# ESC195 Notes

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1	Hyperbolic Functions	

- ullet Sometimes, combinations of  $e^x$  and  $e^{-x}$  are given certain names, for example:
  - Hyperbolic sine:  $\sinh(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x e^{-x})$
  - Hyperbolic cosine:  $\cosh(x) = \frac{1}{2}(e^x + e^{-x})$
- They have the following properties:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\sinh x = \cosh x \tag{1}$$

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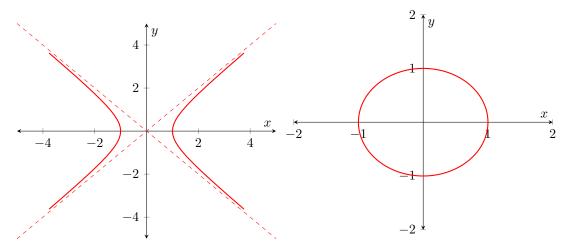
• They are related via:

$$\cosh^2 x - \sinh^2 x = 1 \tag{3}$$

• Both the area of a circular sector and that of a hyperbolic sector is described by:

$$A = \frac{1}{2}t\tag{4}$$

where t is the subtended angle, and the figures are parametized by  $(\cos t, \sin t)$  and  $(\cosh t, \sinh t)$ .



• The catenary

$$y = a \cosh\left(\frac{x}{a}\right) + C \tag{5}$$

describes the shape of a free hanging rope between two walls separated by a width a.

• The hyperbolic tangent is given by  $\tanh x = \frac{\sinh x}{\cos hx} = \frac{e^x - e^{-x}}{e^x + e^{-x}}$  and its derivative is given by:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\tanh x = \operatorname{sech}^2 x \tag{6}$$

• The inverse of  $y = \sinh x$  is given by:

$$\sinh^{-1} x = \ln\left(x + \sqrt{x^2 + 1}\right) \tag{7}$$

Tip: A table of integrals and derivatives revolving around hyperbolic trig functions can be found in the textbook.

## 2 Indeterminate Forms

• A lot of the times, limits have an indeterminate form, where if we substitute in what x approaches to, we get it in the form of  $\frac{0}{0}$ , for example:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x} \tag{8}$$

**Theorem**: If  $f(x) \to 0$  and  $g(x) \to 0$  as  $x \to \pm, \infty$  or  $x \to c$  or  $x \to c^{+-}$  and if  $\frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} \to L$ , then:

$$\frac{f(x)}{g(x)} \to L \tag{9}$$

**Example 1:** Solve:  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{\sin x}{x}$ 

We can set  $f(x) = \sin x$ ,  $f'(x) = \cos x$ , g(x) = x and g'(x) = 1 such that:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{f'}{g'} = \lim_{x \to 0} \cos x = 1 \tag{10}$$

**Example 2:** Solve  $\lim_{x\to 0^+} \frac{\sin x}{\sqrt{x}}$ .

Set  $f = \sin x$ ,  $f' = \cos x$ ,  $g = \sqrt{x}$ ,  $g' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}$  and so:

$$\lim_{x \to 0^+} 2x^{1/2} \cos x = 0 \implies \lim_{x \to 0^+} = 0 \tag{11}$$

**Example 3:** Solve  $\lim_{x\to 0} \frac{e^x - x - 1}{3x^2}$ .

If we take the derivative, we get:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x - 1}{6x} \tag{12}$$

which is still  $\frac{0}{0}$ !. We can take derivatives again:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{e^x}{6} = \frac{1}{6} \tag{13}$$

so the original limit is  $\frac{1}{6}$ .

Warning: L'hopital's rule can only be used in indeterminate forms. Applying them to limits where

• To prove the L'hopital's rule, we first prove the Cauchy Mean Value Theorem as a lemma

**Theorem: Cauchy Mean Value Theorem:** Given f and g differentiable on (a, b), continuous on [a, b] and  $g' \neq 0$  on (a, b), there must exist some number r in (a, b) such that:

$$\frac{f'(r)}{g'(r)} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)} \tag{14}$$

• We then apply **Rolle's Theorem** to prove the Cauchy Mean Value Theorem:

*Proof.* Set:

$$G(x) = [g(b) - g(a)][f(x) - f(a)]$$
$$-[g(x) - g(a)][f(b) - f(a)]$$

Note that G(a) = G(b) = 0 so it satisfies the conditions of Rolle's Theorem. Taking the derivative, we get:

$$G'(x) = [g(b) - g(a)]f'(x) - g'(x)[f(b) - f(a)]$$
(15)

According to Rolle's, there must be some x = r such that G'(r) = 0, we can then substitute for this and solve:

$$G'(r) = 0 \implies [g(b) - g(a)]f'(r) = g'(r)[f(b) - f(a)]$$
(16)

Which is equivalent to:

$$\frac{f'(r)}{g'(r)} = \frac{f(b) - f(a)}{g(b) - g(a)} \tag{17}$$

Furthermore, we have  $g'(c) = \frac{g(b) - g(a)}{b - a}$  from the mean value theorem. Since  $g' \neq 0$  we have  $g(b) - g(a) \neq 0$ .

• Given  $x \to c^+$  and  $f(x), g(x) \to 0$  where:

$$\lim_{x \to c^{+}} \frac{f'(x)}{g'(x)} = L \tag{18}$$

we will now prove that  $\lim_{x\to c^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = L$ .

*Proof.* Consider the interval [c, c+h] and apply Cauchy MVT. There must be some number  $c_2$  in [c, c+h] such

$$\frac{f'(c_2)}{g'(c_2)} = \frac{f(c+h) - f(c)}{g(c+h) - g(c)} = \frac{f(c+h)}{g(c+h)}$$
(19)

The last step is a result of the given f(c) = g(c) = 0. The LHS can be rewritten as:

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f'(c_2)}{g'(c_2)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)} \tag{20}$$

since  $c_2$  lies in the interval [c, c+h] so if  $h \to 0$ , then the interval becomes smaller to contain just c. The RHS can be rewritten as:

$$\lim_{h \to 0} \frac{f(c+h)}{g(c+h)} = \lim_{x \to c^+} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)}$$
 (21)

and therefore:

$$\lim_{x \to c^{+}} \frac{f(x)}{g(x)} = \frac{f'(c)}{g'(c)} = L \tag{22}$$

• To prove the case for  $x \to \pm \infty$ , we can let  $x = \frac{1}{t}$  and take the limit as  $t \to \infty$ .

**Example 4:** Find  $\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x}$ .

Taking the derivative of top and bottom, we have:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\frac{1}{x}}{1} = 0 \implies \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\ln x}{x} = 0 \tag{23}$$

Idea: The logarithm function grows very slowly. In fact, any positive power of x will grow faster than  $\ln x$ .

**Example 5:** Solve  $\lim_{x\to\infty}\frac{x^3}{e^x}$ 

This is indeterminate in the form of  $\frac{\infty}{\infty}$ . We apply L'hopital's rule multiple times:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{x^3}{e^x} \stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{3x^2}{e^x} \left( = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \right)$$
 (24)

$$\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{6x}{e^x} \left( = \frac{\infty}{\infty} \right) \tag{25}$$

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$$\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{6}{e^x} = 0$$
(25)

- Generally,  $\lim_{x\to\infty} \frac{x^m}{e^x} = 0$  where m is any positive integer.
- There are other indeterminate forms, such as  $0^0$ , for example:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} x^x \tag{27}$$

The central idea behind this is that  $a^b = e^{a \ln b}$ . Therefore, this limit is equal to:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} e^{x \ln x} \tag{28}$$

We can take the limit of the exponent to get:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} x \ln x = \lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\ln x}{1/x} \tag{29}$$

Note that the first equation is another indeterminate form with the  $0 \cdot \infty$  type, so we had to multiply top and bottom by  $\frac{1}{x}$  to get the quotient form. Then we have:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} \frac{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)}{\left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \lim_{x \to 0} -x = 0 \tag{30}$$

Therefore:

$$\lim_{x \to 0} e^{x \ln x} = e^0 = 1 \tag{31}$$

so  $\lim_{x\to 0} x^x = 1$ .

**Example 6:** Solve  $\lim_{x\to\infty} (x+2)^{2/\ln x}$ .

This is of the type  $\infty^0$ . The approach is exactly the same as the previous example. We write it in exponential form:

$$=\lim_{x\to\infty}e^{\frac{2}{\ln x}\ln(x+2)}\tag{32}$$

and looking at the exponent gives:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2\ln(x+2)}{\ln x} \tag{33}$$

$$\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\left(\frac{2}{x+2}\right)}{\left(\frac{1}{x}\right)} = \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2x}{x+2} \left(=\frac{\infty}{\infty}\right) \tag{34}$$

$$\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{2}{1} = 2 \tag{35}$$

Therefore:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} e^{\frac{2}{\ln x} \ln(x+2)} = e^2 \tag{36}$$

so:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} (x+2)^{2/\ln x} = e^2 \tag{37}$$

**Example 7:** Solve  $\lim_{x\to\infty} \left[ \sin\left(\frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \right]^x$ 

This is in the form of  $1^{\infty}$ . We rewrite it as:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \exp\left(x \ln\left(\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right)\right)\right) \tag{38}$$

and taking the limit of the exponent:

$$= \lim_{x \to \infty} x \ln \left( \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right) \left( = \frac{0}{0} \right)$$
 (39)

$$\stackrel{*}{=} \lim_{x \to \infty} \frac{\cos\left(\frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{\pi}{x^2}\right)}{\sin\left(\frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2}\right) \cdot \left(-\frac{1}{x^2}\right)} = \frac{0 \cdot \pi}{1} = 0 \tag{40}$$

Therefore:

$$\lim_{x \to \infty} \left[ \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right]^x = \lim_{x \to \infty} \exp \left( x \ln \left( \sin \left( \frac{\pi}{x} + \frac{\pi}{2} \right) \right) \right) = 1 \tag{41}$$

