

MTH310 Calculus & Computational Methods II

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1 Integration Practice

1.1 FToC I

Recall that we can solve a definite integral using the following definition:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx = F(b) - F(a)$$

1.2 Change of Variables / U-Substitution

Suppose we need take the antiderivative of $\int 2x \cos(x^2)dx$, let us suppose that $g(x) = x^2$, then we know $g'(x) = 2x$. We also know that $\int \cos(x)dx = \sin(x) + C$. If we combine these, we can derive the answer as:

$$\sin(x^2) + C = \int 2x \cos(x^2)dx$$

Theorem 1.1. Let us take $u = g(x) \rightarrow \frac{du}{dx} = g'(x)$ and $du = g'(x)dx$. We can then derive the following:

$$\begin{aligned} f(g(x)) &= \int (f \cdot g)'x \\ &= \int f'(g(x))g'(x)dx \\ &= \int f'(u)du \end{aligned} \tag{1}$$

1.2.1 Examples:

Consider the following substitution $u = 3x \rightarrow du = 3x \rightarrow \frac{1}{3}du = dx$, we can then solve:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \cos(3x)dx &= \frac{1}{3} \int \cos(u)du \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \sin(u) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{3} \sin(3x) + C \end{aligned} \tag{2}$$

Consider the following substitution $u = 2x^2 + 1 \rightarrow du = 4x dx$, we can then solve:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{x}{2x^2 + 1}dx &= \frac{1}{4} \int \frac{du}{u} \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln(u) + C \\ &= \frac{1}{4} \ln(2x^2 + 1) + C \end{aligned} \tag{3}$$

Consider the following substitution $u = 1 + x \rightarrow du = dx \rightarrow u - 1 = x$

$$\begin{aligned} \int x\sqrt{1+x} dx &= \int (u-1)u^{\frac{1}{2}} \\ &= \int u^{\frac{3}{2}} - u^{\frac{1}{2}} du \\ &= \frac{2}{5}u^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{2}{3}u^{\frac{3}{2}} + C \\ &= \frac{2}{5}(1+x)^{\frac{5}{2}} - \frac{2}{3}(1+x)^{\frac{3}{2}} + C \end{aligned} \tag{4}$$

1.3 Area between two curves

Recall:

Suppose $f(x) \geq 0$ is the area beneath the curve $0 \leq y \leq f(x)$, where $a \leq x \leq b$, then:

$$\int_a^b f(x)dx$$

is the area of the curve between a, b .

Theorem 1.2. Given functions $f(x), g(x)$ the area between the curves from (a, b) can be represented as:

$$\int_a^b (f(x) - g(x))dx$$

1.3.1 Examples:

Given two functions $f(x) = 3x^2 + 12$ and $g(x) = 4x + 4$, find the area between the curves from $(-3, 3)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-3}^3 (f(x) - g(x))dx &= \int_{-3}^3 (3x^2 + 12) - (4x + 4)dx \\ &= \int_{-3}^3 3x^2 - 4x + 8dx \\ &= x^3 - 2x^2 + 8x \Big|_{-3}^3 \\ &\vdots \\ &= 102 \end{aligned} \tag{5}$$

Given two functions $(x^2 + 2)$ and $(2x + 5)$, find the **enclosed** area between these two curves.

Find a, b , where the lines intersect $\rightarrow 2x + 5 = x^2 + 2 \dots (-1 \leq x \leq 3)$ then solve the integral.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_{-1}^3 (f(x) - g(x))dx &= \int_{-1}^3 (x^2 + 2) - (2x + 5) \\ &\vdots \\ &= \frac{32}{3} \end{aligned} \tag{6}$$

Given two functions $\sin(x)$ and $\cos(x)$ find the area between these two curves given that $0 \leq x \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$.

Find the intersection between the functions on the range given, then build the integral. This is easily done by observing the functions **geometrically**.

$$\begin{aligned} \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} (f(x) - g(x))dx &= \int_0^{\frac{\pi}{4}} \cos(x) - \sin(x)dx + \int_{\frac{\pi}{4}}^{\frac{\pi}{2}} \sin(x) - \cos(x)dx \\ &\vdots \\ &= 2(\sqrt{2} - 1) \end{aligned} \tag{7}$$

2 Integration in Theory/Application

2.1 Volume of Revolution

Visualize a cylindrical shape from (a, b) built by rotating some curve defined by $f(x)$ about some x -axis

