



MATHEMATICS EXTENSION 2

4 UNIT MATHEMATICS

TOPIC 4: INTEGRATION

4.4 METHODS OF INTEGRATION: ALGEBRAIC MANIPULATION

Integrals can often be evaluated by changing the integrand to a standard form by a suitable algebraic manipulation of the integrand. **Remember there are no general rules for integration and one has to rely on experience and trial and error.** Therefore, the best way to master this topic is by doing many integration exercises.

Example 1 $I = \int \tan(x) dx$

$$I = \int \tan(x) dx = \int \frac{\sin(x) dx}{\cos(x)}$$

$$u = \cos(x) \quad du = -\sin(x) dx \quad dx = \frac{-1}{\sin(x)}$$

$$I = -\int \frac{du}{u} = -\ln(u) + C$$

$$I = -\ln(\cos(x)) + C = \ln(\sec(x)) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 2 $I = \int \sin^2(x) dx$

$$\cos(2x) = \cos^2(x) - \sin^2(x) = 1 - 2\sin^2(x)$$

$$\sin^2(x) = \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos(2x))$$

$$I = \int \sin^2(x) dx = \frac{1}{2} \int (1 - \cos(2x)) dx$$

$$I = \left(\frac{x}{2} - \frac{\sin(2x)}{4} \right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 3 $I = \int x \sqrt{4x+1} dx$

Integrals involving square roots may sometimes be simplified by the substitution of $u = \sqrt{\quad}$

$$u = (4x+1)^{1/2} \quad x = \frac{1}{4}(u^2 - 1) \quad dx = \frac{1}{2}u du$$

$$I = \int \frac{1}{4}(u^2 - 1)u \frac{1}{2}u du = \frac{1}{8} \int (u^4 - u^2) du$$

$$I = \frac{1}{40}u^5 - \frac{1}{24}u^3 + C$$

$$I = \frac{1}{40}(4x+1)^{5/2} - \frac{1}{24}(4x+1)^{3/2} + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 4 $I = \int x^3 \sqrt{1-x^2} \, dx$

$$I = \int x^3 (1-x^2)^{1/2} \, dx$$

$$u = (1-x^2)^{1/2} \quad u^2 = (1-x^2) \quad x \, dx = -u \, du$$

$$I = \int x^2 (1-x^2)^{1/2} \, x \, dx = \int (1-u^2) u (-u) \, du$$

$$I = \int (u^4 - u^2) \, du$$

$$I = \frac{1}{5} u^5 - \frac{1}{3} u^3 + C$$

$$I = \frac{1}{5} (1-x^2)^{5/2} - \frac{1}{3} (1-x^2)^{3/2} + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

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

Rational fractions: it is essential to express the fraction in such a way that the numerator is of a lower degree than the denominator.

$$I = \int \frac{3x+1}{2x-3} dx = \int \frac{\left(\frac{3}{2}\right)(2x-3) + \left(\frac{11}{2}\right)}{2x-3} dx$$

$$I = \int \left(\left(\frac{3}{2}\right) + \left(\frac{11}{2}\right) \left(\frac{1}{2x-3} \right) \right) dx$$

$$I = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)x + \left(\frac{11}{2}\right)\left(\frac{1}{2}\right) \log_e (2x-3) + C$$

$$I = \left(\frac{3}{2}\right)x + \left(\frac{11}{4}\right) \log_e (2x-3) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

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

$$I = \int \frac{x^2}{x+1} dx = \int \left((x-1) + \frac{1}{x+1} \right) dx$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2}x^2 - x + \log_e (x+1) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 7 $I = \int \frac{3x+7}{2x^2+x-3} dx$

Use the fact that the quadratic denominator can be factorized into two separate factors, then write the equation as a sum of partial fractions.