# 3 Integration

## 3.1 Recap of Integration

• The definite integral has the geometric interpretation as the area under the curve f(x) between x = a and x = b and the x axis:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{42}$$

but can be rigorously defined using a Riemann sum:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) dx \equiv \lim_{\|P\|} \sum_{i=1}^{n} f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$

$$\tag{43}$$

Often, we have a uniform partition, such that  $\Delta x_i = \frac{b-a}{n}$  where n is the number of partitions. And if we choose to use the right hand endpoint, then:

$$f(x_i^*) = f(x_i) = f\left(a + \frac{b-a}{n}i\right)$$

$$\tag{44}$$

**Example 8:** To solve  $\int_0^5 x^2 dx$ , we can choose a uniform partition with:

$$\Delta x = \frac{5-0}{n} = \frac{5}{n} \tag{45}$$

and:

$$x_i^* = x_i = i\Delta x \implies f(x_i^*) = (i\Delta x)^2 = \left(i\frac{5}{n}\right)^2 \tag{46}$$

The area approximation is:

$$A \simeq \sum_{i=1}^{n} \Delta x_i f(x_i^*) = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \left(\frac{5}{n}\right) \left(i\frac{5}{n}\right)^2 \tag{47}$$

$$= \frac{125}{n^2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} i^2 = \frac{125}{n^3} \frac{n(n+1)(2n+1)}{6}$$
 (48)

Taking the limit as  $n \to \infty$ , we get:

$$\int_0^5 x^2 \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{n \to \infty} \frac{125}{6} \left( 2 + \frac{2}{n} + \frac{1}{n^2} \right) = \frac{5^3}{3}.$$
 (49)

**Example 9:** To evaluate  $\int_1^2 x^{-2} dx$ , we can choose

$$x_i^* = \sqrt{x_{i-1}x_i} \tag{50}$$

and a uniform partition of:

$$\Delta x = \frac{2-1}{n} = \frac{1}{n} \tag{51}$$

such that:

$$x_i = 1 + i\Delta x = 1 + \frac{i}{n} = \frac{n+i}{n}$$
 (52)

and

$$x_{i-1} = \frac{n+i-1}{n} \tag{53}$$

such that the area is:

$$\begin{split} A &\simeq \sum_{i=1}^n \Delta x f(x_i^*) \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \left(\frac{1}{x_i^*}\right)^2 \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \frac{1}{x_{i-1} x_i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n} \frac{n}{n+i-1} \cdot \frac{n}{n+i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n n \frac{1}{n+i-1} \cdot \frac{1}{n+i} \\ &= \sum_{i=1}^n \left(\frac{1}{n+i-1} - \frac{1}{n+i}\right) \\ &= n \left[\sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n+i-1} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n+i}\right] \\ &= n \left[\sum_{i=0}^n \frac{1}{n+i} - \sum_{i=1}^n \frac{1}{n+i}\right] \\ &= n \left[\frac{1}{n} + \frac{1}{n+1} + \frac{1}{n+2} + \dots + \frac{1}{2n-1} - \frac{1}{n+1} - \frac{1}{n+2} - \dots - \frac{1}{2n}\right] \\ &= n \left(\frac{1}{n} - \frac{1}{2n}\right) \\ &= 1 - \frac{1}{2} = \frac{1}{2} \end{split}$$

The part where we cancel out everything is called a **telescoping series**. Notice how the area doesn't depend on n so we get the exact area, even if we let n = 1!.

• We need a better way to do integration, so we can define:

$$F(x) \equiv \int_{a}^{x} f(t) \, \mathrm{d}t \tag{54}$$

such that F'(x) = f(x). This is the definition of the antiderivative. This leads to the fundamental theorem of calculus:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(t) dt = F(h) - F(a) \tag{55}$$

and the indefinite integral can be written as:

$$\int f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = G(x) + C \tag{56}$$

The main problem now becomes trying to *find antiderivatives*, which is much easier than Riemann sums, though still more difficult than calculating derivatives.

### 3.2 Integration by Parts

• Integration by Parts attempts to reverse the product rule:

$$(fg)' = fg' + f'g \tag{57}$$

Taking the integral of both sides gives:

$$f(x)g(x) = \int f(x)g'(x) dx + \int f'(x)g(x) dx$$
(58)

$$\int f(x)g'(x) dx = \int f(x)g'(x) dx = f(x)g(x) - \int f'(x)g(x) dx$$
(59)

If the second integral is easier than the first, then we have made substaintial progress.

Idea: Integration of parts tells us that:

$$\int u \, \mathrm{d}v = uv - \int v \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{60}$$

**Example 10:** To solve  $\int xe^{2x}$ , we can let:

$$u = x dv = e^{2x} dx (61)$$

$$du = dx v = \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} (62)$$

which gives:

$$\frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} - \int \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{63}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} - \frac{1}{4}e^{2x} + C \tag{64}$$

We can check:

$$\frac{d}{dx}\left(\frac{1}{2}xe^{2x} - \frac{1}{4}e^{2x} + C\right) \tag{65}$$

$$=xe^{2x} + \frac{1}{2}e^{2x} - \frac{2}{4}e^{2x} \tag{66}$$

$$=xe^{2x} (67)$$

**Example 11:** To solve  $\int x^2 \sin(2x) dx$ , we let:

$$u = x^2 dv = \sin 2x \, dx (68)$$

$$du = 2x dx v = -\frac{1}{2}\cos(2x) (69)$$

which gives:

$$= -\frac{1}{2}x^{2}\cos 2x + \int x\cos(2x) \,dx \tag{70}$$

and we can apply integration by parts a second time, if we let:

$$u = x dv = \cos 2x \, dx (71)$$

$$du = dx v = \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x) (72)$$

which gives us:

$$= -\frac{1}{2}x^2\cos(2x) + \frac{1}{2}x\sin(2x) - \int \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x) dx$$
 (73)

$$= -\frac{1}{2}x^2\cos(2x) + \frac{1}{2}x\sin(2x) + \frac{1}{4}\cos(2X) + C$$
 (74)

**Example 12:** To solve  $I = \int e^x \sin x \, dx$ , we can let:

$$u = \sin x \qquad \qquad \mathrm{d}v = e^x \,\mathrm{d}x \tag{75}$$

$$du = \cos x \, dx \qquad \qquad v = e^x \tag{76}$$

to give us:

$$= e^x \sin x - \int e^x \cos x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{77}$$

We apply integration by parts a second time:

$$u = \cos x \qquad \qquad \mathrm{d}v = e^x \,\mathrm{d}x \tag{78}$$

$$du = -\sin x \, dx \qquad \qquad v = e^x \tag{79}$$

to get:

$$I = e^x \sin x - e^x \cos x - \underbrace{\int e^x \sin x \, \mathrm{d}x}_{I} \tag{80}$$

$$2I = e^x \left(\sin x - \cos x\right) + C' \tag{81}$$

$$I = \frac{1}{2}e^x(\sin x - \cos x) + C \tag{82}$$

and we are done.

**Example 13:** We can also solve integrals that do not appear to have parts, such as  $\int \ln x \, dx$ . We choose:

$$u = \ln x \qquad \qquad \mathrm{d}v = \mathrm{d}x \tag{83}$$

$$du = -\frac{1}{x} dx \qquad v = x \tag{84}$$

to give us:

$$\ln x - \int \mathrm{d}x = x \ln x - x + C \tag{85}$$

• For a definite integral, we can write IBP as:

$$f(x)g(x)\Big|_a^b - \int_a^b f'(x)g(x) \,\mathrm{d}x \tag{86}$$

**Example 14:** It is *possible* to apply integration of parts to find the integral of  $\int \tan x \, dx = \int \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} \, dx$ . We can let:

$$u = \frac{1}{\cos x} = \sec x \qquad \qquad dv = \sin x \, dx \tag{87}$$

$$du = \sec x \tan x \qquad \qquad v = -\cos x \tag{88}$$

this gives us:

$$\int \tan x \, \mathrm{d}x = -\frac{\cos x}{\cos x} + \int \tan x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{89}$$

Notice that we could try to subtract the original integral from both sides and get:

$$0 = -1 \tag{90}$$

which is clearly wrong! However, we forgot the constant of integration, so the correct statement would be:

$$0 + C' = -1 + C \tag{91}$$

which does not tell us anything interesting. This brings We can see this concretely by repeating the same steps but trying to evaluate the definite integral  $\int_a^b \tan x \, dx$  instead, which gives:

$$\int_{a}^{b} \tan dx = (-1) \Big|_{x=a}^{x=b} + \int_{a}^{b} \tan x \, dx \implies 0 = (-1) - (-1) \implies 0 = 0$$
 (92)

which confirms our suspecision that this isn't anything useful, but it's also not an incorrect statement.

Warning: Sometimes it is possible to get more than one answer through various means that differ by a constant factor when solving indefinite integrals. When this happens, nothing is wrong: we simply need to consider the constant of integration.

Idea: But how do we know which values of u and dv we should pick? A common strategy is to use LIATE:

- 1. L: Logarithms
- 2. I: Inverse Trig
- 3. A: Algebraic
- 4. T: Trigonometric
- 5. E: Exponential

If a function consists of two terms, the term that is higher up (closer to L) usually gets differentiated and the term near the bottom (closer to E) usually gets integrated. See this for how it works, and this video for a tutorial.

# 4 Trigonometric Integrals

• The first type of integral we'll deal with is:

$$\int \sin^n x \cos^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{93}$$

• In case 1, we have either m or n as an odd positive number. We can then use the identity  $\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x = 1$  to simplify it.