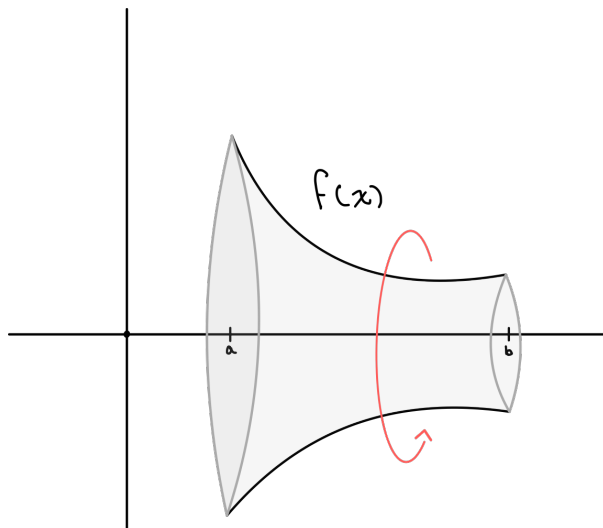


Figure 1: *Cylinder built by rotating $f(x)$ about the x -axis*

We can define the volume of this cylinder as the cross section \times thickness, similar to calculating the integral in a 2-dimensional plane. The integral for the volume of this cylinder is then written as:

$$V = \pi r^2 h$$

$$V = \int_a^b \pi f(x)^2 dx$$

Assuming another function $g(x)$ also rotated about the same axis, creating a hollow inside of the cylinder, we would then need to subtract the hollow section from the full volume:

$$V = \pi (r_{outer} - r_{inner})^2 h$$

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

2.2 The Average Value of a Function

Recall that the average value of a set of numbers (x_1, x_2, \dots, x_n) can be written as:

$$Average = \frac{x_1 + x_2 + \dots + x_n}{n}$$

We can then extrapolate to a more generalized formula:

$$Average = \frac{1}{n} \sum_{i=1}^n (x_i)$$

Rewrite in terms of arbitrary even sections between (a, b) on some curve $f(x)$, rather than some set of numbers:

$$Average = \frac{1}{b-a} \sum_{x=a}^b f(x) \quad (\text{This can be rewritten as an integral from } (a, b))$$

$$= \frac{1}{b-a} \int_a^b f(x) dx, \quad a \leq x \leq b \quad (\text{Definition of Average Value of } f(x))$$

3 Integration Techniques

Techniques of integration can be thought of as methods for evaluating integrals in situations where the process or methodology required are not obvious, many integrals can only be solved by specific techniques and these techniques can generally be categorized into two types:

- Universal Techniques
- Particular Techniques

3.1 Universal Techniques

3.1.1 Integration by Parts

Recall that $(f(x)g(x))' = f(x)g'(x) + f'(x)g(x)$ (*Product Rule*), if we then integrate both sides of this equation:

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

We can then rearrange this equation into the following:

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

Then we can generalize into:

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

This is known as integration by parts, the idea is that you rewrite the integrand in terms of u dv , generally you will want to follow these guidelines for choosing these values:

1. Choose u to be such that du is a **simpler** value than u .
2. Choose dv such that you could easily integrate and result in v .

You will know that a integral likely requires integration by parts if the integrand is obviously a product of two functions, take the following example:

Evaluate. $\int x \cos x dx =$

$$\begin{aligned} \int u dv &= uv - \int v du & u &= x, & dv &= \cos x dx \\ \int x \cos x dx &= x \sin x - \int \sin x dx & du &= dx, & v &= \int \cos x dx = \sin x \\ &= x \sin x + \cos x + C \end{aligned}$$

3.1.2 Partial Fraction Decomposition

When given an integral in the form $\int \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)} dx$ where $P(x), Q(x)$ are some polynomials, you likely will be able to proceed by converting the term into partial fractions. Keep in mind that for this technique to work, the degree of $Q(x)$ must always be **higher** than $P(x)$ and $Q(x)$ must also be **factorable**. The goal is to take $Q(x)$ into multiple factors, then find some $\frac{a}{q_1(x)} + \frac{b}{q_2(x)} \cdots = \frac{P(x)}{Q(x)}$, where $q_n(x)$ are factors of $Q(x)$.

