - x} + \frac{1}{a + x} \right) dx$$

$$\text{use } 2, = \frac{1}{2a} \left(-\ln |a - x| + \ln |a + x| \right) + c = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{a + x}{a - x} \right| + c.$$
Similarly, we have
$$\mathbf{13}(b). \int \frac{1}{x^2 - a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{x - a}{x + a} \right| + c$$

$$\text{Pf: } \int \frac{1}{x^2 - a^2} dx = \int \frac{dx}{(x - a)(x + a)} = \frac{1}{2a} \int \left(\frac{1}{x - a} - \frac{1}{x + a} \right) dx$$

$$= \frac{1}{2a} (\ln |x - a| - \ln |x + a|) + c = \frac{1}{2a} \ln \left| \frac{x - a}{x + a} \right| + c.$$

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14.
$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 + a^2}} dx = \ln|x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}| + c$$
 Pf: Let $x = arctant$, then $dx = a \times sec^2t dt$, $\sqrt{x^2 + a^2} = a \times sect$ so left side $= \int \frac{1}{assect} a \times sec^2t dt = \int \frac{1}{cost} dt$ use $20, = \ln|tan(\frac{t}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4})| + c = \ln|sect + tant| + c$ $= \ln|x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}| + c$.

Note: Some basic triangular transformation for square root type integrals:

(I)sin/cos type $\sqrt{a^2-x^2}$ let $x=a\times sin\theta$, $dx=a\times cos\theta$; or $x=a\times cos\theta$, $dx=-asin\theta d\theta$ $sin^2\theta+cos^2\theta=1$ (II)sec/csc type $\sqrt{x^2-a^2}$ let $x=a\times sec\theta$, $dx=a\times sec\theta tan\theta d\theta$; or $x=a\times csc\theta$, $dx=-a\times csc\theta cot\theta$ $sec^2\theta=1+tan^2\theta$ (III)tan/cot type $\sqrt{x^2+a^2}$ let $x=a\times tan\theta$, $dx=a\frac{1}{cos^2\theta}$; or $x=a\times cot\theta$, $dx=-a\frac{1}{sin^2\theta}$ It's easy to use a right triangle to see the relationships.

 $c = \sqrt{a^2 + b^2}$ a $\gamma = 90^\circ$ α

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$$\begin{array}{l} sin\alpha = \frac{a}{c}, cos\alpha = \frac{b}{c}, tan\alpha = \frac{a}{b}, cot\alpha = \frac{b}{c};\\ sec\alpha = \frac{1}{cos\alpha} = \frac{c}{b}, csc\alpha = \frac{1}{sin\alpha} = \frac{c}{a}.\\ (cscx)' = -cscxcotx, (secx)' = secxtanx.\\ (IV)^m \sqrt{ax+b} = t, \ x = \frac{t^m-b}{a}, \ dx = \frac{1}{a}mt^{m-1}dt\\ (V)^m \sqrt{x}, \ x = t^m, \ dx = mt^{m-1};\\ ^m \sqrt{x} \ \text{and} \ ^n \sqrt{x}, \ \text{let} \ t = ^{mn} \sqrt{x}, \ \text{so} \ ^m \sqrt{x} = t^n, \ ^n \sqrt{x} = t^m\\ dx = dt^{mn} = (mn)t^{mn-1}dt \end{array}$$

$$\begin{array}{l} \textbf{15.} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2-a^2}} dx = \ln |x+\sqrt{x^2-a^2}| + c \\ \text{Pf: let } x = a \times sect, \sqrt{x^2-a^2} = a \times tant, \\ dx = d(a \times sect) = a \frac{sint}{cos^2t} dt = a \times sect \times tant \times dt \\ \text{left side} = \int \frac{a \times sect \times tant}{a \times tant} dt = \int \frac{dt}{cost} \\ \text{use } 20, = \ln |sect + tant| + c = \ln |\frac{x}{a} + \frac{\sqrt{x^2-a^2}}{a}| + c \\ = \ln |x+\sqrt{x^2-a^2}| - \ln a + c \\ \text{Similarly, } \int \frac{1}{(x^2-a^2)^{\frac{3}{2}}} dx = -\frac{x}{a^2\sqrt{x^2-a^2}} + c \end{array}$$