**Example 15:** For example, to solve  $\int \sin^3 x \cos^2 x \, dx$ , we can simplify this to:

$$= \int (1 - \cos^2 x) \cos^2 x \sin x \, dX \tag{94}$$

$$= (\cos^2 x - \cos^4 x) \sin x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{95}$$

and applying a u substitution with  $u = \cos x$  and breaking it up into two integrals, we can get:

$$= -\frac{1}{3}\cos^3 x + \frac{1}{5}\cos^5 x + C \tag{96}$$

• In case 2, we have m and n as both even. We then apply the double angle formulas:

$$\sin x \cos x = \frac{1}{2}\sin(2x) \tag{97}$$

$$\sin^2 x = \frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\cos 2x\tag{98}$$

$$\cos^2 x = \frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2}\cos 2x\tag{99}$$

Example 16: For example:

$$\int \sin^2 x \cos^4 dx = \int \frac{1}{4} \sin^2(2x) \left(\frac{1}{2} + \frac{1}{2} \cos 2x\right) dx \tag{100}$$

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int \sin^2(2x) \, dx + \frac{1}{8} \int \sin^2 x \cos 2x \, dx$$
 (101)

$$= \frac{1}{8} \int \left(\frac{1}{2} - \frac{1}{2}\cos 4x\right) dx + \frac{1}{8 \cdot 3 \cdot 2}\sin^3(2x) + C$$
 (102)

$$= \frac{1}{16}x - \frac{1}{64}\sin(4x) + \frac{1}{48}\sin^3(2x) + C \tag{103}$$

• In Case 3, we have:

$$\int \sin^n dx \,,\, \int \cos^n dx \tag{104}$$

which we can apply a reduction formula by keep applying integration by parts:

$$\int \sin^n dx = -\frac{1}{n} \sin^{n-1} x \cos x + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \sin^{n-2} x dx$$
 (105)

$$\int \cos^n dx = -\frac{1}{n} \cos^{n-1} x \sin x + \frac{n-1}{n} \int \cos^{n-2} x dx$$
 (106)

**Example 17:** To solve the integral  $\int \sin^2 x \, dx$ , we get:

$$= -\frac{1}{2}\sin x \cos x + \frac{1}{2} \int \mathrm{d}x \tag{107}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}x - \frac{1}{4}\sin 2x + C \tag{108}$$

• In Case 4, we have integrals in the following forms:

$$\int \sin(mx)\cos(nx)\,\mathrm{d}x\tag{109}$$

$$\int \sin(mx)\sin(nx)\,\mathrm{d}x\tag{110}$$

$$\int \cos(mx)\cos(nx)\,\mathrm{d}x\tag{111}$$

with  $m \neq n$ . If m = n, then we can apply the double angle formula. To solve these, we apply the following identities:

$$\sin A \sin B = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \cos(A - B) - \cos(A + B) \right] \tag{112}$$

$$\cos A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} [\cos(A - B) + \cos(A + B)] \tag{113}$$

$$\sin A \cos B = \frac{1}{2} \left[ \sin(A - B) + \sin(A + B) \right]$$
 (114)

**Example 18:** For example, we have:

$$\int \sin(3x)\sin(2x)\,dx = \frac{1}{2}\int \cos((3-2)x)\,dx - \frac{1}{2}\cos((3+2)x)\,dx \tag{115}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sin x - \frac{1}{10}\sin 5x + C \tag{116}$$

• In case 5, we have integrals in the form of either:

$$\int \tan^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \int \cot^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{117}$$

To solve these, we apply the following identities:

$$\tan^2 x = \sec^2 x - 1 \tag{118}$$

$$(\tan x)' = \sec^2 x \tag{119}$$

• In case 6, we have:

$$\int \sec^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \int \csc^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{120}$$

with  $n \geq 2$ . To solve these, we can make the following substitutions:

$$1 + \tan^2 x = \sec^2 x \tag{121}$$

$$1 + \cot^2 x = \csc^2 x \tag{122}$$

to convert it to a case 5 problem.

• In case 7, we have:

$$\int \tan^n x \sec^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \,, \int \cot^n x \csc^n x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{123}$$

Example 19: We have:

$$\tan^3 x \sec^4 x \, \mathrm{d}x = \int \tan^3 x \sec^2 x \sec^2 x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{124}$$

$$= \int \tan^3 x \left(\tan^2 x + 1\right) \sec^2 x \, dX \tag{125}$$

$$= \int (\tan^5 x + \tan^3 x) \sec^2 x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{126}$$

$$= \frac{1}{6}\tan^6 x + \frac{1}{4}\tan^4 x + C \tag{127}$$

Idea: The basic idea of these types is to apply trigonometric identities to turn the integrals into a form that is easier to deal with. The substitutions are usually very simple but to find them, it requires a lot of practice.

• We can also apply **trigonometric substitutions**, any integrals with any of the three factors below can be solved with this technique:

1. 
$$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$
: Set  $x = a \sin u \implies \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = a \cos u$ 

2. 
$$\sqrt{a^2 + x^2}$$
: Set  $x = a \tan u \implies \sqrt{a^2 + x^2} = a \sec u$ 

3. 
$$\sqrt{x^2 - a^2}$$
: Set  $x = a \sec u \implies \sqrt{x^2 - a^2} = a \tan u$ 

where the arguments under the square roots are always positive.

**Example 20:** To solve the integral  $\int \frac{x^2}{(4-x^2)^{3/2}} dx$ , we can set:

$$x = 2\sin u \tag{128}$$

$$dx = 2\cos u \, du \tag{129}$$

$$\sqrt{4 - x^2} = 2\cos u\tag{130}$$

which gives:

$$= \int \frac{4\sin^2 u \cdot 2\cos u \,\mathrm{d}u}{8\cos^3 u} \tag{131}$$

$$= \int \tan^2 u \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{132}$$

$$= \int (\sec^2 u - 1) \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{133}$$

$$= \tan u - u + C \qquad = \frac{x}{\sqrt{4 - x^2}} - \sin^{-1}\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + C \tag{134}$$

**Example 21:** The integral  $\int \frac{x \, dx}{(2x^2 + 4x - 7)^{1/2}}$  needs a bit more work before we can apply the sibstutitions. We first apply the square to get:

$$= \int \frac{x \, \mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{2(x+1)^2 - 9}} \tag{135}$$

We can set:

$$\sqrt{2}(x+1) = 3\sec u \tag{136}$$

$$\sqrt{2} \, \mathrm{d}x = 3 \sec u \tan u \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{137}$$

$$\sqrt{2(x+1)^2 - 9} = 3\tan u \tag{138}$$

which gives:

$$= \int \frac{\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\sec u - 1\right)\left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}\sec u \tan u du}\right)}{3\tan u} \tag{139}$$

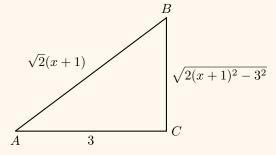
$$= \int \left(\frac{3}{\sqrt{2}}\sec u - 1\right) \left(\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\sec u\right) du \tag{140}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \int \sec^2 u \, \mathrm{d}u - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \int \sec u \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{141}$$

$$= \frac{3}{2} \tan u - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \ln|\sec u + \tan u| + C \tag{142}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sqrt{2x^2 + 4x - 7} - \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}}\ln\left|\frac{\sqrt{2}}{3}(x+1) + \frac{\sqrt{2x^2 + 4x - 7}}{3}\right| + C$$
 (143)

Idea: We can use triangles to derive the substitution, which comes from the Pythagorean theorem:



and you can clearly see the substitution:

$$3\sec u = \sqrt{2}(x+1) \implies \cos u = \frac{3}{\sqrt{2}(x+1)} \tag{144}$$

where  $u \equiv \angle BAC$ .

**Example 22:** For the integral  $\int x \sin^{-1} x dx$ , we can let:

$$u = \sin^{-1} x \, \mathrm{d}v = x \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{145}$$

$$du = \frac{dx}{\sqrt{1 - x^2}}v = \frac{1}{2}x^2 \tag{146}$$

and applying integration by parts, we get:

$$= \frac{1}{2}x^2 \sin^{-1} x - \int \frac{1}{2}x^2 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$$
 (147)

To solve this secondary integral  $\int \frac{x^2 dx}{\sqrt{1-x^2}}$ , we can let:

$$x = \sin \theta \tag{148}$$

$$dx = \cos\theta \, d\theta \tag{149}$$

$$\sqrt{1-x^2} = \cos\theta \tag{150}$$

which gives:

$$=\frac{\sin^2\theta\cos\theta\,\mathrm{d}\theta}{\cos\theta}\tag{151}$$

$$= \int \sin^2 \theta \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{152}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\theta - \frac{1}{2}\sin\theta\cos\theta + C\tag{153}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2}\sin^{-1} - \frac{1}{2}x\sqrt{1 - x^2} + C \tag{154}$$

Therefore, we get:

$$\int x \sin^{-1} x \, dx = \frac{1}{2} x^2 \sin^{-1} x - \frac{1}{4} \sin^{-1} x + \frac{1}{4} x \sqrt{1 - x^2} + C$$
 (155)

### 5 Partial Fractions

• Rational functions are in the form of:

$$R(x) = \frac{P_n(x)}{P_m(x)} \tag{156}$$

where m, n represent the order of the polynomial. If  $n \geq m$ , it is an **improper** fraction, such as:

$$\frac{x^2 - x}{1 + x} \tag{157}$$

and if n < m, we have a proper fraction such as:

$$\frac{x}{x^2 + 3x + 2} \tag{158}$$

• If we have an improper fraction, we use long division to simplify it. For example:

$$\frac{x^3 - 2x^2}{x^2 + 9} = x - 2 + \frac{18 - 9x}{x^2 + 9} \tag{159}$$

which turns the expression into a polynomial (trivial to integrate) as well as a proper fraction.

- There are different types of factors:
  - Linear factors (e.g. 3x + 2)

- Irreducible quadratic factors (e.g.  $x^2 + 1$ )

which gives us the different factors:

• Case 1: If we have distinct linear factors in the denominator, we can break it into fractions of the form:

$$(x+\alpha) \implies \frac{A}{x+\alpha} \tag{160}$$

**Example 23:** The partial fraction of  $\frac{2x-17}{x^2+3x+2}$  can be written as the **partial fraction deconvolution**:

$$= \frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{B}{x+2} \tag{161}$$

We now need to solve for A and B. We can multiply both sides by (x+1)(x+2) to get:

$$2x - 17 = A(x+2) + B(x+1)$$
(162)

and match up the coefficients. Alternatively, we can pick various values of x (e.g. x = -2 and x = -1) to solve for the coefficients.

• Case 2: If we have repeated linear factors, then the decomposition is in the form of:

$$(x+\alpha)^k \implies \frac{A}{x+\alpha} + \frac{B}{(x+\alpha)^2} + \frac{C}{(x+\alpha)^3} + \dots + \frac{K}{(x+\alpha)^k}$$
 (163)

**Example 24:** To get the decomposition of  $\frac{2}{x(x+1)^2}$ , we can get:

$$\frac{2}{x(x+1)^2} = \frac{A}{x} + \frac{B}{x+1} + \frac{C}{(x+1)^2}$$
 (164)

which gives:

$$2 = A(x+1)^2 + Bx(x+1) + Cx (165)$$

matching the coefficients, we get three equations and three unknowns:

$$x^2: A + B = 0 (166)$$

$$x: 2A + B + C = 01 : A = 2 (167)$$

Solving this system gives A = 2, B = -2, and C = -2. Note that taking the integral of this sum is much easier. We have:

$$\int \frac{d}{x(x+1)^2} dx = \int \frac{2}{x} dX - \int \frac{2}{x} dx - \int \frac{2}{(x+1)^2} dx$$
 (168)

$$= 2\ln|x| - 2\ln|x+1| + \frac{2}{x+1} + C \tag{169}$$

Idea: As a general rule of thumb, the number of unknown coefficients is equal to the order of the polynomial in the denominator.