$$I = \int \frac{3x+7}{2x^2+x-3} dx$$

$$2x^2+x-3 = (2x+3)(x-1)$$

$$I = \int \frac{3x+7}{(2x+3)(x-1)} dx = \int \left(\frac{A}{2x+3} + \frac{B}{x-1} \right) dx$$

$$3x+7 = Ax - A + 2Bx + 3B \Rightarrow A + 2B = 3 \quad -A + 3B = 7 \Rightarrow B = 2 \quad A = -1$$

$$I = \int \left(\frac{-1}{2x+3} + \frac{2}{x-1} \right) dx$$

$$I = -\frac{1}{2} \log_e (2x+3) + 2 \log_e (x-1) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 8 $I = \int \frac{1+x}{(1-x)^2} dx$

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

$$u = 1-x \quad x = 1-u \quad dx = -du$$

$$I = -\int \frac{2-u}{u^2} du = I = \int \left(\frac{1}{u} - \frac{2}{u^2} \right) du = \log_e(u) + 2u^{-1} + C$$

$$I = \log_e(1-x) + \frac{2}{1-x} + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 9 $I = \int \frac{dx}{2x^2+3}$

standard integral $\int \frac{dx}{x^2+a^2} = \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C$

$$2x^2+3 = 2\left(x^2+3/2\right) \quad a = \sqrt{3/2}$$

$$I = (1/2) \int \frac{dx}{x^2+3/2} = \left(\sqrt{1/6} \right) \tan^{-1} \left(\sqrt{2/3} x \right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

If the denominator is of the form $ax^2 + bx + c$ $b \neq 0$ then it can be reduced to the sum or difference of two squares by completing the sum of squares

$$ax^2 + bx + c = a \left(x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} \right) = a \left\{ (x + A)^2 + B^2 \right\}$$

$$x^2 + \frac{b}{a}x + \frac{c}{a} = x^2 + 2A + A^2 + B^2$$

$$A = \frac{b}{2a} \quad A^2 + B^2 = \frac{c}{a} \quad B^2 = \frac{c}{a} - \frac{b^2}{4a^2}$$

Example 9 $I = \int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 4x + 6}$

$$x^2 + 4x + 6 = x^2 + 4x + 2 + 2 = (x + 2)^2 + 2$$

$$I = \int \frac{dx}{x^2 + a^2} = \left(\frac{1}{a} \right) \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) + C$$

$$I = \int \frac{dx}{(x + 2)^2 + 2} \quad a = \sqrt{2}$$

$$I = \left(\sqrt{1/2} \right) \tan^{-1} \left(\frac{x + 2}{\sqrt{1/2}} \right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 10 $I = \int \frac{dx}{x^2 + 6x - 7}$

$$x^2 + 6x - 7 = x^2 + 6x + 9 - 16 = (x + 3)^2 - 16 = (x + 3 - 4)(x + 3 + 4)$$

$$x^2 + 6x - 7 = (x - 1)(x + 7)$$

$$\frac{1}{x^2 + 6x - 7} = \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 7)} = \frac{A}{x - 1} + \frac{B}{x + 7}$$

$$1 = Ax + 7A + Bx - B \quad A + B = 0 \quad 7A - B = 1 \quad A = \frac{1}{8} \quad B = -\frac{1}{8}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{8} \int \frac{dx}{x - 1} - \frac{1}{8} \int \frac{dx}{x + 7} = \left(\frac{1}{8}\right) (\log_e(x - 1) - \log_e(x + 7)) + C$$

$$I = \left(\frac{1}{8}\right) \log_e \left(\frac{x - 1}{x + 7}\right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 11 $I = \int \frac{(4x+5)dx}{3x^2+x+3}$

$$I = \int \frac{(4x+5)dx}{3x^2+x+3}$$

$$y = 3x^2 + x + 3 \quad dy/dx = 6x + 1$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)(6x+1) = 4x + \frac{2}{3}$$

$$\left(\frac{2}{3}\right)(6x+1) + \frac{13}{3} = 4x + \frac{2}{3} + \frac{13}{3} = 4x + 5$$

