

Parts with Trig Text

Integration by Parts Formula

$$\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du \quad (2)$$

This formula expresses one integral, $\int u \, dv$, in terms of a second integral, $\int v \, du$. With a proper choice of u and v , the second integral may be easier to evaluate than the first. In using the formula, various choices may be available for u and dv . The next examples illustrate the technique. To avoid mistakes, we always list our choices for u and dv , then we add to the list our calculated new terms du and v , and finally we apply the formula in Equation (2).

EXAMPLE 1 Find

$$\int x \cos x \, dx.$$

Solution We use the formula $\int u \, dv = uv - \int v \, du$ with

$$\begin{array}{ll} u = x, & dv = \cos x \, dx, \\ du = dx, & v = \sin x. \end{array} \quad \text{Simplest antiderivative of } \cos x$$

Then

$$\int x \cos x \, dx = x \sin x - \int \sin x \, dx = x \sin x + \cos x + C. \quad \blacksquare$$

Integrals like the one in the next example occur in electrical engineering. Their evaluation requires two integrations by parts, followed by solving for the unknown integral.

EXAMPLE 4 Evaluate

$$\int e^x \cos x \, dx.$$

Solution Let $u = e^x$ and $dv = \cos x \, dx$. Then $du = e^x \, dx$, $v = \sin x$, and

$$\int e^x \cos x \, dx = e^x \sin x - \int e^x \sin x \, dx.$$

The second integral is like the first except that it has $\sin x$ in place of $\cos x$. To evaluate it, we use integration by parts with

$$u = e^x, \quad dv = \sin x \, dx, \quad v = -\cos x, \quad du = e^x \, dx.$$

Then

$$\begin{aligned} \int e^x \cos x \, dx &= e^x \sin x - \left(-e^x \cos x - \int (-\cos x)(e^x \, dx) \right) \\ &= e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x - \int e^x \cos x \, dx. \end{aligned}$$

The unknown integral now appears on both sides of the equation. Adding the integral to both sides and adding the constant of integration give

$$2 \int e^x \cos x \, dx = e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x + C_1.$$

Dividing by 2 and renaming the constant of integration give

$$\int e^x \cos x \, dx = \frac{e^x \sin x + e^x \cos x}{2} + C. \quad \blacksquare$$

EXAMPLE 8 Evaluate

$$\int x^3 \sin x \, dx.$$

Solution With $f(x) = x^3$ and $g(x) = \sin x$, we list:

$f(x)$ and its derivatives		$g(x)$ and its integrals
x^3	(+)	$\sin x$
$3x^2$	(-)	$-\cos x$
$6x$	(+)	$-\sin x$
6	(-)	$\cos x$
0		$\sin x$

Again we combine the products of the functions connected by the arrows according to the operation signs above the arrows to obtain

$$\int x^3 \sin x \, dx = -x^3 \cos x + 3x^2 \sin x + 6x \cos x - 6 \sin x + C. \quad \blacksquare$$