• Case 3: If we have irreducible quadratic factors, then the partial fraction deconvolution is in the form of:

$$x^2 + px + 8 \implies \frac{Ax + B}{x^2 + px + 8} \tag{170}$$

**Example 25:** Suppose we have  $\frac{2}{(x+1)(x^2+x+1)}$ , we can get the partial fraction decomposition as:

$$=\frac{A}{x+1} + \frac{Bx+C}{x^2+x+1} \tag{171}$$

and we work through the deconvolution process in exactly the same way, we remove the denominators on both sides to get (after expanding):

$$2 = Ax^{2} + Ax + A + Bx^{2} + Bx + Cx + C$$
(172)

$$0x^{2} + 0x^{1} + 2x^{0} = (A+B)x^{2} + (A+B+C)x^{1} + (A+C)x^{0}$$
(173)

which gives three equations and three unknowns, after we match coefficients:

$$x^2: A + B = 0 (174)$$

$$x: A + B + C = 0 (175)$$

$$1: A + C = 2 (176)$$

and solving the system of equations gives A=2, B=-2, C=0. To get the integral of this second term, we can write the second term as:

$$\int \frac{2x \, dx}{x^2 + 2x + 1} = \underbrace{\int \frac{2x + 1}{x^2 + x + 1} \, dx}_{(1)} - \underbrace{\int \frac{dx}{x^2 + x + 1}}_{(2)}$$
(177)

We "added" 1 and "subtracted" 1 to get these two slightly easier integrals, which we can apply other techniques. The first one can be solved using a u-sub while the second can be solved by completing the square and applying a trigonometric substitution:

$$(1) = \ln|x^2 + x + 1| + C \tag{178}$$

$$(2) = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\left(x + \frac{1}{2}\right)^2 + \frac{3}{4}} = \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \tan^{-1} \left[ \frac{2}{\sqrt{3}} \left( x + \frac{1}{2} \right) \right] + C \tag{179}$$

allowing us to put everything together.

**Example 26:** Let's take an integral we already know the answer of:  $\int \frac{2x}{x^2+1} dx = \ln(x^2+1) + C$ . We can try a partial fraction decomposition:

$$\frac{2x}{x^2+1} = \frac{A}{x+i} + \frac{B}{x-i} = \frac{1}{x+i} + \frac{1}{x-i}$$
 (180)

which gives:

$$\int \frac{2x}{x^2 + 1} \, \mathrm{d}x = \int \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x + i} + \int \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x - i} \tag{181}$$

In complex analysis, most mathematical functions we are familiar with are sitll valid, so the integral is:

$$= \ln|x+i| + \ln|x-i| + C \tag{182}$$

and simplifying it gives:

$$\ln\left(x^2+1\right) + C \tag{183}$$

Warning: While it is *possible* to use complex numbers to solve irreducible quadratic factors, it isn't always as easy as the above example. To get the logarithm of a complex number, we can apply the identity (without

proving):

$$\ln(a+ib) = \ln\sqrt{a^2 + b^2} + i\arctan\left(\frac{b}{a}\right)$$
(184)

**Example 27:** Bonus content: Try evaluating the integral  $\int \frac{dx}{x^2+1}$  with complex analysis. Taking a partial fraction, we get:

$$\frac{1}{x^2+1} = \frac{A}{x+i} + \frac{B}{x-i} \tag{185}$$

multiplying both sides, we get:

$$1 = A(x-i) + B(x+i)$$
 (186)

$$1 = (A+B)x + i(-A+B)$$
(187)

we have the systems of two equations:

$$x^1: A + B = 0 (188)$$

$$x^0: (B-A)i = 1 (189)$$

which gives  $A = \frac{1}{2}i$  and  $B = -\frac{1}{2}i$ . This gives:

$$= \int \frac{0.5i}{x+i} \, \mathrm{d}x - \int \frac{0.5i}{x-i} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{190}$$

$$= 0.5i \ln(x+i) - 0.5i \ln(x-i) + C \tag{191}$$

$$= 0.5i \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1} + (0.5i)i \arctan \left(\frac{b}{x}\right) - (0.5i) \ln \sqrt{x^2 + 1} - (0.5i)i \arctan \left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)$$
 (192)

$$= -\arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + C \tag{193}$$

Note that for  $x \geq 0$ :

$$-\arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) + \frac{\pi}{2} = \arctan x \tag{194}$$

and for x < 0:

$$-\arctan\left(\frac{1}{x}\right) - \frac{\pi}{2} = \arctan x \tag{195}$$

• Case 4: Repeated irreducible quadratic terms, the decomposition is in the form of:

$$(x^{2} + \beta x + 8)^{k} \implies \frac{A_{1}x + B_{1}}{(x^{2} + \beta x + 8)} + \frac{A_{2}x + B_{2}}{(x^{2} + \beta x + 8)^{2}} + \dots + \frac{A_{k}x + B_{k}}{(x^{2} + \beta x + x)^{k}}$$
(196)

These can be extremely messy, but the process is similar to the above examples. For example, we can write:

$$\frac{Ax+B}{(x^2+\beta x+8)^2} = \frac{A}{2} \left[ \frac{2x+\beta}{(x^2+\beta x+8)^2} + \frac{2B/A-\beta}{(x^2+\beta x+8)^2} \right]$$
(197)

Idea: The general strategy for dealing with a proper fraction integral is to break it up into two terms, one that can be easily be solved via a u-substitution and the second one does not have an x term in the numerator and can be solved using a trigonometric substitution.

• We can also introduce a strategy rationalizing substitutions by turning a function such as:

$$\int \frac{\sqrt{x}}{1+x} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{198}$$

into a form that we are familiar with. We can let  $u^2 = x \implies 2u \, du = dx$  to give:

$$= \int \frac{u \cdot 2u \, \mathrm{d}u}{1 + u^2} \tag{199}$$

$$=2\int \frac{u^2}{1+u^2} \, \mathrm{d}u \tag{200}$$

$$=2\int \left(1 - \frac{1}{1 + u^2}\right) du \tag{201}$$

$$= 2u - 2\tan^{-1}u + C \tag{202}$$

$$=2\sqrt{x}-2\tan^{-1}\sqrt{x}+C$$
 (203)

• Another method is to use a Weierstrass substitution, by making the substitution:

$$t = \tan\frac{x}{2} \tag{204}$$

which leads to the following substitutions:

$$\sin x = \frac{2t}{1+t^2} \tag{205}$$

$$\cos x = \frac{1 - t^2}{1 + t^2} \tag{206}$$

$$\mathrm{d}x = \frac{2}{1+t^2}\,\mathrm{d}t\tag{207}$$

This allows us to turn any trigonometric function into a rational function.

**Example 28:** For example, to solve the integral  $\int \frac{dx}{1 + \cos x}$ , we make the specified substitution to turn this into:

$$= \int \frac{1}{1 + \frac{1 - t^2}{1 + t^2}} \cdot \frac{2}{1 + t^2} \, \mathrm{d}t \tag{208}$$

$$= \int \frac{2 dt}{(1+t^2) + (1-t^2)} dt \tag{209}$$

$$= \int \mathrm{d}t \tag{210}$$

$$= t + C \tag{211}$$

$$=\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + C\tag{212}$$

# 6 Improper Integrals

• Since infinity is not a number, our typical definite integral definition cannot be used for an **improper integral** like:

$$\int_0^\infty f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{213}$$

Instead, we use the following definition:

**Definition**: If  $\lim_{b\to\infty}\int_a^b f(x) dx = L$  exists, then we can define:

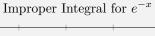
$$\int_{a}^{\infty} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = L \tag{214}$$

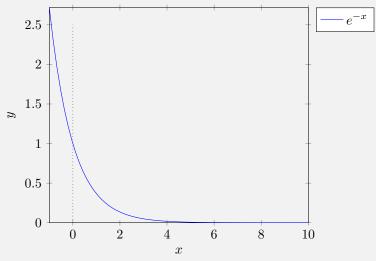
**Example 29:** To solve  $\int_0^\infty e^{-x} dx$ , we can write it as:

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_0^b e^{-x} dx$$
 (215)  
=  $\lim_{b \to \infty} (1 - e^{-b}) = 1$  (216)

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( 1 - e^{-b} \right) = 1 \tag{216}$$

This is remarkable because even though the area appears infinite (since it is infinitely long), the area is actually finite.





**Example 30:** For the integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{-1}$ , we have:

$$=\lim_{a\to-\infty}\int_{a}^{-1}\frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^{2}}\tag{217}$$

$$=\lim_{a\to-\infty}\left(1+\frac{1}{a}\right)=1\tag{218}$$

• However, improper integrals can diverge as well.

**Example 31:** For 
$$\int_3^\infty \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x}$$
, we get: 
$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} (\ln b - \ln 3) = \infty \tag{219}$$

**Example 32:** For something like  $\int_{-\infty}^{2\pi} \sin x \, dx$ , the integral does not go to infinity, but since we get:

$$\lim_{a \to -\infty} \left( -1 + \cos a \right) \tag{220}$$

it will diverge, since  $\lim_{a \to -\infty} \cos a$  does not exist.

• We can generalize this for all reciprocal functions:

Idea: For  $\int_{a}^{\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^p}$  with p > 0,  $p \neq 1$ , and a > 0, we get:

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{a}^{b} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^{p}} \tag{221}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( \frac{1}{1-p} x^{-p+1} \right) \Big|_a^b \tag{222}$$

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( \frac{b^{-p+1}}{1-p} - \frac{a^{-p+1}}{1-p} \right) \tag{223}$$

For p > 1, we get:

$$=\frac{a^{1-p}}{p-1} \tag{224}$$

and diverges for  $p \leq 1$ .

• There are techniques to check if an improper integral will converge or diverge. This is useful especially if we want to perform a numerical integration but want to verify that it indeed will converge.

**Theorem**: Let f, g be continuous functions and  $0 \le f(x) \le g(x)$  where  $x \in [a, \infty)$ ,.

- If  $\int_{a}^{\infty} g \, dx$  converges, so does  $\int_{a}^{\infty} f(x) \, dx$ . If  $\int_{a}^{\infty} f$  diverges, so does  $\int_{a}^{\infty} g(x) \, dx$ .

