NCEA Level 3 Calculus (Integration) 18. Substitution

Recall that the *chain rule* is:

$$\frac{\mathrm{d}}{\mathrm{d}x}[f(g(x))] = f'(g(x))g'(x)$$

Since integration is (in some sense) the inverse of differentiation, we can write:

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

For a mnemonic, we can let u = g(x). Then $du = g'(x) dg^*$, and then (by substitution) we have

$$\int f'(g(x))g'(x) dx = \int f'(u) du = f(u) + C = f(g(x)) + C.$$

Example. Suppose we wish to find $\int \sin x \cos x \, dx$. Then let $u = \sin x$, so $du = \cos x \, dx$ and

$$\int \sin x \cos x \, dx = \int u \, du = \frac{1}{2}u^2 + C = \frac{1}{2}\sin^2 x + C.$$

In this case, we also could have used a trigonometric identity.

Example. Suppose we wish to find $\int xe^{x^2} dx$. We can let $u = x^2$, and then $du = 2x dx \Rightarrow dx = \frac{du}{2x}$. Hence:

$$\int xe^{x^2} dx = \int \frac{1}{2}e^u du = \frac{1}{2}e^u + C = \frac{1}{2}e^{x^2} + C.$$

Example. Suppose we wish to find $\int \frac{4}{x} (\ln x)^3 dx$. We let $u = \ln x$, and then $du = \frac{dx}{x}$. Hence:

$$\int \frac{4}{x} (\ln x)^3 dx = 4 \int u^3 du = u^4 + C = (\ln u)^4 + C.$$

Questions

- 1. A Find the following indefinite integrals:
 - (a) $\int \sin 2x \, dx$
 - (b) $\int (4x 44)^{2019} dx$
 - (c) $\int 4x\sqrt{x^2+3}\,\mathrm{d}x$
 - (d) $\int (3t-4)^2 dx$
 - (e) $\int \frac{x}{x^2+1} dx$
 - (f) $\int \frac{2}{4x+3} \, \mathrm{d}x$
 - (g) $\int e^{2x+1} dx$
 - (h) $\int \sec 4x \tan 4x \, dx$
 - (i) $\int 2\cos x + \sin 2x \, dx$
 - (j) $\int -2x \csc^2(3x^2) dx$
 - (k) $\int \frac{3}{x^3} \frac{4}{x+1} \, \mathrm{d}x$

 $^{^*}$ this is not rigorous, but it 'works'

(1)
$$\int e^{x/2} + \frac{2}{x} dx$$

(m)
$$\int x^2 \sec^2 x^3 + 9 \, dx$$

(n)
$$\int -\csc(\tan x)\cot(\tan x)\sec^2 x dx$$

(o)
$$\int \frac{\cos x - \sin x}{\cos x + \sin x} \, \mathrm{d}x$$

$$(p) \int \frac{2017}{x \ln x} \, \mathrm{d}x$$

2. M By using the substitution $x = \sin \theta$, find

$$\int \frac{1}{\sqrt{1-x^2}} \, \mathrm{d}x.$$

3. M Compute the following definite integrals:

(a)
$$\int_0^1 x e^{-x^2} \, \mathrm{d}x$$

(b)
$$\int_{-\pi/3}^{\pi/3} x^4 \sin x \, dx$$
 (hint: no substitution is required)

(c)
$$\int_0^1 \cos(\pi t/2) dt$$

(d)
$$\int_0^1 (3t-1)^{50} dt$$

(e)
$$\int_0^1 \sqrt[3]{1 + 7x} \, dx$$

$$(f) \int_0^1 \frac{\mathrm{d}x}{1+\sqrt{x}} \, \mathrm{d}x$$

(g)
$$\int_{-1}^{2} x(x-1)^3 dx$$

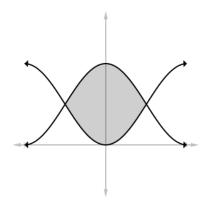
(h)
$$\int_{0}^{3} x \sqrt{1 + x^2} \, dx$$

4. M Find the area enclosed by the curve $y = 4\sin 3x \cos x$ and the x-axis from x = 0 to $x = \frac{\pi}{3}$.

5. **E** Find k such that
$$\int_0^k e^{2x} dx = 40$$
.

6. E Calculate the area enclosed by the curve $y = \frac{3x-2}{x+4}$ and the lines y = 0, x = 1, and x = 5.

7. E Find the area between the curves $y = \sin^2 kx$ and $y = \cos^2 kx$ shaded below.



8. \mathbf{M} Find $\int \tan \theta \, d\theta$ and $\int \cot \theta \, d\theta$.

9. A Complete the following working:

$$\int \sec x \, dx = \int \sec x \frac{\sec x + \tan x}{\sec x + \tan x} \, dx$$

$$= \int \frac{\dots}{\sec x + \tan x} \, dx$$
Let $u = \dots$

$$= \int \frac{1}{\dots} \, du$$

10. M Show that

$$\int x^4 \sin x \, dx = 4x(x^2 - 6x) \sin x - (x^4 - 12x^2 + 24) \cos x + C.$$

- 11. $\boxed{\mathbf{M}}$ If $y = x\sqrt{\sin x^3 + \cos x^3}$, find $\pi \int_0^1 y^2 dx$.
- 12. M The velocity of a particle at time t is given by $v = \frac{\cos(\sqrt{2t+1})}{\sqrt{2t+1}}$. What is the position of the particle at time t = 5, given that x(0.5) = 0?
- 13. S Evaluate $I = \int_0^{\pi/2} \frac{\sqrt{\sin x}}{\sqrt{\sin x} + \sqrt{\cos x}} dx$ [Hint: use the substitution $x = \frac{\pi}{2} u$ and add the result to the original integral.]
- 14. Scholarship 1999:
 - (a) Evaluate $\int \cos^5 x \, dx$ using the substitution $t = \sin x$.
 - (b) i. If $f(x) = \cos^5 x$, what are f(0), f'(0), and f''(0)?
 - ii. Hence evaluate a, b, and c in the approximation $\cos^5 x \approx a + bx + cx^2$.
 - iii. Use this to give an approximation for $\int \cos^5 x \, dx$.
 - (c) Evaluate $\int_0^{0.6} \cos^5 x \, dx$ to three significant figures, using:
 - i. The exact integration in (a).
 - ii. The expression in (b)(iii).
 - iii. Simpson's rule.