

Calculus 2 Homework #2

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Question 2.1:

Compute $\int \frac{x^5}{(x^3+1)(x^3+8)} dx$

Answer:

First, we will split up the integrand into the sum of smaller rational functions. We know that there exists polynomials p and q such that:

$$\frac{x^5}{(x^3+1)(x^3+8)} = \frac{p}{x^3+1} + \frac{q}{x^3+8}$$

And the degrees of both p and q are less than 3. This requires that:

$$p(x^3+8) + q(x^3+1) = x^5 \implies (p+q)x^3 + 8p+q = x^5$$

Since the degree of $p+q$ is less than 3 and the degree of $(p+q)x^3$ is more than or equal to 3 (or it's 0), this means $8p+q=0$. Otherwise, some part of $(p+q)x^3$ must be equal to $-8p-q$ and must therefore have a degree of less than 3, which is a contradiction since it is multiplied by x^3 .

So $q = -8p$. Which means:

$$-7p \cdot x^3 = x^5 \implies p = -\frac{x^2}{7}$$

And

$$q = \frac{8x^2}{7}$$

Which means the integral is equal to:

$$-\frac{1}{7} \cdot \int \frac{x^2}{x^3+1} dx + \frac{8}{7} \cdot \int \frac{x^2}{x^3+8} dx$$

So we just need to figure out how to compute integrals of the form:

$$\int \frac{x^2}{x^3+a} dx$$

We can substitute $u = x^3 + a$ which means $du = 3x^2 dx$, so

$$= \frac{1}{3} \int \frac{du}{u} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \log |u| = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \log |x^3 + a|$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$-\frac{1}{21} \cdot \log |x^3+1| + \frac{8}{21} \cdot \log |x^3+8| = \frac{1}{21} \left(\log \left| \frac{(x^3+8)^8}{x^3+1} \right| \right)$$

For simplicity, I did not add C , so the definite integral is actually:

$$\boxed{\frac{1}{21} \left(\log \left| \frac{(x^3+8)^8}{x^3+1} \right| \right)}$$

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Question 2.2:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{x}{(\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10})^3} dx$

Answer:

We can complete the square to get:

$$-x^2 + 7x - 10 = -(x - \frac{7}{2})^2 + 2\frac{1}{4} = \frac{3^2}{2} - (x - \frac{7}{2})^2$$

So we will substitute:

$$x - \frac{7}{2} = \frac{3}{2} \sin \theta$$

For $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$, when sin is bijective and differentiable. This means that:

$$(\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10})^3 = \left(\sqrt{\frac{3^2}{2} - \frac{3^2}{2} \sin^2 \theta}\right)^3 = \left(\frac{3}{2} \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}\right)^3$$

Since in the interval $[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}]$, $\cos \theta \geq 0$, this means that this is equal to:

$$\left(\frac{3}{2} \cos \theta\right)^3 = \frac{3^3}{2} \cos^3 \theta$$

And:

$$dx = \frac{3}{2} \cos \theta d\theta$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$\int \frac{\frac{3}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{7}{2}}{\frac{3^3}{2} \cos^3 \theta} \cdot \frac{3}{2} \cos \theta d\theta = \int \frac{\frac{3}{2} \sin \theta + \frac{7}{2}}{\frac{3^2}{2} \cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

We can split this fraction up:

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \int \frac{\sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta} d\theta + \frac{14}{9} \cdot \int \frac{d\theta}{\cos^2 \theta}$$

The right integral is just $\tan \theta$.

For the left integral, we substitute $u = \cos \theta$, so $du = -\sin \theta d\theta$, so it is equal to:

$$-\int \frac{du}{u^2} = \frac{1}{u} = \frac{1}{\cos \theta}$$

So the integral as a whole is equal to:

$$= \frac{2}{3} \cdot \frac{1}{\cos \theta} + \frac{14}{9} \cdot \tan \theta$$

We know that in this interval (as explained above):

$$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{2^2}{3^2} \left(x - \frac{7}{2}\right)^2} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \sqrt{\frac{3^2}{2} - (x - \frac{7}{2})^2} = \frac{2}{3} \cdot \sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10}$$

So

$$\tan \theta = \frac{\sin \theta}{\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}} = \frac{x - \frac{7}{2}}{\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10}}$$

Which means the integral is equal to:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10}} + \frac{14}{9} \cdot \frac{x - \frac{7}{2}}{\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10}} = \frac{\frac{14}{9} \cdot x - 4\frac{4}{9}}{\sqrt{-x^2 + 7x - 10}} + C$$

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Question 2.3:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{\cos(2x)}{\cos^2 x \sin^2 x} dx$