**Example 33:** The integral  $\int_2^\infty \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{1+x^{44/17}}}$  is difficult to evaluate, but we can easily tell that it converges

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1+x^{44/12}}} < \frac{1}{\sqrt{x^{44/12}}} = \frac{1}{x^{22/12}} \tag{225}$$

Since p > 1, this converges, so the original integral must also converge.

**Example 34:** For the integral  $\int_3^\infty \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{7+x^2}}$ , we can check that it diverges by:

$$(7+x^2)^{1/2} < \sqrt{7} + x \tag{226}$$

We can check this via:  $7 + x^2 < 7 + 2\sqrt{7} + x^2$ . Since:

$$\int_{3}^{\infty} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{\sqrt{7} + x} = \ln\left(\sqrt{7} + x\right)\Big|_{3}^{\infty} \tag{227}$$

which diverges, so the original integral must also diverge.

Warning: The notation  $f(x)\Big|_3^\infty$  needs to be defined explicitly since  $\infty$  is not a number. This expression simply implies that we are taking the limit as b approaches infinity, even though it might look like we're treating  $\infty$  as a number.

• We can look at more interesting examples. Both the lower and upper bounds can be  $\pm \infty$ , such as:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{+\infty} e^{-x^2} \, \mathrm{d}x = \sqrt{\pi} \tag{228}$$

**Definition**: We can define an integral from  $-\infty$  to  $+\infty$  as:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) dx = \int_{-\infty}^{a} f(x) dx + \int_{a}^{\infty} f(x) dx$$
 (229)

Warning: Do not evaluate integrals of the above form as:

$$\int_{-\infty}^{\infty} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \neq \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{-b}^{b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{230}$$

• For example, take the integral  $\int_{-\infty}^{\infty}$ . If we use the proper definition, then we add two limits that don't exist, so we know this diverges. Note that it might be tempting to write:

$$= \lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{-b}^{b} x \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( \frac{b^2}{2} - \frac{b^2}{2} \right) = 0 \tag{231}$$

but this is only because we are approaching  $-\infty$  and  $+\infty$  at the same rate. If we instead wrote:

$$\lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{-b}^{2b} x \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( \frac{4b^2}{2} - \frac{b^2}{2} \right) = \infty \tag{232}$$

If we instead used this approach for our other improper integrals, it wouldn't make a difference since it shouldn't matter the rate at which we approach infinity. Here's another example:

$$\lim_{b \to \infty} \int_{-b}^{\sqrt{b^2 + 138}} x \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{b \to \infty} \left( \frac{b^2 + 138}{2} - \frac{b^2}{2} \right) = \lim_{b \to \infty} \frac{138}{2} = 69$$
 (233)

• Improper integrals can also be in the form where there are infinite dicontinuities at the bounds of integration. Suppose  $\lim_{x\to b^-} f(x) = \infty$ . We can treat an integral such as:

$$\int_{a}^{b} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x = \lim_{c \to b^{-}} \int_{a}^{c} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{234}$$

**Example 35:** For example, take  $\int_0^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^{1/3}}$ , and we can evaluate this via:

$$= \lim_{c \to 0^+} \int_c^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^{1/3}} \tag{235}$$

$$= \lim_{c \to 0^+} \frac{3}{2} \left( 1 - c^{2/3} \right) = \frac{3}{2} \tag{236}$$

Again, we have a region that extends to an infinite extend, but it has a finite area. Of course, this won't always be the case.

**Example 36:** Take the example where  $\int_0^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^2}$ , then we can evaluate this integral via:

$$= \lim_{c \to 0^+} \int_c^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^2}$$
 (237)

$$= \lim_{c \to 0^+} \left( \frac{1}{c} - 1 \right) = \infty \tag{238}$$

so this integral will diverge.

Idea: Notice that we can draw an analogy between:  $\int_0^a \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^p}$  and  $\int_a^\infty \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{x^{1/p}}$ , as they are reflections of one another across the line y = x. If one diverges, the other will converge, with the exception being p = 1.

• We can also deal with discontinuities that occur between the given bounds. Similar to before, we break it up into two integrals and *both* integrals must converge for the original integral to converge. For example, take:

$$\int_{-a}^{b} \frac{1}{|x^{1/2}|} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{239}$$

with a, b > 0. For this integral to converge, then both  $\int_{-a}^{0} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{|x^{1/2}|}$  and  $\int_{0}^{b} \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{|x^{1/2}|}$  must converge.

Warning: Here is an example of when things go wrong when the integral is not broken up into separate integrals. For example, suppose we wish to evaluate  $\int_{-1}^{3} \frac{dx}{x^2}$ . From our previous discussion, we know that  $\int_{-1}^{0} \frac{dx}{x^2}$  and  $\int_{0}^{3} \frac{dx}{x^2}$  both diverges. However, one might naively think that:

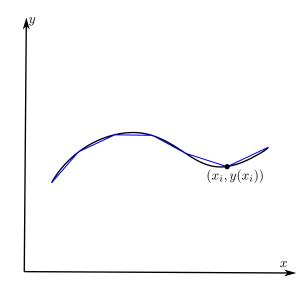
$$\left(-\frac{1}{x}\right)\Big|_{1}^{3} = -\frac{1}{3} - \frac{1}{1} = -\frac{4}{3} \tag{240}$$

which is definitely wrong, since  $\frac{1}{x^2}$  is never negative!

# 7 Applications of Integrals

## 7.1 Arclength

• Suppose we have a curve y = f(x) where  $x \in [a, b]$  and is differentiable. The problem is to find the length of the curve in this range.



• We can approximate this by partitioning the curve into segments at locations  $x_i$  where:

$$a = x_0 < x_1 < x_0 < \dots < x_{n-1} < x_n = b \tag{241}$$

such that the arclength is:

$$s_i = \sqrt{(\Delta x_i)^2 + (\Delta y_i)^2} = \sqrt{(x_i - x_{i-1})^2 + (y(x_i) - y(x_{i-1}))^2}$$
(242)

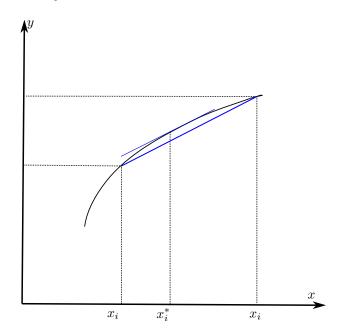
We can use the mean value theorem to write:

$$\frac{\Delta y_i}{\Delta x_i} = \frac{y(x_i) - y(x_{i-1})}{x_i - x_{i-1}} = y'(x_i^*)$$
(243)

so we can rewrite:

$$s_{i} = \sqrt{\Delta x_{i}^{2} + (f'(x_{i}^{*})\Delta x_{i})^{2}}$$
(244)

The total length is approximated by the total sum. If we take the limit:



$$s = \lim_{\|P\| \to 0} \sum_{i=1}^{n} sqrt1 + f'(x_i^*)^2 \Delta x_i$$
 (245)

$$= \int_{a}^{b} \sqrt{1 + f'(x)^2} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{246}$$

**Example 37:** For example, the arclength in  $x \in [0, 44]$  for  $f(x) = x^{3/2}$  can be calculated if we know the derivative:

$$f'(x) = \frac{3}{2}x^{1/2} \tag{247}$$

so:

$$1 + f'(x)^2 = 1 + \frac{9}{4}x\tag{248}$$

which gives:

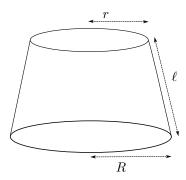
$$s = \int_0^{44} \sqrt{1 + \frac{9}{4}x} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{249}$$

$$= \left(\frac{4}{9} \cdot \frac{2}{3} \left(1 + \frac{9}{4}x\right)^{3/2}\right) \bigg|_{0}^{44} \tag{250}$$

$$=296\tag{251}$$

#### 7.2 Area of a Surface of Revolution

• Consider the new problem of finding the area of a surface of revolution. Similarly, we break it up into smaller segment with width  $\Delta x$ .



• Each small segment is a tapered cone, with an area of:

$$A_i \simeq \pi(f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_i))s_i \tag{252}$$

$$\simeq \pi (f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_i)) \sqrt{1 + f'(x_i^*)^2} \Delta x_i$$
 (253)

From the Intermediate Value Theorem, we have:

$$f(x_{i-1}) + f(x_i) = 2f(x_i^{**}) \tag{254}$$

where  $x_i^{**} \in [x_{i-1}, x_i]$  so the area can be written as:

$$A_i \simeq 2\pi f(x_i^{**}) \sqrt{1 + f'(x_i^{*})^2} \Delta x_i$$
 (255)

However, we cannot turn this into an integral just yet since we have both  $x_i^*$  and  $x_i^{**}$ . But in the limit where  $\Delta x_i \to 0$ , we also have  $x_i^{**} \to x_i^*$ . We therefore get:

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi f(x)\sqrt{1 + f'(x)^{2}} \,dx \tag{256}$$

**Example 38:** Suppose we have the function  $y = \sqrt{x}$  rotated across the x axis and we want the surface area between  $x \in [0,1]$ . We have  $y' = \frac{1}{2}x^{-1/2}$  and the area becomes:

$$A = \int_0^1 2\pi \sqrt{x} \sqrt{1 + \frac{1}{4x}} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{257}$$

$$= \pi \int_0^1 \sqrt{4x + 1} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{258}$$

Let u = 4x + 1 and du = 4 dx, and we'll get:

$$A = \int_{1}^{5} \pi \sqrt{u} \frac{\mathrm{d}u}{4} \tag{259}$$

$$= \frac{\pi}{4} \left( \frac{2}{3} u^{3/2} \right) \bigg| 5_1 \tag{260}$$

$$=\frac{\pi}{6}(5^{3/2}-1)\tag{261}$$

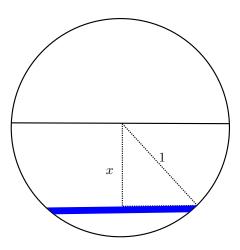
# 8 Applications to Physics and Engineering

