

Assignment 2 Problem 2

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2. Let K_m denote the following indefinite integral:

$$K_m(x) = \int_x^m \sin(x) dx \text{ for } m = 0, 1, 2, \dots$$

(a) Evaluate $K_1(x)$.

$$K_1(x) = \int x^1 \sin(x) dx$$

Integration by parts would be the strategy to solve the integral because the integrand is a product. Therefore, we let $u = x$ and thus $du = dx$ and $dv = \sin x dx$ and thus $v = -\cos x$.

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^1 \sin(x) &= -x \cos x + \int \cos x dx \\ &= -x \cos x + \sin x + C \end{aligned}$$

(b) Show $K_m(x) = -x^m \cos(x) + mx^{m-1} \sin(x) - m(m-1)K_{m-2}(x)$

$$K_m(x) = \int x^m \sin(x) dx$$

Because the integrand is a product, I am going to use integration by parts and select $u = x^m$ and thus $du = mx^{m-1}$. I choose $dv = \sin(x) dx$ and thus $v = -\cos(x)$.

$$\text{Therefore } \int x^m \sin(x) dx = -x^m \cos(x) + \int mx^{m-1} \cos(x) dx$$

Now consider $\int mx^{m-1} \cos(x) dx$ which equals $m \int x^{m-1} \cos(x) dx$

Again we use integration by parts because the integrand is a product.

I choose $u = x^{m-1}$ and thus $du = (m-1)x^{m-2}$. I choose $dv = \cos(x) dx$ and thus $v = \sin(x)$.

$$\begin{aligned} \text{Therefore } m \int x^{m-1} \cos(x) dx &= m(x^{m-1} \sin(x) - (m-1) \int x^{m-2} \sin(x) dx) \\ &= mx^{m-1} \sin(x) - m(m-1) \int x^{m-2} \sin(x) dx \end{aligned}$$

This last integral $\int x^{m-2} \sin(x) dx$ is equal to $K_{m-2}(x)$.

Thus, plugging this integral back into the original equation, where we left off:

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^m \sin(x) dx &= -x^m \cos(x) + \int mx^{m-1} \cos(x) dx \\ &= \int x^m \sin(x) dx = -x^m \cos(x) + mx^{m-1} \sin(x) - m(m-1)K_{m-2}(x) \end{aligned}$$

(c) Calculate $K_0(x)$, $K_2(x)$, and $K_4(x)$

$$K_0(x) = \int x^0 \sin(x) dx = \int \sin(x) dx = -\cos(x) + C$$

$$K_2(x) = \int x^2 \sin(x) dx$$

Because the integrand is a product, we again apply integration by parts.

I choose $u = x^2$ and thus $du = 2x dx$. I choose $dv = \sin(x) dx$ and thus $v = -\cos(x)$.

Therefore $\int x^2 \sin(x) dx = -x^2 \cos(x) + 2 \int x \cos(x) dx$.

Consider the integral $\int x \cos(x) dx$

Again we apply IBP. Let $u = x$ and thus $du = dx$. Let $dv = \cos(x) dx$ and thus $v = \sin(x)$.

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

Plugging this back into the original equations we get:

$$\begin{aligned} \int x^2 \sin(x) dx &= -x^2 \cos(x) + 2 \int x \cos(x) dx = -x^2 \cos(x) + 2(x \sin(x) - \cos(x) + C) \\ &= -x^2 \cos(x) + 2x \sin(x) + 2 \cos(x) + C' : C' = 2C \end{aligned}$$

$$K_4(x) = \int x^4 \sin(x) dx$$

Recall the formula for $K_m(x)$:

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

Thus we choose $m = 4$ and we get:

$$= \int x^4 \sin(x) dx = -x^4 \cos(x) + 4x^3 \sin(x) - 4(3) K_2(x)$$

Then we plug in $K_2(x)$ and we get:

$$= -x^4 \cos(x) + 4x^3 \sin(x) + 12x^2 \cos(x) + 24x \sin(x) + 24 \cos(x) + C$$

(d) Solve the definite integral $\int_0^\pi x^4 \sin(x) dx$

To get the answer, we just need to evaluate the indefinite integral that we just calculated with the bounds 0 and π .

$\int_0^\pi x^4 \sin(x) dx$ equals

$$-\pi^4 \cos(\pi) + 4\pi^3 \sin(\pi) + 12\pi^2 \cos(\pi) + 24\pi \sin(\pi) + 24 \cos(\pi)$$

$$\text{minus } (0^4 \cos(0) + 4(0)^3 \sin(0) + 12(0)^2 \cos(0) + 24(0) \sin(0) + 24 \cos(0))$$

$$= \pi^4 - 12\pi^2 - 24 - 24 = \pi^4 - 12\pi^2 - 48.$$