



Week 7 - Techniques of Integration

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Theorem 3.1 Integration by Parts

Let $u = f(x)$ and $v = g(x)$ be functions with continuous derivatives

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Proof:

$$\text{If } h(x) = f(x)g(x)$$

$$\text{Then } h'(x) = f'(x)g(x) + g'(x)f(x)$$

$$\int h(x)dx = \int f'(x)g(x) + g'(x)f(x)dx$$

Rearranging:

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

By then substituting $u = f(x)$ and $v = g(x)$:

$$\int u dv = uv - \int v du$$

Theorem 3.2 Integration by Parts for Definite Integrals

Let $u = f(x)$ and $v = g(x)$

$$\int_a^b u dv = [uv]_a^b - \int_a^b v du$$

Integrating Products and Powers of $\sin x$ and $\cos x$

If the powers of $\cos^p x$ or $\sin^p x$ is odd, convert to $\cos^{p-1} x \cos x$ or $\sin^{p-1} x \sin x$

If the powers of $\cos^p x$ or $\sin^p x$ is even, convert to $(\frac{\cos(2x) + 1}{2})^{\frac{p}{2}}$ or

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

Integrating Products of $\sin(ax)$ and $\cos(bx)$

$$\sin(ax) \sin(bx) = \frac{1}{2} \cos((a-b)x) - \frac{1}{2} \cos((a+b)x)$$

$$\sin(ax) \cos(bx) = \frac{1}{2} \sin((a-b)x) + \frac{1}{2} \sin((a+b)x)$$

$$\cos(ax) \cos(bx) = \frac{1}{2} \cos((a-b)x) + \frac{1}{2} \cos((a+b)x)$$

Integrating Products and Power of $\tan x$ and $\sec x$

If power of $\sec^j x$ is even	$\sec^j x \rightarrow (\tan^2 x + 1)^{(j-2)/2} \sec^2 x$
If power of $\tan^k x$ is odd	$\tan^k x \sec^j x \rightarrow (\sec^2 x - 1)^{(k-1)/2} \sec^{j-1} x \sec x \tan x$

Rule: Reduction Formulas for $\int \sec^n x dx$ and $\int \tan^n x dx$

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

$$\int \tan^n x dx = \frac{1}{n-1} \tan^{n-1} x - \int \tan^{n-2} x dx$$

Trigonometric Substitutions for Integration

Integral	Substitution

$\int \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} dx$	$x = a \sin u$
$\int \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} dx$	$x = a \tan u$
$\int \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} dx$	$x = a \sec u$

Solving Partial Fractions

1. Make sure the degree of the numerator > degree of denominator
2. Factorise denominator
3. If denominator has repeated factor $(ax + b)^n$ then the decomposition must contain

$$\frac{A_1}{ax + b} + \frac{A_2}{(ax + b)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_n}{(ax + b)^n}$$

4. For irreducible quadratic factors (determinant < 0), there must be a term:

$$\frac{Ax + B}{ax^2 + bx + c}$$

5. For irreducible $(ax^2 + bx + c)^n$, the decomposition must include:

$$\frac{A_1x + B_1}{ax^2 + bx + c} + \frac{A_2x + B_2}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^2} + \dots + \frac{A_nx + B_n}{(ax^2 + bx + c)^n}$$

Improper Integrals

Integrating over an Infinite Interval

Let $f(x)$ be continuous, then

$$\int_a^\infty f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t f(x) dx$$

$$\int_{-\infty}^b f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^b f(x) dx$$

If the limit exists \rightarrow the improper limit converges

$$\int_{-\infty}^\infty f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_0^t f(x) dx + \lim_{t \rightarrow -\infty} \int_t^0 f(x) dx$$

Integrating a Discontinuous Integrand

1. Let $f(x)$ be continuous over $[a, b)$ (not including b)

$$\int_a^b f(x) dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow b^-} \int_a^t f(x) dx$$

2. Let $f(x)$ be continuous over $(a, b]$ (not including a)

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow a^+} \int_t^b f(x)dx$$

If the limit exists, in these 2 cases the improper integral converges

3. If $f(x)$ is continuous over $[a, b]$ except at a point c in $[a, b]$, then

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = \int_a^c f(x)dx + \int_c^b f(x)dx$$

Provided both integrals converge, the original integral converges

Theorem 3.7 Comparison Theorem

Let $f(x)$ and $g(x)$ be continuous over $[a, \infty)$, assuming $0 \leq f(x) \leq g(x)$

1. If $\int_a^\infty f(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t f(x)dx = \infty \rightarrow \int_a^\infty g(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t g(x)dx = \infty$
2. If $\int_a^\infty g(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t g(x)dx = L \rightarrow \int_a^\infty f(x)dx = \lim_{t \rightarrow \infty} \int_a^t f(x)dx = M$ where $M \leq L$