• The hydrostatic pressure depends on the density  $\rho$ , gravitational constant g and the depth d:

$$p = \rho g d \tag{262}$$

and the force of pressure acting on the surface is:

$$F = \rho g d \cdot A = p A \tag{263}$$



**Example 39:** Suppose we have a curved container. The force acting on the entire container can be broken up into segments, each with a force of:

$$F_i = \underbrace{w(x_i^*)\Delta x_i}_{\text{area}} \cdot \underbrace{\rho g x_i^*}_{\text{pressure}}$$
 (264)

where w(x) is the width of the container as a function of height. The force exerted on the container is thus:

$$F = \int_{a}^{b} \rho gxw(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{265}$$

**Example 40:** Suppose we have a pipe half with a radius of 1m filled with water and we wish to find the force it exerts on the end face of the pipe. We can do this via:

$$F = \int_0^1 \rho g x 2\sqrt{1 - x^2} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{266}$$

$$=2\rho g\left(-\frac{1}{3}(1-x^2)^{3/2}\right)\Big|_{0}^{1} \tag{267}$$

$$= \frac{2}{3}\rho g = 6533N \tag{268}$$

- We investigate the **center of mass** of a two dimensional object, which intuitively is the point at which it'll balance, also known as the **centroid**. We can use two principles to help us out:
- **Principle 1: Symmetry:** If there is an axis of symmetry, then  $(\bar{x}, \bar{y})$  is on any axis of symmetry. If there are more than one axes of symmetry, then we simply need to find the intersection.
- Principle 2: Additivity: We can find the centroid of a collection of segments by taking the weighted average of each of the segments it is composed of. For a discrete set, the total area is:

$$A = A_1 + A_2 + \dots + A_n \tag{269}$$

and the x location of the centroid is:

$$\bar{x} = \bar{x_1} \frac{A_1}{A} + \bar{x_2} \frac{A_2}{A} + \dots + \bar{x_n} \frac{A_n}{A}$$
 (270)

and similarly for the y location:

$$\bar{y} = \bar{y}_1 \frac{A_1}{A} + \bar{y}_2 \frac{A_2}{A} + \dots + \bar{y}_n \frac{A_n}{A}$$
 (271)

• Suppose we wish to find the centroid of a curve f(x) from x = a to x = b. We can approximate this region via a series of recxtangles such that:

$$A_i = f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i \tag{272}$$

$$\bar{x}_i = \frac{x_{i-1} + x_i}{2} = x_i^* \tag{273}$$

$$\bar{y}_i = \frac{1}{2} f(x_i^*) \tag{274}$$

such that:

$$\bar{x}A = \sum_{i=1}^{n} \bar{x}_i A_i = \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^* f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$
 (275)

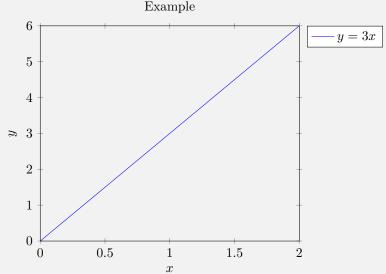
$$\bar{y}A = \frac{1}{2} \sum_{i=1}^{n} x_i^* f(x_i^*) \Delta x_i$$
 (276)

If we take the limit, we get:

$$\bar{x} = \frac{\int_a^b x f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x}{\int_a^b f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x} \tag{277}$$

$$\bar{y} = \frac{\int_a^b f(x)^2 \, dx}{2 \int_a^b f(x) \, dx}$$
 (278)

**Example 41:** Suppose we wish to find the area of y = 3x between x = 0 and x = 2:



The area is  $A = \int_0^2 3x \, dx = 6$ . And we have:

$$\bar{x}A = \int_0^2 x(3x) \, \mathrm{d}x = 8 \implies \bar{x} = \frac{4}{3}$$
 (279)

$$\bar{y}A = \int_0^2 \frac{1}{2} (3x)^2 \, \mathrm{d}x = 12 \implies \bar{y} = 2$$
 (280)

which is as we expected from the centroid of a triangle.

• If we want the centroid of the region of intersection between two curves f and g, we can use the additivity rule, we can have:

$$\bar{x}A = \bar{x}_q A_q - \bar{x}_f A_f \tag{281}$$

$$\bar{y}A = \bar{y}_q A_q - \bar{y}_f A_f \tag{282}$$

$$A = A_q - A_f \tag{283}$$

or in integral form:

$$\bar{x}A = \int_a^b x \left[ f(x) - g(x) \right] \mathrm{d}x \tag{284}$$

$$\bar{y}A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{a}^{b} \left[ f(x)^2 - g(x)^2 \right] dx$$
 (285)

**Example 42:** Suppose we have two curves y = 6 and y = 3 and we wish to find the centroid of the area between the curves between 2 < x < 5. This gives us:

$$\bar{x}A = \int_2^5 x(6-3) \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{63}{2}$$
 (286)

$$\bar{y}A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{2}^{5} \frac{1}{2} (36 - 9) \, \mathrm{d}x = \frac{9}{2}$$
 (287)

which gives us:  $\bar{x} = \frac{7}{2}$  and  $\bar{y} = \frac{9}{2}$ .

• Pappu's Centroid Theorem can be used to easily find the volume of revolution. We have:

$$V = 2\pi \bar{R}a \tag{288}$$

where  $\bar{R}$  is the distance from the centroid to the axis of revolution.

**Example 43:** Suppose we have an elliptical torus whose center is The area of the ellipse whose major axis is parallel to the axis of revolution and whose centroid is a distance R away from the axis. The volume is thus:

$$V = 2\pi R\pi ab = 2\pi^2 abR \tag{289}$$

• We can prove this using the washer method about x:

$$V_x = \int_a^b \pi (f(x)^2 - g(x)^2) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{290}$$

$$=2\pi \int_{a}^{b} \frac{1}{2} (f(x)^{2} - g(x)^{2}) dx$$
 (291)

$$=2\pi\bar{y}A\tag{292}$$

and using the shell method about x:

$$V_y = \int_a^b 2\pi x (f(x) - g(x)) dx$$
 (293)

$$=2\pi\bar{x}A\tag{294}$$

# 9 Parametric Equations

• Until now, we have described two dimensional curves in the form y = f(x). However, we can describe this in parametric equations as well in the form:

$$x = x(t) \tag{295}$$

$$y = y(t) \tag{296}$$

• For example, numerous applications in physics and engineering arise using parametized coordinates such as projectile motion. The equations of motion are:

$$x(t) = x_0 + v_0 \cos \theta t \tag{297}$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + v_0 \sin \theta t - \frac{1}{2}gt^2$$
 (298)

• We can parametize a straight line using:

$$x(t) = x_c + t(x_1 - x_0) (299)$$

$$y(t) = y_0 + t(y_1 - y_0) (300)$$

with  $t \in (-\infty, \infty)$ . We can check this by letting t = 0, which gives  $(x_0, y_0)$  and when t = 1 we get  $(x_1, y_1)$ .

• For an ellipse, we can parametize using:

$$x = a\cos t \tag{301}$$

$$y = b\sin t \tag{302}$$

• Suppose we have two curves parametized by:

$$C_1 = x_1(t), y_1(t) (303)$$

$$C_2 = x_2(t), y_2(t) (304)$$

An intersection occurs when  $y_1(x) = y_2(x)$  and a collision occurs when  $x_1(t) = x_2(t)$  and  $y_1(t) = y_2(t)$ .

**Example 44:** Suppose we have the following curves:

$$C_1: x_1(t) = 2t + 6, y_1(t) = 5 - 4t$$
 (305)

$$C_2: x_2(t) = 3 - 5\cos \pi t, \ y_2 = 1 + 5\sin \pi t$$
 (306)

for t > 0. The first curve is a straight line and the second curve is an offset circle. We can find the intersection via:

$$C_1: t = \frac{x-6}{2} \implies y_1(x) = 16 - 2x$$
 (307)

$$C_2 =: (x-3)^2 + (y-1)^2 = 25$$
 (308)

There will be two points of intersection, and after we solve this, we get (6,5) and (8,1). We now need to look at if the two objects will arise at that point at the same time. We do this by looking at each point first

$$(6,5): C_1 \implies t = 0 \tag{309}$$

$$C_2|_{t=0} = (-2,1) \tag{310}$$

$$(8,1): C_1 \implies t = 1 \tag{311}$$

$$C_2|_{t=1} = (8,1) (312)$$

Therefore, there is a collision between the two objects at (8,1) at a time t=1.

## 10 Calculus with Parametric Curves

• Parametric curves do not need to be functions. As a result, they can have an ordinary tangent, no tangent, or more than one tangent at the same point.

• We can find the secant line of a parametric curve via:

$$m_{\text{secant}} = \frac{y(t_0 + h) - y(t_0)}{x(t_0 + h) - x(t_0)}$$
(313)

We can divide both numerator and denominator by h to get:

$$\frac{\frac{y(t_0+h)-y(t_0)}{h}}{\frac{x(t_0+h)-x(t_0)}{h}} \Longrightarrow \frac{y'(t_0)}{x'(t_0)}$$
(314)

where we took the limit as  $h \to 0$ .

• We could also have derived this using the chain rule:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \cdot \frac{dt}{dx} = \frac{dy}{dt} \left(\frac{dx}{dt}\right)^{-1} \tag{315}$$

• If  $x'(t_0) = 0$ , then  $x = x_0$  is a vertical tangent and if  $y'(t_0) = 0$ , then we have  $y = y_0$  and have a horizontal tangent. If x' = y' = 0, then we can't read any information from it.