$$I = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \int \frac{(6x+1)dx}{3x^2+x+3} + \left(\frac{13}{3}\right) \int \frac{dx}{3x^2+x+3}$$

$$I_1 = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \log_e(3x^2+x+3) + C_1 \quad I_2 = \left(\frac{13}{3}\right) \int \frac{dx}{3x^2+x+3}$$

$$3x^2+x+3 = 3\left(x^2+x/3+1\right) = 3\left(x^2+x/3+1/36+35/36\right) = 3\left((x+1/6)^2+35/36\right)$$

$$I_2 = \left(\frac{13}{3}\right) \int \frac{dx}{3x^2+x+3} = \left(\frac{13}{9}\right) \int \frac{dx}{(x+1/6)^2+35/36}$$

$$I_2 = \left(\frac{13}{9}\right) \left(\sqrt{\frac{36}{35}}\right) \tan^{-1}\left(\sqrt{\frac{36}{35}}(x+1/6)x\right) + C_2$$

$$I_2 = \left(\frac{26}{3\sqrt{35}}\right) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{6x+1}{\sqrt{35}}x\right) + C_2$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$I = \left(\frac{2}{3}\right) \log_e(3x^2+x+3) + \left(\frac{26}{3\sqrt{35}}\right) \tan^{-1}\left(\frac{6x+1}{\sqrt{35}}x\right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 11 $I = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{4-2x-x^2}}$

$$(1+x)^2 = 1+2x+x^2 \quad 4-2x-x^2 = 5-(1+2x+x^2) = 5-(1+x)^2$$

$$I = \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{5-(1+x)^2}}$$

Standard integral $\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C = -\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C \quad -a < x < a \quad a > 0$

$$I = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1+x}{\sqrt{5}}\right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 12

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

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$$y = 1 - x - x^2 \quad dy/dx = -1 - 2x$$

$$2x+1 = -dy/dx \quad 2x+3 = -dy/dx + 2$$

$$I = -\int \frac{(-1-2x) dx}{\sqrt{1-x-x^2}} + \int \frac{2 dx}{\sqrt{1-x-x^2}}$$

$$I_1 = -\int \frac{(-1-2x) dx}{\sqrt{1-x-x^2}} = -\int (-1-2x) (1-x-x^2)^{-1/2} dx$$

$$I_1 = -2(1-x-x^2)^{1/2} + C_1 = -2\sqrt{1-x-x^2} + C$$

$$I_2 = 2 \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1-x-x^2}}$$

$$(1/2+x)^2 = 1/4 + x + x^2 \quad 5/4 - (1/2+x)^2 = 5/4 - 1/4 - x - x^2 = 1 - x - x^2$$

$$I_2 = 2 \int \frac{dx}{\sqrt{5/4 - (1/2+x)^2}}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C = -\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C \quad -a < x < a \quad a > 0$$

$$I_2 = 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1+2x}{\sqrt{5}}\right) + C_2$$

$$I = I_1 + I_2$$

$$I = I_1 = -2(1-x-x^2)^{1/2} + C_1 = -2\sqrt{1-x-x^2} + 2 \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{1+2x}{\sqrt{5}}\right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation

Example 12

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

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

$$u = \frac{1}{x} \quad x = \frac{1}{u} \quad dx = -\frac{du}{u^2}$$

$$I = -\int \frac{du}{u^2(1/u)\sqrt{(1/u^2)-(1/u)-1}}$$

$$I = -\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{1-u-u^2}}$$

$$(1/2+u)^2 = 1/4+u+u^2 \quad 5/4-(1/2+u)^2 = 1-u-u^2$$

$$I = -\int \frac{du}{\sqrt{5/4-(1/2+u)^2}}$$

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{a^2-x^2}} dx = \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C = -\cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C \quad -a < x < a \quad a > 0$$

$$I = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{2(1/2+u)}{\sqrt{5}}\right) + C$$

$$I = \cos^{-1}\left(\frac{x+2}{x\sqrt{5}}\right) + C$$

check the answer by differentiation