Pf: let
$$x = asec\theta$$
, $dx = ad\frac{1}{cos\theta} = a\frac{sin\theta}{cos^2\theta}d\theta$,
$$(x^2 - a^2)^{\frac{3}{2}} = (a^2tan^2\theta)^{\frac{3}{2}} = a^3tan^3\theta.$$
 left side $= \frac{a\frac{sin\theta}{cos^2\theta}d\theta}{a^3tan^3\theta} = \frac{1}{a^2}\frac{cos\theta}{sin^2\theta}d\theta = \frac{1}{a^2}\frac{dsin\theta}{sin^2\theta} = -\frac{1}{a^2}\frac{1}{sin\theta} = -\frac{x}{a^2\sqrt{x^2-a^2}} + c.$

16.
$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} arcsin \frac{x}{a} + c$$
, $(x^2 \le a^2 \Rightarrow -a \le x \le a)$ Pf(a): let $x = asint$, $dx = acostdt$, $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = acost$; left side $= \int acostacostdt = a^2 \int cos^2tdt$ $= \frac{a^2}{2} \int (cos2t + 1)dt = \frac{a^2}{2} (\frac{1}{2} sin2t + t) + c$ $sin2t = 2sintcost = 2\frac{x}{a} \frac{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}{a}$ so $= \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} arcsin \frac{x}{a} + c$ Pf(b): integral by parts, left side $= x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \int x d\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$

Pf(b): integral by parts, left side $= x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \int x d\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$ $= x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \int \frac{-2x^2 \times \frac{1}{2}}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = x\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \int \frac{-x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx$ note that for $\frac{-x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}}$, the degree of numerator is higher than the degree of

denominator,
$$\int \frac{-x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \int \frac{a^2 - x^2 - a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx, \text{ so }$$

$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} - \int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx + \int \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx$$
 move the term
$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx \text{ from right side to left side, we have }$$

$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx,$$
 now use 12, we get
$$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} arcsin \frac{x}{a} + c.$$

17.
$$\int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \frac{a^2}{2} ln |x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}| + c$$
Pf: integral by parts, left side
$$= x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \int \frac{\frac{1}{2} 2xx}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx$$

$$= x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx = x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \int \frac{x^2 - a^2 + a^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx$$

$$= x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx - \int \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx$$
so
$$\int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx = x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx - \int \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx$$

$$\int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \frac{a^2}{2} \int \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}} dx$$
use 15.
$$= \frac{x}{2} \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} - \frac{a^2}{2} ln |x + \sqrt{x^2 - a^2}| + c.$$

18.
$$\int \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} ln |x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}| + c$$
Pf: integral by parts, left side
$$= x \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} - \int x d\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$$

$$= x \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} - \int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} dx = x \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} - \int \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} dx + \int \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} dx$$
so
$$\int \sqrt{x^2 + a^2} dx = \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} + \frac{1}{2} \int \frac{a^2}{\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}} dx$$
use 14.
$$= \frac{1}{2} x \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} + \frac{a^2}{2} ln |x + \sqrt{x^2 + a^2}| + c.$$

19.
$$\int cscx dx = \int \frac{1}{sinx} dx = ln|tan\frac{x}{2}| + c = ln|cscx - cotx| + c$$
 left side $= \int \frac{dx}{2sin\frac{x}{2}cos\frac{x}{2}} = \int \frac{dx}{\frac{sin\frac{x}{2}}{cos\frac{x}{2}}2cos^2\frac{x}{2}} = \int \frac{dtan\frac{x}{2}}{tan\frac{x}{2}} = ln|tan\frac{x}{2}| + c$

and
$$tan\frac{x}{2} = \frac{sin\frac{x}{2}}{cos\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{2sin^2\frac{x}{2}}{2cos\frac{x}{2}sin\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{1-cosx}{sinx} = cscx - cotx$$
. Similarly, we have $\int \frac{1}{sinxcosx} dx = \int \frac{cotx}{cos^2x} dx = \int \frac{1}{tanx} dtanx = ln|tanx| + c$.

$$\begin{aligned} \mathbf{20.} & \int secx dx = \int \frac{1}{\cos} dx = \ln |tan(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4})| + c = \ln |secx + tanx| + c \\ \text{Pf: left side} & = \int \frac{d(x + \frac{\pi}{2})}{\sin(x + \frac{\pi}{2})} \\ \text{use } & 19. & = \ln |tan(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4})| + c. \\ & tan(\frac{x}{2} + \frac{\pi}{4}) = \frac{tan\frac{x}{2} + 1}{1 - tan\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{\sin\frac{x}{2} + \cos\frac{x}{2}}{\cos\frac{x}{2} - \sin^2\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{(\sin\frac{x}{2} + \cos\frac{x}{2})^2}{\cos^2\frac{x}{2} - \sin^2\frac{x}{2}} = \frac{1 + \sin x}{\cos x}. \end{aligned}$$