**Example 45:** Consider the example  $x(t) = \sin(2t)$  and  $y(t) = \sin t$  with  $t \in [0, 2\pi]$ . We have  $x'(t) = 2\cos 2t$  so we can find the vertical tangents by setting  $2\cos(2t) = 0$  to get:

$$t \in \left\{ \frac{\pi}{4}, \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{5\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4} \right\} \implies \left( 1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( -1, \frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( 1, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right) \left( -1, -\frac{1}{\sqrt{2}} \right)$$
(316)

For horizontal tangents, we have  $y'(t) = \cos t \implies \cos t = 0$  which gives:

$$t \in \{\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{3\pi}{2}\} \implies (0, 1)(0, -1)$$
 (317)

At t = 0, we also have x(0) = y(0) = 0. We can determine the tangent at this point as:

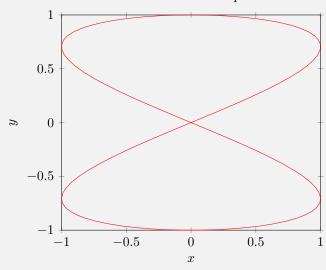
$$m_{\text{tangent}} = \frac{y'(0)}{x'(0)} = \frac{1}{2}$$
 (318)

However notice that at  $t = \pi$ , we have  $x(\pi) = y(\pi) = 0$  as well so this point has another tangent:

$$m_{\text{tangent}} = \frac{y'(\pi)}{r'(\pi)} = -\frac{1}{2} \tag{319}$$

At this point we can sketch out the conditions we found on the graph and draw out curve:

Parametric Example



• We can determine the **area** of a parametric curve via:

$$A = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} y(t)x'(t) dt$$
 (320)

Letting  $y = f(x) \implies y(t) = f(x(t))$  gives:

$$A = \int_{t_1}^{t_2} f(x(t))x'(t) dt$$
 (321)

$$= \int_{a=x(t_1)}^{b=x(t_2)} f(x) \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{322}$$

• We can also determine the area of a closed curve:

**Definition**: A curve is traversed in the positive sense as t increases, if the enclosed area is on the left (counterclockwise).

The area of a closed loop is then:

$$A = \int_{t_4}^{t_3} y(t)x'(t) dt - \int_{t_4}^{t_5} y(t)x'(t) dt + \int_{t_3}^{t_2} y(t)x'(t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} y(t)x'(t) dt$$
 (323)

where  $t_1$  represents the starting point on the bottom,  $t_2$  is the rightmost point,  $t_3$  is an arbitrary point on top,  $t_4$  is the leftmost point, and  $t_5$  is the endpoint that ends off as  $t_1$ . This gives:

$$-\int_{t_3}^{t_4} y(t)x'(t) dt - \int_{t_4}^{t_5} y(t)x'(t) dt - \int_{t_2}^{t_3} y(t)x'(t) dt - \int_{t_1}^{t_2} y(t)x'(t) dt$$
 (324)

or:

$$A = -\int_{t_1}^{t_5} y(t)x'(t) dt$$
 (325)

where  $t_1$  and  $t_5$  are the starting and ending points respectively. They can be arbitarrily chosen so long as the points they correspond to are on top of each other.

• Similarly, we can also write the area as:

$$A = \int_{t_1}^{t_5} x(t)y'(t) dt$$
 (326)

**Example 46:** Let us derive the area of an ellipse, parametized by:

$$x = a\cos\theta\tag{327}$$

$$y = b\sin\theta\tag{328}$$

for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ . The area is then:

$$A = -\int_0^{2\pi} b \sin \theta (-a \sin \theta) d\theta \tag{329}$$

$$= ab \int_0^{2\pi} \sin^2 \theta \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{330}$$

$$= ab \left[ \frac{1}{2}\theta - \frac{1}{4}\sin 2\theta \right]_0^{2\pi} \tag{331}$$

$$= \pi a b \tag{332}$$

• We can also determine the **arclength** of a parametric curve. We start with the summation:

$$s \simeq \sum \sqrt{\Delta x^2 + \Delta y^2} \implies \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2} \, \mathrm{d}t \tag{333}$$

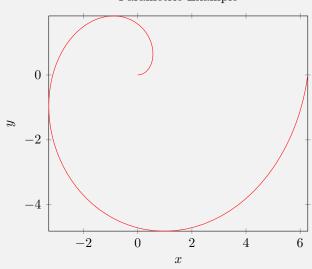
Note that if we let x = t and y = f(t) = f(x), then we get:

$$s = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{1 + f'(x)^2} \, \mathrm{d}x \tag{334}$$

which is what we should expect.

**Example 47:** Suppose we have  $x(\theta) = \theta \cos \theta$  and  $y(\theta) = \theta \sin \theta$  for  $\theta \in [0, 2\pi]$ , this gives an Archimedes Spiral:

Parametric Example



We can determine the arclength via:

$$s = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{(\cos \theta - \theta \sin \theta)^2 + (\sin \theta + \theta \cos \theta)^2} \,d\theta \tag{335}$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{1 + \theta^2} \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{336}$$

$$= \left[ \frac{1}{2} \theta \sqrt{1 + \theta^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left| \theta + \sqrt{1 + \theta^2} \right| \right] \Big|_0^{2\pi}$$
 (337)

$$= \pi \sqrt{1 + 4\pi^2} + \frac{1}{2} \ln \left( 2\pi + \sqrt{1 + 4\pi^2} \right) \tag{338}$$

Idea: If we wish to find the speed, we have:

$$v = \frac{ds}{dt} = \sqrt{x'(t)^2 + y'(t)^2}$$
 (339)

which comes from both the fundamental theorem of calculus, as well as from two-dimensional kinematics.

• The surface area can be written as:

$$A = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y \, ds = \int_{a}^{b} 2\pi y(t) \sqrt{x'(t)^{2} + y'(t)^{2}} \, dt$$
 (340)

• What is the *circumference of an ellipse?* If we try to carry out this calculation, we can parametize the ellipse as before:

$$x = a\sin\theta\tag{341}$$

$$y = b\cos\theta\tag{342}$$

with  $0 \le \theta \le 2\pi$  and the arclength as:

$$s = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2 \cos^2 \theta + b^2 \sin^2 \theta} \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{343}$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2(1-\sin 2\theta) + b^2 \sin 2\theta} \,d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} a\sqrt{1-\epsilon^2 \sin^2 \theta}$$
(344)

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} a\sqrt{1 - \epsilon^2 \sin^2 \theta} \tag{345}$$

with  $\epsilon \equiv \sqrt{\frac{a^2 - b^2}{a^2}}$ . Unfortunately, this is an elliptic integral of the second kind and has no analytic solution.

#### Polar Coordinates 11

• In polar coordinates, we can represent polar coordinates in terms of the distance r from the origin and the angle it makes with the positive horizontal axis:

$$(x,y) \iff [r,\theta]$$
 (346)

- The magnitude of r gives the distance from the origin, and multiplying r by -1 rotates the point about the origin by  $\pi$ .
- Polar coordinates are not unique:
  - The pole is  $[0, \theta]$  for all  $\theta$ .
  - $-[r,\theta] = [r,\theta+2n\pi]$  for any integer n.
  - $-[r,\theta] = [-r,\theta + (2n+1)\pi]$  for any integer n.
- We can convert between cartesian and polar coordinates using the transformation:

$$x = r\cos\theta\tag{347}$$

$$y = r\sin\theta\tag{348}$$

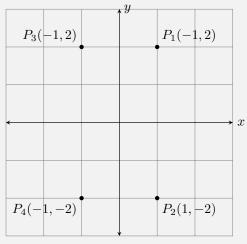
which gives:

$$r = \sqrt{x^2 + y^2} \tag{349}$$

$$\theta = \arctan\left(\frac{y}{r}\right) \tag{350}$$

for  $x \neq 0$ .

**Example 48:** Suppose we have the following four points.



We can represent the four coordinates also as:

$$P_1[\sqrt{5}, 1.107] \tag{351}$$

$$P_2[\sqrt{5}, -1.107] \tag{352}$$

$$P_3[-\sqrt{5}, -1.107] \tag{353}$$

$$P_4[-\sqrt{5}, 1.107] \tag{354}$$

- We can represent straight lines as:
  - Straight lines: y = mx:  $r = \alpha$  with  $\alpha = \arctan(m)$ .
  - Vertical lines x = a: We have  $r \cos \theta = a \implies r = a \sec \theta$ .
  - Horizontal lines: y = b. We have  $r \sin \theta = b \implies r = b \csc \theta$
- We can represent circles in polar coordinates as:

$$x^2 + y^2 = 9 \iff r = 3 \tag{355}$$

• Converting from polar coordinates requires a bit of extra work. Suppose we have  $r = 6 \sin \theta$ , then:

$$r^2 = 6r\sin\theta\tag{356}$$

$$x^2 + y^2 = 6y (357)$$

$$x^2 + y^2 - 6y + 9 = 9 ag{358}$$

$$x^2 + (y-3)^2 = 9 (359)$$

which represents a circle with radius 3 centered at (0,3).

- Symmetry can also arise in many scenarios. For example:
  - Symmetry about x axis:  $[r_1, \theta]$  and  $[r_1, -\theta]$ .
  - Symmetry about y axis:  $[r, \pi \theta]$  and  $[r_1, \theta]$ .
  - Symmetry about origin:  $[r, \theta]$  and  $[r, \theta + \pi]$ .

which will help when sketching them.

**Example 49:** Suppose we wish to sketch the curve  $r = \frac{1}{2} + \cos \theta$ . Notice that this is periodic so we only need to look at values of  $\theta$  where  $0 < \theta < 2\pi$ .

1. Let us first find values of  $\theta$  (if possible) that make r=0:

$$0 = \frac{1}{2} + \cos \theta \implies \theta = \frac{2\pi}{3}, \frac{4\pi}{3} \tag{360}$$

2. Find local max and min values of r:

$$\frac{dr}{d\theta} = -\sin\theta = 0 \implies \theta = 0, \pi \tag{361}$$

At  $\theta=0$ , we have  $r=\frac{3}{2}$ , at  $\theta=\pi$  we have  $r=-\frac{1}{2}$ . If  $\theta=\frac{\pi}{2},\frac{3\pi}{2}$ , then  $r=\frac{1}{2}$ .

3. We then loke at symmetry. Notice that:

$$\frac{1}{2} + \cos(-\theta) + \frac{1}{2} + \cos\theta \tag{362}$$

However:

$$r(\theta - \pi) \neq r(\theta) \tag{363}$$

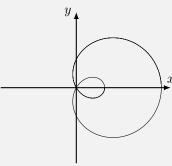
$$r(\pi + \theta) \neq r(\theta) \tag{364}$$

so it is not symmetryic about the y axis or origin.

4. We now look at the relevant intervals. From  $0 \le \theta < \frac{2\pi}{3}$ , we have  $\frac{dr}{d\theta} < 0$  so the radius is monotonically decreasing.

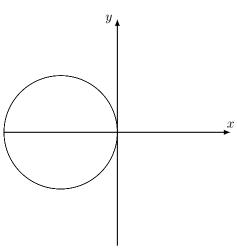
We can also look at the interval  $\frac{2\pi}{3} \le \theta < \pi$  and see that r is negative and  $\frac{dr}{d\theta} < 0$ , so the manigutde of r increases.