Ex. Evaluate $\int \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} dx$. We can see that $x^2 - 1 = (x + 1)(x - 1)$:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} dx &= \int \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 1)} dx & \frac{1}{x^2 - 1} &= \frac{a}{x + 1} + \frac{b}{x - 1} \\ &= \int \frac{1}{(x - 1)(x + 1)} dx & 1 &= a(x - 1) + b(x + 1) \\ &= \int \frac{-1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x + 1} \right) + \frac{1}{2} \left(\frac{1}{x - 1} \right) dx & &= ax - a + bx + b \\ &= \frac{-1}{2} \ln|x + 1| + \frac{1}{2} \ln|x - 1| + C & 0x + 1 &= x(a + b) + (b - a) \\ & & \rightarrow a &= \frac{-1}{2}, \quad b = \frac{1}{2} \end{aligned}$$

3.2 Particular Techniques

3.2.1 Trigonometric Integrals

To evaluate an integral in the form $\int \sin^n x$ or $\int \cos^n x$, where n is some integer, recall the following two trigonometric identities:

$$\begin{aligned}\sin^2 x + \cos^2 x &= 1 \\ \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x &= \cos 2x\end{aligned}$$

Rearranging these identities we can solve for $\sin^2 x$ and $\cos^2 x$:

$$\begin{aligned}\cos^2 x &= \frac{1}{2}(1 + \cos 2x) \\ \sin^2 x &= \frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)\end{aligned}$$

Using these equations we can create a general formula for solving trigonometric integrals depending on the parity of n .

General formula for when $\int \sin^n / \cos^n x$ when n is even.

Take $\int \sin^{2m} x dx$ using the identities; we can solve through substitution.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^{2m} x dx &= \int (\sin^2 x)^m dx \\ &= \int \left(\frac{1}{2}(1 - \cos 2x)\right)^m dx\end{aligned}\tag{8}$$

We can then solve as a trivial integral.

General formula for when $\int \sin^n / \cos^n x$ when n is odd.

Take $\sin^{2m+1} x dx$, we can apply a u-sub taking $u = \cos x$ and $du = -\sin x$.

$$\begin{aligned}\int \sin^{2m+1} x dx &= \int \sin^{2m} x \sin x dx \\ &= \int (\sin^2 x)^m \sin x dx \\ &= \int (1 - \cos^2 x)^m \sin x dx \\ &= - \int (1 - u^2)^m du\end{aligned}\tag{9}$$

If the integral contains both $\sin^n x$ and $\cos^m x$, such as $\int \cos^m x \sin^n x dx$, there are two situations which can occur, and we can solve both using the previous formulae:

1. If **either** n or m are **odd**, then simply take apply the odd formula on the function with the odd power, then the u-sub will naturally substitute the remaining term.
2. If **both** n and m are **even**, you may apply the even formula to both and expand until you get all values in base terms, this may lead to expanding high degree polynomials.

To evaluate an integral in the form $\int \sec^n x dx$ or $\int \tan^n x dx$, keep in mind the following useful relations:

- $\frac{d}{dx} \tan x = \sec^2 x$
- $\frac{d}{dx} \sec x = \sec x \tan x$
- $\int \tan x dx = -\ln|\cos x| + C$

- $\int \sec x dx = \ln(\sec x \tan x) + C$
- $\tan^2 x + 1 = \sec^2 x$

Similarly to integrating $\int \sin^n x / \cos^n x$, there are different cases to consider regarding whether n is even or odd:

1. The Power of **Secant** is **even**, we isolate some \sec^2 from the \sec^n term when applicable, then generally we could make a substitution with the $\tan^2 x + 1$ relation, then perform a u-sub and solve.
2. The Power of **Tangent** is **odd**, we may try isolating some \tan^2 from the \tan^n term when applicable, then it is possible to either make a substitution with the $\sec^2 - 1$ relation, or multiply by $\frac{\sec}{\sec}$ to then make a u-sub.
3. The Power of **Secant** is **odd**, pray that you can reduce into integration by parts, if the degree is >3 you may have to do this multiple times.
4. The Power of **Tangent** is **even**, we may isolate into \tan^2 from \tan^n , then substitute with $\sec^2 - 1$, distribute terms, and either split the integral or integrate directly with a u-sub.

3.2.2 Trigonometric Substitutions

The following equations are useful creating simple substitutions. If you can simplify a term to these forms then the substitutions may make the integral much easier to evaluate.

- $\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \rightarrow x = a \sin \theta \quad dx = a \cos \theta d\theta$
- $\sqrt{a^2 + x^2} \rightarrow x = a \tan \theta \quad dx = a \sec^2 \theta d\theta$
- $\sqrt{x^2 - a^2} \rightarrow x = a \sec \theta \quad dx = a \sec \theta \tan \theta d\theta$

Keep in mind that after substituting, your integral will be derived with respect to θ rather than x , thus you must relate the final answer back in terms of x .

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