Answer:

We know $\cos(2x) = \cos^2 x - \sin^2 x$, so this is equal to:

$$\int \frac{\cos^2 x - \sin^2 x}{\cos^2 x \sin^2 x} dx = \int \frac{1}{\sin^2 x} dx - \int \frac{1}{\cos^2 x} dx = -\cot x - \tan x$$

And we know:

$$\cot x + \tan x = \frac{\cos x}{\sin x} + \frac{\sin x}{\cos x} = \frac{1}{\sin x \cos x} = \frac{2}{\sin(2x)}$$

So the integral is equal to

$$-\frac{2}{\sin(2x)} + C$$

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Question 2.4:

Compute the integral $\int x^3 \sqrt{9 - x^2} dx$

Answer:

We'll substitute $x = 3 \sin \theta$ for $-\frac{\pi}{2} \leq \theta \leq \frac{\pi}{2}$. So

$$\sqrt{9 - x^2} = \sqrt{9 - 9 \sin^2 \theta} = 3\sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta}$$

And as explained in the previous question, this is equal to $3 \cos \theta$.

Also:

$$dx = 3 \cos \theta d\theta$$

So the integral is equal to

$$\int 27 \sin^3 \theta \cdot 3 \cos \theta \cdot 3 \cos \theta d\theta = 3^5 \cdot \int \sin^3 \theta \cdot \cos^2 \theta d\theta = 3^5 \cdot \int \sin \theta (\cos^2 \theta - \cos^4 \theta) d\theta$$

We can substitute $u = \cos \theta$, so $du = -\sin \theta d\theta$, so the integral is equal to:

$$= -3^5 \cdot \int u^2 - u^4 du = 3^5 \left(\frac{u^5}{5} - \frac{u^3}{3} \right) = 3^5 \left(\frac{\cos^5 \theta}{5} - \frac{\cos^3 \theta}{3} \right)$$

We know that in this interval:

$$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{9}} = \frac{1}{3} \cdot \sqrt{9 - x^2}$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$3^5 \left(\frac{(\sqrt{9 - x^2})^5}{3^5 \cdot 5} - \frac{(\sqrt{9 - x^2})^3}{3^4} \right) = (9 - x^2)^{3/2} \cdot \left(\frac{9 - x^2}{5} - 3 \right) = -\frac{1}{5} (9 - x^2)^{3/2} \cdot (x^2 + 6)$$

So all in all, the integral is equal to:

$$-\frac{1}{5} (9 - x^2)^{3/2} \cdot (x^2 + 6) + C$$

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Question 2.5:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{x^2}{\sqrt{a^2 - x^2}} dx$

Answer:

We will substitute $x = a \cdot \sin \theta$ for $\theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$. Which means

$$dx = a \cdot \cos \theta d\theta$$

And:

$$\sqrt{a^2 - x^2} = \sqrt{a^2 - a^2 \cdot \sin^2 \theta} = a \cos \theta$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$\int \frac{a^2 \sin^2 \theta}{a \cos \theta} \cdot a \cos \theta d\theta = a^2 \cdot \int \sin^2 \theta d\theta$$

We know that

$$1 - 2 \sin^2 \theta = \cos(2\theta) \implies \sin^2 \theta = \frac{1 - \cos(2\theta)}{2}$$

So the integral is equal to

$$\frac{a^2}{2} \cdot \int 1 - \cos(2\theta) d\theta = \frac{a^2}{2} \cdot \left(\theta - \frac{\sin(2\theta)}{2} \right)$$

We know $\theta = \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)$, and in this interval:

$$\cos \theta = \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 \theta} = \sqrt{1 - \frac{x^2}{a^2}} = \frac{1}{a} \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

Which means

$$\sin(2\theta) = 2 \sin \theta \cos \theta = \frac{2}{a^2} \cdot x \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

So the integral is equal to

$$\frac{a^2}{2} \cdot \left(\sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right) - \frac{2}{2 \cdot a^2} \cdot x \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} \right) = \frac{a^2 \cdot \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot x \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2}$$

So all in all, the answer is:

$$\boxed{\frac{a^2 \cdot \sin^{-1} \left(\frac{x}{a} \right)}{2} - \frac{1}{2} \cdot x \cdot \sqrt{a^2 - x^2} + C}$$

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Question 2.6:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{x + \sqrt[3]{x^2} + \sqrt[6]{x}}{x(1 + \sqrt[3]{x})} dx$

Answer:

We will substitute $u = \sqrt[6]{x}$, so $x = u^6 \implies dx = 6u^5 du$, which means the integral is equal to:

$$\int \frac{u^6 + u^4 + u}{u^6(1 + u^2)} \cdot 6u^5 du = 6 \cdot \int \frac{u^6 + u^4 + u}{u(1 + u^2)} du = 6 \cdot \int \frac{u^5 + u^3 + 1}{1 + u^2} du$$

Using polynomial division, we can compute that:

$$u^5 + u^3 + 1 = u^3 \cdot (u^2 + 1) + 1$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$6 \cdot \int u^3 + \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du = \frac{3u^4}{2} + 6 \cdot \int \frac{1}{u^2 + 1} du$$

And we know the right integral is $\tan^{-1}(u)$, so:

$$= \frac{3u^4}{2} + 6 \tan^{-1}(u) = \frac{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{2} + 6 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt[6]{x})$$

So the integral is equal to

$$\boxed{\frac{3\sqrt[3]{x^2}}{2} + 6 \tan^{-1}(\sqrt[6]{x}) + C}$$

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Question 2.7:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{dx}{1 + \sin x + \cos x}$

Answer:

We will substitute $u = \tan \frac{x}{2}$.

Lemma 1.1.1:

If $u = \tan \frac{x}{2}$ then:

- $dx = \frac{2}{1+u^2} du$
- $\sin x = \frac{2u}{1+u^2}$
- $\cos x = \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}$

Proof:

- We know that $x = 2 \tan^{-1} u$, and we can differentiate both sides to get:

$$dx = \frac{2}{1+u^2} du$$

As required.

- We know:

$$u = \frac{\sin \frac{x}{2}}{\cos \frac{x}{2}} = \frac{\sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{\cos \frac{x}{2} \cdot \sin \frac{x}{2}} = \frac{2 \sin^2 \frac{x}{2}}{\sin x} = \frac{1 - \cos x}{\sin x}$$

And we know that

$$\cos x = \pm \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

So this is equal to:

$$= \frac{1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x}}{\sin x}$$

Which means

$$u \cdot \sin x = 1 \mp \sqrt{1 - \sin^2 x}$$

Subtracting 1 from both sides and squaring results in:

$$u^2 \sin^2 x - 2u \sin x + 1 = 1 - \sin^2 x \implies \sin x (u^2 \sin x + \sin x - 2u) = 0$$

Which means that

$$u^2 \sin x + \sin x - 2u = 0 \implies \sin x (u^2 + 1) = 2u \implies \sin x = \frac{2u}{u^2 + 1}$$

As required.

- From before, we know:

$$u \sin x = 1 - \cos x \implies \cos x = 1 - u \sin x = 1 - \frac{2u^2}{u^2 + 1} = \frac{1 - u^2}{1 + u^2}$$

As required. ■

So by the **above lemma** the integral is equal to:

$$\begin{aligned} \int \frac{\frac{2du}{1+u^2}}{1 + \frac{2u}{1+u^2} + \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}} &= 2 \cdot \int \frac{du}{1 + u^2 + 2u + 1 - u^2} = 2 \cdot \int \frac{du}{2u + 2} = \int \frac{du}{u + 1} = \log |u + 1| = \\ &= \log \left| \tan \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) + 1 \right| \end{aligned}$$

So the answer is

$\log \left| \tan \left(\frac{x}{2} \right) + 1 \right| + C$

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Question 2.8:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{dx}{x\sqrt{x^2 - 7x + 6}}$

Answer:

By completing the square, we find:

$$x^2 - 7x + 6 = \left(x - \frac{7}{2}\right)^2 - 6\frac{1}{4} = \frac{1}{4} \cdot ((2x - 7)^2 - 25)$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$\int \frac{2dx}{x\sqrt{(2x - 7)^2 - 25}}$$

So we will substitute:

$$2x - 7 = \frac{5}{\cos \theta}$$

For $\theta \in \left[-\frac{\pi}{2}, \frac{\pi}{2}\right]$. Which means:

$$\sqrt{(2x - 7)^2 - 25} = \sqrt{\frac{25}{\cos^2 \theta} - 25} = 5\sqrt{\tan^2 \theta} = 5 \tan \theta$$

And:

$$dx = \frac{5 \sin \theta}{2 \cos^2 \theta} d\theta$$

So the integral is equal to

$$\int \frac{\frac{5 \sin \theta}{\cos^2 \theta}}{\frac{5}{\cos \theta} + 7} \cdot 5 \tan \theta d\theta = 2 \int \frac{\sin \theta}{(5 + 7 \cos \theta) \sin \theta} d\theta = 2 \int \frac{d\theta}{5 + 7 \cos \theta}$$