Noting that the function is differentiable at  $\theta = \pi$ , we can reflect the shape about the x axis to get a Limacon with inner loop.



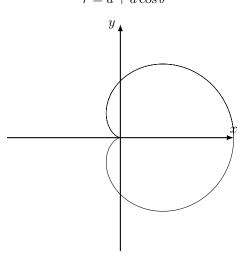
- There are a few common shapes. Each of these could be flipped or rotated by shifting the argument  $\theta$ , or using negative numbers.
  - Circles:

$$r = -2\cos\theta\tag{365}$$



- Cardioids:

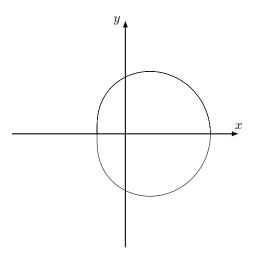
$$r = a + a\cos\theta\tag{366}$$



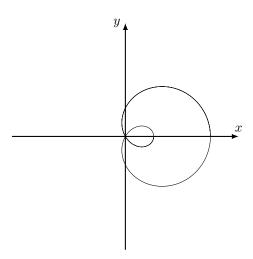
- Limacons:

$$r = a + b\sin\theta\tag{367}$$

There are two types, for a > b:

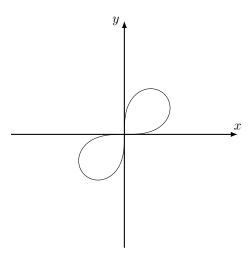


For a < b:



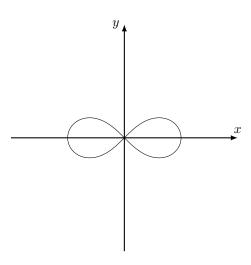
- Leminiscates. Again, there are two types. For:

$$r^2 = a\sin(2\theta) \tag{368}$$



and:

$$r^2 = a\cos(2\theta) \tag{369}$$

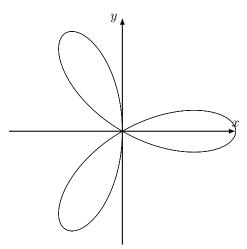


- Petal curves:

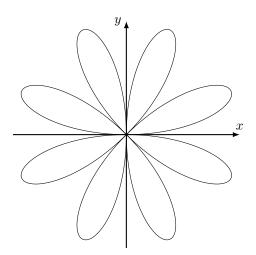
$$r = a\sin(n\theta) \tag{370}$$

$$r = a\cos(n\theta) \tag{371}$$

where n is an integer. There are n petals if n is odd and 2n petals if n is even. For example, the following is:  $r = 2\cos 3\theta$ :



and for  $r = 2\sin(4\theta)$ :

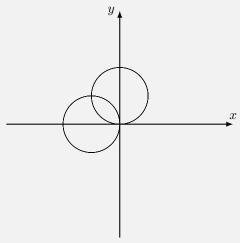


• We can also find the intersection of polar coordinates, but we have to be careful. The following example illustrates why.

**Example 50:** Suppose we have two curves  $r = \sin \theta$  and  $r = -\cos \theta$ . Suppose we try to solve this via:

$$\sin \theta = -\cos \theta \implies \theta = \frac{3\pi}{4}, \frac{7\pi}{4} \tag{372}$$

Plugging this back into  $x = r \cos \theta$  and  $y = r \sin \theta$ , we get  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $y = -\frac{1}{2}$ . We can also use  $\theta = \frac{7\pi}{4}$  to get:  $x = -\frac{1}{2}$  and  $y = \frac{1}{2}$  which is the same point. However, it represents the curves below:



There is actually two intersection points! The reason for this is that we assumed that the two curves intersect at the same value of  $\theta$ , but this is not necessarily true for the origin, which can be obtained at any angle  $\theta$ .

- As a result, we also have to check the origin.
- It is also possible to find the tangent:

$$\frac{dy}{dx} = \frac{\frac{dy}{d\theta}}{\frac{dx}{d\theta}}$$

$$= \frac{\frac{dr}{d\theta}\sin\theta + r\cos\theta}{\frac{dr}{d\theta}\cos\theta - r\sin\theta}$$
(373)

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(374)

#### **12** Areas and Lengths in Polar Coordinates

- Suppose we have a polar curve  $r = \rho(\theta)$  for  $\alpha \le \theta \le \beta$ .
- We can determine the area by partitioning the curve into  $\theta_i$  and approximating each subregion as a circular segment. The area of a circular segment is:

$$A = \frac{1}{2}a^2\Delta\theta\tag{375}$$

We can take the radius to be  $r = \rho(\theta^*)$  where  $\theta_{i-1} \leq \theta^* \leq \theta_i$ . The area of each region is:

$$A_i = \frac{1}{2}\rho(\theta_i^*)^2 \Delta \theta_i \tag{376}$$

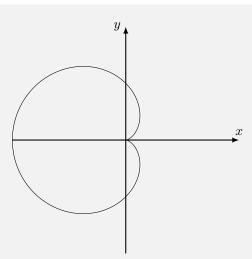
so the total area is:

$$A = \lim_{||P||} \sum_{i} \frac{1}{2} \rho(\theta_i^*)^2 \Delta \theta_i \tag{377}$$

or

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \rho(\theta)^2 \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{378}$$

**Example 51:** Suppose we wish to find the area of  $r = 1 - \cos \theta$ .



The area is then:

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - \cos \theta)^2 \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{379}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} (1 - 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta) \,d\theta \tag{380}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \int_0^{2\pi} \left( \frac{3}{2} - 2\cos\theta + \frac{1}{2}\cos(2\theta) \right) d\theta \tag{381}$$

$$= \frac{1}{2} \left( \frac{3}{2} \theta - 2 \sin \theta + \frac{1}{4} \sin(2\theta) \right) \Big|_{0}^{2\pi}$$
 (382)

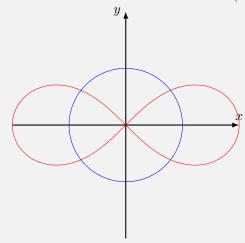
$$=\frac{3}{2}\pi\tag{383}$$

• We can also find the area between two polar curves  $\rho_1$  and  $\rho_2$ . We have:

$$A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \rho_1(\theta)^2 d\theta - \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \rho_2(\theta)^2 d\theta = \frac{1}{2} \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} (\rho_1^2 - \rho_2^2) d\theta$$
 (384)

Warning: Be careful when applying this formula as it is possible the two functions can overlap between  $\alpha \leq \theta \leq \beta$ . Therefore, we always need a good idea of what's happening.

**Example 52:** Suppose we want to determine the area inside  $r^2 = 4\cos(2\theta)$  but outside r = 1. This gives:



We first find the four points of intersection:

$$4\cos(2\theta) = 1 \implies \cos(2\theta) = \frac{1}{4} \implies \theta = \pm 0.659 \tag{385}$$

or  $\theta = \pi \pm 0.659$ . Due to the symmetry, we only need to find the area of one half of the area we are interested in, which gives:

$$\frac{1}{2}A = \frac{1}{2} \int_{-0.659}^{0.659} (4\cos 2\theta - 1) \,\mathrm{d}\theta$$
 (386)

$$= \frac{1}{2} (2\sin 2\theta - \theta) \Big|_{-0.659}^{0.659} \tag{387}$$

$$=1.277$$
 (388)

so the area is A = 2.554.

• There are a few challenging examples:

**Example 53:** Suppose we wish to find the area between  $r = \sin \theta$  and  $r = \cos \theta$ :



We know from symmetry that the intersection is at  $\theta = \frac{\pi}{4}$ . We notice that the contribution to the area from each curve  $\rho$  is equal and independent from each other. Therefore:

$$A = A_1 + A_2 = \int_0^{\pi/4} \frac{1}{2} \sin^2 \theta \, d\theta + \int_{\pi/4}^{\pi/2} \frac{1}{2} \cos^2 \theta \, d\theta = \frac{\pi}{8} - \frac{1}{4}$$
 (389)

• We can determine the arclength by working in parametric form. Let  $x = r(\theta) \cos \theta$  and  $y = r(\theta) \sin \theta$ . Therefore:

$$s = \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{\left(\frac{dx}{d\theta}\right)^2 + \left(\frac{dy}{d\theta}\right)^2} \, d\theta \tag{390}$$

$$= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{(r'\cos\theta - r\sin\theta)^2 + (r'\sin\theta + r\cos\theta)^2} d\theta$$

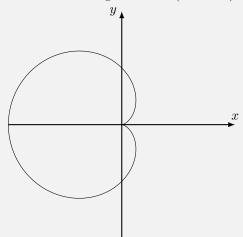
$$= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{(r'^2\cos^2\theta + r^2\sin^2\theta - 2rr'\cos\theta\sin\theta) + (r'^2\sin^2\theta + r^2\cos^2\theta + 2r'r\cos\theta\sin\theta)} d\theta$$
(391)

$$= \int_{0}^{\beta} \sqrt{(r'^2 \cos^2 \theta + r^2 \sin^2 \theta - 2rr' \cos \theta \sin \theta) + (r'^2 \sin^2 \theta + r^2 \cos^2 \theta + 2r'r \cos \theta \sin \theta)} d\theta$$
 (392)

$$= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{r^2(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta) + r'^2(\cos^2\theta + \sin^2\theta)}$$
 (393)

$$= \int_{\alpha}^{\beta} \sqrt{r^2 + \left(\frac{dr}{d\theta}\right)^2} \, \mathrm{d}\theta \tag{394}$$

**Example 54:** Suppose we want to find the arclength of  $r = a(1 - \cos \theta)$  from  $0 \le \theta < 2\pi$ . This looks like:



We have:

$$s = \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{r^2 + (r')^2} \, d\theta$$

$$= \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2 (1 - 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta) + a^2\sin^2\theta} \, d\theta$$
(395)

$$= \int_{0}^{2\pi} \sqrt{a^2(1 - 2\cos\theta + \cos^2\theta) + a^2\sin^2\theta} \,d\theta$$
 (396)

$$= a \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{2 - 2\cos\theta} \,\mathrm{d}\theta \tag{397}$$

$$= a \int_0^{2\pi} \sqrt{4\sin^2\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)} \,\mathrm{d}\theta \tag{398}$$

$$=2a\left[-2\cos\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)\right]\Big|_{0}^{2\pi}\tag{399}$$

$$=8a\tag{400}$$