21.
$$\int tanxdx = \int \frac{sinx}{cosx}dx = \int \frac{-dcosx}{cosx} = -ln|cosx| + c$$

22.
$$\int cotx dx = \int \frac{cosx}{sinx} dx = \int \frac{dsinx}{sinx} = ln|sinx| + c$$

23.
$$\int tan^2xdx = \int (sec^2x - 1)dx = tanx - x + c$$

24.
$$\int \cot^2 x dx = \int (\csc^2 x - 1) dx = -\cot x - x + c$$

25.
$$\int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx = \frac{e^{ax} (a\sin(bx) - b\cos(bx))}{a^2 + b^2} + c$$
Pf: integral by parts, left side
$$= \frac{1}{a} \int \sin(bx) de^{ax} = \frac{1}{a} (\sin(bx) e^{ax} - \int be^{ax} \cos(bx) dx)$$
and
$$\int be^{ax} \cos(bx) dx = \frac{b}{a} \int \cos(bx) de^{ax} = \frac{b}{a} (\cos(bx) e^{ax} - \int e^{ax} d\cos(bx))$$

$$= \frac{b}{a} (\cos(bx) e^{ax} + b \int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx)$$
so
$$\int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx = \frac{1}{a} (\sin(bx) e^{ax} - \frac{b}{a} (\cos(bx) e^{ax} + b \int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx))$$

$$a \int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx = \sin(bx) e^{ax} - \frac{b}{a} \cos(bx) e^{ax} - \frac{b^2}{a} \int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx$$

$$(a + \frac{b^2}{a}) \int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx = \sin(bx) e^{ax} - \frac{b}{a} \cos(bx) e^{ax}$$

$$\int e^{ax} \sin(bx) dx = \frac{1}{a^2 + b^2} (a\sin(bx) e^{ax} - b\cos(bx) e^{ax}) + c.$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \textbf{26.} \int e^{ax} cos(bx) dx = \frac{e^{ax} (bsin(bx) + acos(bx))}{a^2 + b^2} + c \\ & \textbf{Pf: left side} = \frac{1}{a} \int cos(bx) de^{ax} = \frac{1}{a} (cos(bx) e^{ax} + \int be^{ax} sin(bx) dx) \\ & \int be^{ax} sin(bx) dx = \frac{b}{a} \int sin(bx) de^{ax} = \frac{b}{a} (sin(bx) e^{ax} - \int e^{ax} dsin(bx)) \\ & = \frac{b}{a} (sin(bx) e^{ax} - b \int e^{ax} cos(bx) dx) \\ & \text{so } a \int e^{ax} cos(bx) dx = cos(bx) e^{ax} + \frac{b}{a} sin(bx) e^{ax} \\ & \int e^{ax} cos(bx) dx = \frac{acos(bx) e^{ax} + bsin(bx) e^{ax}}{a^2 + b^2}. \end{aligned}$$

$$\begin{aligned} & \mathbf{27.} \ \int \frac{1}{(x^2 + a^2)} dx = \frac{1}{2a^2} \frac{x}{x^2 + a^2} + \frac{1}{2a^3} arctan \frac{x}{a} + c \\ & \text{Pf: let } x = a \times tan\theta, \ x^2 + a^2 = \frac{1}{\cos^2 \theta} a^2, \\ & \text{left side} = \int \frac{\frac{a}{\cos^2 \theta}}{\frac{1}{\cos^4 \theta} a^4} d\theta = \frac{1}{a^3} \int \cos^2 \theta d\theta = \frac{1}{2a^3} \int \frac{1 + \cos 2\theta}{2} d2\theta \\ & = \frac{1}{4a^3} (2\theta + \sin 2\theta) \\ & \text{note that } \theta = arctan \frac{x}{a}, \sin 2\theta = 2\sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{2ax}{a^2 + x^2} \\ & \text{so left side} = \frac{1}{4a^3} (2arctan \frac{x}{a} + \frac{2ax}{a^2 + x^2}) + c. \end{aligned}$$