We can then substitute $u = \tan\left(\frac{\theta}{2}\right)$, which by [lemma 1.1.1](#), means the integral is equal to:

$$4 \int \frac{\frac{1}{1+u^2}}{5 + 7 \cdot \frac{1-u^2}{1+u^2}} du = 4 \int \frac{1}{12 - 2u^2} du = 2 \int \frac{du}{6 - u^2}$$

We know there exist $\alpha, \beta \in \mathbb{R}$ such that

$$\frac{1}{6 - u^2} = \frac{\alpha}{\sqrt{6} - u} + \frac{\beta}{\sqrt{6} + u}$$

Which means

$$\alpha(\sqrt{6} + u) + \beta(\sqrt{6} - u) = 1 \implies \begin{cases} \alpha - \beta &= 0 \\ \alpha + \beta &= \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \end{cases}$$

So $\alpha = \beta$ and $\alpha = \beta = \frac{1}{2\sqrt{6}}$.

So the integral is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \left(\log \left| \frac{\sqrt{6} + u}{\sqrt{6} - u} \right| \right)$$

Now, we know that $u = \tan \frac{\theta}{2}$, and from our proof of [lemma 1.1.1](#), we know:

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sin \theta} = \frac{1 - \cos \theta}{\sqrt{1 - \cos^2 \theta}}$$

And we know that

$$\cos \theta = \frac{5}{2x - 7}$$

So

$$\tan \frac{\theta}{2} = \frac{1 - \frac{5}{2x-7}}{\sqrt{1 - \frac{25}{(2x-7)^2}}} = \frac{2x-7-5}{\sqrt{(2x-7)^2 - 25}} = \frac{2x-12}{\sqrt{4x^2 - 28x + 24}} = \frac{x-6}{\sqrt{x^2 - 7x + 6}}$$

Which means that the integral is equal to:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{6} + \frac{x-6}{\sqrt{x^2-7x+6}}}{\sqrt{6} - \frac{x-6}{\sqrt{x^2-7x+6}}} \right| = \frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{6x^2 - 42x + 36} + x - 6}{\sqrt{6x^2 - 42x + 36} - x + 6} \right|$$

So all in all the integral is:

$$\frac{1}{\sqrt{6}} \cdot \log \left| \frac{\sqrt{6x^2 - 42x + 36} + x - 6}{\sqrt{6x^2 - 42x + 36} - x + 6} \right| + C$$

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Question 2.9:

Compute the integral $\int \frac{dx}{2 + 2 \sin x}$

Answer:

We will substitute $u = \tan \frac{x}{2}$, and according to [lemma 1.1.1](#), the integral is equal to:

$$\int \frac{\frac{2du}{1+u^2}}{2 + \frac{4u}{1+u^2}} = \int \frac{2du}{2 + 2u^2 + 4u} = \int \frac{du}{u^2 + 2u + 1} = \int \frac{du}{(u+1)^2} = -\frac{1}{u+1}$$

So the integral is equal to:

$$-\frac{1}{\tan\left(\frac{x}{2}\right) + 1} + C$$

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Question 2.10:

Find a recursive formula for $I_n = \int \sin^n x dx$

Answer:

Boundary conditions

$n = 0$: If $n = 0$, then

$$I_n = I_0 = \int \sin^0 x dx = \int dx = x + C$$

So $I_0 := x + C$

$n = 1$: If $n = 1$, then:

$$I_n = I_1 = \int \sin x dx = -\cos x + C$$

So $I_n = -\cos x + C$

Recursion

Notice that for $n \geq 1$:

$$\sin^n x = \sin^{n-1}(x) \cdot \sin(x)$$

So the integral

$$I_n = \int \sin^{n-1}(x) \cdot \sin(x) dx$$

Using integration by parts

$$\begin{array}{ll} u &= \sin^{n-1}(x) \\ du &= (n-1) \sin^{n-2}(x) \cdot \cos(x) dx \end{array} \quad \begin{array}{ll} dv &= \sin(x) dx \\ v &= -\cos(x) \end{array}$$

The integral is equal to:

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

Now, let's focus on the right integral:

$$\int \sin^{n-2}(x) \cos^2(x) dx = \int \sin^{n-2}(x) - \sin^n(x) dx = I_{n-2} - I_n$$

So:

$$I_n = -\sin^{n-1}(x) \cdot \cos(x) + (n-1)(I_{n-2} - I_n) \implies n \cdot I_n = -\sin^{n-1}(x) \cdot \cos(x) + (n-1)I_{n-2}$$

Which means:

$$I_n = -\frac{1}{n} \cdot \sin^{n-1}(x) \cdot \cos(x) + \frac{n-1}{n} \cdot I_{n-2}$$

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